

Fast North beat Bays; First victory

By Len Swan

North had a convincing win over Glenelg at Prospect Oval today. It was last year's premiers first win.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	2—0	9—5	10—7	16—11	107
Glenelg	3—4	5—7	9—11	9—16	70

Faster, more certain, and better in the air, North ran away in the closing stages to win by 37 points.

Taylor won the toss and with a strong wind blowing practically straight down the ground, Glenelg had the chance to post a match-winning tally.

Instead, the Bays' uncertain play during this term was largely responsible for them registering their first loss for the season.

The Bays never appeared as a confident, co-ordinated side, but merely battled along vigorously all day with little purpose and direction in their play.

But North, for the first time, settled down and went to their task in a business-like manner.

North's defence worried the Glenelg forwards into errors and hasty kicking. Their work was made easier by the ineffective passing methods adopted by the Tigers. Glenelg's 16 behinds speaks for itself.

The return to form of Phillips, and the drive given by McKay from centre inspired North.

Although the Glenelg followers knocked strongly, clever in-

terception by North nullified his advantage.

Some of Laffin's prodigious knocks were gathered up by North defenders.

Glenelg badly missed Grabb (after half-time) and Robjert (absent with an injury) in the ruck.

McKay gave a polished display at centre to be best afield.

North had a fine defender in Blunden. He used outstanding judgment in dashing clearances.

Marathon effort

Laffin's marathon effort for Glenelg deserves the highest praise. He knocked and marked strongly all day, but eventually ran himself into the ground.

Glenelg had a safe avenue to goal through elusive McPherson's wing.

Best Players—North: McKay, Blunden, Gilbourne, Carroll, Phillips, Arbon, Edwards. Glenelg: Laffin, McPherson, J. Taylor, Haussen, Trenorden, Window, Hunt.

Scorers—North: Phillips 4.3, Edwards 3.2, Gilbourne 3.0, Tidswell 2.3, Coulls 2.0, Kennett 1.2, Cox 1.1, Phillips hit post. Glenelg: Churchett 4.5, Rundle 2.0, Brooker 1.2, McPherson, J. Taylor 1.0, Haussen 0.3, Window 0.2, Laffin, Boehm, Donaldson, Prior 0.1. Churchett hit post.

press as having taken over the initiative.

While Fraser had the better of Jack Broadstock in the man-to-man tussles, it was left to brother Bruce to create an avenue through which West were able to attack while they slowly but surely took charge of play.

Faehse at the other end was fine from the first bounce and remained impassable all day. Once West had taken charge it looked easy for them. They made that vital first yard or two with ease, and had South players floundering.

Michelmores in ruck and Linke in goal, with some assistance from the roving centre-man, Deane, were the only South men who did not falter. But with little assistance, their task was hopeless.

PREMIERSHIP LIST

	P. W. L.			Points Prem.		
	P.	W.	L.	P.	A.	
Norwood	4	4	—	489	311	8
Glenelg	4	2	1	448	398	6
West	4	2	1	409	320	6
Torrens	4	2	2	325	294	4
Port	4	2	2	339	321	4
North	4	1	3	303	366	2
Sturt	4	1	3	327	404	2
South	4	—	4	241	326	—

Top goalkickers

	Today	Total
Churchett (Glenelg)	4	25
B. Broadstock (West)	5	12
Marriott (Norwood)	4	12
Shanks (Sturt)	3	12
Williams (Port)	—	10
Zucker (Port)	1	10
Edwards (North)	3	10

Norwood forced to fight all the way

By Brian Shea

Although beaten by five goals, the weakened Sturt side forced Norwood to fight all the way at Norwood Oval today.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	6—6	9—9	13—18	16—19	115
Sturt	2—2	6—9	7—10	12—13	85

Best Players—Norwood: Olds, Marjell, Williams, Hill, Edwards, Custer.

Sturt: Mulligan, Houghton, Ryan, Bowler, Chapman, Thomas, Teater.

Scorers—Norwood: Marjell 4.0, Custer 4.1, Drage 3.4, Tilkrook 1.2, Burke 1.1, Dalwood 1.1, Hill 1.0, Heiderreich 1.0, Williams 1.0, Warren 0.4, Blackmore 0.1. Sturt: Chapman 5.0, Mulligan 3.0, Bowler 2.1, Houghton 1.2, Houghton 0.2, Lopez 0.2, Kuller 0.1.

TORRENS' EASY WIN

Fine goal shooting against Port

By Lawrie Jervis, Jun.

After Port had dominated play for three quarters, Torrens went away to a rather surprisingly easy win in the last term of the Alberton Oval game.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	1—0	4—2	8—2	14—4	88
Port	3—3	3—6	8—8	9—8	62

The ultimate ease of Torrens' win could not have been forecast when the last term started. At that stage Port had had fully 75 per cent. of play. It was only the never-yielding Torrens' defence that kept Port's scoring down.

The Gold-and-blues allowed Port only one scoring shot in the last session—and that was Batt's goal, when the game was obviously over, anyhow.

Torrens remarkably accurate scoring rate—14 goals from 18 scoring shots—was a major factor in their win. The bulk of their goals came from relatively easy scoring positions.

Both teams carried some passengers, but whereas Torrens' men in that class made little difference to the game, Port could hardly afford to have Whitaker so soundly thrashed, as he was, by Bob Hank.

Whitaker's eclipse

After doing a shade better than the Torrens captain in the first quarter, Whitaker faded right away. From the third quarter to well into the last he did not get a kick.

Whitaker has now been soundly beaten in the past two weeks by Deane (South) and Hank. It looks as if Port will either have to reshuffle the team or continue with the vital centre position a dead loss. Possibly Whitaker would prefer some other position in the field.

Brian Faehse was the best man afield. This season Faehse has played one brilliant game after another.

Cannon and Agars both played high-class games in the ruck, and Lynch, on a wing, had a field day. Lewis and B. Broadstock both went well.

Aboriginal Henry Peckham's five goals in his first league game was a really good effort.

For South, Michelmores was the most impressive. He

knocked out well in the rucks, but had little support. Best of the others were E. Linke, Fraser, Deane, and Ellery.

Best Players—West: Faehse, Cannon, B. Broadstock, Agars, Lynch, Lewis, Peckham. South: Michelmores, Linke, Fraser, Deane, Butcher, Ellery, Laphorne.

Goalkickers—West: Peckham 5.5, B. Broadstock 5.2, Bernie Slattery 3.1, Cannon 2.2, Agars 2.2, A Court 2.2, Williams 1.3, J. Broadstock 1.1, Nelson 1.1, R. Panizza 0.1. South: Ellery 4.1, Pryor 2.0, Laphorne 1.2, Butcher 1.1, Chapman 1.1, Michelmores 0.1.

The three men who probably did more to earn Torrens the win than others in the side were captain Bob Hank, Phil Bennett, and Ray Hank.

After the first quarter, Bob Hank rarely allowed Whitaker a sight of the ball. He was the driving force behind the side.

Bennett, kingpin in the defence, at centre half-back, was under assault for three quarters and never faltered.

Ray Hank, apart from being beaten in the third term, nearly always gave Torrens safe passage through his wing.

Russell's effort

Bradford again roved well. One goal, from 25 yards out, right on the boundary line, in the last quarter was a gem.

For Port, Russell stood out. Any Torrens move that got past him in the first three terms was purely accidental. He showed magnificent anticipation.

Port's half-back line, on the day, took the honors. Dayman, Clift, and Greer held too many tricks for the Torrens men.

Best Players—Torrens: Bob Hank, Bennett, Ray Hank, Bradford, Fischer, Roberts, R. Edwards, Port: Fusell, Greer, Clift, Growden, Boyd, Fletcher, M. Gates.

Scorers—Torrens: Bradford 3.2, Fischer 3.0, Prior 3.0, McHaffey 2.0, Willis 1.1, J. Edwards 1.0, Coverlid 1.0, Pyatt 0.1, Port: Growden 2.1, Mills 2.0, Hobbs 1.2, Zucker 1.1, Hewitson, L. Oates 1.0, Butt 1.0, Hobbs 1.0, Boyd 0.2, M. Gates 0.1, Marrett 0.1.

WEST SPEEDY AND CLEVER IN TROUNCING SOUTH

By Amos Bottroff

West's speed and clear-cut methods enabled them to trounce South by 92 points at Adelaide Oval today.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	5—4	12—12	15—16	22—20	152
South	4—1	4—1	8—5	9—6	60

South had their moments in the first and third quarters, but West paralysed them for most of the day with science.

The most notable feature of South's play during their eclipse was the half-hearted, almost nervous way in which they went for the ball.

In relief, West anticipated their own moves and those of the opposition.

The game opened at a very fast speed, with South a shade the better side. They led well and showed West the way to goals.

The ground appeared to be good after the rain, and the general going was very little retarded by the softer patches.

The game changed hands a couple of times during the first turn before West began to im-