

LEAGUE  
FOOTBALL

# Torrens Stop Norwood's Run of Victories

## Redlegs Lose By More Than Four Goals in Splendid Game

### NORTH WIN NARROWLY BUT GOAL IN DISPUTE

#### South and West Score With Ease

(CONDUCTED BY PERCY FURLER)

The final scores in today's league football matches were:—

Torrens, 14—16 (100 pts.) d. Norwood, 10—13 (73 pts.)  
 North, 16—14 (110 pts.) d. Port, 15—18 (108 pts.)  
 West, 15—19 (109 pts.) d. Glenelg, 9—18 (72 pts.)  
 South, 23—9 (147 pts.) d. Sturt, 15—23 (113 pts.)

Torrens surprised the football public by stopping Norwood's previously unbroken run of victories with a brilliant display of football. Speed, high marking and dashing ground play made the game a treat to watch.

Port went under by two points to North in a match of unusual interest. As a result of an incident during the second quarter an inquiry may be held by the league into the umpire's action in allowing a North goal, kicked after the ball had been signalled out of bounds.

West had no difficulty in accounting for Glenelg, who are suffering from an unusual crop of injuries, and South focused further attention on themselves with a stylish overthrow of Sturt.

## Bridgman's Big Part In Torrens Win

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	4.1	7.3	11.14	14.16	100
Norwood	3.3	6.6	8.8	10.13	73

By H. K.

TORRENS played fast, vigorous, and exhilarating football to down the previously undefeated Norwood team at Thebarton this afternoon. All members of the team contributed to the success, but it is rarely that one player has such a marked bearing on the fortunes of a game as did Bridgman on this occasion.

Immediately Bridgman took his place in the ruck Torrens began to forge ahead. When he went out to spell in defence, the teams were about evenly matched. Bridgman handled the ball with the grace and surety of an artist, and almost invariably disposed of it to good advantage—which is more than can be said for a number of his teammates.

Had the standard of Torrens' kicking been as high as their other play they would have won by a much greater margin.

**Goalkeepers.**—Torrens—Waite (7), Kinlough, Drury (each 2). Quick, Downs, Molan. Norwood—Schultz Brown (each 3), Rainsford (2), McLean, G. Page.

**Best Players.**—Torrens—Bridgman, Hanrahan, Waite, Drury, Simpson, Downs. Norwood—Woodroffe, McCullum, Brown, Rainsford, Edwards, H. Page.

## South Play Better Than For Years

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
South	4.1	15.4	18.8	23.9	147
Sturt	2.7	7.13	12.20	15.23	113

By PERCY FURLER

SETTLING down to systematic play and kicking for goal with deadly accuracy, South gave an impressive display in overthrowing Sturt at the Adelaide Oval.

South are a good team, and today dispelled all doubt about their ability. South gain their strength from the fact that every player seems to be imbued with the idea of team work.

I will be very surprised if South are not "knocking at the door" towards the end of the minor round. It is many years since I have seen South play with such dash and determination as they did today.

In the third term Sturt, with a great burst drew to within five points, but South came back, and by stamina and grit snatched back control after being temporarily rattled.

In contrast to the accuracy of South, Sturt failed dismally in front of goal. Kicks from point-blank range went astray, and had they taken advantage of the opportunities offering they would have pressed South more closely.

South played the better football, and the blue-and-whites would have been unlucky to lose.

**STURT.**—Backs—Wadham, Toms, Cameron. Half-backs—Headon, Sims, Tuohy. Centres—Treleaven, King, Johnston. Half-forwards—Green, Day, Ingham. Forwards—Longmore, Biggs, Yarwood, Buck, Robertson, Sawatzke, Wundersitz, Johnston (19th).

Johnston (injured leg) replaced by Ingham in the second quarter.

**SOUTH.**—Backs—Muleahy, Jim Dawes, Mann. Half-backs—Raymond, Cockburn, Oborn. Centres—Egan, Mackay, Cahill. Half-forwards—Rosewarne, Murdy, Busby. Forwards—Jack Dawes, Munro, Gravel, Buck—Masters, Reddaway, Tully, Eose (19th).

Umpire—G. E. Allen.

**Goalkeepers.**—South—Munro (8), Jack Dawes (4), Murdy (3), Tully, Masters, Rosewarne, Gravel (each 2). Sturt—Day (5), Wundersitz (3), Sawatzke, Biggs (each 2), Longmore, Johnston, Tuohy.

**Best Players.**—South—Jack Dawes, Cockburn, Masters, Cahill, Munro, Mackay, Mann, Sturt—Day, King, Biggs, Robertson, Wundersitz, Toms, Treleaven.

## Umpire's Blunder Costs Port Goal

### PROSPECT DISPUTE

(By "Highflier")

North will receive two premierships points as a result of the game at the Prospect Oval today, but morally Port were the victors. This unsatisfactory finish to a fine, hard game was due to one of the worst blunders I have seen an umpire make for a very long time.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	5.4	9.6	11.11	16.14	110
Port	3.2	8.5	12.13	15.18	108

On the actual scores at the finish of the game, North should have had one goal less than the number recorded.

With the scores level in the second quarter, North forced the ball through to Farmer. The North captain was hard pressed, and he ran to the left of the northern goal. As he turned to elude an opponent the boundary umpire signalled "out of bounds."

But the play went on, and the boundary umpire ran on the field to central umpire Thomas. The boundary official spoke to the man in charge as Farmer sent the ball through the goal.

A goal was signalled, and the umpire had the ball brought back to the centre and bounced.

The ball was signalled "out of bounds" before Farmer kicked it, and the central umpire blundered badly in allowing the score. He should have cancelled the score and had the ball thrown in at the point where it had gone out of bounds.

The umpiring all through was of a most unsatisfactory nature. It was impossible to follow the decisions of the field umpire.

The worst patch was in the last 10 minutes. With both teams fighting hard there were breaches of the rules galore, but very few free kicks. Pushing in the back, "legging" and throwing the man were allowed to go unnoticed.

It would be a liberal estimate to place the number of free kicks given for holding the ball at no more than five for the whole of the game.

**Goalkeepers.**—North—Farmer (9), Hemers (3), S. Burton, Warhurst, Melvin, McInnes. Port—Prideaux (8), Murphy (3), Hender, Hollingworth (each 2).

**Best Players.**—North—S. Burton, Farmer, Hemers, Alexander, K. Burns, Carvosso, McNamara. Port—Ween, Murphy, Dermody, Hollingworth, Prideaux, Jacquier, Yates.

## West-Glenelg Game Full of Errors

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	1.7	11.14	18.16	18.19	109
Glenelg	2.5	8.9	7.14	9.18	72

(By F. K. M.)

EXCEPT for a bright burst by West in the second quarter, when the game was really won by West, the West-Glenelg game was the sort of match that makes football fans take to betting shops.

Individual players on both sides did splendid work, but the game was full of errors and for long periods degenerated into a dull, monotonous scramble.

West's 37-point win was comfortable enough, but Glenelg probably would have made a better showing had it not been for the fact that their team had been seriously weakened by illness and injury.

Their run of bad luck continued today. Colver, their star rover, and Burgin (half-forward) were both unable to play because of illness, and a last-minute reshuffle of the team was necessary.

In the second quarter, Stott was injured and had to leave the field, and Currow also received a knock, but played on, although his effectiveness was impaired.

### TRICKY OVAL

West took a long time to find their feet, and during the first quarter, as the scores indicate, there was little between the teams. West usually won in the air, while Glenelg were on top in the race for the ball.

The shooting for goal was poor, and many opportunities were missed by the forwards on both sides.

The Wayville Oval is usually tricky because of the roughness of the field, and today the ball was bouncing in all directions. This may have had something to do with the difficulty both team experienced in judging the ball on the ground.

In the second quarter West provided some really good combined football, and completely overwhelmed Glenelg.

In the first 12 minutes of the term they added 55 points, two to behinds, goals coming in rapid succession from Bennetts (4), Jarvis, Nash, Jackson, and Hill.

Bennetts during this period played a brilliant game in the forward pocket, taking some beautiful marks and kicking well. Glenelg's defence lines were utterly demoralised by the unceasing barrage on their goal.

### How Teams Stand

	P.	W.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.	Points Prem.
Norwood	5	4	1	513	411	8	
Port	5	3	2	553	423	6	
North	5	3	2	546	462	6	
West	5	3	2	446	419	6	
South	5	3	2	520	494	6	
Torrens	5	2	3	479	478	4	
Sturt	5	2	3	440	544	4	
Glenelg	5	—	5	361	627	—	

### League Goalkickers

	Today	Total
Farmer (North)	9	45
E. J. Bennetts (West)	5	24
Prideaux (Port)	8	24
Hender (Port)	2	23
Schultz (Norwood)	3	22
Munro (South)	8	19

### 18,870 AT GAMES

A total crowd of 18,870 witnessed the league football fixtures today. Crowds at the various ovals were:—

Adelaide (South v. Sturt)	5,927
Prospect (North v. Port)	5,680
Thebarton (Torrens v. Norwood)	5,493
Showgrounds (West v. Glenelg)	1,770

## Close-Ups from Ovals

OUTSTANDING among West's forwards was Bennetts, who played his usual clever, elusive game. He marked well and picked up cleverly. He scored five goals from eight scoring shots, his three behinds all coming from difficult angle positions.

NED Hender worked cleverly for position to score a goal for Port at Prospect today. He marked the ball on an acute angle, and edged his way to a favorable position. Fouls attempted to keep him on the angle, but while he was appealing to the umpire to send Hender back, the port player whipped the ball through.

PORT have one of their former captains (Cliff Keal) to thank for their defeat at Prospect today. He is coach of the red-and-whites now, and he had them in fine condition for the game.

P. A. Read, the Torrens defender, had a difficult task today, when, in making his first appearance for the season, he had to stand the Norwood giant, A. K. C. McLean. Read warmed up to his task as the game progressed, and by the last quarter he was among the best on the field.



A. Goldsworthy

ALL of Goldsworthy's three goals for Glenelg were scored within a few minutes during the third term. Tonkin, against whom he was matched in this quarter, had played a steady defending game for West all day, but Goldsworthy continually outmarked him. Goldsworthy also did well when he took a brief turn on the ball in the last term, although it was obvious that his presence was missed forward.

BROCK was the only Glenelg defender to show up to advantage against West. He took some great marks and played a vigorous, hard-bumping game. But with little support he could do little to check West piling up their big second-quarter score.

JACK Dawes, of South, has a bright career ahead. Strong ruckwork and useful forward play kept him in the limelight throughout today's game.

MUNRO reached top form to earn his eight goals for South. His position play of the Sturt backs on their mettle.

DAY, of Sturt, appears to have strong claims for inclusion in the State side. Able to get the ball in the air he invariably finishes off his work with a driving kick.

KING played usefully, although towards the close of the game he had to take second place to his opponent.

NORTH were well served by Carvosso and Alexander on their half-back wings against Port. Both these players lack height, but they got off the ground well to take the ball in the air. Their fast ground play and strong kicking, however, were the main factors in their success.

MURPHY, second rover for Port, was dropped by the magpies early last season, and did not get another chance in big company until today. His fast ground work and clever position thrilled the crowd time after time at Prospect today.

MATTISKE, West's full back, gave a great exhibition of high marking against Glenelg. His height, combined with his judgment and strength, enable him to soar time and again high above the heads of the opposing forwards. He seldom failed to bring the ball down, and kicked accurately to his teammates.

H. PAGE, of Norwood, who sustained slight concussion in the match against Torrens at Thebarton this afternoon, was rushing through a bunch of players when he crashed head-on into an opposing player. He fell like a log, and the game was held up while trainers and St. John Ambulance men dashed on to the field. Mrs. Page also dashed towards the group, and had to be led unwillingly away. Page was taken off the field on a stretcher. In the dressing room, as slowly regained consciousness, he looked up and saw another player standing over him. His first words were, "Hello! How did we go?" Then he closed his eyes again.

**WEST.**—Backs—O'Donnell, Mattiske, Hare. Half-backs—Matthews, Webber, Tonkin. Centres—J. Bennett, Headon, Fowleraker. Half-forwards—Hill, Smith, Nash. Forwards—Slade, Jarvis, Bennetts, Buck—Jackson, Mesecke, Heddie, Walker (19th).

**GLENELG.**—Backs—Currow, H. Richter, Wells. Half-backs—V. Richter, Brock, Whittaker. Centres—McCarthy, Sallis, Stott. Half-forwards—Fischer, Goldsworthy, Hannam. Forwards—Harford, Elsdon, Seeley, Ruck—Percy, Corbett, Eadie, Arndt (19th).

Arndt replaced Stott for Glenelg in the second quarter.

Umpire—S. A. D. Hill.

**Goalkeepers.**—West—Bennetts (5), Jarvis (3), Hill, Mesecke, Slade, Smith, Nash, J. Bennett, Jackson, Glenelg—Goldsworthy (3), Fischer, V. Richter, Harford, Sallis, Arndt, Wells.

**Best Players.**—West—Mattiske, Bennetts, Jarvis, Matthews, Hill, Webber, Fowleraker. Glenelg—Brock, Goldsworthy, Harford, Sallis, Hare, Walker, Wells.