

LEAGUE FOOTBALL North in Their Second Drawn Game of Season

Exciting End To Unley Fight

West's First Win; Surprising Recovery South Down Torrens

Conducted by Vic Johnson

After an exciting fight at Unley today, the Sturt-North game ended in a draw—the second for the season, and North have figured in both. Scores:—

West 23—18 (156 pts.) d. Glenelg 20—11 (131).
Sturt 12—17 (89) drew with North 12—17 (89)
South 18—11 (119) d. Torrens 15—15 (105)

West's first victory for the season was the result of a remarkable uphill fight. Glenelg booted 12—3 in the first term—the best start any team has had since Port scored the same against Norwood at the end of the minor round last year. West turned the tables with 9—8 in the last term.

South and Torrens staged a brilliant finish, but South were able to hold off a strong challenge by the Thebarton men.

Glenelg Slump Badly

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts
West	4.1	9.6	14.10	23.18	156
Glenelg	12.3	13.6	19.8	20.11	131

By C. A. B.

AFTER having laid the foundation of a splendid victory, Glenelg slumped badly against West at Unley and were soundly defeated. West, never giving up hope, battled away dourly and wore the Bays down by sheer tenacity.

Last week Sturt's winning run was stopped by Glenelg. Today West opened its winning account at the expense of the inconsistent Tigers.

Half-way through the third quarter today Glenelg, after a burst in which they kicked five goals straight while West did not score, were 9—2 in front. Thereafter West took charge and put on 13—12 to 1—3 by Glenelg. Glenelg did not score from half-way through the third to midway through the last term.

Glenelg can offer no excuse for their inglorious showing. They began like lions with 12—3 in the first term and finished like lambs with 1—3 in the last.

They really lost the game in the second term, when they made the mistake of under-raising their opponents. They palpably let up and allowed the red-and-blacks to score enough to keep them plugging away.

Glenelg's phenomenal shooting for goal was the feature of the first term. The Bays apparently could do nothing wrong, repeatedly raising both flags with snaps from all sorts of angles and distances.

The Bays handled the ball cleanly, d out cleverly, and their field kicking left little to be desired. They were yards ahead in the race to the ball, and marked with a certainty which, considering the sticky ground and the moist ball, was astonishing.

Glenelg's dominance of the rucks and pack were important factors in their early supremacy. The forwards played with machine-like precision, rattling off six goals in a row and then after Warne had scored a point, kicking four more six-pointers in succession.

The term was notable for the accurate kicking of both sides. Sixteen goals came from 20 scoring shots,

surely one of the highest scoring first quarters on record.

Two seemingly different teams took the field for the second term. Glenelg seemed to have lost all their fire, while West, profiting by their own improvement and Glenelg's relaxed vigilance, gradually reduced their formidable opening of 56 points.

The Bays lagged in the race to the ball, and lost all semblance of the system which had enabled them to overwhelm the red-and-blacks in the first term. As a result, they had only a useful instead of a match-winning, lead at half-time.

Glenelg quickly re-established their ascendancy in the third term. Carrying everything before them in the aerial arena and regaining their superiority in attack, they staged a brilliant burst of goal-kicking which yielded six goals in a row.

Glenelg, however, lost the upper hand as quickly as they had regained it. West came with an electrifying run, and, playing like men inspired when they saw victory within their grasp, played all over a chagrined and demoralised Glenelg team.

Glenelg brought Boyle from half-forward in an effort to buttress their sadly disarrayed defence, but West continued to do practically as they liked.

GLENELG—Backs—Maple, H. Richter, Ahrendt. Half-backs—Westcombe, Brook, V. Richter. Centres—Sealey, Hunt, Schibborg. Half-forwards—Goldsworthy, Boyle, Eatts. Forwards—Warne, Percy, Winkler. Back—Johnson, McInnes, Link, Pike (19th).

Schibborg (injured leg) was replaced by Pike in the last term.

WEST—Backs—Adey, Smith, Brady. Half-backs—Webber, McArthur, Cahill. Centres—Foweraker, Boderick, Soroghan. Half-forwards—Hill, Powell, Hudson. Forwards—Chenoweth, Codd, Raymond, Jack Jackson, Taylor, Hoddie, McCulloch (19th).

Adey (head injury) replaced by McCulloch in the last term.

Umpire—K. O. Carter.

Goalkeepers.—West—Powell (5), Codd, Hudson, Raymond (each 3), Chenoweth, Soroghan, Foweraker (each 2), Hill, Taylor, C. Smith. Glenelg—Winkler (5), Warne, Johnston (each 3), Link, Percy (each 2), Eatts, Sealey, Maple, Boyle, Goldsworthy.

Best Players.—West—Soroghan, Powell, McArthur, Foweraker, Hudson, Taylor. Glenelg—Warne, Link, Hunt, Sealey, Johnston, H. Richter.

How League Teams Stand

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Norwood	4	3	1	—	412	283	6
Port	4	3	1	—	402	343	6
Sturt	4	2	1	1	350	373	5
Scunthorpe	4	2	2	—	414	407	4
Torrens	4	2	2	—	366	365	4
Glenelg	4	1	2	1	401	491	3
North	4	—	2	2	364	394	2
West	4	1	3	—	344	437	2

League Goalkickers

	Today	Total
Brown (Norwood)	—	23
Farmer (North)	3	19
Hardiman (South)	3	14
Mullins (Torrens)	3	14
Quinn (Port)	—	14
Codd (West)	3	12
Longmore (Sturt)	1	12
Percy (Glenelg)	2	12

Last Quarter Battle By Torrens

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts
South	4.1	8.8	12.10	18.11	119
Torrens	3.2	7.1	8.10	15.15	105

By M. W. J.

TACTICAL changes at half-time which gave them superiority in the ruck and at full forward, coupled with safer handling of the ball, which was drying appreciably, swung the match at the Adelaide Oval in favor of South. They won the game against Torrens in the third term.

A determined last quarter fight by Torrens, when they produced some electrifying bursts, converted a game that began very timidly, into a thrilling climax.

Goalkickers.—South—Jack Dawes (7), Hardiman, Laphorne (each 3), Raymond, Pryor (each 2), Mackay. Torrens—Scott (5), Drury, Mullins (each 3), Filsell, Curtis, Wright, Riggs.

Best Players.—South—Mulcahy, Raymond, Jack Dawes, Cockburn, Jobson, Murdy, Brown, Torrens—Drury, Scott, Mullins, Filsell, Roads, Hanrahan, Dinison.

Stars in Today's League Matches

BLUE Johnston's display for Glenelg against West indicated that he is nearing top form. He brought down many towering marks in the first half, but lost touch in the second.

H. RICHTER marked brilliantly at full back for Glenelg. His kicking off was a model of accuracy. Ahrendt played solidly in a back pocket.

WINKLER played a grand first half for Glenelg. He brought down several great marks, and goaled with spectacular long snaps. He kicked five goals.



A. Link

LINK, Glenelg rover, displayed much of his old dash at the bay today. He roved tigerishly and flew high for the ball at times.

FOWERAKER, at centre wing, was one of West's most useful players against Glenelg. A fast ground worker and quick on the turn, he sent the ball into the forwards with well-directed kicks.

HUDSON played effectively for West at half-forward. He led out well and marked and kicked strongly.

Moves That Might Have Prevented Draw at Unley

Johnson Discusses Thrilling Match

By Vic Johnson

North probably made football history today by finishing level with Sturt in the game at the Unley Oval, and thus twice figuring in drawn matches in the first month of the league season. And on both occasions they were ahead of their opponents at the final change-over.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts
North	8.7	7.8	11.16	12.17	89
Sturt	7.4	8.8	9.12	12.17	89

POSSIBLE CHANGES

Possibly there were two moves which might have made the difference between a draw and a victory. Early in the game it was apparent that Hawke was unable to combat the muddy patches at centre, and although he was doing fairly well, I thought he would have been of much better use to North at half-forward, where the ground was firmer and more suited to a man of his build.

Tuckey, a shorter man, although figuring prominently at centre half-forward, would have handled the going at centre in much better style.

On the other hand, Sturt, in the latter part of the game, could have with great advantage used Ralph Green, who had performed capably in goals, as a follower.

At this stage of the game a fresh follower would have been of inestimable value to a hard-worked following division. Tuohy could easily have replaced Green, as at this time Farmer was definitely out of the game because of his injury.

On the surface the drawn games may suggest that North are lacking in their finishing effort, but that is not the case. North were fighting grimly on the bell today with the odds against them, Farmer being practically useless because of an obvious injury in the last quarter.

They had a good chance to clinch the game, Mount, their wingman, having a kick which might have turned the scales in their favor. He was a long way out, however, and found the distance too great.

These remarks, however, are not intended to take any credit away from Sturt, as their effort was very fine indeed. In the latter stages of the third quarter it appeared as though North had the measure of their opponents, but Sturt, with Morton indomitable in front of goals, headed North early in the final quarter. The result was a fitting climax to a splendid game.

It was anybody's game in the last quarter, with the play see-sawing between both half-back lines. Gradually, however, Sturt made up their deficit, with Morton still dominating the forward area. With three minutes to go, North were still behind, but Hayden found the goal unguarded, and equalised the scores. Rarely has there been such an exciting climax to a match at the Unley Oval.

STURT—Backs—Herbert, Green, A. Smith. Half-backs—Lowe, Tuohy, Sims. Centres—Treleaven, Day, King. Half-forwards—Jarrett, Bird, Bentley. Forwards—Longmore, Morton, W. Smith. Back—Robertson, Biggs, Wunderstz, Toms (19th).

Treleaven replaced by Toms in last quarter.

NORTH—Backs—Melvin, Martin, Smart. Half-backs—Alexander, Bottroff, Burton. Centres—Honniball, Hawke, Mount. Half-forwards—Phillis, Tuckey, Clarke. Forwards—Dyson, Farmer, Harden. Back—McInnes, McIntosh, Eiz, Foulis (19th).

Smart (injured shoulder) replaced by Foulis at three-quarter time.

Umpire—M. F. Armstrong.

Best Players.—Sturt—Morton, Treleaven, Biggs, Day, Robertson, Sims, Herbert. North—Rix, Tuckey, McInnes, Bottroff, Smart, Martin.

Goalkickers.—Sturt—Morton (7), Wunderstz (3), Longmore, W. Smith. North—Farmer, Rix (each 3), Tuckey (2), Dyson, Hayden, Phillis, McInnes.