

PORT PROVED SUPERIOR SIDE AGAINST BAYS

By Lew Roberts

In windy conditions and along with the customary losing demonstrations by the local players and crowd alike, Port showed themselves to be the better side at Glenelg today.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	2-0	4-10	4-13	6-18	54
Glenelg	2-4	3-5	4-9	4-10	34

Crabb won the toss and Glenelg took first use of the strong wind blowing directly through the Brighton goal.

Early in the game Glenelg, sharking well off high kicks, indicated this avenue might give them a better scoring attack than the Magpies.

It was short lived, however, and thereafter the rovers forward played no part in the attack of either side, the score for all the rovers afield being less than four goals.

They made the mistake of playing so close to the flying pack as to find themselves embroiled in it when it came to earth, with the result that not once for the day did any rover make that well timed run directly towards goal with the ball before him.

Glenelg had only four points lead with the 5-goal wind, at the end of the first quarter.

Port in control

Port were then in control in most parts of the field and with Boyd playing well on top at centre, should have piled up a good lead by half-time. Instead, once more, they broke down above forward—due to the Zucker complex.

They peppered the ball forward with long, high kicks to suit Hunt coming straight out from goal to punch the ball from Zucker's hands. The process was repeated to the point of monotony.

There were no false leads to allow any other Port player to take one now and again, nor was any attempt made to shorten their game.

They managed only two goals 10 points for the term—the reward being the result of the method.

In the first quarter the Port defence held firm, with their juniors all playing well. Glenelg made up their leeway by only 7 points, to begin the last quarter 4 points down.

Absurd behaviour

Then Port goaled and immediately Glenelg brought on their followers from full forward as an additional man on the ball.

The extra Port man immediately dropped in a kick behind the play, and from then on Glenelg, going into the wind, left themselves no chance of winning.

The Port scheme of switching the play from one flank to the other at half-forward each time the attack was broken at centre was a good one.

The closing stages of the game were interesting, if only to see to what absurd limit the crowd's demonstration would reach. The unfortunate part of this conventional bedlam at Glenelg is that the local players allow themselves to be markedly influenced.

Football matches are won by better football, and there is little hope of a team rising above mediocrity while players allow their concentration to be upset and be otherwise influenced by happenings outside the pickets.

Boyd controlled centre all day. He has his mind on the job and varies his position and approach to suit the conditions. He marked and kicked well, and should develop into a player of class.

Greer played with confidence and determination at half-back left, and his pace usually carried him well clear of his opposition. He proved today that he is capable of mixing it at close quarters.

Marrett rucked well and at times showed an alertness and quick action unusual in a man of his size.

Hunt had the Port players further afield to thank for the consistent manner in which they played the ball to Zucker. Hunt repeatedly drove the ball clear with strong punches. His performance was good all day, and his kicking into the wind was high class.

Hannaford played strongly at centre half-back and although Whelan played well, the amount of play successfully turned by Hannaford, made him valuable to Glenelg.

Crabb did well in the ruck and repeatedly delivered the ball with clean, open-handed flips to his rovers.

Sampson (Port) retired with injured leg at first quarter change. Replaced by Davis.

Mills (Port) injured ankle in last quarter, replaced by Moore.

Haussen (Glenelg) retired in latter stage of last quarter with concussion.

Scorers—Port: Zucker 3.4, Mills 1.1, McLean 1.1, Marrett 1.0, Hall 0.3, Johnson 0.3, Whelan 0.3, Russell 0.2, Fletcher 0.1, Glenelg: Churchett 2.1, Brooker 1.3, Crabb 1.1, McPherson 0.2, Window 0.1, Robjant 0.1, Forster 0.1.

Best Players—Port: Boyd, Greer, Marrett, Schumann, McLean, Batt, Whelan, Glenelg: Hunt, Hannaford, Crabb, Window, Robjant, Laffin, Sullivan.



SIX PLAYERS were in this struggle for the ball when E. R. Robjant (Glenelg) and P. L. Marrett (Port) fell after missing a mark at Glenelg this afternoon. Others (from left) are—K. E. Grimwood (Glenelg—in front) and R. G. Hunt (Glenelg), K. L. Zucker (Port—standing at back) and H. C. Mills (Port) who fell when he was about to run off with the ball.

PREMIERSHIP LIST

	P.	W.	L.	For	Agst	Pts.
Norwood	10	9	1	1713	855	18
North	10	7	3	1013	762	14
West	10	6	4	893	834	12
Torrens	10	5	5	949	846	10
Port	10	5	5	804	775	10
Glenelg	10	5	5	899	995	10
South	10	2	8	915	1101	4
Sturt	10	1	9	640	1078	2

Top goalkickers

	Today	Total
Churchett (Glenelg)	2	51
Mehaffey (Torrens)	2	35
Zucker (Port)	3	34
Tucky (North)	—	28
Dalwood (Norwood)	6	23
Lapthorne (South)	—	21
Merchant (South)	3	21
Pryor (South)	1	21

P. L. MARRETT (Port), left, and A. J. Crabb (Glenelg) made strenuous efforts to punch the ball to team-mates near Port's goal in the match at Glenelg Oval this afternoon. Marrett had a slight advantage and got the ball away.

91-point win for Norwood

By Amos Bottroff

Recording a 91-point win, Norwood outclassed Sturt at Unley Oval this afternoon. They were faster, more vigorous, and kicked accurately.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	3-1	15-6	17-8	26-14	170
Sturt	4-1	6-5	8-8	11-13	79

For Norwood, Hall and Marriott were best. Hall played a sound and often brilliant game on the ball and in attack. His kicking, marking, and position play were excellent.

Marriott was brilliant in defence. He played with great certainty and marked and kicked in fine style.

One could mention more than half the Norwood team for good work, but the most successful would include fast, vigorous Gallagher, Dalwood for his steadiness at the goal-front, Olds for his usual elusiveness on a flank, Oatey and Drage for fine work, particularly on the ruck fringes, and Matthews for a valuable effort in ruck.

Yeo (Sturt) was the best man on the ground. Safe in the air, determined when going for the ball, brilliantly elusive when

countered, he gave one of the best exhibitions of his career on a half-back flank.

Jack Giles played a very sound game in defence, and on the ball rarely made a mistake.

Tilley, too, played with vigor and gave excellent service when opposed to Way.

Thompson's six goals were the result of sound play. Others to show excellent form in an otherwise weak side were Ryan (a very fine display at half-forward) and Kearns.

Goalkickers—Norwood: Dalwood 6.1, Hall 4.2, Way 4.0, Drage 3.2, Tilbrook 2.2, Holmesby 2.2, Carter 2.1, Oatey, 2.0, Olds 1.0, Farrow 0.1, Gallagher 0.1, rushed 0.2, Sturt: Thompson 6.5, Chardon 2.0, Chapman 1.2, Ryan 1.1, L. G. Giles 1.0, Britton 0.1, Boland 0.1, Selth 0.1, rushed 0.2.

Best Players—Norwood: Hall, Marriott, Dalwood, Gallagher, Oatey, Olds, Drage, Sturt, Yeo, J. Giles, Tilley, Ryan, Thompson, Kearns, N. Giles.

North too fast; Trounce South

By Len Swan

North had command at Adelaide Oval this afternoon, and defeated South without much trouble by 37 points. The Red-and-Whites were too fast. South gave a disappointing display.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	5-9	10-9	12-15	18-16	124
South	2-1	6-5	9-9	12-15	87

It was a poor game with South for the most part playing well below form and being beaten by North in practically all departments.

The Adelaide side missed their captain Lapthorne.

He seems to inspire South to play the open game, and is a steadier when the side is under pressure.

The Red-and-Whites were brilliant in patches, but there were few instances of sustained good football.

North were too fast for their opponents, and made position more effectively.

It was pleasing to see such an efficient half-forward line in operation.

Kennett, Phillips, and Pash made few mistakes, and were always moving to the open spaces.

The South first line of defence were hopelessly outclassed by this trio.

Fumbled badly

At times players made the ball appear elusive by fumbling badly—often the ball was knocked well down the field before it was retrieved.

North took full advantage of the strong wind in the first quarter and had most of the early play, but their best football was seen in the second and final quarters, when they were kicking into the wind.

It was during these terms that Pash and Kennett, playing wide of Phillips, were so effective.

South received practically all their drive from across centre, where Deane was masterly and the centre wingers, K. Harris and Slattery, gave able support.

The Adelaide side were all astray when the ball was forced into their forward line, and had it not been for the able scouting of Merchant (who kicked four goals), they would have been even further behind at the bell.

South had no counter for McKay, who completely checked the resting ruckman and then held Pryor when he was sent to give height to the Blue-and-white spearhead.

Ruck duels

There were some interesting ruck duels, but on the day North had the edge, with Arbon taking more advantage of their opportunities than their South counterparts.

Phillips was best man on the ground with a devastating game at centre half-forward.

From this position he kicked eight goals. One or two of his shots were gems. He gave his side a safe avenue to goal all day. This player refuses defeat and plays on intelligently.

As a defender McKay has few peers, and he gave his usual rock-like display today.

McKay's judgment is excellent. An outstanding mark, he is not afraid to go for the knock. When he does use these spoiling tactics, he does so in fine determined style.

Kennett plays the half-forward flank position with intelligence. His tricky turn and left-foot kick are a constant worry to his opponent.

For South, Deane was outstanding. He was far too fast for Griffen.

Some of his turns out of trouble were a treat to watch.

Deane's accurate foot-passing is not confined to the half-kick. His two goals came from long, driving dropkicks.

Merchant was in the picture all day, and his four goals were well earned.

Schimleck was not as effective as usual, but he fought back and must be given credit for the tenacity of his display.

Scorers—North: Phillips, 8.2; Aamodt, 3.4; Beeching, 2.2; Pash, 2.2; Cox 2.1; Arbon, 1.0; Kennett 0.1; rushed, 0.4. Pash hit post. South: Merchant, 4.0; Deane, 2.1; Pryor, 1.3; Griffen, 1.3; Cochran, 1.1; Schimleck, 1.1; Houston, 1.1; McLeod, 1.0; K. Harris, 0.3; Slattery, 0.1; rushed 0.1. Best Players—North: Phillips, McKay, Kennett, Aamodt, Pash, Cox, Blunden. South: Deane, Merchant, Schimleck, Venning, K. Harris, Linke (until injured), Ellery.

Convincing West win; Game was gruelling

By Brian Shea

Kicking accurately, and stronger in ruck, West scored convincingly over Torrens at Thebarton Oval today. They had an easy win after a gruelling game.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	7-1	10-2	13-9	14-11	95
Torrens	2-3	5-11	7-15	10-18	78

Tom Prowse was the most effective ruckman on the ground.

His accurate knocking to his rovers gave West a clean break away from the bounce; his reach hampered the small Torrens backmen.

Cannon was another West ruckman to play well. He gave a tireless display in ruck, but his most effective work was done in a back pocket, where he broke up many Torrens' attacks with strong marking and long, driving kicks.

Foster Williams was the best rover for the game.

He gave a sustained display of clever scouting on the ruck fringes and capped his display by kicking three goals.

Don Taylor was very effective at centre for West. Faehse (centre half-back) and Agars (ruck) were also prominent.

Coverlid was the best player for Torrens. He gave the side a badly needed lift when he went into the ruck. He was also the main goalgetter for his side.

Pyatt was another Torrens ruckman to give a solid display on the ball. His best work, however, was done in defence, where his speed and strong kicking turned many attacks.

Others to do well for Torrens were J. Broadstock (at centre half-forward) and Siviour, on a half-forward flank.

Scorers—West: Coad 4.2, F. Williams 3.4, Smith 3.0, Brown 2.0, Prowse 1.1, G. Williams 1.0, Cannon 0.1, B. Broadstock 0.1, Slat-tery 0.1, James 0.1. Torrens: Coverlid 4.3, Mehaffey 2.4, Prior 1.1, J. Broadstock 1.1, Fischer 1.1, Siviour 1.0, Pyatt 0.4, Ray Hank 0.1, Parsons 0.1, Wyatt 0.1, rushed 0.1.

Best Players—West: Prowse, Cannon, F. Williams, D. Taylor, Faehse, Agars, Semmler. Torrens: Coverlid, Pyatt, Mehaffey, Sully, Low, J. Broadstock, Ray Hank.