

TORRENS BEAT STURT, AGAIN LEADERS

Torrens defeated Sturt by 20 points in an exciting league football match at Thebarton Oval today and regained top place on the premiership table, with Sturt dropping from first to fourth.

Norwood's win over Glenelg puts them up from third, and the Bays drop one position to fifth. West, who outscored South by 107 points, have gone from fifth to third. North finished brilliantly to beat Port for their first win of the season.

| PREMIERSHIP LIST | | | | | |
|------------------|----|----|----|-----------|--------|
| | P. | W. | L. | for agst. | Pts. |
| Torrens | 6 | 5 | 1 | 660 | 538 10 |
| Norwood | 6 | 5 | 1 | 629 | 535 10 |
| West | 6 | 4 | 2 | 734 | 616 8 |
| Sturt | 6 | 4 | 2 | 575 | 518 8 |
| Glenelg | 6 | 3 | 3 | 624 | 613 6 |
| Port | 6 | 2 | 4 | 554 | 512 4 |
| North | 6 | 1 | 5 | 500 | 591 2 |
| South | 6 | — | 6 | 432 | 825 — |

Top Goalkickers

| | Today | Total |
|---------------------|-------|-------|
| Churchett (Glenelg) | 4 | 39 |
| Farrow (Norwood) | 8 | 33 |
| Tuckey (North) | 3 | 27 |
| Mehaffey (Torrens) | 3 | 26 |
| A. R. McLean (Port) | 4 | 19 |
| Mayo (Norwood) | 5 | 17 |

LASTED BETTER

| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | Final | Pts. |
|---------|-----|-----|------|-------|------|
| Torrens | 4—1 | 6—4 | 14—6 | 15—9 | 99 |
| Sturt | 2—2 | 6—7 | 7—8 | 11—13 | 79 |

By Roy Colmer

TORRENS finished better than Sturt, but won the match in their third quarter when they scored 8—2 to 1—1.

Sturt adopted clever tactics in the first quarter to keep Torrens at bay, in spite of a strong wind favoring the blue-and-golds. Langley played the loose man so well in defence Torrens took 10 minutes to score and 19 minutes to goal. Sturt kept the ball penned to the eastern wing.

Torrens used speed to counter Sturt in the second term. Brilliant work by the centre line, particularly Colin McKenzie, gave Torrens their break in the third. Accurate kicking for goal was a feature.

Sturt owed their last quarter bit to Langley. His roving and cleverness generally kept Sturt in attack for 16 minutes, in which they cut a 40-point deficit to 12.

Stamina told in the run home, and Torrens finished faster by far.

Showed Judgment

Bill Hank played a fine game for Torrens, showed fine judgment in the air, and never wasted a kick. Colin McKen-

zie held centre wing all day. Glastonbury starred in a defensive role. He had the task of checking Sturt's loose rover.

Jim Edwards played soundly on the wing, and Bob Hank had the better of the argument with Southern at centre after half-time. Hodgins battled gamely in ruck until he left the field late in the game. Low was another to play solidly— at centre half-back.

Langley stood out as best for Sturt. Yeo ranks next for a dashing and effective game at centre half-back. He showed pace and anticipation in meeting the ball.

Fry gave a solid effort at half-back left. Schober had a lot of heavy work in ruck and gave his rovers many opportunities. Giles was sound as the permanent back pocket-man. Pike starred in one or two good bursts from centre half-forward and Southern played a quietly effective game at centre in the first half.

Scorers—Torrens: Mehaffey 3.3, Glastonbury 3.0, Ray Hank 3.0, Ashby 2.2, Hodgins 1.2, Wood 1.0, W. Hank 1.0, H. McKenzie 1.0, Bob Hank 0.1, Covarild 0.1. Sturt: Pynor 5.2, Langley 2.2, Pike 2.1, Tilley 1.1, Willis 1.0, Merchant 0.1, Wickham 0.1, Southern 0.1, Ryan 0.1, rushed 0.3.



A FREE FOR "round the neck" was awarded Glenelg goal-sneak Colin Churchett in this incident with A. D. Johns (Norwood) during this afternoon's match at Glenelg Oval. Glenelg's vice-captain, Alan Crabb, waited with fingers outstretched to take the ball.

STRONG FINISH BY NORWOOD

By Lawrie Jervis, Jun.

A better appreciation of how to use the wind in the second half, and brilliant forward work, gave Norwood their four-goal win over Glenelg at Glenelg today.

| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | Final | Pts. |
|---------|-----|-----|-------|-------|------|
| Norwood | 4—5 | 5—7 | 12—10 | 14—11 | 95 |
| Glenelg | 2—0 | 6—6 | 8—9 | 10—11 | 71 |

In the first half there was nothing between the teams.

In the third quarter, with the wind again at their backs, Norwood did not bother to go round the wings. They made it a one kick journey from centre to goal.

Mayo kicked four beautiful long goals, and although with the wind still strong Norwood's four-goal advantage at three-quarter time did not look over generous, it was enough.

In the last quarter Norwood worked their way into attack through Olds. He gave them the green light all day long, and was easily the best man on the ground.

Olds did not make a mistake, and baffled all who came up against him with his pace and ability to turn.

Jack Oatey showed a welcome return to form. He roved and directed operations in more like his old form, and for four quarters, too.

Mayo's two brilliant bursts in the first and third quarters, and Farrow's uncanny ability to get goals from acute angles made them next best for the redlegs.

Whitford (wing), Burke (ruck), Dalwood (splendid ruck effort in the third term), LePage, Hiatt, Holmesby, and Bell (half-forward) were others to do well.

Donaldson, as he did last week, played a topnotch first

half, but was quieter afterwards. There were no four-quarter stars for the Bays. Hannaford was one of their most dependable on a half-back flank.

Robjent played a good first half at centre half-back against Mayo, but he was less noticeable later.

Window (ruck), Vale (back pocket), Manning (who broke even with Whitford in the second half), Wallis (centre half-forward), Laffin, Betson, and Crabb (rucking), Churchett (goal sneak), and McPherson were also prominent.

Umpire Aplin gave the best display of any I have seen this season. He maintained control all the time, and missed few breaches.

Scorers—Norwood: Farrow 8.2, Mayo 5.3, Bell 1.0, Dansie 0.2, Trestrail 0.1, Dalwood 0.1, rushed 0.2. Glenelg: Churchett 4.3, Laffin 3.2, McPherson 2.1, Boyal 1.1, Wallis 0.1, Haussen 0.1, Crabb 0.2.

Glenelg—Backs: Window, Hunt, Hasse. Half-backs: Vale, Robjent, Hannaford. Centres: Manning, Donaldson, Trenorden. Half-forwards: McPherson, Wallis, Boyal. Forwards: Grimwood, Churchett, Crabb. Ruck: Betson, Laffin, Haussen. Reserves: Brown, Sullivan.

Norwood—Backs: Heidenreich, Johns, Holmesby. Half-backs: Roberts, Giles, LePage. Centres: Olds, Blackmore, Whitford. Half-forwards: Dansie, Mayo, Bell. Forwards: Trestrail, Farrow, Dalwood. Rucks: Burke, Hiatt, Oatey. Reserves: Hall, Drage.

Port Had No Reply In Climax

| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | Final | Pts. |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|
| North | 0.0 | 5.2 | 6.4 | 12.10 | 82 |
| Port | 5.3 | 6.5 | 8.7 | 8.7 | 55 |

By Colin Hay

North swept Port off their feet in a slashing last quarter to hold them scoreless and win by 27 points. It was their first win for the year.

North more than doubled their score in the last term with brilliant team work and mastery in the air. It was a grand win, showing North should extend top teams.

At the start Port rattled on four goals in 10 minutes with a dry ball and a strong wind. The wind dropped in the second quarter and the slippery ball, following heavy rain, together with Port's effective crowding, stopped an expected North run.

North won the game in the third term when they matched Port's speed and countered their ruck work. The magpies increased their lead by only six points.

When North led for the first time with 12 minutes to go, Port swung Bob McLean into ruck, but North could do nothing wrong in the closing stages.

CROUCH BEST

Best on the ground was Crouch, whose checking, leading, and clearing from half-back was faultless. He had a great influence on the game when he ran loose to watch Port's third follower.

O'Leary was the sole North ruckman to hold sway all day. Phillips gave another fine display at centre half-back, and Coulls and Arbon had the edge on Port rovers.

McKay was more at home at half-back, although his last quarter at centre half-forward played a big part in the win. Pederson, Galloway, Griffin, and Beeching were best of the rest.

Congie McLean, tireless in ruck, was Port's best. He was closely followed by co-ruckman Marrett and Dayman (half-back). Best of the others were Carr (back pocket), Greer (only centre wingman to show form), Boyd (half-forward), and L. Gates (roving).

Scorers—North: Tuckey 3.1, Mackay 2.1, Beeching 1.4, Coulls 1.2, O'Leary 1.1, Crouch, Arbon, Pedlar, Kennett 1.0, Pederson 0.1. Port: Bob McLean 4.2, Boyd 2.0, L. G. McLean 1.1, Growden 1.0, L. Gates 0.2, M. Gates, Marrett 0.1.

South Were Massacred

By Ray Barber

With not one player out of step, West massacred South by 107 points at Adelaide Oval today.

| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | Final | Pts. |
|-------|-----|-------|-------|-------|------|
| West | 3.5 | 11.13 | 17.15 | 27.19 | 181 |
| South | 4.2 | 4.4 | 9.6 | 11.8 | 74 |

South led at the first change, but then West turned on the works.

West handballed and foot-passed as if South players were not about. South tried every inch of the way, but just haven't enough good players.

Slattery was the pick for West with beautiful footpassing

and handball at half-forward left, and roving.

The two main rovers, Coad and Williams, were either sending their side forward or kicking goals.

Atkins (goalsneak) led nicely, kicked six goals, and looks like filling the role adequately.

Taylor's goalkeeping debut was impressive, but he will be missed in the ruck if he stays in goal. Braidwood played his usual effective game, while Mackay and Souter were often noticed on the centre wings. Paehse was the best of the others.

Deane's lionhearted efforts, capped by beautiful drop-kicking on the run, made him outstanding at centre half-forward for South.

Hickinbotham beat Beaton in the centre, and was a tiger on the ground. The veteran Laphorne played his best game for the season. Pryor was again good at full back, and Fraser ably supported him.

Bishop was useful on the wing, while Ward and Thiel rucked soundly.

Scorers—West: Atkins 6.2, Coad 5.5, Williams 4.1, Braidwood 3.3, Slattery 3.2, Semmler 3.0, Zeuner 1.2, Smith 1.2, Agars 1.0, Cannon 0.1, rushed 0.1. South: Laphorne 3.3, Deane, Thiel 2.1, Ward 2.0, Webber, Chapel 1.0, Bollard, Smith, Allen 0.1.