

Norwood Beaten Before 19,702 In Sydney

Conducted by HARRY KNEEBONE

Downing Norwood by four goals before an interested crowd of 19,702 at the Sydney Cricket Ground on Saturday, North Adelaide improved its prospects of qualifying for the league football major round.

Glenelg, by snatching a one-point win from West Adelaide, at Glenelg, maintained its two-win advantage in fourth place.

As North Adelaide will meet Port Adelaide at Alberton and Glenelg will play South Adelaide at Glenelg, the gap between the fourth and fifth teams may be widened next Saturday.

But North Adelaide's recovery of 1952 form suggests that even if it loses this week it still has a reasonably good chance of forcing its way into the top four before the minor round ends.

South Adelaide, with Deane back again and in top form, surprised by defeating Sturt and relegating Sturt to bottom place.

Port Adelaide's success over Torrens and the defeat of Norwood enabled Port to gain undisputed occupancy of top place for the first time this season.

How They Stand

Port	W	L	F	A	Pts	Pl.
Norwood	7	1	288	501	61	12
Torrens	6	2	296	641	55	12
Glenelg	5	3	850	661	50	10
North	3	5	216	250	48	6
West	2	6	560	710	44	4
South	2	6	569	961	37	4
Sturt	1	7	300	886	44	2

Leading Goalkickers

Name	Sat.	Weeks	Total
Mayo (N)	6.1	7	35.22
Churchett (G)	3.3	8	32.26
Read (SA)	3.2	8	32.16
Bradford (WT)	3.1	8	30.13
W. McKenzie (NA)	6.1	8	26.10
Willis (WT)	3.1	7	25.22
Hall (G)	1.1	7	22.11
Proud (NA)	6.0	8	20.8
Whitaker (PA)	2.2	8	17.19
Brown (WA)	3.2	8	17.16
King (G)	1.0	8	17.9

Attendances, Weather

*Sydney (N. v. N.A.)	19,702
Thebarton (PA v. WT)	15,000
Glenelg (G v. WA)	6,400
Adelaide (SA v. S)	5,300
Total	46,402

*Not included in SA League figures.

WEATHER:—Fine, cold; grounds soft after rain during week but ball dry.

North Kicked 11.7 To Norwood's 2 Behinds

North . . . 3—2 6—4 13—10 19—15 129
 Norwood 2—3 7—10 9—12 15—15 105

From BOB JERVIS

SYDNEY, June 14.

Kicking 11 goals seven behinds to only two behinds by Norwood in the second and part of the third quarters, North Adelaide won by 24 points the league match at the Sydney Cricket Ground yesterday.

The margin was deceptively small because North, leading by 47 points well into the last term, slackened and allowed Norwood to score six anti-climatic goals.

North ruckman-forward Proud was the prime factor in Norwood's first defeat in seven matches. He kicked three of North's seven third-quarter goals and finished with six.

It was Proud, full forward Bill McKenzie and the ruck which gave North the initiative after Norwood led by 12 points at half-time.

To that stage, Norwood captain-ruckman Marriott had been best man on the ground. After that the North ruckman rarely allowed him to knock cleanly.

Tanner was the star. He leapt prodigiously and, although knocking with little direction, frequently beat Marriott.

McKay Out-Played

McKay unexpectedly started at full back, but, allowing Mayo four goals in the first half, reverted to half-back left after half time. McKay was frequently out-played and eluded, but this was not so much a reflection on his performance as on Mayo's all-round excellence.

The fact is, that while it now seems doubtful that McKay will reach carnival form, Mayo should be favorite as the State full-forward.

Down 12 points at half-time and having the generally appreciative crowds' sympathy as the apparent underdog, North, again with the wind, overwhelmed Norwood. It scored 13.11 to 8.5 in the second half.

Best players:—North—Proud, Bill McKenzie, Griffin, Welton, Tanner, Hewitt, Norwood—Mayo, Marriott, Olds, Young, Giles, Posdike.

Goalkickers:—North, Bill McKenzie 6.1; Proud, 6.0; Phillips, 2.1; P. Blunden, 1.4; Stringer, 1.1; H. MacKenzie, Glibourne and Griffin each 1.0; Kennett, 0.3; Tidswell, 0.1; rushed, 0.2. Norwood, Mayo, 6.1; Walker, 3.1; Young, 2.2; Posdike, 2.1; Blackmore, 1.4; Vivian, 1.1; Dalwood, 0.2; Hodgson, Gallagher and Olds, each 0.1.

Better Forward Work Wins For South

1st 2nd 3rd Final Pts
 South . . . 5—3 7—4 10—7 12—12 84
 Sturt . . . 2—3 6—7 9—12 10—15 75

By HARRY KNEEBONE

For three-quarters of the Adelaide Oval game—after South Adelaide's unexpectedly virile first term—Sturt generally held a slight advantage.

It scored 8.12 (20 scoring shots) to South Adelaide's 7.9 (16 scoring shots) in the last three quarters, and had the ball in its forward lines for seemingly interminable periods without scoring at all.

While credit must readily be given to South Adelaide for a much more workman-like performance than it has achieved for weeks, it also

must be admitted that Sturt contributed much to its own defeat.

Sturt's forwards had a remarkable flair for ignoring the obvious direct method and for seeking out circuitous cul-de-sacs.

Best players:—South Adelaide—Deane, R. Panizza, M. Read, Luke, Zubrinich, Haussen, Sturt, Thompson, Fitzgerald, Shanks, Hill, Phillips, Goldfinch.

Goalkickers:—South Adelaide—M. Read, 3.3; Deane, 3.1; Zubrinich, 2.1; Michelmore and Sexton, each 1.2; Haussen, 1.1; R. Panizza, 1.0; D. Read, 0.1; rushed, 0.1. Sturt—Hill, 3.3; Goldfinch, 2.2; Phillips and Fitzgerald, each 1.2; Ladd, 1.1; Thompson and Shanks, each 1.0; Rattigan, 0.2; King, 0.1; rushed, 0.2.

Glenelg's Thrilling One-Point Win

Glenelg . . . 3—3 7—8 10—12 12—16 88
 West . . . 2—3 6—3 9—7 13—9 87

By COLIN SYMONDS

Locked together in a point-for-point last quarter struggle for victory, Glenelg and West Adelaide provided one of the most thrilling finishes seen at Glenelg Oval for a long time.

Glenelg scraped home by one point after losing the lead twice in the last term, with West Adelaide thrusting forward again as the final siren sounded.

For West it was the second time this season that victory had eluded it by only a point.

On May 16 it lost to Norwood by that margin after leading for more than half the game.

On Saturday its near-success was the more meritorious because it came from behind to give Glenelg a severe shaking.

Man-handling

Trailing from early in the first term, when man-handling by Glenelg players gave it the first two goals of the match, West snatched a three-point lead midway through the last quarter when A'Court goaled to give West 11.9 to Glenelg's 10.12.

Churchett, after an exciting tussle, hit a goalpost to reduce the margin to two points, and then Crabb, after Wickham and Potter had combined well, goaled and gave Glenelg a lead of four points.

Broadstock goaled again for West, and when Churchett again missed, West led by a point.

Wickham's shot from a scrum near goal hit a post to bring Glenelg to 11.15, level with West, 12.9.

Umpire Egar won no friends in the West camp when he re-called goalkeeper Lee's kick-off after this behind and bounced the ball on the goal-square corner.

Lee, taking his kick-off, made a "little kick," and played on down the field until Egar stopped him, apparently not seeing the preliminary kick.

The penalty might have cost West the match. West got the ball away from the bounce, but Davies raced through to put Glenelg a point in front again.

When the ball came off the hands of Hall and a West defender in the goalmouth, Potter managed to soccer it through to widen Glenelg's lead to seven points.

Wright goaled again for West, but time ran out before it could press home again.

Better position play, particularly in attack, gave Glenelg the edge, although it was not as accurate as West when trying for goal.

Davies, on Glenelg's half-forward line, was best of the home team. His marking, speed and team play gave him a narrow margin over goalkeeper Ray Bailey, who never faltered all day.

Brown and Lynch were hard to split as West's best. Brown scouted cleverly throughout and was always striving to put West into attack. Lynch was best on the ground for most of the first half, but was quieter later.

Best players—Glenelg—Davies, Ray Bailey, Alf Bailey, Wickham, Prior, Churchett. West Adelaide—Brown, Lynch, Slattery, Eglington, A'Court, Lee.

Goalkickers—Glenelg—Churchett, 3.3; Crabb, 3.0; Wickham, 1.5; Davies, 1.2; Hall, 1.1; Kerrison, King and Potter, each 1.0; Taylor, 0.2; Prior, Alf Bailey, each 0.1; rushed, 0.1. Wickham hit goalpost twice; Churchett hit post once. West Adelaide—Brown, 1.2; Richardson, 3.0; Cannon and Broadstock, each 2.1; A'Court, 2.0; Wright, 1.2; Packham, 0.3; Packham and Cannon each hit a goalpost.

Fitzgerald Leads In Trophy Vote

Points awarded on Saturday were:—

Team	Player	Points
GLENELG OVAL	Brown (West Adelaide)	3
	Lynch (West Adelaide)	2
	Davies (Glenelg)	1
THEBARTON OVAL	Trowse (Port Adelaide)	3
	Luke (Port Adelaide)	2
	Bob Hank (West Tor.)	1
ADELAIDE OVAL	Deane (South Adelaide)	3
	Thompson (Sturt)	2
	Fitzgerald (Sturt)	1
SYDNEY	Proud (North Adelaide)	3
	Mayo (Norwood)	2
	Marriott (Norwood)	1
	The leaders in the ballot are:—	
	12—Fitzgerald (Sturt).	
	10—Brown (West Adelaide), Davies (Glenelg), Deane (South Adelaide).	
9—Walker (Norwood).		
7—Hall (Glenelg), Bob Hank (West Torrens), Lynch (West Adelaide).		
6—King (Glenelg).		

Port Backs Solid

1st 2nd 3rd Final Pts
 Port . . . 2—2 6—10 7—11 13—20 98
 Torrens . 3—4 4—6 7—9 10—10 70

By PAUL BRUER

A defence which refused to admit defeat, coupled with a dominating centre line, was the key to Port Adelaide's 28-point win against West Torrens at Thebarton Oval.

The football was good by both sides, despite the drawbacks of a heavy ground and a south-westerly wind which floated the ball off course appreciably.

A last-minute change in line-up by West Torrens showed Head at centre, Bob Hank at half-forward right, Bradford at half-forward left and Bill Hank in a forward pocket.

Port Adelaide's forwards really hit their straps in the last quarter, kicking 6.9—two shots hit the post—to Torrens's 3.1.

Both sides finished strongly, but Port Adelaide was playing smoother football, with the big men holding nearly every mark offered.

Port Adelaide, which this season has tried several players at full-forward, has a find in Coldwell. Young, heavy, but agile and a purposeful mark, Coldwell has great potentialities if he can improve his kicking.

Best players.—Port Adelaide—Trowse, Luke, Whelan, Coldwell, Abley, Russell. West Torrens—Bob Hank, Head, Bradford, Clingy, Prior, Roberts.

Goalkickers.—Port Adelaide—Coldwell 4.3; Hayes 2.3; Whitaker 2.2; Luke 1.3; Trowse 1.2; Motley and Dittmar, each 1.1; Marrett 1.0; Williams 0.2; McDonald and Clift, each 0.1; rushed, 0.1. West Torrens—Willis and Bradford, each 3.1; W. Hank 1.3; Pyatt 1.1; Prior and Coverlid, each 1.0; Bob Hank 0.2; Cockshell 0.1; rushed, 0.2.

Port Well Clear In Association Lead

Team	HOW THEY STAND					LEADING GOALKICKERS	
	W	L	For	Ag	Pts	Today	Total
Port Ad.	8	—	793	533	16	Wyatt, Port (5)	42
West Torrens	6	2	805	538	12	Rundle, Glenelg (4)	31
West Ad.	6	2	751	608	12	Hawkes, Glenelg (5)	27
Glenelg	5	3	685	757	10	Hill, North (1)	19
North Ad.	3	5	553	713	6	Packham, West (—)	18
Sturt	2	6	693	746	4	Cunningham, Port (2)	17
Norwood	2	6	641	843	4		
South Ad.	—	8	602	788	—		