

NORWOOD HELD OFF LATE CHALLENGE IN POOR GAME

By Lew Roberts

Norwood continued their unbeaten run today by defeating Glenelg by 11 points at Glenelg Oval in a game that had very little to commend it as a football spectacle.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood ..	3—4	5—6	10—8	12—10	82
Glenelg ..	3—3	4—5	6—7	10—11	71

LAFFIN withdrew from the Glenelg team through influenza and was replaced by Dorsett.

The game began in perfect football weather, and the winning of the toss by Oatey had no bearing on the game.

There was a slight fall of rain midway through the second quarter, which made the ball heavier and more difficult to kick, but this disadvantage was only temporary.

With the Norwood side weakened as it was, and with Marriott playing on a half-back flank for almost the whole of the game because of an ankle injury, and Hall lost in the third quarter, Glenelg, on their home ground, should have won.

The basic difference in the play of the teams was that while Norwood placed the ball either with hand or foot passes in intelligent fashion to give their team mate a chance to play on with effect, the Glenelg men, with a few exceptions—notably Haussen, Crabb, and Morphett—played ahead with wild punts or uncontrolled dropkicks.

Colin Churchett scored six goals, but he missed several goals from point-blank range when goals would have been of immense value to the morale of the side.

There were several weaknesses in this Norwood side, but the sensational wing play of Olds, who controlled the game almost as he wished, gave the Norwood side the lift which enabled it to win.

In spite of his obvious superiority, it was surprising how often Glenelg kicks from their half-back line were sent out in his direction with disastrous results.

The same mistake was made with Marriott, who was immobile on the half-back flank, with his injury.

Repeatedly Glenelg played the ball high to his position enabling him to outreach the opposition, and turn the attacks.

Churchett, when opposed by only one defender, invariably gained possession, but he was not assisted as much as he could have been by the players farther afield.

They did not seize their opportunities to get the ball quickly to him from standing kicks.

Time out of number when the field in front of goal was wide open, players dwelt on the ball sufficiently long to enable rucks, rovers, and defenders to crowd the open space where the ball could have easily been dropped on to Churchett's chest.

I thought Churchett's bag could easily have been made a dozen goals.

Immediately after half-time, Norwood set up a high-pressure attack, which brought 5—1 before Glenelg found their feet, and fought back with 2—2 from Churchett before the end of the term.

This was the Norwood winning burst, the game after that settling into its unimpressive vein, with the Tigers battling away to reduce the lead of the Redlegs to 11 points at the final bell.

Miller, the Glenelg recruit playing at centre half-forward, unwound a burst of good play in the last quarter, which worried the Norwood defence into shifting Marriott back to that position to curb his aerial activity.

Miller scored two goals with magnificent drop kicks, and had a hand in as many more.

For many years there has been a tendency by Glenelg players, particularly on their home ground with barracking support, to do dramatic turns in protest at umpire's decisions.

Even today, with the umpiring as bad for both sides, there were endless scenes, and apparently argument with the umpire as well.

Players who serve their side to the utmost of their capacity have no time to waste in this manner. If they have a grievance, their urge should be to do something extra to retrieve the situation.

Olds in charge

Olds unwound another magnificent display at centre wing, and Norwood have much to thank him for. He kicks to the man in the best position with an accuracy that is almost monotonous, and he shot holes galore in the Glenelg defence.

Le Page played dashing at half-back right, and later at centre half-back. Until he was unable to cope with Miller's aerial work in the latter stage of the game, his effort was a good one.

Williams played a good centre half-forward game. He held a physical advantage over his opponent, and was always a danger.

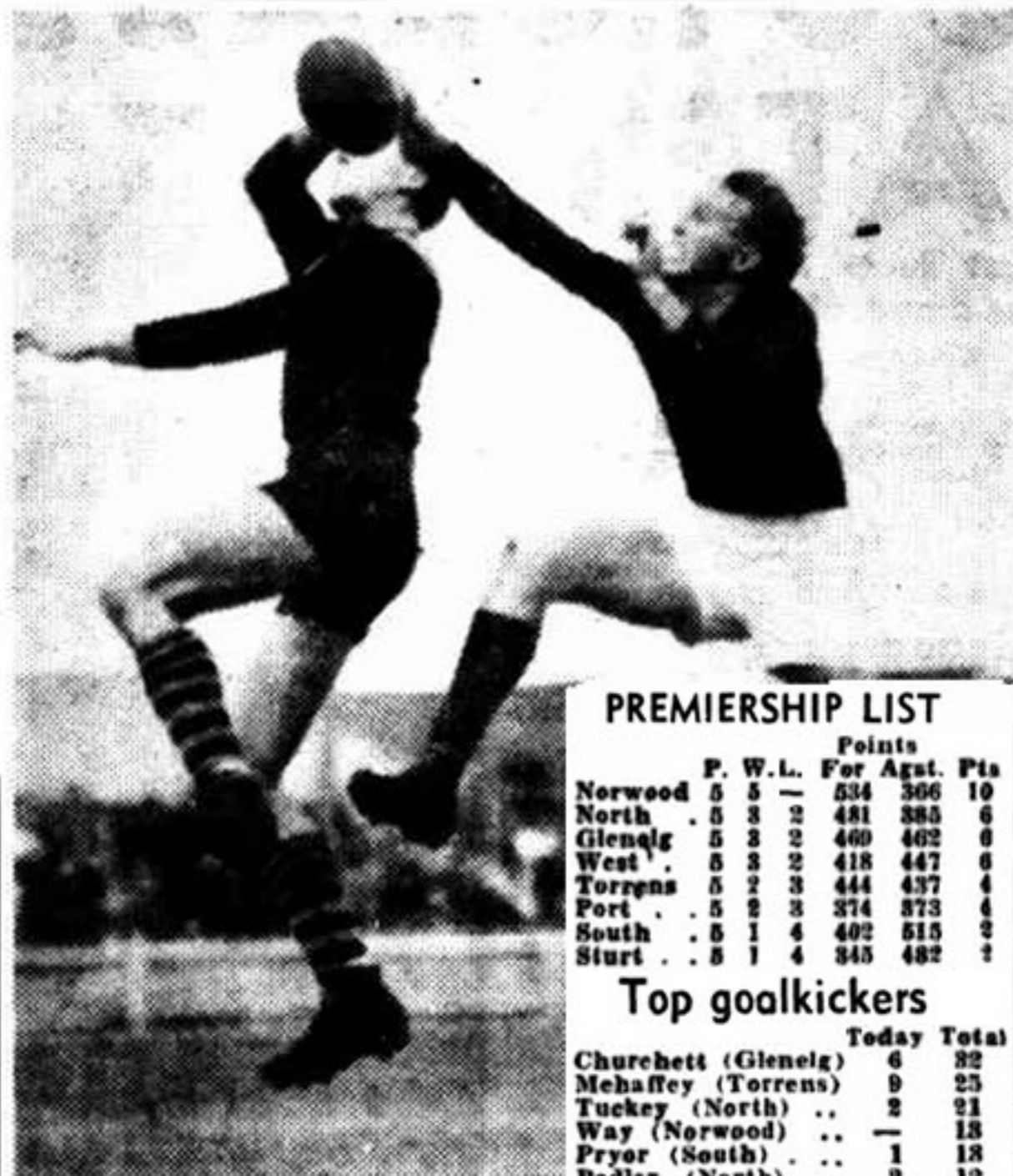
Sullivan played a valuable wing game for Glenelg. He was very sound overhead, and played with determination and intelligence.

Haussen roved with good effect, always looking for openings and used his left-foot turn well. He kicked the ball to the man in position, and to his advantage.

Crabb played a strong first half, and was the driving force in the Glenelg attack. He covered a lot of territory, and even though his condition weakened, he played serviceably throughout the last part of the game.

Best Players—Norwood: Olds, Le Page, Williams, Tilbrook, Oatey, Marriott, Gallagher. **Glenelg:** Sullivan, Haussen, Crabb, Wallis, Churchett, Morphett, Hannaford.

Scorers—Norwood: Farrow 7.1, Williams 3.1, Gross 1.2, Mooney 1.0, Way 0.1, Pittman 0.2, Tilbrook 0.2, rushed 0.1. **Glenelg:** Churchett 6.4, Miller 2.1, Haussen 1.2, Trenorden 0.1, Teagle 0.1, rushed 0.2.



PREMIERSHIP LIST				
	P.	W.	L.	Points
Norwood	5	5	—	534 306 10
North	5	3	2	481 385 6
Glenelg	5	2	2	460 402 6
West	5	3	2	418 447 6
Torrens	5	2	3	444 437 4
Port	5	2	3	374 373 4
South	5	1	4	402 515 2
Sturt	5	1	4	345 482 2

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	Today	Total
Churchett (Glenelg)	6	32
Mehaffey (Torrens)	9	25
Tuckey (North)	2	21
Way (Norwood)	—	18
Pryor (South)	1	18
Pedler (North)	2	12

THIS ATTEMPT by Glenelg's goalsneak, C. Churchett, to mark the ball was frustrated by Norwood's goalkeeper, S. Hiatt, who made a running jump and punched the ball clear. An incident at Glenelg Oval this afternoon.

TORRENS' SPEED TOO MUCH FOR NORTH

By Brian Shea

Torrens' speed, determination, and control of the rucks gave them an easy win over North at Thebarton Oval today.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens .	5—5	8—5	13—9	18—11	119
North . .	2—1	7—3	7—10	11—14	80

Bob Hank, Torrens' captain, held control at centre throughout the game. His elusive turning and accurate foot-passing gave his team many scoring chances.

Mehaffey, roving, was a close second to Hank. His good scouting and accurate kicking for goal gave Torrens a deciding break in the third quarter.

McKay, North captain, gave a great display at full back. His high marking and strong kicking made his position one of

North's few strong posts. **Best Players—Torrens:** Bob Hank, Mehaffey, Sully, Coverlid, Pyatt, W. Hank, Fischer. **North:** McKay, Donnithorpe, Stringer, Kennett, Carroll, Pedler, O'Leary.

Scorers—Torrens: Mehaffey, 9.1; Fischer, 3.1; Pyatt, 3.0; Ray Hank, 1.2; Coverlid, 1.2; Ashby, 1.1; Broadstock, Parsons, Bob Hank, Glastonbury, each 0.1. **North:** Tuckey, 2.3; Pedler, 2.1; Kennett, Arbon, Coulls, Beeching, McKay, each 1.1; Carroll, Aamodt, each 1.0; Pash, Crouch, Griffen, each 0.1; rushed, 0.2.

Sturt much improved in first win

By Amos Bottroff

Sturt's speed and aerial supremacy during the first three quarters enabled them decisively to defeat South for their first win this season at Kensington Oval today.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt . .	4—6	9—10	11—19	12—23	95
South . .	2—3	6—7	8—9	10—14	74

Noel Giles was Sturt's most effective player. His strong rucking and tenacity when resting in defence were assets which contributed greatly to Sturt's success.

Whelan and Yeo marked and cleared strongly and withstood much manhandling in defence. Chapman, at half-forward, marked and kicked in great style.

Boland, Lugg, and Britton also contributed greatly to Sturt's success.

Few South men were outstanding, but Laphorne was their best. Although he lapsed into errors, his doggedness was a great example to his teammates.

McLeod rucked and marked well, and often sent South into attack. Cochrane, Vaughan (in goals), Bollard (on a flank), and Sweeney (ruck) were others to show out.

Best Players—Sturt: F. N. Giles, Whelan, Yeo, Chapman, Boland, Lugg, Britton. **South:** Laphorne, McLeod, Cochrane, Vaughan, Bollard, Sweeney, Ardill.

Scorers—Sturt: Thompson, 3.5; Chapman, 2.5; Hillary, Britton, 2.2; Boland, 1.4; Wiekham, 1.1; L. G. Giles, 1.0; F. N. Giles, 0.2; rushed, 0.2. **South:** Laphorne, Ardill, 2.2; Deane, Pryor, Cochrane, 1.2; McLeod, Fryar, Sweeney, 1.0; Miller, 0.1; Houston 0.2; Merchant, 0.1; rushed, 0.1.

West's narrow win over Port

By Len Swan

West and Port staged a fine game at Adelaide Oval today. West, with a slight edge in pace, won by six points.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West . .	6—3	8—7	12—12	15—14	104
Port . .	4—3	8—5	13—5	15—8	98

Fos Williams was West's best with a dashing, fearless display. Roving to defeated rucks, he anticipated the knocks, and picked up the crumbs skilfully. It was a fine reappearance after a spell with a knee injury.

Beaton, on a wing, appeared at times yards faster than any other player near him. He is well built, and an ideal type of wingman.

Don Taylor, after a quiet start, came into his own in the last half, with brilliant marks and clever handball.

Best on the ground was Growden, with a tireless and dashing effort in ruck and at forward. He is the type that wins matches. His physique and speed have improved since

last season, and he now uses his weight to advantage.

Whelan is another big Port man who impressed with his dash. He makes position particularly well for his size.

Russell was solid all day, and combined uncanny judgment and rugged spoiling tactics.

Best Players—West: F. Williams, Beaton, D. Taylor, Slattery, G. Williams, Brown, Semmler. **Port:** Growden, Whelan, Russell, Marrett, McLean, Hewitson, Mills.

Scorers—West: F. Williams, B. Broadstock, 3.1; Smith, 2.2; Slattery, 2.1; G. Williams, 2.0; Cannon, 1.4; Agars, 1.2; Dennes, 1.1; Braidwood, D. Taylor, 0.1. **Port:** Growden, 4.0; Gates, 3.1; Zucker, 2.2; Marrett, 2.1; Whelan, 2.0; McLean, 1.1; Russell, 1.0; Hobbs, Boyd, 0.1; rushed, 0.1.