

POWERFUL NORWOOD LAST TERM SHATTERS GLENELG "BOOM"

By Haydn Bunton, as told to Lawrie Jervis jun.

Norwood convincingly shattered the Glenelg "boom" today when, in a tremendous last quarter burst, they ran away to win by 10 goals at Glenelg.

Norwood demonstrated again that when the Bay key men—Churchett, Don and Laurie Taylor, and Alan Crabb—are stopped, Glenelg are little more than ordinary.

Today, Don and Laurie Taylor were write-offs, as far as developing any power for their side was concerned. Churchett kicked one goal in each of the four quarters, and when Crabb could not conquer the Norwood rucks, the other players in the Bay side were not up to the task of combating the Redlegs.

It was noticeable that while four of Norwood's carnival players—Marriott, Olds, Williams, Oatey—did well, and Burke played fairly well, Window was the only one of the Bays' carnival men to show good form.

Even Ted Robjant, usually a mainstay of the side, was out of touch.

If by some chance Norwood and Glenelg do meet in the grand final, Glenelg have no more hope of tossing Norwood than of flying, on performances in the two matches they have played this season.

The Bays did not actually break down in any one position. It was more an all-over weakness which caused their defeat, combined with what seemed to be a weakening of "will to win" in the last term.

When the last quarter began, Glenelg were only 11 points behind.

It seemed that if they could have put two quick goals on the board, they might have "kicked on" and made the game interesting.

That is the "if" position. What actually happened is that Ron Williams and Dalwood each goaled quickly for Norwood, to give their side a four-goal lead.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	4-6	8-10	11-13	20-16	136
Glenelg	5-0	8-2	11-2	12-4	76

The turning point

That was the turning point of the game, because thereafter Norwood did as they liked, while Glenelg were not in the race.

Norwood simply annihilated the Bays from then on, kicking 9-3 to 1-2 in the last quarter. They went so far ahead, in fact, that they began to fool round with useless handball, something not ordinarily associated with their play.

It was a poor game throughout from a spectator's viewpoint. There was no life or fire in the first three quarters, even though the scores were relatively close.

The field kicking of both teams was poor for most of the game, with Norwood particularly at fault. But whereas Glenelg got bullseyes from their shots for goal in the first term—five shots, five goals—Norwood had twice the number of shots for 4-6.

Norwood's superiority in attack came from Blackmore at centre, and superior ruck work. Again in the second quarter Norwood did most of the kicking for goal, and in a slogging term, ran to an eight-point lead at half-time.

Glenelg certainly made Norwood work for their points, by keeping close to their opponents and forcing the play.

To this stage goalkeeper Ray Hunt was outstanding for Glenelg because of his close checking and determined spilling. Few others were rising above ordinary form.

I cannot understand why players, when kicking for goal, either in good or bad ground conditions, use dropkicks. The

punt is a proved goalgetter, and it was surprising to see such a brainy footballer as Oatey use a dropkick — which screwed badly, and missed from 30 yards — in the second term.

Oatey stayed a kick behind the play and ruck bounces for the third term. Tilbrook, who did the bulk of the roving all day, had to shoulder a heavy burden, and did it well.

Throughout, Ron Williams, at centre half-forward for the Redlegs, was too much for Don Taylor, and it was he who ran unopposed right in for an easy lightly booted goal to start the debacle of the last quarter.

When it was followed by a goal from Dalwood, the Bays had "had it" and acted like it.

From then to the finish, Norwood slammed on goals just as they liked.

On the day, Norwood's best was John Marriott, who was in command either in ruck or when placed. He has a beautiful pair of hands matched to good judgment. If only he could kick as well as he marks.

Blackmore won centre over Donaldson, although the Bay man did fairly well. Blackmore is in fine form at present, although he seems to be overdoing his "wrong-footed" turn. He gets the ball away all right with the left foot, but the punt floats high to his forwards.

Ron Williams has been improved by his carnival experience, and outplayed Don Taylor in no mean style to kick five goals.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	Points Prem.		
				For	Ag.	Pts.
Norwood	13	12	1	1579	929	24
Port	13	9	4	1110	906	18
Torrens	13	8	5	1197	1049	10
Glenelg	13	8	5	1228	1124	16
West	13	7	6	1149	1093	14
North	13	6	7	1166	1017	12
Sturt	13	2	11	989	1478	1
South	13	—	13	792	1568	—

Top goalkickers

	Today	Total
Churchett (Glenelg)	4	73
Williams (Norwood)	5	42
Mehaffey (Torrens)	9	39
Willis (Torrens)	7	34
Dalwood (Norwood)	5	33
Thompson (Sturt)	—	32
Fos Williams (Port)	1	30
Zucker (Port)	1	30

Olds, on a wing, didn't miss a trick, although play went through other avenues often, and Tilbrook roved like a good one today.

Ray Hunt was consistently good for Glenelg. Considering Norwood's high score, his effort in keeping Dalwood out of the play most of the game was top-notch.

Brooker roved well, but could do with some coaching on how to kick. He nullified much of his work by inaccurate and slovenly kicks.

Kempson, at half-forward, and Window, at half-back, played some bright patches, while Jack Taylor did his best work in the second half, playing mostly a kick behind the play.

Best Players—Norwood: Marriott, Blackmore, Williams, Tilbrook, LePage, Oatey, Olds, Warren, Glenelg: Hunt, Brooker, Kempson, Window, J. Taylor, Prior, Crabb, Hannaford.

Scorers—Norwood: Williams 5.4, Dalwood 5.0, Tilbrook 4.5, Marriott 2.1, Warren 2.0, Oatey 1.3, Olds 1.0, Mayo 0.1, rushed 0.1. Glenelg: Churchett 4.1, Miller 2.0, Kempson 2.1, Prior 1.0, Donaldson 1.0, Haussen 1.0, Brooker 0.1, rushed 0.1.

Magpies too well balanced for West

By LEN SWAN

Port were too well balanced for West at Thebarton Oval today. In spite of several determined efforts by West to break away, Port finished 15 points in front.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	2-6	4-11	10-16	11-18	84
West	2-0	4-6	7-9	9-15	69

The Magpies had many sound performers, but Boyd is given first place for his anticipation and the way he disposed of the ball. At centre he was always in the play and sent his side forward time and again.

Fos Williams revived his side whenever West looked like breaking away. His courage when he entered the crushes enabled him to gain possession.

Growden and Marrett rucked strongly and when resting in a set position usually had too much height for their direct opponents.

Faehse was outstanding for West. His brilliant interceptions made him a thorn in Port's side all day.

Although Cannon had strong opposition in ruck, he made position well when in the open and posted two excellent goals.

Edwards and Lynch did all that was asked of them and gave their side useful service.

Best Players—Port: Boyd, Fos Williams, Growden, Marrett, Russell, Whelan, Hewitson, Schumann. West: Faehse, Bannon, Edwards, Lynch, Brown, Slattery, Bruce Broadstock.

Scorers—Port: Growden (3.1), Marrett (2.1), Boyd (1.4), Whitaker (1.3), Williams (1.2), Zucker (1.1), Fletcher (1.1), Carr (1.0); rushed 0.5. West: Slattery (2.1), Cannon (2.0), Agars (1.4), A'Court (1.1), Edwards (1.1), Parnell (1.0), Todd (1.0), Bruce Broadstock (0.3), Trestail (0.1), Lynch (0.1), Jack Broadstock (0.1), rushed (0.2).

Sturt gave Torrens just solid practice

By AMOS BOTTROFF

Apart from some resistance in the early part of the game and in the third quarter, Torrens had what most virtually rank as a solid practice game against Sturt at Thebarton Oval. They held the visitors scoreless in the last quarter and trounced them by 124 points.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	4-2	12-10	14-12	25-18	168
Sturt	2-5	3-5	6-8	6-8	44



MUCH-DISCUSSED INCIDENT during the Norwood-Glenelg match at Glenelg today when Colin Churchett (Glenelg) marked in front of Jack Oatey (Norwood). After this incident the goal umpire and field umpire Aplin ran to Oatey and appeared to speak to him.