

South's speed and vigor gave win over Bays

By HUBERT BIGGS

South sprang another surprise today, speed and vigor giving them a fighting 11-point win against Glenelg at Adelaide Oval.

South	1-3	5-10	7-11	10-16	76
Glenelg	0-4	1-8	5-10	8-17	65

With their third successive victory—they had downed North and Norwood in the two previous games—South showed their form during the first half of the season was all wrong.

They led the Tigers from start to finish this afternoon, and stayed off two rallies by their rivals in the second half to retain their advantage.

Both teams were badly astray in their goalshooting at times, with Glenelg the worst offenders as their tally of 1.8 at half-time shows only too well.

Made sure

South were five points ahead at the first change-over, but they really made success sure with a fast, determined second quarter.

Their rucks had unexpectedly held sway in the opening term, but too much fumbling, and too many attempts at short passing when long kicks would have done the trick, had let them down.

The Tigers fared even worse.

Still beaten in the packs after the first change, they also proved helpless against South's stout-hearted defence and a fast-improving forward combination.

Glenelg scored only one goal for the whole of the first half.

But what a goal it was! Colin Churchett hotly challenged on the run, snapped it from the most acute of angles—a gem of flawless judgment.

South added 4-7 to 1-4 in this quarter, and earned them the hard way.

Jimmy Deane and Denis Parham were having spirited duels with Neale Davies and Alf Bailey respectively. The South men had a slight edge in these key points early, but the Glenelg pair did better in the second half.

Big role

Pat Hall, rather quiet before, played a big role in Glenelg's third quarter burst.

Davies, too, had a stronger influence on their play when he bolstered the rucks, Don Taylor replacing him at centre half-back.

The seaiders outscored South for the first time—26 points to 13—but they still trailed by more than two goals at third-quarter time.

The blue-and-whites' only two sixers for the term came from Zubrinich as a result of cool, clever play.

Midway through the last quarter, another dashing South burst put them almost six goals to the good.

King and Hall combined well in a series of desperate Glenelg sorties in the closing stages. They shared the last three goals to make the Tigers' tally look much more respectable.

Dogged defence play by South saved the day for them at the finish, and they did not look in real danger of defeat.

While they could not keep their ruck superiority for the whole game, South's newly-found system stood them in good stead.

Their work across the half-forward line was convincing, and their back men battled like Trojans to keep their rivals at bay.

Even side

South were a very even side, and I bracket Deane, Parham, and Des Panizza as their best.

Deane, although not at his top in his footpassing, was always a power at half-forward. Parham was fast and powerful at centre and Des Panizza rucked strongly.

Other worthwhile performers were given by Zubrinich, Haussen, Michelmore, Allen, and Grear.

No one dominated the losing side.

Alf Bailey, particularly in the second half, shone at centre, while others under notice were Crabb (ruck), Davies (half-back, ruck), and half-forward during an extremely busy game; Taylor (half-back), Hall (ruck and forward), and King, who roved elusively.

Best Players.—South: Deane, Parham, D. Panizza, Zubrinich, Haussen, Michelmore, Allen, Grear, Glenelg: A. Bailey, Crabb, Davies, Taylor, Hall, King, B. Wright, R. Bailey.

Scorers.—South: Zubrinich 3.1, Michelmore 2.1, Kimber 2.0, M. Rea 1.3, Ballantyne 1.0, Dunn 1.0, Haussen 0.6, D. Panizza 0.3, Parham 0.1, rushed 0.1, Glenelg: Hall 3.1, King 3.0, Churchett 2.1, Potter 0.3, Wickham 0.2, A. Bailey 0.2, Crabb 0.2, B. Wright 0.1, McPherson 0.1, Davies 0.1, Laffin 0.1, rushed 0.2.

Replacements.—Ballantyne (South) replaced M. Rea in last quarter. Injured—Read (gash in head), Kerrison (Glenelg) replaced Wickham in last quarter, Wickham suffering from exhaustion.

Central umpire: C. J. Egar.

Bays and North in battle

By Vic Johnson

With the defeat of both Glenelg and North today, high interest about which teams will comprise the final four, is maintained.

Port are still leading Torrens for top position on a percentage basis. Those two teams are practically certain to occupy first and second places at the end of the minor round, thus gaining a double chance each.

Norwood, third, are fairly safe but could drop to fourth.

Glenelg, still fourth, lead North, who are fifth, by two points.

Sturt, by defeating West have moved up to sixth.

Keen interest will centre on two of next week's series of games.

Glenelg will play Port at Glenelg. Port are my pick.

League table

Club	W	L	For	Ag't	Pts.
Port	11	3	1485	1092	26
Torrens	12	3	1569	1162	26
Norwood	9	7	1411	1308	18
Glenelg	8	8	1559	1385	16
North	7	9	1394	1379	14
Sturt	5	11	1303	1697	10
South	5	11	1974	1668	10
West	4	12	1182	1373	8

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Player	Today	Total
Mayo (Norwood)	2	61
Churchett (Glenelg)	2	63
W. McKenzie (Nth)	—	55
Willis (Torrens)	5	49
Read (South)	1	47
Bradford (Torrens)	1	41
Hall (Glenelg)	3	41

At Prospect North face South, who are on the crest of the wave. I will stick to North—they have everything to lose.

Norwood, badly in need of a win, play Sturt at Norwood, and are my choice. West meet Torrens at Adelaide. Torrens should win.

Official attendances at today's league matches were: Adelaide Oval, 6,000; Kensington, 7,000; Thebarton, 8,000; Unley, 4,000—a total of 25,000.



GLENELG'S A. R. Bailey (left) and South Adelaide's M. J. Read both missed the mark in this tussle in today's Glenelg-South match at Adelaide Oval this afternoon.

STURT JUST HOLD OFF WEST THRUST

By LEIGH STEVENS

Sturt survived a determined last-quarter bid by West, to scrape home a point in a thrilling finish at Unley Oval today.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Sturt	1-1	4-4	9-11	12-11	83
West	1-1	8-2	9-2	13-4	82

They snatched victory from West after a game of amazing fluctuations. The lead changed hands nine times.

If Sturt had lost they would have had only themselves to blame. They had six more scoring shots and threw away chances wholesale in the second quarter.

Sturt owed their win to the drive they had from Kutcher at centre and Shanks on a wing. For West, Lynch won just as easily on his wing.

Kutcher at centre was the pick of Sturt's best. He never ceased shooting the ball forward and he had complete control of the mudpatch.

Good marking

Fitzgerald, first at centre half-back and later on the ball, was little behind Kutcher for effectiveness. He marked particularly well.

Shanks on a wing played with great dash. One run

which brought him a goal in the second quarter highlighted his display.

For West Lynch at centre wing was the source of most of their drives. He played tirelessly, handling the mud with complete surety.

Gallant rucking

A'Court, considering he was in doubt before the game because of influenza, rucked gallantly and was in it to the finish.

Lovegrove was the best of West's defenders.

Best Players.—Sturt: Kutcher, Fitzgerald, Shanks, Downing, Hunter, Donaldson (until injured), Paech, West, Lynch, A'Court, Lovegrove, Cannon, Packham, Thomas, Wright.

Scorers.—Sturt: Paech 4.0, Thompson 3.3, Hunter 2.2, Shanks 1.1, Harris 1.0, Boland 0.2, Ladd 0.1, Fitzgerald 0.1. West: Packham, Wright 4.1, Brown, Slattery, Ryan, Cannon, Broadstock 1.0, Lynch, Hewett 0.1.

Replacements.—Hodgeman (Sturt) replaced Donaldson in last quarter.

Injuries.—Sturt: Donaldson (injured shoulder), Phillips (concussion and cut lip), Hunter (concussion). Umpire: K. Dale.

PORT BACK IN FAVOR AFTER FINE DISPLAY

By VIC JOHNSON

Port, by defeating a determined North side which is making a belated bid to enter the final four, today regained much of their lost favor for premierships honors.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	4-3	8-6	10-9	13-14	92
North	4-4	5-4	6-5	10-8	68

The Magpie margin in the football clash at Kensington was 24 points, quite a good one. But Port had to produce some fine football to get this margin. They played the best brand of football I have seen from them this season.

They were a very even side and did a tradesman's job.

Actually Port won the game in the second term when they ousted North by four goals three behinds to one goal.

But in the last quarter North got perilously close.

I think Williams was Port's best. He turned in one of his tireless efforts, and was always right in the thickest of it. Whitaker gave him sound support.

McDonald, Jaggard, and Boyd had the better of matters across centre.

Marrett followed well as did Zucker, and Cliff led a very able defence.

Stringer gets my vote for North. He was always close-checking, marking well, and driving North forward with long kicks.

McKay and Galloway gave Stringer sound support. Proud was North's best follower. Griffin got a lot of kicks at centre, and Huppertz was often under notice in attack.

Best Players.—Port: Williams, McDonald, Jaggard, Marrett, Whitaker, Cliff, Boyd, North, Stringer, McKay, Proud, Griffin, Tuowell, Huppertz, Galloway.

Scorers.—Port: Whitaker 3.2, Hayes 2.2, Jaggard 2.1, Marrett 2.1, Zucker 2.0, Dittmar 1.1, McDonald 1.0, Williams 0.3, Coldwell 0.2, Boyd 0.1, Whelan 0.1, North: Proud 2.3, Phillips 2.1, Carroll 2.1, Kennett 2.1, Huppertz 2.0, Fuller 0.1, rushed 0.1.

Replacements.—W. McKenzie, North influenza, replaced by Hewett in third quarter. H. MacKenzie, North cramp, replaced by P. Blunden last quarter.

Torrens won game in third quarter

By LEN SWAN

Torrens and Norwood fought a great first half at Thebarton Oval today, but in the third quarter Torrens took over and eventually ran out easy winners by 38 points.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	4-5	5-8	10-17	13-21	99
Norwood	3-2	7-4	8-6	8-13	61

The first half was a crowd pleasing, fast, vigorous spectacle, with Norwood fully deserving their eight-point advantage at the long interval.

It was in the third quarter that Torrens showed their true worth and with firm precision established their right to a victory.

Norwood kicked only one goal during the whole of

the second half, which in itself revealed the control Torrens established after half-time.

Best Players.—Torrens: Prior, Clingly, Ray, Hank, Bob Hank, Ashby, Head, Pyatt, Norwood, Walker, Giles, Hines, Edwards, Fosdike, Olds, Gallagher.

Scorers.—Torrens: Willis 5.3, Head 3.4, Ray, Hank 2.2, Prior 1.4, Bradford 1.3, Pyatt 1.2, Bill Hank 0.2, Carr 0.1, Norwood: Mayo 2.5, Fosdike 1.3, Gallagher 1.2, Parrelly, Walker, Ashby 1.0, Olds 0.1.