

PORT BEATEN FOR THREE QUARTERS, FORCE WIN

Stiff Battle

By Amos Bottroff

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	2-4	3-7	4-10	9-18	72
Norwood	2-5	5-6	8-8	9-8	62

In a hard battling game, Port were a beaten team for three quarters, but they rallied their forces, overtook Norwood by sheer force, and then went ahead to win by 10 points at Alberton Oval today.

IT was stamina and determination that kept Port together and enabled them to put up that last-quarter effort. Port changed their placings, too, and this was a moral tonic to their tired players.

Both teams went into the play with dash, but neither side was able to kick with confidence. Kicking for goals too was extremely poor.

With Port 22 points behind at the beginning of the last quarter, they made several changes in their placings. Jolly went into the ruck, and Bob McLean to full-forward. Skelly went to oppose the invincible Olds at centre wing, and Franklin went up forward where Growden had been resting.

Although the reorganised side took a little while to settle down, it brought results.

Port got to within a point of Norwood. They evened the scores, and then went ahead a point. The crowd roared as Franklin ran in kicked up the ball and goal.

Port kicked 5-8 to one goal by Norwood and won by 10 points.

Goalkeepers—Port: Jolly and Franklin (2). Quinn, Bunton, Growden, Grimm, Faulkhead. Norwood: Way (5), Price (2), Bell, Ameer.

Best Players—Port: Quinn, Clarke, Darling, Mangan, Growden, Bunton, Grimm. Norwood: Oatev, Bell, Way, Olds, Thompson, Ralph, Holmesby.

PREMIERSHIP LIST

	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.	P.C.
Port	8	1	964	610	16	69
Sturt	5	4	980	753	10	36.1
West	5	4	754	686	10	36.1
North	4	5	818	855	8	19.8
Norwood	4	5	638	705	8	47.5
Torrens	4	5	754	898	8	47.5
Glenelg	3	6	797	899	6	47.5
South	2	7	726	853	4	18.9

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Today	Total
Leske (Sturt)	9	41
Scott (South)	4	34
Quinn (Port)	1	31
Burt (Glenelg)	2	30
Hawke (North)	3	26
G. Langley (Sturt)	4	24
Isaac (South)	1	24

Torrens Have Easy Win Over Bays

By Vic Johnson

Forging ahead right from the beginning of the game, Torrens had little trouble in defeating Glenelg by 37 points at Thebarton today.

Torrens were assisted greatly by Prior's fine hitting out, Hodgins' good performance when forward, and by their dominance across centre, where they were never seriously challenged.

Prior's sound kicking from the ruck gave Torrens the edge in the early stages of the game, but the inability of the forwards to finish off the job prevented them from gaining commensurate results.

Corbett's strong work at close quarters, coupled with Burt's cleverness on the fringes, closed up the game, and gave the blue-and-golds few chances to drop into concerted action.

Glenelg presented stubborn resistance. Masters in particular doing a fine job, and receiving valuable assistance from Hall in goal.

But the strength of Torrens across centre began to assert itself, and, pecking away with long kicks, and having the use of the wind, they kept up a to the heavy state of the oval.

The game was not spectacular, but was being played with full vigor, and at close quarters. This was probably due to the heavy state of the oval.

The early part of the second term was marred by useless high punting by players of both teams, there being many occasions, too, when men had plenty of time to settle down and steady up for a drop kick.

Torrens were still playing a more concerted game, and were gradually wearing the tigers down.

Glenelg forwards were useless against the strong band of Torrens defenders, and were usually a yard or two behind in the race to the ball.

Moreover, the reach of many of the Torrens players in attack proved too great for the tigers' backmen, McInnes, Hodgins, and Prior being well above the opposition any time the ball came in the air.

This was a bad term for Glenelg. They had trailed 20 points at the end of the opening term, and it was reasonable to expect that they would have improved

their position with the use of the breeze. But they failed to adapt themselves or seize their opportunities, and were 42 points in arrears at the long interval.

Prior's knocking was again the dominating influence on the game when play resumed. It was well directed and powerful, and usually reached the objective.

Glenelg now struck a purple patch, and two fine attempts by Cock reaped full points, and within a minute he raised the flags again.

It was a good recovery by the tigers, and had the half-forward line played wider it may have even been better.

However, Torrens were well aware that they had the game won, and were not ready to slacken their acid of it.

Playing strongly, they again regained the ascendancy, and with unchallenged air supremacy, finished the term with the game won.

They went further ahead as soon as the last quarter started. Hodgins, who had played finely all through, getting his sixth goal. When Wood got another it was all over, and Torrens won by 37 points.

Goalkeepers—Torrens: Hodgins (6), McInnes, Hammerstein, Turner, Owen, Tonkin, Wood (each 2). Prior, Glenelg, Ormond (4), Cock (3), Burt, Low (each 2), Wroth, Austen.

Best Players—Torrens: Hodgins, McInnes, Prior, Tonkin, Hank, Edwards, R. Roberts, Glenelg: Burt, Masters, Owens, Cock, Walsh, Hall, Ormond.

Torrens—Backs: Keilaway, Thiele, Leonard. Half-backs: R. Edwards, A. Roberts, R. Roberts. Centres: Barnes, Hank, W. Roberts. Half-forwards: Phillips, McInnes, Wood. Forwards: Turner, Hodgins, Allen. Ruck: Prior, Tonkin, Hammerstein, Pfeil (19th).

Glenelg—Backs: Wedo, Hall, Masters. Half-backs: Pike, Keane, Robnett. Centres: Owens, Walsh, Liebig. Half-forwards: M. Edwards, Cock, Cuthbertson. Forwards: Ormond, Dannerfeld, Wroth, Ruck, Austen, Corbett, Burt, Low (19th).

W. Edwards (injured leg) replaced by Low (19th) at half-time.

Umpire: L. J. Quinn. Estimated attendance, 1,000.

Speedy Sturt Side Trounces North

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	4-3	9-8	17-10	19-13	127
North	1-2	4-4	6-4	8-6	54

By Keith Butler

North were trounced by 73 points at Unley Oval today by Sturt. They were run off their legs by a speedier eighteen.

After half-time the match became a rout, with Sturt winning in every part of the field.

Sturt ruckmen, Whelan and Bagshaw, won in the backs all day, while Lanxay, whether roving or resting in a forward pocket, played great football.

When North managed to get the ball forward, they were uncertain and scrumbly in attack, and were beaten by the Sturt backs, who were yards too fast for them.

Ingham, Sturt full back, was brilliant as he marked and cleared with pacy dashes into the centre of the ground. His exhibition in goal was the finest I have seen this year.

Leske had 13 shots for his nine goals, his last two being kicked from acute angles.

Best Players—Sturt: Tonkin, Ingham, Langley, Leske, Tuohy, Whelan, Kleir, North-Pedersen, Dyson, Arbon, Cearn, Hoskins, West, Lush.

Goalkeepers—Sturt: Leske (9), Langley, Reynolds (each 4), Lowe, Merchant. North: Arbon, Hawke (each 3), Cearn, Draper.

WEST LEAD SOUTH IN RACE TO BALL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	3-7	7-8	8-11	10-14	74
South	1-2	7-5	9-6	9-9	63

By C. L. B. Starr

By surer handling of the ball on the ground and keeping a yard or two in front of their men for the major portion of the game, West finished 11 points in front of South at the Adelaide Oval today.

GOOD defence work by both sides kept scoring down, and after half-time only five goals were scored—two to South and three to West.

West immediately adapted themselves to the slippery conditions, and were quickly attacking. With clever handball, which they sometimes overdid, they outplayed South for most of the quarter to add goals from B. Smith (2) and Faeshe (1).

Late in the quarter, Hearne for South, raised both flags. This was easily West's quarter, and but for faulty kicking, they would have had a much greater margin than 17 points at quarter time.

Coming back strongly in the second quarter, South, through Scott, began a series of attacks which yielded them

six goals, and with Doherty on the wing in brilliant form, South had an avenue of attack which they exploited to the fullest advantage.

Scott, with four goals, gave a clever exhibition of roving and position play in the pocket, while Boyle and Isaac each scored a goal. Meanwhile, West were continuing to dominate their key position at centre, where Burkett gave the side yeoman service all day.

During this quarter West scored goals through Hay, O'Donovan, Jordan, and Oatway and led by three points at half-time.

West always appeared to have the edge on South for pace and in the handling of the ball.

At three-quarter time South led by one point. Oatway and Faeshe in the ruck for West were a thorn in South's side. Only Boyle could match them.

In the last quarter Haines switched Isaac to centre half-forward, Pryor to ruck, and Boyle to full-forward in an endeavor to break away, but the moves were not successful, as South were held down to three points while West scored 2-3. O'Donovan and Hay scored the goals.

Goalkeepers—West: O'Donovan, B. Smith, Hay (each 2), Jordan, Faeshe, Oatway, Lee. South: Scott (4), Simpson (2), Isaac, Boyle, Hern.

Best Players—West Adelaide: Burkett, Oatway, McKay, Taylor, Faeshe, and Lewis. South Adelaide: Doherty, Parnell, Simpson, Waite, Bamford, Scott and Haines.

South—Backs: Ryan, Haines, Meredith. Half-backs: Taber, Searle, Bamford. Centres: Doherty, Brown, Parnell. Half-forwards: Reilly, Pryor, Teakle. Forwards: Hern, Isaac, Scott, Ruck, Boyle, Waite, Simpson, Murphy (19th).

West—Backs: Leussie, Stringer, Lewis. Half-backs: Mitchell, Taylor, Braidwood. Centres: Mackay, Burkett, O'Donoghue. Half-forwards: Jordan, B. Smith, Lee. Forwards: Hay, McArthur, Oatway, Ruck, Faeshe, Cahill, O'Donovan, Binney (19th).

Stringer (leg injury) replaced by Binney in second quarter.

Umpire: W. H. Hudson. Estimated attendance, 4,000.