

# TORRENS, AFTER THIRD TERM RALLY, LOSE BY 26 PTS.

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## PREMIERSHIP LIST

	P.	W.	L.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
Port	8	7	1	911	699	14
South	8	6	2	1,023	790	12
Sturt	8	6	2	911	845	12
Torrens	8	4	4	794	719	8
Norwood	8	3	5	819	870	6
North	8	3	5	760	826	6
West	8	2	6	788	952	4
Glenelg	8	1	7	644	939	2

## LEADING GOALKICKERS

Farmer, North (4)	55
Schultz, Norwood (—)	50
Isaac, South (9)	43
Morton, Sturt (4)	38
Biggs, Sturt (5)	27
Burt, Glenelg (4)	25
Hewett, Torrens (—)	25
Stalle, South (3)	21
Langley, Sturt (3)	20

# Bays Push Top Team

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	3.5	5.11	9.15	10.19	79
Glenelg	2.3	6.4	9.6	10.7	67

By D. A. S.

**A**FTER a fast, high-marking game, Port hung on grimly to stave off a Glenelg team, which seemed to have found new determination.

The magpies gained a 12-point victory, and had to produce their best football to win. Boyall, freed of his responsibilities, was the best player on the ground.

A feature of the game was the number of players who had to receive attention from the trainers. Both teams called their nineteenth man on, and several players were limping.

Glenelg had only 17 men left when Brock was carried off with a leg injury in the last quarter.

**PORT**—Backs: C. Kellaway, Obst, Meers. Half-backs: L. McLean, Schumann, Marilyn. Centres: Carmichael, Johnston, Peters. Half-forwards: G. Quinn, R. Dangerfield, I. Dangerfield. Forwards: Skelly, T. Kellaway, Brock. Ruck: R. McLean, Reval, R. Quinn, W. Whicker (19th).

L. McLean (leg injury) replaced by Whicker in the second quarter.

**GLENELG**—Backs: Dangerfield, Inglis, Pike. Half-backs: Broadbent, Boyall, Keane. Centres: Dewhurst, Hunt, Sangster. Half-forwards: R. Hall, Phillis, Bailey. Forwards: Westley, Cooper, Burt. Ruck: Johnston, Brock, Halliday, Whitford (19th).

Umpire—G. M. Rice. Phillis (neck injury) replaced by Whitford in the last quarter.

Glenelg surprised with their early pace, and took the lead with clever goals from Burt and Halliday. The purpose and vigor which typified the Bays' first half came as a surprise to their supporters, who had seen the team go down easily to South and West.

Marcus Boyall, who was appearing for the first time as a player only, marked brilliantly at half-back, and the rest of the Glenelg side fought it out with rare determination.

George Quinn, playing his first game for Port on a half-forward wing, showed rare dash.

## Few Men Outstanding

With the exception of Boyall at half-back for Glenelg, neither side had any dominating position before half-time. The balance fluctuated as first one side and then the other got a break from centre, where the ruck bounces favored neither side.

Eight points behind at quarter-time, Glenelg fought just as strongly in the second quarter, and were only a point behind Port at the long interval. A feature of their work was the return to form of "Blue" Johnstone, who was marking high and cleanly.

Continuing to play with dash and pace, Glenelg swept in with three paralyzing runs at the beginning of the third quarter to register goals from Westley, Cooper, and Hall.

Inaccurate kicking for goal kept them from getting the lead back sooner than they did—towards three-quarter time, when Quinn and I. Dangerfield stopped the rot with two accurate kickers.

Port had 15 singles on the board at the last change, and although Glenelg were within nine points of the magpies they had taken many fewer shots for goal.

## Great Last Term

If the two top teams had been playing it off, play could not have been more spectacular or vigorous in the last quarter. Glenelg ran Port off their legs for the opening few minutes, and after they had rattled on a goal from Burt (his fourth) Port rallied.

They pressed in repeatedly, but out of bounds or points were all they could manage. Meanwhile the ball was flashed from end to end with brilliant high marks and reckless ground play.

Port were maintaining the pressure, but their wretched kicking for goal was made even more apparent when Brock missed from 20 yards out. But then Kellaway made amends with a difficult angle shot. It put the magpies 10 points in front.

**Goalkickers**—Port: Skelly, G. Quinn, T. Kellaway, I. Dangerfield (each 2), Reval, R. Quinn. Glenelg: Burt (4), Halliday, Westley (each 2), Cooper, Hall.

**Best Players**—Port: I. Dangerfield, Reval, R. Quinn, Peters, R. Dangerfield, Brock, Schumann. Glenelg: Boyall, Bailey, M. Brock, Inglis, Halliday, Johnston, Burt.

# Speed, Marking Give Sturt Win

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	4-4	7-12	9-12	15-16	106
Torrens	3-3	5-5	11-8	12-8	80

By Vic. Johnson

**I**n a match which brought out all that is best in our national game, and which, incidentally, was the best I have seen this season, Sturt returned to their best form when they downed Torrens by 26 points at Unley today. Every credit is due to both teams for a splendid afternoon's entertainment.

**E**XCEPTING for the third term, Sturt were on top for most of the game, and although Torrens, aided by another tigerish display on the part of Juttner, did seriously threaten the double-blues in that term, the home team responded gallantly, and finished all over their opponents to win comfortably.

**Goalkickers**—Sturt: Biggs (5), Morton (4), Lathlean, Langley (each 3). Torrens: Juttner (5), Mullins (3), Blight, Allan (each 2).

**Best Players**—Sturt: Lane, Bentley, Gibson, Leak, Tuohy, Biggs, Clark. Torrens: Juttner, Dinison, Waite, Blight, Filzell, Thiele, Thomas.

# South Won Match In Second Quarter

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
South	3.4	10.12	13.15	19.19	133
West	4.5	6.6	14.11	17.15	117

By K. S. M.

**H**OTLY challenged throughout a match characterised by vigor and speed, South defeated West by 17 points at Adelaide Oval today.

Their marked superiority in the second term was the deciding factor, for in the other three quarters the teams were even.

Isaac had a day out when South badly needed him, and his nine goals were well earned.

South held the edge in the air, and they kicked better, but West's smaller men stuck to their guns with grim determination.

**Goalkickers**—South: Isaac (9), Cockburn, Stalle (each 3), Murdy, Laphorne (each 2). West: Hudson, Langton (each 5), Forby, Coad (each 2), Barry, Forrester, Smith.

**Best Players**—South: Murdy, Brown, Doherty, Templeton, Isaac, Laphorne, Jim Dawes. West: Hudson, Budarick, McArthur, Brown, Forrester, Langton, Coad.

# North Just Get Home

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	3.2	8.9	11.9	16.12	100
Norwood	2.3	5.5	12.11	14.14	98

By H. W. T.

**O**UTRUNNING Norwood in the last term, North had a well-deserved, out hard-earned, win at Prospect. Only in the last few minutes did they snatch the lead and hold it long enough to scramble home by 10 points.

**Goalkickers**—North: Farmer (4), West, Furter, Burton, Summersides (each 2), Oatway, Melvin, Bernhardt, Pearce. Norwood: Thompson (5), G. Sawley (4), List (2), Hardiman, Oatey, and Foweraker.

**Best Players**—North: Melvin, Summersides, O'Halloran, Burton, Bottroff, Martin, Bennetta. Norwood: G. Sawley, Calder, Foweraker, Thompson, Taylor, Oatey, Whitaker.

# Wingmen Now Crowd Centre

By Vic Johnson

**O**NE noticeable and very disturbing feature which has crept into our game is the manner in which the centre wing players are encroaching on the centre man's territory. This tends to make the midfield play very crowded.

I know that it is necessary for every player, no matter what position he may play in, to have to cover his immediate opponent at some time or other during the game, but I do think that wingmen are overdoing it in the anxiety to prevent a breakaway at the centre bounce.

I really believe that this encroachment was caused by the enforcement of the rule which penalised the player for kicking the ball out of bounds.

Not only do I blame this rule for the congestion across centre, but also the apparent lack of desire on the part of the half-forwards to play wide out on the wings.

With that rule in force, players were afraid to kick the ball wide to the wings, as there was always the fear that the ball might be forced out, and the resulting free might be detrimental to their teams. Thus, the wingmen got into the habit of playing closer to the centre of the arena.

But that rule is not in force now, and there should be no need for the crowding we see so much of nowadays. I am sure that the football public would like to see the teams playing much closer to the boundaries, thus eliminating most of the scrambling and congested play now prevalent.

I believe this fault could be remedied by the various coaches mutually agreeing to instruct their players to play their positions as wingmen and not as extra centre players or rovers.

Falling that, the league could instruct the central umpire to force the players to take up their positions further out at the centre bounce.