

TORRENS THROW OUT 'FOUR' CHALLENGE



TODAY'S DETAILS AT A GLANCE

GROUNDS: Fast.

	At Unley Oval				
	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	4-4	6-6	13-11	19-15	129
Sturt	3-1	6-9	11-10	13-14	92

BEST PLAYERS — PORT: Hannaford, Hayes, Cahill, Williams, Boyd, Key, Zucker. **STURT:** Thompson, Goodchild, Sawley, Ellis, Tester, Shanks, Harris.

SCORERS — PORT: Williams (4.3), Thomas (4.2), Johns (3.2), Boyd (2.3), Hannaford, Zucker (each 2.0), Obst (1.3), Whelan (1.0), Stevens (0.1), rushed (0.1). **STURT:** Tester (3.0), Goodchild (2.4), Marshall (2.2), Olds (2.1), Hocking, Blows (each 1.2), Sawley (1.1), Thompson (1.0), Shapter, Kutcher (each 0.1).

REPLACEMENTS — STURT: Hunter (facial injury) replaced by V. Little in first term.

	At Adelaide Oval				
	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	4-6	6-10	10-15	13-18	96
Norwood	1-1	6-5	7-8	10-13	73

BEST PLAYERS — NORTH: Koerner, Westley, Lindner, Sheppard, Tanner, Bubner, Potts. **NORWOOD:** Kite, Minervini, Bunton, Wiesner, Kneebone, Liebelt, Keenihan.

SCORERS — NORTH: Shippard (3.1), Sargent (2.2), Trenorden, Barbary (each 2.1), Bubner (2.0), Koerner (1.2), Hewett (1.0), Tanner (0.4), Potts, Yates (each 0.3), Lindner (0.1). **NORWOOD:** Vivian (3.2), Dickson (3.0), Bunton (1.3), Davis (1.2), Nicol (1.1), Nicholls (1.0), Sawley, Fosdike, Miller, Wheeler, rushed (each 0.1).

REPLACEMENTS — NORTH: McCann (knee) replaced by Gambling last quarter; Yates (thigh) replaced by Lee (last quarter). **NORWOOD:** Minervini (cramp) replaced by Wheeler, last quarter.

	At Richmond Oval				
	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	3-4	7-11	10-14	17-16	118
South	4-4	7-9	9-10	11-11	77

SCORERS — WEST: Wright (6.2), Kerley (3.5), Costello (2.2), A'Court (1.2), Eustice, Brown, Rosetto, Williams (each 1.1), Johnston (1.0), Benton (0.1). **SOUTH:** Parham (3.1), Judd (3.0), Yates (2.1), Christie (1.3), Atkins (1.1), Kimber (1.0), Adams (0.2), Kitchen, Evans, rushed (each 0.1).

BEST PLAYERS — WEST: Wright, Brown, Williams, Benton, Kerley, A'Court, Eustice. **SOUTH:** Yates, Blum, Kitchen, Parham, Christie, Jones, Atkins.

REPLACEMENTS: Nil.

	At Glenelg Oval				
	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	4-3	6-3	10-4	12-9	81
Glenelg	3-1	6-6	6-8	9-15	69

BEST PLAYERS — TORRENS: Head, Roberts, Graham, Hine, Klaffer, Pilmore. **GLENELG:** May, Robinson, Davies, Baillie, Edwards, Abley.

SCORERS — TORRENS: Head (5.3), Rucker (2.2), Morrell (2.1), Batt, Coleman, Elfenbein (1.0), Slaven (0.2), Teasdale, Russell (0.1). **GLENELG:** Rocher (3.2), Abley (2.3), Richens (2.0), Fraser (1.3), Cartwright (1.0), Cutten, May, McLeod, Edwards, Davies, Howard (0.1), rushed (0.1).

REPLACEMENTS — TORRENS: Hanrahan (groin), Batt (leg) replaced by Searle and Taylor in last term. **GLENELG:** Richens (thigh) replaced by McLeod in third term.

INJURY: Slaven (knee).

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.	%
Port	6	1	698	448	12	60.9
North	6	1	731	546	12	57.2
West	5	2	597	518	10	53.5
Norwood	4	3	562	602	8	48.2
Torrens	3	4	489	582	6	45.6
Glenelg	2	5	590	629	4	48.4
South	2	5	508	627	4	44.7
Sturt	—	7	521	744	—	41.1

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Today	Matches	Total
Johns (Port)	3.2	6	39.7
Head (Torrens)	5.2	7	16.12
Richens (Glenelg)	2.0	7	16.4
Rocher (Glenelg)	3.2	6	16.4
Sheppard (North)	3.1	6	15.11
Boyd (Port)	2.3	7	15.10
Wright (West)	6.2	7	15.8
Judd (South)	3.0	7	14.11
Olds (Sturt)	2.1	7	14.10
Williams, F. (Port)	4.3	7	13.24
Abley (Glenelg)	2.3	7	13.12
Phipps (West)	—	5	13.10

HIGHEST LEAGUE

Port 19-15 (129) Glenelg 9-15 (69)

Port 18-31 (139) North 5-6 (36)

ATTENDANCES

Adelaide	17,984
Glenelg	8,900
Unley	8,500
Richmond	4,750

Total 40,034

NEXT WEEK'S GAMES

	(Saturday)
Port v. Norwood	(Alberton)
North v. Sturt	(Prospect)
Glenelg v. South	(Kensington)
	(Monday, Queen's Birthday)
Torrens v. West	(Adelaide)

By RAY BARBER

Torrens' unexpected win over Glenelg today has made them the immediate challenger to the league football leading four.

The Eagles went from seventh place to fifth.

Despite their defeat by North at Adelaide Oval, Norwood remain in fourth place.

The leading four are still Port, North, West, and Norwood.

Torrens kicked straighter to take the premiership points in the Glenelg game.

That was the only reason for their 12-point win, says Gil Langley, who covered the game.

Glenelg again threw away the result by kicking behinds instead of goals. They had three scoring shots more than Torrens.

Head brilliant

Lindsay Head, relishing the acting captaincy, was again Torrens' best.

He roved brilliantly and kicked five goals.

Close to him was veteran Alf Roberts, who is in his fourteenth season and still playing at his best in

goals. At Adelaide Oval, North led all day against Norwood.

Teamwork

North got the jump out, but the Redlegs came back to be within five points at half-time.

Then North took control by scoring 4-5 to 1-2 in the third term.

Sam Gallagher says North's teamwork did the trick.

They also had winning rucks, and rovers Potts and Sheppard provided the finishing touches.

Although Norwood won on both centre wings—Keenihan beating Barbary—North's captain-coach, Peter Koerner, turned on his best display for the season to hold centre all day.

Well supported

Sturt gave Port some hurry-up for half the game at Unley Oval, but outstanding first-year player Ian Hannaford took

over in the rucks. He was given good support by Fos Williams' roving.

The Port and State captain and Bill Thomas, playing his first game for the season, each kicked four goals.

Rex Johns, hampered by a leg injury, was held to three goals by Don Harris, Sturt's new goalkeeper.

Johns still has a substantial lead in the league goalkicking list.

Johns has averaged five goals in his six matches. Head is 14 goals behind Johns in second position.

At Richmond Oval it was an even game until West went right away from South in the last term.

In the first 10 minutes of the closing term they had five goals on the board.

That settled South after their good start.

West rover Jim Wright kicked six goals—the best individual tally for the day.

Port's 19-15 was the highest score of the day and Glenelg's 9-15 the lowest.

EAGLES SCORE AFTER STRUGGLE

By GIL LANGLEY

Accurate kicking for goal with fewer opportunities than Glenelg won Torrens the game—by a 12-point margin—at Glenelg Oval today.

Lindsay Head's straight shooting saved Torrens from defeat.

Bad kicking is bad football, and Glenelg must learn the art of goal-shooting.

And they have to find more strength to support Cutten who, apart from the rovers when resting, seems the only player likely to hold down his position there.

When a Glenelg player shoots for goal he is usually off balance and kicks with little goal sense. Never have I seen so many wobbly dropkicks and punts go off the side of the boot.

Torrens showed the first initiative for the game by having two goals on the board before Glenelg got a start.

Then the game settled down to hard, slogging football.

Neither side was able to gain any appreciable ascendancy with play at such close quarters.

Even when opportunities were available for the stab pass, players either lost confidence or kicked "underground punts."

Poor kicking

The Eagles' first break came from a winning Morrell in the ruck supported by a mobile Head.

Once again Torrens scored two quick goals—at the start of the second quarter.

Then tempers became frayed, sparked off by an incident which had Davies and Slaven exchanging blows.

From this point Glenelg seemed to lose concentration and they made foolish mistakes.

But then they recovered poise, with Ian May becoming a dominating figure in the rucks.

The Tigers peppered the goals, but inaccuracy cost them dearly. Some of their shots from point-blank range were schoolboy class.

But Torrens could not stem this tide, especially when Abley came into the game to give Glenelg the necessary overhead strength beyond half-forward.

Instead of kicking goals from easy positions, his two goals came from fairly long range.

Abley's influence on the game—along with May's—

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gave Glenelg a three-point lead at half-time.

For the third successive quarter Torrens got goals immediately.

This seemed to give the Eagles confidence, and Glenelg were finding it hard to overtake these early bursts.

Keeping Glenelg down to two points for the quarter, and having Head kick his fifth goal after this opening burst, Torrens virtually won the game at this stage.

Glenelg took over early in the last quarter, but poor forward work marred any chance of taking the lead.

Then Torrens, sensing victory, had sufficient

strength overhead to tie the game up.

Glenelg did not stop trying, but they did not have the forwards to bridge the gap.

This game was a poor spectacle. It's about time league footballers learned to kick the ball with direction.

Head's fine roving and clever forward work with five goals made him Torrens' best. But little behind was Alf Roberts, who was at his consistent best at full back.

I thought Ian May was the best Tiger for his tireless work in the ruck. He is a much improved player.

Robinson, not a showy type, always held his half-back flank with sound judgment.

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FOOTBALL TROPHY

Two best players chosen from each team. Two points for first, one point for second. Any player who is suspended is disqualified.

- NORWOOD
Kite 2, Minervini 1.
 - NORTH ADELAIDE
Koerner 2, Westley 1.
 - GLENELG
May 2, Robinson 1.
 - WEST TORRENS
Head 2, Roberts 1.
 - WEST ADELAIDE
Wright 2, Brown 1.
 - SOUTH ADELAIDE
Yates 2, Blum 1.
 - STURT
Thompson 2, Goodchild 1.
 - PORT ADELAIDE
Hannaford 2, Hayes 1.
- Progressive Total—
Head 10, Kitchen 6,
Hayes 5, Boyd 5, Bunton 5,
Kite 4, Bray 4,
Hewitt 4, Marshall 4.

2 reported at Glenelg

Glenelg captain-coach Neil Davies and Torrens' wingman Jim Slaven were reported for alleged striking by field umpire J. L. Sweeney and the two boundary umpires, M. Miller and D. Partington, after the Torrens-Glenelg match today.

The charges followed an incident in the second quarter.

Vic. Johnson selects . . .

A divided round will take place in the next series of league games.

Next Saturday Port play Norwood at Alberton, Glenelg meet South at Kensington, and North are at home at Prospect to Sturt.

On the following Monday West play Torrens at Adelaide.

My picks are Port, Glenelg, North, and West.