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South's Amazing Defeat of League Leaders

SMASHING LAST QUARTER AFTER EARLY SUPERIORITY

Norwood Lose Place at Head Of Premiership Table to Port

NASTY INCIDENTS IN PORT-WEST GAME

Scores in today's league matches were:—

- South, 21—17 (143 points), d. Norwood, 8—7 (55 points).
- North, 16—22 (118 points), d. Glenelg, 15—18 (108 points).
- Port, 16—12 (108 points), d. West, 10—14 (74 points).
- Torrens, 19—13 (127 points), d. Sturt, 18—9 (117 points).

Combining with perfect system and holding sway at every position on the field. South inflicted a smashing defeat on Norwood. As a result of their defeat Norwood are now replaced at the head of the premiership table by Port.

Superiority in the ruck and advantage in the air allowed Port to defeat West comfortably in a match marred by an ending in which some players on both sides lost control of themselves.

Finishing with grim determination Torrens wore down Sturt to win by 10 points. Glenelg made North fight hard to score their victory at Prospect, and it was only the strong defence of the red-and-whites in the last term which prevented Glenelg from snatching victory.

Glenelg's Last Term Burst Fails

(By F. K. M.)

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts
North	5.6	6.13	14.21	16.22	118
Glenelg	1.5	6.10	10.12	15.18	108

ALTHOUGH Glenelg staged a stirring last-quarter rally North proved just strong enough to beat them in a hard-fought game at Prospect.

To my mind the match did not provide an exhibition of really first-class football. There were fine individual performances on both sides, but many mistakes were made, and the game was sometimes held up for long periods, particularly during the first half, by dull and rather scrambling interludes.

Nevertheless, the closeness of the scoring during the greater part of the match, the fluctuation of fortunes, and the fact that the result was in doubt until the last couple of minutes, kept the crowd on its toes the whole afternoon.

NORTH'S SYSTEM

It was certainly not Glenelg's lucky day. A strong wind, blowing almost directly into the northern goal, played a very big part in the game, and by far the greater part of North's scoring was done in the first and third quarters, when they had the wind.

Only three of their 16 goals were kicked against the wind.

In the last quarter, however, with Glenelg facing a deficit of 33 points, the wind dropped almost altogether. In addition at the most critical stage of the last term, two shots that looked certain sixers brought only points, Johnston kicking a behind from not more than 15 yards directly in front, and Harford hitting the post from an easy position.

It is difficult to single out any one department in which either team was superior throughout the match. North's first-quarter lead of 25 points was certainly not due entirely to the influence of the wind. They seemed to me to be a little faster than Glenelg and were definitely the more systematic.

In the first 10 minutes of the second term, however, the position was reversed. Glenelg were now faster to the ball and had the advantage in the air. Not once did the ball pass Glenelg's half-back line during this period, and excellent use was made of opportunities, rapid-fire goals coming from Hewitt, Percy, Goldsworthy, and Johnston, which gave Glenelg the lead for the first time since they had kicked the first point of the match.

During the remainder of the term honors were fairly even, with North doing most of the attacking, but

being checked by a lack of cohesion forward and by Glenelg's steady defence, where Brock, Griffiths, and Wells were outstanding.

North gave by far their best display of the match during the third term, when they put on almost half their score. Their system, which showed signs of breakdown during the second quarter, once again came to the fore. They also won in the rucks, which were dominated by S. Burton. Up to half-time Johnston and Colyer had given Glenelg the advantage in this department.

COSTLY INACCURACY

The last quarter was almost entirely Glenelg's. With fast, vigorous thrusts and excellent marking, they were on the offensive almost continually. North passed the centre only for a few minutes at the beginning of the quarter and again just before the bell, but both times they scored goals.

Glenelg marred their marked superiority in general play in this term, however, by frequent wild kicking and faulty passing forward. There were only eight points between the teams when Harford and Johnston missed their goals.

Farmer once again failed to strike his usual goalkicking form, although his marking was as sure as ever.

NORTH—Backs—Carvosso, Melvin, Boltroff. Half-backs—Taylor, Alexander, Rush. Centres—Trenogve, Knuckey, A. Burton. Half-forwards—E. Burns, Martin, Spencer. Forwards—Warhurst, Farmer, Oatway. Ruck—S. Burton, Melnes, Foulis, Shaw (19th).

GLENELG—Backs—Griffiths, H. Richter, Corbett. Half-backs—Curnow, Brock, Wells. Centres—McCarthy, Sallis, Ahrendt. Half-forwards—Boyle, Goldsworthy, V. Richter. Forwards—Hewitt, Percy, Harford. Ruck—Johnston, Olliver, Colyer, Carlos (19th).

Umpire—T. W. Elliott.

Goalkickers—North—Farmer (5), Warhurst and Foulis (each 3), S. Burton and Spencer (each 2), and Melnes. Glenelg—Colyer, Percy, Wells (each 3), Hewitt (2), Harford, Goldsworthy, Boyle, and Johnston.

Best Players—North—S. Burton, Foulis, Carvosso, Knuckey, Warhurst, Burns, Alexander. Glenelg—Brock, Colyer, Johnston, Percy, Sallis, Wells.

20,551 AT FOOTBALL

Attendances today were about 3,000 greater than those last Saturday. The attendances at the ovals were:—

Norwood (South v. Norwood)	6,950
Adelaide (Port v. West)	6,737
Unley (Torrens v. Sturt)	3,750
Prospect (North v. Glenelg)	3,114
Total	20,551

How Clubs Stand

	P.	W.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Port	8	6	2	908	659	12
Norwood	8	6	2	743	693	12
South	8	5	3	874	742	10
North	8	5	3	882	776	10
West	8	4	4	701	754	8
Torrens	8	3	5	773	800	6
Sturt	8	2	6	698	870	4
Glenelg	8	1	7	632	917	2

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Today	Total
Farmer (North)	5	55
Bennetts (West)	6	37
Munro (South)	11	37
Prideaux (Port)	1	37
Hender (Port)	1	34
Schultz (Norwood)	2	32
Brown (Norwood)	1	23
Wundersitz (Sturt)	3	20

League Close-Ups

JIM Dawes led the South defence like a veteran. Strong in the air and forceful in his ground play, he repeatedly drove the redlegs out.

W. McCALLUM was the only Norwood player to sustain his form. It was no fault of his that the redlegs were so soundly trounced.

COLIN Smith played under difficulties for West at Adelaide Oval today. He was concerned in a bicycle accident last week, and received injuries to a thigh, hip, and arm. In spite of the injuries, he played a serviceable game in the ruck.



B. Mattiske

MATTISKE must have elinched his claim to the full back position in the State side by his fine display at Adelaide Oval today. He was like a brick wall in defence for West. His high marking was a superb, while his kicking left nothing to be desired.

ALL the Sturt ruckmen were prominent today, but outstanding among them was BIGG. The association with Robertson helped him, but his vigorous, overpowering dashes down the field at times left Torrens standing. When resting in defence he was equally effective, and was the breaking point of a number of Torrens attacks.

YARWOOD made Hanrahan fight all the way on the wing at Unley, and although he may not have handled the ball quite as often as the Torrens man, he usually disposed of it to better advantage. Hanrahan frequently finished his work with a weak punt that went anywhere the ball felt disposed to go.

O'DONNELL earned another trial with West by his display against Port today. He held Whicker reasonably well at centre wing, and that is more than any other wingman has been able to do this season.

WHILE Mattiske was working wonders at one end of the ground West was playing brilliantly in the full-back position for Port at Adelaide Oval today. His speed, high marking, long kicking, and versatility must put him in the running for the State union.

Last 10 Minutes Disgrace to Game

ADELAIDE OVAL MATCH

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	4.2	9.4	11.7	16.12	108
West	3.4	6.6	8.10	10.14	74

(By "Highflier")

PORT and West ran through practically the whole gamut of rough play in the last 10 minutes of the game at Adelaide Oval today. With some of the men fighting, tearing, and mauling, the teams, with 17 men each, finished a match which was no credit to the national game.

Incidents in the third quarter culminated in some of the players going berserk towards the end of the game. Two players will appear before the league commissioners as a result of incidents in the last few minutes, but there are others who must regard themselves as being decidedly fortunate not to have been reported.

Goalkickers—Port—Quinn (5), Brown (4), Wightman and Jacquier (each 2), Yates, Hender, and Prideaux. West—Bennetts (6), Jackson, Headon, Slade, and Smith.

Best Players—Port—Quinn, Johnston, West, Yates, Hansen, Whicker, Brown. West—Mattiske, Headon, Webber, Graham, Hare, Tonkin, Bennetts.

Redlegs Rely Too Much On Marking

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final
South	3.3	8.13	12.13	21.17
Norwood	3.3	3.4	8.5	8.7

(By Percy Furler)

PRODUCING football of unsurpassed brilliance, South inflicted a smashing defeat on Norwood. It is many years since I have seen such a display of sustained brilliance and if such exhibitions could be produced each week their need be no fear about the future of the national code.

Goalkickers—South—Munro (11), Gravell (3), Tully, Rusby (each 2), Masters, Jack Dawes, Murdy, Norwood—A. McLean, Schultz (each 2), McKee, O'Brien, Warhurst, Brown.

Best Players—South—Jim Dawes, Cahill, Rosewarne, Mackay, Murdy, Raymond. Norwood—W. McCallum, Chinnery, Schultz, Blanchard, Woodroffe, P. McCallum.

R. W. Mullins, the half-forward from Price, whom Torrens included against Sturt today, showed that all he needs to make him a valuable asset to the side, is coaching, and a little more experience in league company. He began as centre half-forward, but could not cope successfully with Sims, and was transferred to a flank. There he battled gamely and fairly successfully throughout the day.

COLYER gave another great exhibition of polished, clever football today. He was responsible for some wonderfully fast runs, and his clever turning got him out of some very difficult positions. He also marked and passed surely.

J. BOYLE, who played his first league game with Glenelg today, gave a good exhibition for a newcomer. Playing on the half-forward line, he appeared slightly nervous during the first half, but later took some fine marks. He is a great kick and booted one goal from fully 50 yards out.

BROCK was easily the best of Glenelg's defenders. His anticipation was almost uncanny, and he always seemed to be in a position to intercept the ball. His long kicks always ensured that the ball was taken well out of Glenelg's danger zone.

ON Quinn's roving display at Adelaide Oval today he must be considered for a place in the State side. He worked grandly on the ruck fringes, and passed the ball with great accuracy.

CAHILL was in brilliant form against Norwood. He completely mastered his immediate opponent, and was a shining light in most of the South attacks.

MUNRO worked into position excellently, and marked in fine style to earn his 11 goals. Towards the close of the day the Norwood backs could not stop him.

DINNISON again gave Torrens good service at full back against Sturt, following his success against Farmer last week. Although Lowe, the Sturt full forward, kicked six goals today, and was one of the best men for his side, Dinnesson was not overshadowed. Lowe took some beautiful marks, and scouted for the ball with uncanny judgment. It is doubtful whether any goalkeeper in the league today could have kept him to a smaller tally.

JOHNSON jumped straight into top form on his return to the Port team at Adelaide Oval today. He closed the direct road to goal all day.

Torrens Win Mediocre Unley Game

Torrens	3.0	11.4	14.7	19.13	127
Sturt	6.3	10.5	13.8	18.9	117

(By H. K.)

TORRENS won their match against Sturt at Unley today through a superiority in fighting their way out of the scrimmages which comprised most of the play in the last quarter.

For three quarters the play was fairly open, the team kicking with the wind being the more prolific scorer. The wind had dropped a lot when Sturt opened the final term with a seven-point lead. Instead of persevering with the open game that had kept them ahead, they showed an inclination to crowd the play.

Play went from one scrimmage to another, and the closeness of the scores was the only point of interest in the play. Players flew out of the crushes like ninetails, and often one would literally throw himself on a bunch of seven or eight players, and bring them all to the ground.

Goalkickers—Torrens—Downs (5), McLoughlin, Foote (each 3), Drury, Coulter (each 2), Bridgman, Mullins, Waite, Kerley, Sturt—Lowe (6), Wundersitz, Biggs (each 3), Sawatzke, Baxter (each 2), Longmore, Sims.

Best Players—Torrens—Downs, Drury, Williamson, Foote, Adeock, McLoughlin, Coulter. Sturt—Lowe, Biggs, Baxter, Longmore, Tuohy, Day.



S. Burton