

NORTH, TORRENS, STURT, PORT WIN LEAGUE FOOTBALL

VICTORY SNATCHED FROM WEST IN LAST MINUTE

Norwood Hold Fourth Place From Port By Narrow Margin

GLENELG'S CHANCES FADING

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The sensation of today's league football was the narrow victory of Torrens over West. After having outplayed the Thebarton team for three terms, West, with 17 men, had victory snatched from them in the last minute.

Torrens thus won their seventh game for the season, six of them being by a margin of seven points or less.

Port, with a 68-point victory over South, greatly improved their percentage, and failed to displace Norwood from fourth position on the premiership list by the barest of margins.

At Prospect North and Norwood figured in a game of few outstanding features, neither side showing form. North won by 15 points. Farmer's eight goals for North cements his position at the top of the league goalkicking list, making his total 56.

At Adelaide South extended Port in the first half of the game, but thereafter the young Port side ran right away.

Sturt's comfortable victory over Glenelg makes it particularly difficult for the Bay team to gain a place in the final four.

STURT TOO STRONG FOR GLENELG

Playing strong, vigorous football in the first half against Glenelg at Unley, Sturt ran up a lead of 8-2 before half-time. The second half was of a low standard, and although Glenelg played better than the top team, the weight of the Sturt men in the scrimmages prevented the outsiders from scoring often. Sturt won easily.

Just how congested the play was is strikingly shown by the scoring in the last quarter, only one goal and three behinds being kicked in the first 20 minutes of the term.

STURT—Backs—Wadham, Fisher, R. Green. Half-backs—Parsons, Sims, Tushy. Centres—Trelovan, G. Headon, King. Half-forwards—Longmore, Bateman, S. Headon. Forwards—Smith, G. Green, Whitehead. Hook—Thomas, Rossiter, Wunderwitz, Shuttworth (19th).

GLENELG—Backs—R. Rosewarne, James, Currow. Half-backs—Olliver, Walls, Stringer. Centres—Hill, Sallia, Wallstone. Half-forwards—Wunderwitz, Brock, Percy. Forwards—Owens, C. Rosewarne, Colyer. Hook—Johnston, Hale, Link, Griffiths (19th).

Umpire—D. Eglington.

Sturt, after winning the toss, attacked the southern goal with plenty of vigor. Their first two bursts finished out of bounds, then A. Wunderwitz kicked a point.

G. Green, in front of goal, put his foot to the ball just in time and goaled. The Glenelg players paved the way for Sturt's next two points, and then in quick succession came goals from S. Headon—a long drop-kick—Whitehead, and Smith, the last from an acute angle.

Sturt were dominating the game, and Glenelg's first and only score for the quarter was a point snapped by C. Rosewarne. The quarter was then nearly finished.

Sturt went straight down the field again after the bounce. Thomas booted it right in. G. Green began to run in a few yards from goal, was pulled down, and goaled easily from a free. A Wunderwitz, running right in, gave Sturt a 41-point lead with another goal.

First Quarter

	G.	B.	Pts.
STURT	6	6	42
GLENELG	0	1	1

Glenelg attacked ceaselessly for the first six minutes of the second quarter, but only three points came. Colyer and Wunderwitz failed with golden opportunities.

Then, in one 60-second burst, Sturt nullified all that Glenelg had done in six minutes. Longmore booted the ball in, and Whitehead, after struggling for position with James, goaled.

But C. Rosewarne improved Glenelg's position with two quick goals. The first came after Colyer and Brock had combined to give him possession, and the second from a free in front.

Then G. Green did the same for Sturt. His second goal was a sequel to a brilliant patch of system that shone out in a quarter of which doggedness was the keynote.

HOW THE TEAMS STAND

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Points Prem.	
					For	Ag. Pts.
Sturt	10	9	1	—	1,056	745 18
North	10	7	3	—	1,029	900 14
Torrens	10	7	3	—	879	903 14
Norwood	10	5	4	1	947	905 11
Port	10	5	4	1	941	920 11
Glenelg	10	4	6	—	1,016	971 8
South	10	2	8	—	872	1,166 4
West	10	—	10	—	881	1,110 —

Curnow, Stringer, and Wells were parrying many Sturt attacks, but with the fresh breeze helping Glenelg this quarter the Sturt defenders were also kept busy.

Walham and Sims were the best, and Fisher at full back, who invariably punched the ball out when in the park, was doing good work. C. Rosewarne scored his, and Glenelg's, third goal, and at the other end G. Green and S. Headon added goals.

Half-time

	G.	B.	Pts.
STURT	11	8	74
GLENELG	3	6	24

The only bright features of the first 11 minutes of the third term were dashes from the back line by Stringer, a good mark in a crush by C. Rosewarne, and a few long kicks by Sturt men. It was uninspiring football, during which Owens scored a goal for Glenelg. Another goal came from him a little later—a beautiful, long shot.

After R. Green had hit a post from about 30 yards out Rossiter drove the ball in. Both James, the Glenelg full back, and G. Green, the Sturt goalkicker, misjudged the flight of the kick, and the ball went over their heads and bounced through.

But Glenelg were slowly overhauling the double-blues now. Johnston put on Glenelg's sixth goal, and Colyer snapped another soon after.

Third Quarter

	G.	B.	Pts.
STURT	12	13	85
GLENELG	7	8	50

The standard of football for the first half of the last quarter was worse than that of the third term. There were continual scrimmages, lightened only by flashes of aerial brilliance by G. Headon and R. Green, and heady ground play by Link.

W. Smith, after a free in front, scored the only goal during the first 20 minutes of the term. Not long afterwards came a shot by Longmore, and a goal.

In the last few moments of the game the play opened up a little, and a lightning thrust by Glenelg ended in a goal to C. Rosewarne. Glenelg went down the field again, and Colyer, from the boundary, dropped the ball to Owens. Then Percy marked his stab, and Glenelg's second goal came up.

Final

	G.	B.	Pts.
STURT	14	15	99
GLENELG	9	11	65

Goalkickers—Sturt—G. Green (5), Whitehead, S. Headon, Smith (each 2), Rossiter Wunderwitz Longmore. Glenelg—C. Rosewarne (4), Owens (2), Johnston, Colyer, Percy.

Best Players—Sturt—R. Green, G. Headon, Sims, Wadham, Fisher, Whitehead. Glenelg—Colyer, Stringer, Sallia, C. Rosewarne, Link, Hill.

	G.	B.	Pts.
Sturt	14	15	99
Glenelg	9	11	65
Torrens	10	22	82
West	11	13	79
Port	24	12	156
South	14	4	88
North	13	17	95
Norwood	11	14	80

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Today	Total
Farmer (North)	8	56
G. Green (Sturt)	5	50
C. Rosewarne (Glenelg)	4	46
Bennetts (West)	1	44
Owens (Glenelg)	2	41
Krome (Norwood)	1	31
Munro (South)	8	31
N. Hender (Port)	7	28
J. Murdy (South)	—	27
Waite (Torrens)	—	23
Johnson (Norwood)	3	20

PORT'S BIG TALLY AT ADELAIDE

After having surprised Port in the first half with their pace and determination, South were overshadowed by superior system and deadly goalkicking at the Adelaide Oval. Both sides did well in the six, and in the early stages South's ruck was a telling combination. With little to support their pace they faded out in the concluding stages.

PORT	3-3	7-6	16-8	24-12
SOUTH	6-0	7-0	9-2	14-4

Goalkickers—Port—N. Hender (7), Ritch (6), Jacquier, Quinn (each 3), A. Hender, Dermody, Reval, West, Pridcaux South—Munro (8), F. Tully (2), Thomas, H. Long, Baxter, McCarthy.

Best Players—Port—N. Hender, Wightman, Quinn, Dermody, Reval, A. Hender, Allingham, Hooper. South—Rose, F. Tully, Dornan, Hassett, Thomas, Cahill, H. and C. R. Forrester.

FARMER'S BIG PART IN NORTH WIN

(By O. J. O'GRADY)

Farmer's eight goals was a big factor in North's defeat of Norwood at Prospect. Apart from his and Mackay's efforts, North's showing was only mediocre. Norwood did not impress, either.

The best man on the ground was Mackay, who gave a dashing and forceful display at centre wing. Schultz, Norwood's full-forward, opened promisingly. Of his five goals three were scored in the final term.

NORTH	2-2	7-9	9-12	13-17
NORWOOD	4-4	6-8	8-13	11-14

Goalkickers—North—Farmer (8), McNamara, Burns, Hemera, Foulis, McInnes, Norwood—Schultz (5), E. A. Johnson (3), Krome, O'Brien, W. McCallum.

Best Players—North—Mackay, Taylor, Farmer, McInnes, Walter, Hawke. Norwood—H. Page, Johnson, W. B. McCallum, F. McCallum, Schultz, Curyer.

EXCITEMENT AT THEBARTON

Torrens Win in Last Term Burst

After having lagged behind badly for three quarters, Torrens paralysed West in the last term at Thebarton and wiped off a 23-point deficit to win by three points. The game finished in exciting fashion. Quinn kicking the winning goal less than a minute before the final bell.

Torrens played poor football for most of the game, and were not a shadow of the team that conquered Sturt. It was a moral victory for West, as they played the last term with 17 men. With a full team they probably would have won.

TORRENS	2-3	4-9	8-12	10-22
WEST	3-4	6-6	10-11	11-13

Goalkickers—Torrens—Quinn (4), Hamrahan, McKnight (each 2), Martin, McLoughlin. West—Hill (4), Golding (3), Cneeseaman, Tonkin, Williams, Bennetts, Snell.

Best Players—Torrens—Pontifex, Adcock, Perkins, Quinn, Simpson, McLoughlin, Conroy. West—Mattiske, M. Jarvis, Snell, Hill, Tonkin, Webber, Foweraker.

24,961 AT TODAY'S GAMES

Adelaide	6,125
Unley	6,000
Prospect	7,816
Thebarton	5,020
Total	24,961