

# REDLEGS' EXPERIENCE GAVE THEM WIN OVER PORT

By Haydn Bunton

Greater experience proved the deciding factor at Alberton Oval where Norwood beat Port by 21 points after an even game. Port marred their chances by lamentable goal-kicking.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	2—2	4—5	6—7	11—12	78
Port	0—8	3—9	5—16	6—21	57

IN spite of almost incessant rain, the standard of play—for a wet day—was good.

Olds was Norwood's best. On a centre wing, he dominated that area all day. He started most of Norwood's effective drives.

Marriott was such a menace at centre half-back that Port made several unsuccessful moves to counter him.

Hall, who kicked three goals, played a heady game forward. He capped most Norwood thrusts with sound play.

Tilbrook (roving and forward), Way (for copybook handballing), Dalwood, and Gallagher were other stars.

From the first to the final bell Russell was undoubtedly Port's best. Time and again he sent Norwood back.

He had an able lieutenant in Schumann, who also broke up many Norwood attacks.

Carr spoiled a really excellent game by hasty kicking, but it was still a good effort.

Boyd again was prominent. I thought he had a slight superiority over Gallagher at centre.

The heavy going allowed Congy McLean to use all his wiles. He played a typical "loose-man" game. Growden (for his ruck knocking) and McDonald (roving) were best of the others.

Best Players—Norwood: Olds, Marriott, Hall, Tilbrook, Way, Dalwood, Gallagher. Port: Russell, Schumann, Carr, Boyd, McLean, Growden, McDonald.

Scorers—Norwood: Hall, Tilbrook, each 3.2; Dalwood, 2.3; Farrow, 1.2; Dansie, 1.1; Drage, 1.0; Way, 0.2. Port: Whelan, 2.3; Carr, 1.4; Hobbs, 1.2; Zucker, 1.1; Marrett, 1.0; Boyd, 0.3; Fletcher, 0.2; Growden, Nicholls, Greer, each 0.1; rushed, 0.3.

# Sturt defence beat Bays

By Amos Bottroff

Dour Sturt defenders, playing a sound, wet-weather game, beat off repeated Glenelg attacks in a vital last term at Unley Oval today. Sturt won by two points.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	1—5	4—7	7—8	9—9	63
Glenelg	0—5	3—7	6—8	8—13	61

Glenelg had the ball in attack for most of the final quarter, but, closely checked and vigorously opposed, could manage only 2—5 to Sturt's 2—1. Two of the five points were rushed.

Play was even right from the start. Ryan (Sturt), scouting wide, enabled Sturt to hold a six-point advantage at the first change.

With Crabb and Robjent (ruck) and Brooker (roving) at their top, Glenelg went to a 12-point lead.

Hillary, Trezise, and Boland revived the Sturt division. Willis adapted himself to the conditions in attack, and Sturt, working through his flank, had a goal lead at half-time.

## Sturt changes

Sturt lost Yeo and Robinson at this stage. Abbott went to half-back, Selth to a flank, and Kutcher to half-back (to oppose Donaldson).

Willis continued to exert a vigorous influence on the game. His second goal gave Sturt their greatest advantage for the game.

Boehm, on the ball, was instrumental in adding life to the Bays' efforts in the attacking area.

Fighting back, Glenelg evened the scores, only to see the lead swing back to the home side before the third bell.

During the second half, and particularly in the last quarter, Tilley led the stubborn Sturt defence. He was fully backed by Abbott and Jack Giles.

Glenelg were on top in the rucks. They almost snatched victory when Boehm kicked his third goal.

With only minutes to go, the Bays had a four-point lead.

However, Sturt managed to break through. Baker goaled, giving Sturt a two-point win.

Sturt's best on the day was Tilley. He gave a match-winning display in the second half.

Abbott must get full credit for another great defensive effort. He took the field after half-time in place of Yeo, and was never beaten.

Willis gave a splendid exhibition of determination under extreme conditions.

## Tall goalsneak shines

Thompson was another who rose to the occasion, particularly in the second quarter. His ground work on the waterlogged turf was full of merit.

Up till half-time Ryan was possibly the best man afield.

Others to play prominently were Thomas (wing), Boland (roving), Kutcher (on a flank and later in defence), and Jack Giles.

For Glenelg, Brooker starred in a grand roving effort. His tigerish play and clever disposal made him outstanding.

Crabb rucked grandly, although he threw the game away by a hasty, inaccurate shot for goal in the third quarter.

Vale played well in a back pocket. Trenorden gave a sound and vigorous display, and Boehm also must be mentioned for his fine work in attack.

Best Players—Sturt: Tilley, Willis, Abbott, Thompson, Ryan, Boland, Thomas. Glenelg: Brooker, Crabb, Trenorden, Vale, Robjent, Teagle, Boehm.

Scorers—Sturt: Thompson, 2.2; Willis, 2.0; Boland, 1.2; Southern, 1.1; Baker, Ingham, Chapman, each 1.0; Ryan, Hillary, each 0.1; rushed, 0.2. Glenelg: Boehm, 3.0; Haussen, Teagle, each 1.1; Crabb, Donaldson, Lavin, each 1.0; Brooker, 0.4; Churcheit, 0.3; Wallis, Robjent, each 0.1; rushed, 0.2.

The ground at Unley Oval was so waterlogged today that when a Sturt player raced across the quagmire and marked the ball, a barracker called out: "Someone just rowed across the ground and took a beautiful mark."

## PREMIERSHIP LIST

	W.	L.	Points		Pts.
			For	Ag.	
Norwood	10	3	1384	1110	20
North	9	4	1273	1029	18
Torrens	8	5	1264	1035	16
West	7	6	1164	1084	14
Port	7	6	1067	965	14
Glenelg	6	7	1070	1167	12
South	3	10	1141	1424	6
Sturt	2	11	825	1314	4

## Top goalkickers

	Today	Total
Churchett (Glenelg)	—	52
Mehaffey (Torrens)	5	46
Zucker (Port)	1	45
Tuckey (North)	1	33
Dalwood (Norwood)	3	31
Merchant (South)	1	31

# North's narrow win after trailing most of way

By Len Swan

North scrambled home by four points from West at Kensington Oval this afternoon. In the mud battle both sides were forced to adopt soccer tactics.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	1—3	3—3	7—9	10—12	72
West	1—7	6—9	7—13	9—14	68

WITH rain falling practically throughout the match, the oval became a quagmire, and the game had little to offer as a football spectacle.

But it did provide excitement as North gradually whittled away West's lead.

In the last quarter players soccered the ball from end to end to force it within scoring range.

Phillips gave a classical exhibition of wet-weather football. He revelled in the conditions, gave North the necessary drive in the third quarter, and kicked five goals.

He has proved himself a fine utility player and his effort today when sent on to the ball helped greatly.

Pedler rucked strongly all day and was the best follower afield.

North's captain, McKay, again played a leader's part and set a fine example for steadiness when West fought back in the final minutes.

For West, Brown deserves high praise for a brilliant and determined display in a back pocket.

He was prominent all day with his safe marking and speedy clearances.

Slattery and Fos Williams must have given the State selectors something to think about. Both gave top-line performances on the ruck fringes. Both scored three goals, and were in the thick of play from the first to last bounce.

Best Players—North: Phillips, Pedler, McKay, Aamodt, Hancock, Cox, Galloway. West: Brown, Slattery, F. Williams, James, Coad, Semmler, Taylor.

Scorers—North: Phillips 5.0, Tuckey 1.3, Cox, Kennett each 1.1, McKay, Hancock, each 1.0, Arbon 0.2, Beeching, Pash, Aamodt 0.1, rushed 0.2. Arbon hit a goalpost. West: F. Williams 3.1, Slattery 3.0, Broadstock 1.3, Smith, Coad 1.2, Atkins 0.5, rushed 0.1, F. Williams hit a goalpost.

# Torrens' hollow win over South

By Brian Shea

Torrens scored a hollow win over South in a one-sided game at Thebarton Oval. Torrens were in charge in every department of the game, and, aided by remarkable kicking for goal, ran out the easiest of winners.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	5—5	7—5	13—10	16—14	110
South	1—3	1 5	1 5	2 8	20

Mehaffey, Torrens' rover, gave a brilliant sustained display. His speed and tenacity on the ruck fringes, coupled with accurate goalkicking, made him Torrens' best.

Pyatt, who shared the roving honors with Mehaffey, also played brilliantly for Torrens.

Others to do well for the winners were Broadstock, always in charge at centre half-forward, and Wyatt, who defended brilliantly when resting in a back pocket.

Cochrane was the best for South. He opened strongly at centre, where he had the call over Bob Hank. He stood out

in a side with so many players below form.

Of the others, Fraser battled gamely at centre half-back and McLeod fought hard against odds in ruck.

Scorers—Torrens: Mehaffey 5.1, Pyatt 3.4, McInnes 2.1, Prior 2.0, Ray Hank 1.2, Coverlid 1.1, Broadstock 1.0, Siviour 1.0, Bob Hank 0.1, Edwards 0.1, rushed 0.3. South: Merchant 1.0, Ellery 1.0, Laphorne 0.3, Ardill 0.2, Houston 0.1, Cochrane 0.1, Slattery 0.1.

Best Players—Torrens: Mehaffey, Pyatt, Broadstock, Wyatt, Coverlid, Commans, Edwards. South: Cochrane, Fraser, McLeod, Merchant, Ardill, Harris, Bolland.