

LEAGUE
FOOTBALL

West Continue Winning Run at Sturt's Expense

How Teams Stand

	P.	W.	L.	D.	For.	Ag.	Pts.
Norwood	6	5	1	—	553	432	10
Torrens	6	4	2	—	540	521	8
South	6	3	3	—	458	517	6
Port	6	3	3	—	532	512	6
West	6	3	3	—	503	513	6
Sturt	6	2	3	1	532	537	5
North	6	1	3	2	541	531	4
Glenelg	6	1	4	1	543	780	3

GOALKICKERS

	Today.	Total.
Brown (Norwood)	6	31
Farmer (North)	7	26
Hardiman (South)	2	14
Munro (South)	3	18
Codd (West)	3	17
Scott (Torrens)	3	17
Mullins (Torrens)	—	15
Percy (Glenelg)	2	15
Quinn (Port)	—	15

BIG WIN BY
NORWOOD

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	6.7	9.14	15.18	20.23	143
Glenelg	3.1	5.9	8.12	9.16	70

By J. K. T.

NORWOOD overwhelmed Glenelg in a fast, but dull game at Norwood today. The match was too one-sided to be really interesting, but it helped to emphasise the fact that Norwood will make a great bid for the premiership this year.

Port beat them by four points at the Adelaide Oval on coronation day, but the redlegs have won all the other matches they have played. They seem certain of inclusion in the final four, and their supporters can already see the premiership flag flying from the Norwood flagpole.

Sweeping as was their victory today against a fast, determined side, Norwood's attack will have to be improved before the major round is reached. It is true that they kicked 20 goals, but no attack has reason for satisfaction if, in doubling its opponents' score it kicks more behinds than goals.

Schultz took many really fine marks at centre forward, and Brown frequently flashed into the picture, but many shots within range were muffed. Hurried shooting might have been excused had the scores been close, but it was unjustified today.

The experiment of resting the rovers instead of the followers on a half-forward flank sharpened the Norwood attack and will probably be repeated next Saturday when the redlegs meet Sturt.

JUDICIOUS USE OF HANDBALL

Norwood made a judicious use of handball, and on many occasions handpasses got them out of difficulties. Glenelg excelled in ground play but were hopelessly beaten in the air. Both sides strayed from positions, especially during the final quarter.

On the whole, Glenelg's six new men in the side justified their inclusion, but the tigers cannot hope to win matches until they master the art of leading out. Norwood always had a loose man to kick to, while on many occasions a Glenelg player was unable to find an unguarded team-mate.

As for the match itself, it was little more than a practice game for Norwood. Glenelg started off briskly and had a couple of goals on the board before the redlegs got busy. Their raking strides and lithe figures made them look like racehorses beside the Bay side, and by keeping the ball in the air Norwood soon obtained control. Glenelg's accuracy in front of goal enabled them to make the first change only 24 points behind Norwood. Some vigorous football was seen during the second term, but play became congested and accuracy was sacrificed to speed.

The second half saw Norwood go further ahead, and they ran out easy winners of a disappointing match. Glenelg's system was below standard, and Norwood's tally should have been even greater than it was.

NORWOOD.—Backs—F. McCallum, Woodroffe, Chinnery. Half-backs—Riecher, Page, Thompson. Centres—Koch, Sawley, Bice. Half-forwards—Headon, Travers, Inglis. Forwards—Brown, Schultz, Plunkett. Sub.—McLean. O'Brien. Sustable. Batt. (19th).

GLENELG.—Backs—Birrell, H. Richter, Griffiths. Half-backs—Shearing, Brock, Akrendt. Centres—Sealey, Goodwin, Pike. Half-forwards—Halliday, Hunt, Pinnington. Forwards—Warne, Winkler, Percy, Rock, Johnston, Corbett, Link, Curnow (19th).

Curnow replaced Richter (injured ankle) in the second quarter.
Umpire—A. A. Stevens.
At Norwood Attendance, 3,000.

Goalkickers.—Norwood—Schultz (7), Brown (6), Plunkett (3), Travers (2), Headon, Inglis, Glenelg—Percy (2), Winkler, Johnston, Link, Hunt, Warne, Pinnington, Birrell.

Best Players.—Norwood—Page, Chinnery, Schultz, Brown, Woodroffe, Thompson, McLean, Glenelg—Brock, Link, Curnow, Griffiths, Hunt, Corbett.

TODAY'S LEAGUE
STARS

Ken Farmer

KEN Farmer, crack North forward, distinguished his return to league football today by kicking seven goals against South. Although he was closely checked his irresistible marking gave him many chances.

HONNIBALL safely held a wing for North against South, and launched many productive attacks. Safe in the air and anticipating the ball coolly, he gave his best display for the season.

THE kicking in of Woodroffe (Norwood) and H. Richter (Glenelg) was a feature of the match at Norwood. Richter was injured in the second quarter, but Norwood's forward inaccuracy had given him plenty of opportunities of displaying his long-kicking ability.

CURNOW was chosen as nineteenth man by Glenelg today, and he got his chance when H. Richter was injured shortly before half-time. He took over the full back position, and although his kicking-in was not up to Richter's standard, he was at least his equal in every other department.

BROCK did a splendid job at centre half-back for Glenelg. Norwood had to use their half-forward wing attack, as Brock outplayed Travers all day.

Port Beaten In
Thrilling Fight
Farmer Aids North
In First Victory

Runaway at Norwood

CONDUCTED BY VIC JOHNSON

Continuing their winning run, West today scored their third successive victory at the expense of Sturt in today's league football. Helped by the return of Farmer, North, who have figured in two drawn games, recorded their first win when they downed South. Scores:—

North 14—14 (98 pts.) d. South 12—17 (89).

West 9—21 (75) d. Sturt 8—14 (62).

Torrens 11—19 (85) d. Port 10—16 (76).

Norwood 20—23 (143) d. Glenelg 9—16 (70).

Torrens' win over Port in a thrilling fight at Alberton—the result of determined play, particularly in the closing stages, when Port threatened to draw level—enhanced their claim to a place in the four.

After Norwood had overtaken Glenelg, who, as usual, began strongly in the first term, they forged farther ahead in each term.

Dogged Play Gives
Torrens 9-Pt. Win

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	0.3	5.11	8.13	11.19	85
Port	3.5	5.6	9.11	10.16	76

By Vic Johnson

TORRENS' victory over Port at Alberton today can be ascribed to their sheer doggedness in forestalling an attempt by the magpies to open up play with systematic football. At no stage of the game was there a definite advantage in favor of either team, and Torrens by a dour fighting finish, gained the much-needed two points which will count so much in their chances of gaining a place in the final four.

Goalkickers.—Torrens—Heath, Scott (each 3), Sangster (2), Foote, Curtis, Bridgman, Port—Hannam, Hender, Ritch (each 2), Roberts, Kellaway, Wightman, Bennett.

Best Players.—Torrens—Scott, Mullins, Hanrahan, Heath, Bridgman, Quick, Smith, Port—Wightman, Quinn, Jacquier, Doyle, Johnston, Roberts, Hannam.

West Sound
In All Places

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
West	2.6	6.11	7.15	9.21	75
Sturt	4.5	4.8	6.12	8.14	62

By M. W. J.

PLAYING convincing football, which stamped them as a well organised and solidly balanced team, West beat Sturt in practically every section at the Adelaide Oval. Had it not been for inaccurate goal-shooting, the red-and-blacks would have had a much bigger winning margin than 13 points. Sturt were never settled after the first change, when they lost their crack full forward, Morton, and again demonstrated the fallacy of placing too much reliance on one goalkicker.

Goalkickers.—West—Codd, Chenoweth (each 3), Powell (2), Heddie. Sturt—Longmore (2), Morton, Biggs, Jarrett, Lance, A. Smith, Bentley.

Best Players.—West—C. Smith, Brady, Webber, Powell, Chenoweth, Adey, Hudson. Sturt—Jarrett, Tuohy, Bentley, Longmore, Lowe, A. Smith, Sims.

24,056 at Today's Games

The attendances at today's league football matches were:—

Alberton	7,150
Prospect	4,206
Adelaide	7,700
Norwood	5,000
Total	24,056

This total is slightly in excess of the figures for the corresponding series of last year.

Training Not
As Severe
As in Past
VIC. JOHNSON'S
ADVICE

By Vic Johnson

Two well-known football coaches told me this week that perhaps their hardest job was to get their charges to train properly and conscientiously; they found that there were many players who were ready to avoid training on the slightest possible excuse.

Thus the question arises:—Do present-day players train as hard or as seriously as those of the past?

I do not want it to be thought that I wish to decry the present-day player, or that I think he is inferior to that of the past.

Far from it. I believe that today we have in this State many men who would compare more than favorably with our former champions.

But I do think that football training today is not nearly as severe as six to 10 years ago, nor are the hours of training nearly as long as they were.

SOUTH
MOVES FAILNorth Lead
All The Way

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	3.5	8.8	14.10	14.14	75
South	2.2	4.8	8.13	12.17	62

By C. A. B.

LEADING all the way, North comfortably defeated South by nine points at Prospect. The game was a drab affair, devoid of science and redeemed only occasionally by flashes of individual brilliance.

South made several moves to check the red-and-whites at important points, but without avail. North always had a little in hand, and in the second half never looked like being defeated. South came with a determined run in the last term when North, evidently content to hold the blue-and-whites at bay, eased up a little. The North defence beat them off without undue exertion.

North owed their victory to their ascendancy across centre and the inability of the South defenders to check Farmer in the air. The crack North forward, who kicked seven goals, was hustled vigorously all day, but once he obtained a firm grip on the ball nothing could take it away from him.

HAWKE'S VALUE

Hawke was another of a handful of North individuals who really won the game for the red-and-whites. Stationed either at centre or centre half-forward, he was always to the fore in North's attacks, and by sending the ball high into the air with beautiful drop kicks, enabled the taller forwards, notably Farmer, to establish a marked serial superiority.

Because of Hawke's ascendancy, South had to weaken their backlines at intervals by taking Cockburn away to check him. When Cockburn came to centre Hawke transferred to centre half-forward, and so the changes went on. At last, South despairing of subduing the tall North man, left Cockburn permanently in the key defence position.

These subtle tactics completely disorganised the South outer defence for a time, and gave North scoring opportunities which they did not fail to miss. Hawke covered a wide area in mid-field, and repeatedly drove the ball right over the heads of the South half-backs.

Goalkickers.—North—Farmer (7), Warhurst, Rix (each 2), Alexander, Hawke, Melvin, South—Munro, J. P. Dawes (each 3), Hardiman, Laphorne (each 2), Rusby, Templeton.

Best Players.—North—Martin, Hawke, Melvin, Honniball, Burton, Warhurst. South—Pryor, Mulcahy, J. P. Dawes, Brown, Jobson, Hardiman, Mackay.

EARLY YEARS WITH PORT

I well remember my early years with Port, some 15 years ago, when men like Jack Ford, Charlie Adams, the two Daymans, Morrie Allingham, and Cliff Keal, to mention only a few, were playing with that club. They used to begin training about 4.15 p.m., and would be going strongly right up until 6 o'clock.

During my first few nights I could barely crawl off the oval after training. Six or seven balls were kept moving round the field, and they seemed to come at me from all directions.

Often I used to wonder how I would carry on, but somehow one could always find that little extra stamina to do so.

But on many occasions afterwards I was grateful for the splendid training I received. When it came to a very hard game, it was that little bit of extra stamina that usually counted at the finish.

HARD TO UNDERSTAND

As one who has always been used to hard training, and who loved it as he loved the match on Saturdays, I find it very hard to understand why so many players dislike training.

Let me add right here that I have yet to see a really first-class footballer who did not train properly.

Good as a player may be without proper training, he can be much better if he trains in earnest. All the good footballers that I knew were only too anxious to get on to the ground as soon as possible on training nights, and would not leave until told to do so by their coach. And their training was reflected in their play on Saturdays.

My advice to young players is:—Train as you would like to play. Give your coach a chance to correct any mistakes that may be apparent in your play.

Show your selectors on training nights what you are capable of doing, and, finally, do not neglect your training under any circumstances.