

ALL THREE TEAMS SEEKING FOURTH PLACE DEFEATED

# Torrens Drop Out of Running

## 5 REPORTS AT UNLEY

Results of the 16th round of league football matches played today were:—

South, 18—20 (128 pts.); Norwood, 16—10 (106).  
Sturt, 22—12 (144); North, 14—12 (96).  
Port, 16—11 (107); Torrens, 11—11 (77).  
West, 16—20 (116); Glenelg, 15—18 (108).

Norwood, North, and Torrens, rivals for fourth place, were all defeated today. Torrens, even by beating Norwood next week, cannot gain inclusion in the four now, but they may be able to help North to displace the redlegs. To do this, North will have to score a huge win, and Norwood suffer a severe defeat.

Play was willing at all grounds, and eight men have been reported, five at Unley.

## South Won in Air and Ruck

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
South . . . .	8—5	10—7	14—15	18—20	128
Norwood . . .	3—2	8—5	11—8	16—10	106

By Vic Johnson

Momentarily surprised and bewildered by the unexpected dash and resource of Norwood when the redlegs looked a beaten team early in the last term, South saw their winning lead of 34 points smashed to 10 points within a few minutes.

THE Norwood rucks, which had been subdued all day by South's big men, suddenly took a new lease of life, and with Schultz, who also had experienced a lean time for the greater part of the game, gaining the ascendancy over Boyle, South's goalkeeper, the game took on a new aspect.

Just as suddenly as the Norwood rucks had taken control, they lost it again, and with their rucks again in charge, South settled down to play with their usual precision to win comfortably by 22 points.

Goalkeepers—South: Murdy (6), Templeton, Isaac, J. P. Dawes, Rusby, Crawford (each 3), Appleton, Cockburn. Norwood: Schultz (7), Hardiman (6), G. Sawley, Oatey, Kirwin.

Best Players—South: Murdy, Jim Dawes, Donovan, J. P. Dawes, Pryor, Searle, Laphorne. Norwood: Calder, W. McCallum, Price, Taylor, Oatey, Hardiman, A. Sawley.

## Medallist Is Hard to Pick

By Vic Johnson

WHEN the Magarey Medal comes round for decision, it is usually possible to make a forecast, with some degree of accuracy, as to the probable winner. However, with one more round of league matches to be played, the likely winner of this season's medal appears to be well disguised.

The form of most of the star players this year has been very even, and with the enlistment of several very fine players and the compulsory training of many others, which, incidentally must have deprived these men of votes, the competition for the honor seems very open.

I have gone carefully into the lists of best players selected by "The Mail" writers each Saturday, and although I do not claim that their opinions are likely to correspond absolutely with the votes given by the umpires, I do think that their choices are likely to include the men who have secured the votes.

Players who appear to have given the best service to their clubs this year are:—

Start—Langley, Biggs, Leak, Morton.  
Port—Skelley, A. R. McLean, R. Quinn, Carmichael.

South—Murdy, Laphorne, Templeton, Crawford.

Norwood—Warhurst, G. Sawley, A. Sawley, Schultz.

North—Farmer, West, J. Hogan, G. Hogan.

Torrens—Juttner, Waite, Dinnison, Cox.

West—McArthur, Smith, Powell, Reynolds.

Glenelg—Boyal, Brock, Burt, Inglis.

It is a most peculiar fact about the Magarey Medal that brilliant full forwards do not figure among the winners of this coveted honor, and that, generally, the winner is found among the midfield players, such as ruckmen, rovers, centre men, or half-backs.

Then again, players who are with the most successful teams often compete against one another for the votes, and this often makes it very difficult for the star players in these teams to gain the medal, whereas the outstanding players in the weaker teams are much more likely to catch the umpire's eye.

On trying to find the probable winner, I find it very difficult to fine it down beyond eight, namely, Langley and Biggs (Start), Skelley (Port), Murdy (South), McArthur (West), Dinnison (Torrens), and Boyal and Brock (Glenelg), with a slight preference for Boyal.

### HOW TEAMS STAND

	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Start	14	13	3	—	1901	1502	26
Port	16	13	3	—	1600	1427	26
South	16	12	4	—	2029	1905	24
Norwood	16	7	9	—	1715	1629	14
North	16	6	10	—	1642	1600	12
Torrens	16	5	10	1	1469	1677	11
West	16	5	10	1	1566	1821	11
Glenelg	16	2	14	—	1302	2023	4

### LEADING LEAGUE GOALKICKERS

Farmer, North (8)	..	..	..	..	130
Morton, Sturt (10)	..	..	..	..	89
Isaac, South (2)	..	..	..	..	77
Schultz, Norwood (7)	..	..	..	..	77
Langton, West (3)	..	..	..	..	55
Burt, Glenelg (—)	..	..	..	..	52
Hewett, Torrens (1)	..	..	..	..	49
Biggs, Sturt (2)	..	..	..	..	48
Langley, Sturt (2)	..	..	..	..	44
A. R. McLean, Port (3)	..	..	..	..	42

## West Stave Off Glenelg

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	2—9	3—11	14—16	16—20	116
Glenelg	0—3	6—12	9—14	15—18	108

By D. A. S.

IN a game of fluctuating fortunes, West staved off a late run by Glenelg at the Bay Oval to win by eight points. West won the match in the third term, when they piled on 11 goals with speedy combined play, in which their half-forward line was unbeatable. Both sides in turn played sound and mediocre football.

Glenelg—Backs: Dangerfield, Pike, Inglis. Half-backs: Corbett, Keane, Hanaberry. Centres: Sangster, Goodwin, Robjent. Half-forwards: Bailey, Richter, Cooper. Forwards: Harrison, Boyal, Hooper. Ruck: Johnston, Whitford, Brock. Woollard (19th). Sangster (injured) replaced by Woollard in last quarter.

West—Backs: Chynoweth, Jackson, Alexander. Half-backs: McArthur, Budarick, Brown. Centres: Reynolds, Thatcher, O'Donoghue. Half-forwards: L. Taylor, Powell, D. Taylor. Forwards: Coad, Langton, Forrester. Ruck: Smith, J. Taylor, Cahill, Codd (19th). Umpire—L. J. Quinn.

Glenelg with a last-minute reshuffle of their team, took a while to get going. West were definitely faster and broke away with crisp leads. Langton worked intelligently to score the only two goals during the first quarter.

Reynolds on a wing was the medium of most West attacks, and he was co-operating well with Powell in the key attacking post.

Many Bay thrusts broke on the speedy outer defence of the red-and-blacks, where McArthur and Budarick were despatching the ball smoothly.

Eighteen points ahead at the first change, West had been the only team in it to that stage, but they had a shock coming.

### Brock Starts Revival

Suddenly Brock found his feet in his new role as rover. He threaded his way through the packs to slam the ball to the half-forwards. Marcus Boyal was leading far out of goals and handballing and passing the ball to infuse new system into the Bay's rucks.

The result was an uninterrupted scoring picnic for the tigers, who booted six goals while West battled hard to try to assert their traditional bustling play.

Glenelg's defence caught the spirit of the occasion and with Inglis solid as a rock in the goalfront, West could not add to their score during the second term except for a goal from Powell early.

Glenelg had reversed the position at half-time, leading then by 19 points. They had played with purpose and intelligence during their revival.

With Smith hitting out fiercely from centre and Cahill scooping the ball up neatly, West were on top again at the opening of the third term. It almost seemed as though the teams were taking in turn to stand by and watch.

### Taylor Brothers Elusive

Six goals were rattled on by the red-and-blacks with ease, after unhurried passing and dashing interceptions.

The Taylor brothers at half-forward were eluding the Glenelg defenders. Glenelg fought back with three goals from Cooper, but they could not stop West from having 11—5 for the quarter. The red-and-blacks were 12 points ahead at the last change.

Glenelg made a fight of it by taking the initiative at the opening of the final term, but their two quick goals were offset by a renewed burst of top speed from West.

The sealders continued to press with Boyal flashing into the picture at full forward. He was getting goals and assisting with others. Glenelg whittled away at the deficit, and when Boyal got his fourth goal for the quarter they were within nine points of West.

Glenelg were playing on at the finish, but West had something in reserve.

Best Players—West: Reynolds, D. Taylor, L. Taylor, Smith, Cahill, Coad, Glenelg, Brock, Goodwin, Inglis, Boyal, Keane, Hooper.

Goalkeepers—West: D. Taylor, L. Taylor (each 4); Langton (3), Cahill (2); Thatcher, Powell, Coad, Glenelg, Boyal, Cooper (each 3); Hooper (2); Johnston, Brock, Bailey.

### Players Who Won a Cheer

GLENELG'S experiment with Brock as rover was a complete success against West at the Bay Oval. He played very effectively and fought hard for possession in the crushes.

A YOUNG ruckman from Brighton, Brian Woollard, who was the best man on the field in the match between Glenelg and West Colts this afternoon, was drafted into Glenelg's reorganised team as nineteenth man.

## Magpies Had Full Control

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	5.3	7.3	13.8	16.11	107
Torrens	2.2	6.5	9.7	11.11	77

By G. E. K.

REVEALING their best form, Port were always masters of the situation at Thebarton, and had a comfortable win over Torrens.

Torrens performed creditably. They were opposed to a powerful combination that was playing one of its best games. As a result of the game Torrens lost any chance they had of qualifying for the finals.

Goalkeepers—Port: Hollingworth (4), Bob McLean (3), Hoffman, Bampton, Kellaway (each 2), Brock, R. Dangerfield, Reval, Torrens, Blight (5), Sully (2), Scott, Hewitt, Mullins, Sullivan.

Best Players—Port: Reval, Roberts, Hollingworth, Schumann, Meers, A. R. McLean, Skelly. Torrens: Scott, Waite, Blight, Sully, Dinnison, Pilsell, Thiele.

## Sturt Display Fine System

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	40	116	167	22.12	144
North	54	67	129	14.12	96

By C. A. B.

STURT held too many guns for North at Unley and won in a canter. Early in the game North were playing well enough to make a race of it, but could not withstand the terrific pace set by the double-blues. The game was exceptionally vigorous at times, and several nasty incidents occurred.

As in most of their matches this year Sturt were too systematic for their opponents.

Goalkeepers—Sturt: Morton (10), Gibson (5), Biggs, Lathlean, Langley (each 2), Tilly, North, Farmer (8), D. West, Pash (each 2), Summersides, Hoskins.

Best Players—Sturt: Morton, Gibson, Green (until injured), Bentley, Biggs, Bagshaw, Headon. North: Melvin, D. West, Aamodt, Summersides, Furler, Farmer, Pash.

## The "Kids" Set Unley Record

Start established a record by beating North at Unley Oval today. It is the first time in football history that Start have won all their matches at Unley in the one season.

"It speaks volumes for our 'kids,'" said Sturt's chairman (Mr. Jack Alderman) in congratulating the players after the game. "But don't forget we have not won the premiership yet. You have still got the job in front of you. Don't take anything for granted, but keep on as you are going."