

STURT NOW UNDISPUTED

Norwood win from Bays with kicking

By RAY BARBER

Norwood's accurate kicking for goal and greater purpose in front of centre were too much for Glenelg, who went down by 32 points at Norwood Oval today.

Glenelg had the chance to make a game of it after half-time, but their atrocious kicking for goal made them a hesitant, goal-hunting band.

Norwood, in defence, were too strong for a Glenelg half-forward line that never looked like getting on top.

Although Glenelg won at centre well, with Bailey dominant in many patches, Norwood were able to hold sway on the centre wings.

Norwood's goalsneak, Nash, converted almost all his kicks to the maximum. At the other end Rundle kicked behinds from each of his six scoring shots.

Teams were unchanged when umpire Aplin started the game.

Prior, playing his one-hundredth game, won the toss for Glenelg, and they kicked to the southern end.

Norwood were too methodical in front of centre for Glenelg in the first term.

Early moves

By getting the maximum out of their half-forward flankers they skirted Walker, who was kept well in check by Hall.

Fosdike and Wells set the pattern with early moves in the first breakaway.

Glenelg lacked pace and anticipation towards the end of the term, when Norwood's goalsneak, Nash, came into his own.

The crowd roared when Crabb fell victim to the 15-yard penalty rule after

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he kicked the ball astray when a free was given to Marriott.

Nash consolidated for Norwood on resumption.

With good scouting, leading and a safe pair of hands he soon notched another two goals to bring his tally to five.

Rucks were fairly even but Bailey began to dominate the game at centre to nullify a Norwood advantage on the centre wing.

Wright took two heavy knocks in the packs and the second sent him off to be replaced by Bone.

Then Murphy went down with a bleeding nose.

Lack of purpose

The first piece of combined Glenelg play saw Wilson put Rundle on the end of a snappy pass, but the usually reliable Bay goalsneak was off target.

Goals to Nicholls and Walker kept Norwood dictating the trend.

Glenelg sent Prior to centre half-back to have Hall in the ruck when the third term opened.

Crabb was again penalised when he questioned his interference with Marriott.

Lead marred

Rundle brought off the best lead for the match but it resulted in the usual Glenelg minimum score.

While Glenelg struggled with little effect beyond centre, Norwood put the Bay Defence under strain.

Walker's prominence at centre half-forward gave the Redlegs' attack a better look and good goals from Young and Nicholls virtually decided the game.

The last quarter opened with plenty of action and with neither side able to get into scoring range.

Plenty of action

Glenelg brought up their first goal since the second quarter when Laffin marked high.

Norwood were hard pressed to get into attack, and when they did Nicholls' kick for goal was not equal to his fingertip mark.

Norwood coasted along to a comfortable win.

Ron Reimann played one of his best games at full back, where he met the ball with fine judgment in the air or on the ground.

Marriott was a bulwark against whom Glenelg had no complete answer.

Roberts was dashing and courageous in the back pocket.

For Glenelg, none did better than Wilson, who showed several times some of his Victorian roving skill.

Alf Bailey won centre consistently with fast breakaways and improved kicking to position.

Scorers—Norwood: Nash 5.1, Wells 3.0, Nicholls 2.2, Walker 2.0, Young 1.0, Wright 0.1; rushed 0.1. Glenelg: Yeo 2.2, Laffin 1.3, Wilson 1.2, Crabb 1.1, Leahy 1.0, Rundle 0.6, Porter 0.1; rushed 0.1.

Best Players—Norwood: Reimann, Marriott, Roberts, Williams, Olds, Nash, Nicholls, Glenelg: Wilson, A. Bailey, Wickham, Prior, Laffin, Hall.

Replacements—Glenelg: A. Wright (injured ribs) replaced by Bone in second quarter; Koerner (injured leg) replaced by Aish in last minute of game.

Norwood has 1,000 members

Each of Norwood Football Club's 1,000 members has a replica sticker of the club medallion.



The sticker (pictured here) is a recent innovation of the committee.

Norwood have doubled the sale of their membership medallions of last season and have reached 1,000 for the first time.

Today being the first Norwood home game for the season, members were served with hot drinks and refreshments.

Social committee secretary Ray Connolly is lead-workers for a series of ing an energetic band of Redleg functions.

Next is a night for supporters, players, and officials at the Norwood RSL clubroom on June 13.

An invitation cabaret ball will follow in July.

Bob Dawes, a great worker for Norwood Colts for many years, is the social committee's chairman.

TOP TEAM

By RAY BARBER

Sturt, with five wins in five games, have a clear three-point margin at the head of the league football premierships table.

The leading four is Sturt, Torrens, Port and Norwood.

Beating Port today, Sturt enabled Torrens to displace the Magpies from second place.

Norwood's convincing win against Glenelg put them into the four for the first time this season.

North, who had a thrilling three-point win over West, are just behind the Redlegs on percentage.

Lindner stars

Lindner, with nine goals, virtually won the game for North—and further enhanced the high reputation he gained late last season in his first season.

Lindner has gone to the top of the goalkicking list with 19 goals—one ahead of Chown, who kicked two goals today.

Graham Nash, from the Amateur League, continued his good progress as Norwood's new spearhead.

He kicked five goals today, bringing his tally to 13 in his first three games.

Umpires strict

Umpires were strict on penalty frees today.

Denis Parham, South half-back, is to be reported for allegedly having willfully wasted time in the last quarter against Torrens.

Crabb, Glenelg captain, was penalised twice with the new 15-yard rule.

Each time the opponent was his rival captain and State ruck colleague John Marriott.

West lost Lynch in the third quarter with bruised ribs and Eglinton with a leg injury in the third quarter.

The crowd at Prospect gathered round the players' protective race after the game and demonstrated against umpire Hardy.

NORWOOD TEST

Next week's big game will be at Norwood, where the Redlegs will attempt to stop Sturt's unbeaten run.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W	L	D	for ag.	pts.	%
Sturt	5	—	—	475	321	10 59.7
Torrens	3	1	1	468	366	7 56.1
Port	3	2	—	450	376	6 54.5
Norwood	2	2	1	385	344	5 52.8
North	2	3	—	410	417	4 49.6
Glenelg	2	3	—	372	416	4 47.2
West	2	3	—	416	500	4 45.4
South	—	5	—	306	542	— 36.1

TOP GOALKICKERS

	Today	Ttl.
Lindner (North)	9	19
Chown (Torrens)	5	18
Caust (Sturt)	1	16
Fitzgerald (Sturt)	1	14
Nash (Norwood)	5	13
Rundle (Glenelg)	—	13
Wright (West)	2	10
McKenzie (North)	—	10

LEAGUE ATTENDANCES

Adelaide Oval	7,548
Norwood Oval	8,600
Prospect Oval	6,000
Unley Oval	22,000
Total	44,148

NEXT WEEK'S GAMES

Norwood v. Sturt (Norwood).
West v. Glenelg (Adelaide).
North v. Torrens (Kensington).
Port v. South (Alberton).

LEAGUE FOOTBALL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
NORTH	4-1	10-1	13-1	17-4	106
WEST	5-1	7-6	11-12	15-13	103

Best Players—NORTH ADELAIDE: Lindner, McCann, R. Carroll, M. Brown, Western, Tanner, Griffin. WEST ADELAIDE: McGregor, Faehse, C. Brown, A. Court, Williams, Cannon, Benton, Costello.

Goalkickers—NORTH: Lindner (9), Brown (4), Buntin, Linke (each 2). WEST: A. Court, McGregor (each 3), Brown, Costello, Wright (each 2), Benton, Bishop, Kies.

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STURT	2-1	5-3	6-7	12-9	81
PORT	1-3	1-5	4-8	7-11	53

Best Players—STURT: May, Phillips, Kotaras, Green, Fitzgerald, Rattigan, Freundt. PORT: Greer, Whelan, Haves, Motley, Zucker, McDonald, Fos Williams.

Goalkickers—STURT: Phillips 3, Kotaras, Pike, Sims (each 2); Caust, Fitzgerald, Martin. PORT: Jaggard (2); Fos Williams, Trowse, T. Williams, Motley, Obst.

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TORRENS	3-1	9-3	14-4	20-9	129
SOUTH	3-2	6-2	8-4	11-5	71

Best Players—TORRENS: Coverlid, Taylor, Roberts, W. Hank, Pyatt, Parham. SOUTH: Polden, Richards, Souter, Guy, Parham, Downs.

Goalkickers—TORRENS: Pyatt, Taylor, W. Hank (each 3); Chown, Lynch, Parham, Head (each 2); Adams, Coverlid, Delo. SOUTH: Allen (3), Haussen, Richards, Judd (each 2); D. Panizza, Downs.

Is 63-23 record?

MELBOURNE, Sat.: Grogan East, in the Linden Valley Football League, in northern Victoria, kicked 63-23-401 against Liang 1-2-8 at the weekend.

Sixteen-year-old full-forward Clarrie Mitnite kicked 41 goals.

In a letter, the secretary of Grogan East, Mr. Bill O'Hara, claims both performances are records. Liang had a full team.

"Young Clarrie will not be 17 until next July," writes Mr. O'Hara. "Our coach, former West Australian player Les Bolitho, is sending Clarrie down to train with Hawthorn next year."

"Clarrie is 6 ft. 1 in. and 13 st. 2 lb. and has dropped a ball 71 yards. In four games this year he has kicked 8, 8, 10, 41—total 67."