

EAGLES' SUPERB GOAL ACCURACY FEATURE

OF LEAGUE GAMES TODAY

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Torrens' superb kicking for goal against Glenelg was the highlight of the thirteenth series of league football today.

They kicked 16 goals from 20 scoring shots.

Features of the day were—

- Port's fifteenth successive win (including last season's preliminary and grand finals).
- Norwood's sensational third quarter when they kicked 9-2.
- Malcolm Whitford's four goals from North's half-forward right flank.
- Another brilliant game by Bob Hank in the centre for Torrens.

Contrast at Bay

Torrens' accurate kicking for goal gave them a 32-point win over Glenelg at the Bay. Glenelg were in direct contrast — only eight goals from 28 scoring shots.

There were comfortable winning margins in each of the other three games.

Port won by 32 points, Norwood by 21 points, while North had the runaway win of the day.

North defeated Sturt by 66 points

Ironical goal

In the match of the day at Alberton Port continued their supremacy by virtually winning the game against West (second) by half-time.

West kicked only one goal in the first half — and that ironically enough by their goalkeeper, Doug Thomas, who was given a run on the ball late in the second quarter.

Covering the game, Vic Johnson says that Port were too steady right from the start — and were too purposeful in attack for West.

Alan Greer, Port half-back, sustained a possible cracked jawbone in a heavy collision. He is to be X-rayed.

In the third quarter Fos Williams and Yeo, West half-back, were involved in a clash, but players prevented it from

getting out of hand.

Norwood, by their win over South, consolidated fourth place and made South's task a grim one.

Two men clash

The leading four remains the same—Port, West, North, and Norwood.

South led Norwood by two goals at half-time, but Norwood steamrollered them in the third quarter, when they clinched the game in kicking 9-2.

Graham Nicholls kicked five goals for Norwood.

At Prospect North ran away from Sturt in the last half, after early inaccuracy had impeded them.

In the goalkicking list Rex Johns (Port) maintained his lead over Bill McKenzie (North) by one goal.

Each kicked four goals today.

Blistering quarter wins for Eagles

After an even first half, West Torrens turned on a blistering third quarter to overwhelm Glenelg and score a convincing win at Glenelg Oval today.

Torrens showed surprising speed and dash.

Their thoughtful, intelligent football nonplussed the opposition time and again in the third quarter rush goalwards.

In this vital quarter Bob Hank reigned supreme at centre, clearing everything in his path to put his forwards in possession.

8-1 to 1-3

Torrens kicked 8-1 to Glenelg's 1-3 in the third quarter.

The opposing centre duel between Bob Hank and Hewett had a most important bearing on the game.

In the first half Hewett gave Glenelg untold drive from the pivot after gaining control with some outstanding marks.

However, Bob Hank was always reliable off the ground, and in the third quarter he became unbeatable.

His understanding with his forwards was uncanny. He never missed with his brilliant passes.

He combined in several exchanges with Head which were a delight to see.

Torrens had first use of a breeze which they turned to advantage, and but for a solid, determined defence led by Baillie they would have been further ahead at half time.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	4-3	6-3	14-4	16-4	100
Glenelg	1-7	4-11	5-14	8-20	68

Baillie closed the direct route to goal and was given solid support by the flankers and Allan Wright.

Tough rucks

The kicking in mid-field was not up to standard. Although at times the ball was a little slippery because of the heavy centre, Alf Roberts had no trouble in sending his drop kicks up to centre.

Glenelg found Clingly and Morrell a hard pair of ruckmen to defeat, and when Glenelg did receive the knocks, they found them being gathered in by the Torrens rovers and centreman Hank.

Glenelg's inaccuracy in front of goals was deplorable.

Although they were notly pressed, there was no excuse for such a bad first quarter, when they kicked 1-7.

Leads ignored

Rundle found it impossible to receive a direct footpass, as too many leads were simply ignored by inexperienced footballers.

Glenelg had numerous opportunities to make up the leeway, but when they did struggle through for a goal Torrens would come back with two or three.

Several of the umpiring decisions were hard to follow, and the game was played with some unnecessary hold-ups.

The main difference in the teams was in the roving department.

Davies around the fringes gave his team numerous opportunities to score, and he, as a roving ruckman, and Longman did a creditable job.

For West Torrens Bob Hank was a little ahead of Head as best man.

Bob was shaded by Hewett in the first half but in the vital third quarter no one could stop the old dynamo.

For the last quarter Head came to centre with Hank going to half-forward.

Head, although favoring an injured leg, was his usual brilliant self.

He has no peer in the game with his elusiveness and ball-control.

Davies and Hewett were head and shoulders above any other Glenelg player.

Longman, although gaining possession on numerous occasions, spoils his game by not being capable of kicking with any certainty.



THE most serious "casualty" today was Glenelg's head trainer Reg Hopgood, who attended the game against Torrens although nearly out on his feet with 'flu.

It was Reg's birthday today, but he had to leave early because of his 'flu.

IT was a surprise to many spectators to see Bob Hank shifted to half-forward in the last quarter and Head go to centre.

Bob had an excellent third quarter when he repeatedly drove his team forward, and for his reward the coach rested him in the last quarter, when the game had been won.

SEVEN trophies were given by jubilant West Torrens supporters. Winners were Ray and Bob Hank, Head, Taylor, Morrell, Parham, and Fischer.

GLENELG awarded trophies to Davies, Hewett, Slattery, and Longman.



TODAY'S DETAILS AT A GLANCE

GROUNDS: Heavy.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	3-6	3-8	12-10	15-11	101
South	2-2	5-8	8-9	11-14	80

BEST PLAYERS.—NORWOOD: Fosdike, Butler, Marriott, Koerner, Nelson, Nicholls. SOUTH: D. Panizza, Guy, D. Kimber, Brown, Linke, Polden.

SCORERS.—NORWOOD: Nicholls (5.1), Walker (3.0), Fosdike (2.4), Marriott (2.0), Vivian (1.4), Nelson, Koerner (each 1.0), Butler (0.1), rushed (0.1). SOUTH: Richards (3.3), Browne (2.4), Bourke (2.1), Deane, Panizza (each 1.1), Baker (1.2), Judd (1.0), Kitchen (0.1), rushed (0.1).

REPLACEMENTS.—NORWOOD: Edwards (strained stomach muscles), replaced by Adotti at half-time. Hicks (slight concussion), replaced by Liebich in last quarter.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	4-5	6-8	9-14	10-16	76
West	0-1	1-8	3-13	4-20	44

BEST PLAYERS.—PORT: Whelan, Stevens, Tierney, Thompson, Cliff, Zucker, Greer (until injured). WEST: G. Williams, Costello, Hewitt, A'Court, Kerley, Faehse, Rossetto.

SCORERS.—PORT: Johns (4.2), Motley (2.3), Tom Williams, Zucker (each 1.1), Sawford, Kretschmer (each 1.0), Fos Williams (0.5), Stevens, Garland (each 0.1), rushed (0.2). WEST: Faehse (2.3), Richardson (1.3), Thomas (1.0), Brown (0.4), Tregenza, Benton, Wright (each 0.2), A'Court, Day (each 0.1), rushed (0.2).

REPLACEMENTS.—PORT: A. Greer (facial injury) replaced by D. Trowse at half-time. WEST: A. Tregenza (leg) replaced by J. Richardson in third term.

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SCORERS.—TORRENS: Head, Cockshell, each 3.1; Ray Hank, Clingly, each 2.1; Taylor, Morrell, each 2.0; Cunningham, Chown, each 1.0; GLENELG: Rundle, 2.7; Potter, 2.2; Davies, 1.3; Longman, Branson, Slattery, each 1.1; Marshall, 0.2; Crabb, B. Wright, each 0.1; rushed, 0.1.

REPLACEMENTS.—TORRENS: Parham (heavy knock) replaced by Wood in the last quarter. GLENELG: Brian Wright (thigh) replaced by Crowder at half-time.

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North	3-7	4-12	9-20	14-21	105
Sturt	0-1	3-3	3-3	5-9	39

BEST PLAYERS.—NORTH: Whitford, Griffin, Bunton, Westley, Shepperd, Lindner, Tanner, Rogerson. STURT: Green, Freundt, Hale, Mabarrack, Ludlow, Kutcher, Machell.

SCORERS.—NORTH: Whitford (4.4), McKenzie (4.1), Shepperd (2.4), Lindner (2.1), Rogerson (1.3), Tanner (1.2), Fuller (0.2), Bunton (0.1), Rushed (0.2). STURT: Caust (3.2), Goodchild, Machell (1.0), Kotaras (0.3), Kutcher, Nottle (0.1), Rushed (0.2).

REPLACEMENTS.—NORTH: Hewett (strained thumb ligament) replaced by Smythe at three-quarter time. STURT: Phillips (torn ankle ligament) replaced by Nottle at half-time; Ludlow (cramp) by Ferguson in last quarter.

HIGHEST: Norwood, 15-11 (101 pts) LOWEST: Sturt, 5-9 (39 pts)

	PREMIERSHIP TABLE					Prem.	%
	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.		
Port	13	—	—	1,356	677	26	66.6
West	9	3	1	1,127	865	19	56.5
North	7	6	—	1,032	881	14	53.9
Norwood	7	6	—	1,071	1,057	14	50.3
South	5	8	—	971	1,213	10	44.4
Torrens	4	8	1	929	1,042	9	47.1
Glenelg	3	9	1	944	1,234	7	43.3
Sturt	2	10	1	855	1,316	5	39.3

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Today	Total
Johns (Port)	4	48
McKenzie (North)	4	47
Judd (South)	1	37
(Clingly (Torrens))	2	31
Caust (Sturt)	3	28
Johnson (Norwood)	—	28
Day (West)	—	26
Motley (Port)	2	25
Lane (Sturt)	—	24
Sawford (Port)	1	24
Fosdike (Norwood)	2	22
Nicholls (Norwood)	5	22
T. Williams (Port)	1	20

ATTENDANCES

Alberton	16,000
Kensington	6,500
Glenelg	6,250
Prospect	6,000
Total	34,750