

**HOW THEY STAND**

	P.	W.	L.	For.	Ag.	Pts.
Glenelg	2	2	—	266	127	4
Norwood	2	2	—	264	167	4
Torrens	2	1	1	178	172	2
Sturt	2	1	1	181	177	2
West	2	1	1	190	213	2
Port	2	1	1	166	190	2
North	2	—	2	149	229	—
South	2	—	2	138	257	—

**GAMES AT A GLANCE**

	1st.	2nd.	3rd.	Final.
Norwood	6.4	13.7	19.12	22.15
North	2.2	4.4	9.6	11.12
West	3.3	7.4	12.10	15.11
West Tor.	1.7	5.1	10.7	14.12
Port	5.1	7.9	13.10	18.14
Sturt	2.0	3.1	6.4	11.6
Glenelg	3.4	9.5	16.12	22.18
South	3.5	6.9	7.11	11.17

**Most Goals**

	Matches.	Goals.	Total
Churchett (G)	2	8.5	16.9
Thompson (S)	2	5.1	8.3
Shanks (S)	2	7.8	7.8
Marriott (N)	2	4.5	7.7
Hausson (G)	2	4.2	7.6
Williams (N)	2	5.2	6.3
Brooker (G)	2	4.1	6.3
Osley (N)	2	1.1	6.2
B. Broadstock (WA)	2	2.2	6.2
Zucker (PA)	2	3.1	6.2

**Saturday's Stars**

- NORWOOD OVAL**  
OLDS (N.); WILLIAMS (N.); COX (NA).
- THEBARTON OVAL**  
LEWIS (WA); GATES (WT); WILLIAMS (WA).
- UNLEY OVAL**  
RUSSELL (PA); WILLIAMS (PA); WHITAKER (PA).
- ADELAIDE OVAL**  
BROOKER (G); BOLLARD (SA); BOEHMS (G).

**Norwood Convincing**

If North Adelaide is to take a hand in this year's premiership fight it must gather some tall players from somewhere of other. While the ball is dry and the two teams are as at present constituted it will never come within coo-ee of beating Norwood.

**NORWOOD** 22 goals 15 behs. (147 pts.).

**NORTH ADELAIDE** 11 goals 12 behs. (78 pts.).

Goalkeepers—Norwood, Williams, 5.2; Marriott, 4.5; Dalwood, 4.2; Carter, 3.1; Tilbrook, 2.3; Draz, 2.0; Hall and Osley, each 1.1. Dalwood hit a goalpost. North Adelaide, Edwards, 4.1; Aasmott and Oulis, each 2.1; P. Blunden, 1.2; Cox and Stringer, each 1.1; Phillips, Arbon, Hancock, Kennett and Crouch, each 0.1.

**OLDS AT TOP**

Olds was at his best at centre wing and almost invariably swung Norwood speedily into attack whenever the ball entered his area. Williams soundly beat three separate opponents at centre half-forward, and his five goals from the outer key position reflected the merit of his performance. Blackmore's dash, clever handling and long well-directed kicking plus Olds' dominance at centre wing, gave Norwood two avenues of attack across the centre.

Edwards (if he could kick better he would be in the "find" class at half-back flank), Tilbrook (roving), Giles (centre half-back), Hall (ruck) and Marriott (full forward) were also worthy of special mention in an almost perfectly balanced team with no passengers.

North Adelaide had few consistently good players. Cox (roving and wing) and McKay (goal and ruck) were outstanding. They never gave up, but two men, however brilliant, could not dam the Norwood flood.

Others who caught the eye were Carroll (ruck), Coulls (wing and roving), and Edwards (attack).—**HARRY KNEEDONE**.

**Last-Minute Bid Fails**

Following West Adelaide's thrilling five-point win over West Torrens at Thebarton Oval, the premiership dreams of its supporters may yet come to fruition, as it showed great speed, improved technique and fine temperament under pressure to hold off a last minute bid for victory by West Torrens.

**WEST ADELAIDE**—15 goals 11 behs. (101 points).

**WEST TORRENS**—14 goals 12 behs. (96 points).

Goalkeepers—West Adelaide—Williams and James, each 3.0; Bernie Slattery, Nelson, B. Broadstock, 2.2; Brian Slattery, 1.1; Cannon, Lynch, 1.0; J. Broadstock, 0.1; rushed, 0.3. West Torrens—Bradford, 4.1; R. Ashby, Prior, 2.1; Coverlid, 1.2; Ray Hank, 1.1; McHaffer, Perkins, Bob Han', Pysit, 1.0; G. Ashby, 0.3; rushed, 0.3.

**Norwood, Glenelg Only Unbeaten Teams IMPROVED FORM BY PORT AND WEST**

Conducted By HARRY KNEEDONE

Only undefeated teams after the second series of league football matches on Saturday were Norwood and Glenelg. Norwood impressively thrashed the 1949 premier, North Adelaide, by more than 11 goals, and Glenelg beat South Adelaide by a margin almost as wide.

Port Adelaide showed a complete reversal of form following important changes in field placings and downed Sturt by more than eight goals on the latter's home ground.

West Adelaide, too, improved to gain a meritorious five-point win over West Torrens at Thebarton.

**Glenelg Promising**

Glenelg's effort in almost doubling South Adelaide's score at Adelaide Oval was not particularly brilliant but the team again showed definite glimpses of qualities which may take it a long way this season.

It has gained a reputation in recent years as a side which revels in vigorous exchanges, and it does not seem to have lost this quality.

But something seems to have been added. It swings more frequently into attack from the initial advantage so often given by its ruck, and Churchett seems to have strengthened his undoubted gifts of agility, elusiveness and accuracy.

On Saturday's form, the half-forwards, L. Taylor, Boehm and Teagle, would be a danger to any team, and the backline is solid. Handball was not overdone, but was frequently used intelligently.

It was mainly the combination of Churchett, the rucks and rovers which enabled Glenelg to make the game safe in the third term by scoring 7-6 against 1-2 by South Adelaide. Churchett scored five goals without a behind.

At this stage, the Glenelg all-round superiority, previously almost imperceptible, became blatantly obvious.

Apart from this burst, however, it barely held its own from the statistical viewpoint. In the first, second and last terms, it outscored South Adelaide by only 11, four and 10 points.

South Adelaide, apparently giving away height in all positions except full-back and full-forward, almost matched Glenelg before half-time.

<b>GLENELG</b>	22	16	148
<b>SOUTH ADEL</b>	11	17	83

Goalkeepers.—Glenelg—Churchett, 8.5; Hausson, 4.2; Brooker, 4.1; L. Taylor, Laffin, each 2.1; Window, 1.2; Crabb, 1.1; Robjett, 0.1; rushed, 0.2. Window hit a goalpost. South Adelaide—Michelmore, 3.0; Laphorne, 2.3; Shimlock, 2.2; Ellery, 1.3; Huntly, 1.2; Slattery, 1.1; Prior, 1.0; Merchant, 0.3; Bollard, Deane, each 0.1; rushed, 0.1.

**ROVING STRENGTH**

Glenelg's roving resources, which have never seemed quite talented enough in comparison with the team's generally strong ruck since the war, appeared particularly strong on Saturday's display. Both Brooker and Hausson not only roved intelligently, but also scored four goals each.

Boehm played particularly solidly at half-forward flank for the first three quarters. Laurie Taylor made some spectacular moves in the first and last terms, but it was mostly through Boehm that the ball was delivered to Churchett when the centre half-forward was in the doldrums.

In an even side, D. Taylor (centre half-back and centre), Churchett (if only for his third quarter effort), Crabb and Laffin (ruck) and Window (half-back and ruck) were prominent.

It is hard to separate Bollard and Deane as South Adelaide's best. Both refused to admit defeat, but although Deane's footpassing and general play were as polished as ever, he was subdued for a while when D. Taylor watched him at centre. Bollard, in ruck, was perhaps more consistently in the picture.

Michelmore and Huntly (ruck), Shimlock (roving), Williams and Taber (backs) were often under notice.—**BOB JERVIS**.

**Another Churchett Goal**



Although tackled by a South Adelaide defender, Colin Churchett (Glenelg), kicks one of his eight goals at Adelaide Oval on Saturday. Another South Adelaide player on the left fears the worst.

**Paradox At Unley**

Those who had peremptorily dismissed Port Adelaide as a rank outsider in the premiership fight this year had to eat humble pie on Saturday when the team soundly thrashed Sturt at Unley Oval.

**PORT ADELAIDE**, 18 goals 14 behs. (122 points).

**STURT**, 11 goals 8 behs. (72 points).

Goalkeepers—Port Adelaide—Boyd, 5.3; Williams, 4.0; Marrett, 3.2; Zucker, 3.1; Whitaker, 1.3; Fletcher and Mills, each 1.0; Growden, McDonald, Hobbs, Moore, rushed, each 0.1. Sturt—Thompson, 5.1; P. N. Giles, 2.1; Shanks, 2.0; Chapman, 1.1; Boland, 1.0; Rattigan, 0.2; Toyne, 0.1.

**BILLIANT BACKMAN**

Russell, Port Adelaide vice-captain, was the outstanding player on the field with a return to his best form, in a back pocket. He blocked Sturt's attacks consistently, marking brilliantly, and clearing the ball safely. Williams, although slower than

in past years, infused system into his sides play with neat and intelligent disposal of the ball. Whitaker proved his calibre again by cool, heady work at centre, and Boyd's debut at centre-half-forward was outstanding for his smart leads and his fine goal-shooting. Most prominent of the others were Marrett (ruck), Hobbs (rover), and McDonald (centre wing).

Abbott earned selection as Sturt's best player for his fine work on a half-back flank. It was one of the few positions where Sturt had the upper hand. Thompson (full-forward), undoubtedly has the high-marking ability to make him a future star, and he showed more determination and vigor than he has hitherto. Sanders (ruck), turned in a solid effort, and Tilley (centre-half-back) played well, although he was more subdued than usual (the left) the field late in the last quarter with stomach muscle trouble). Rattigan (ruck), Thomas (centre wing) and Ingham (full-back) were among the best.—**BILL RUST**.