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# Norwood Football Club

## 1922 Yearbook

The 15<sup>th</sup> Premiership



*100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Publication*

Compiled by Chris Brown, Norwood Football Club History Committee, 2022



## Dedication

<p><i>This publication is dedicated to long-time supporters of the Norwood Football Club's History Committee, <b>John and Dawn Eastwood</b> from U-Store-It (Norwood).</i></p> <p><i>Their continued and unwavering support over many years has ensured the continued preservation of the archival collection of our Football Club.</i></p>		<p><b>Self Storage Norwood</b></p> <p>52 Sydenham Road Norwood SA 5067</p> <p>Tel. 8423 1080</p>
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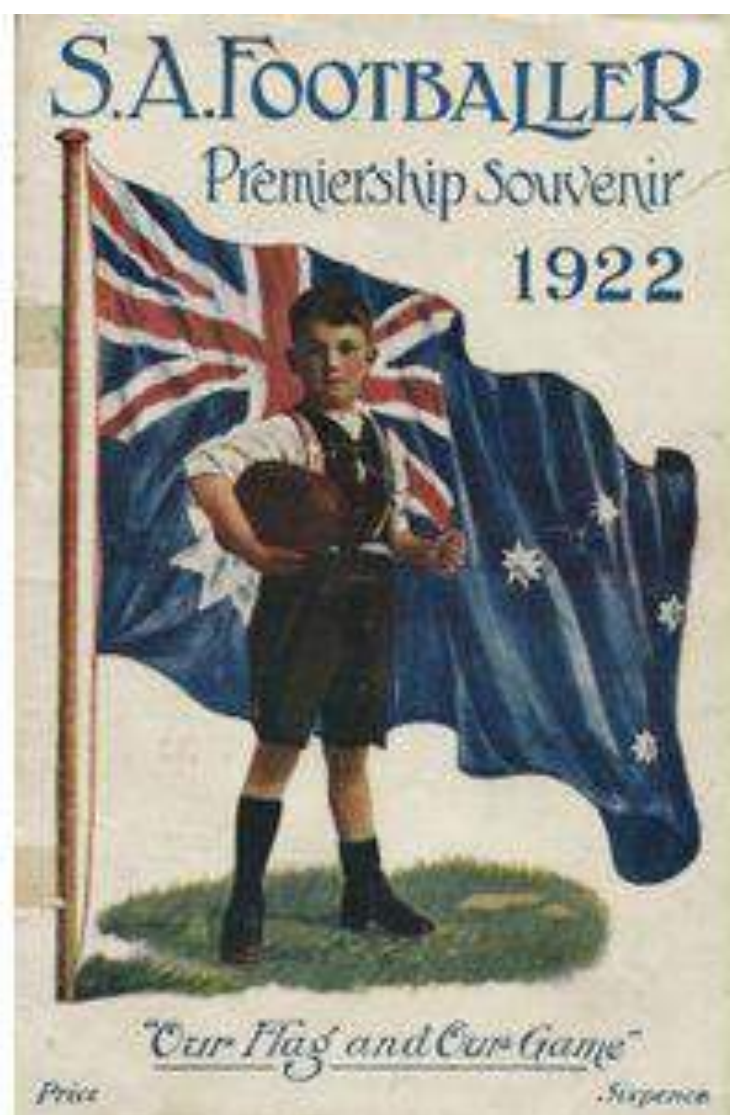
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## 1922 Pre-Season Review

On Saturday 22 April, 1922, *The Chronicle* published the following pre-season review of all clubs for the forthcoming South Australian Football League (S.A.F.L.) season.

### FOOTBALL SEASON

#### REVIEW OF THE CLUBS

#### NEW FACES AND ABSENTEES

##### By 'Spectator'

The League football season will open on May 6 with two matches, followed by two more games on May 8, which is a public holiday. The clubs are girding themselves for the trials of strength, which will continue until the end of September or the beginning of October. The first matches will be:

May 6— West Adelaide versus Port Adelaide, on the Adelaide Oval; West Torrens versus Sturt, on the Thebarton Oval.

May 8— South Adelaide versus Norwood, on the Adelaide Oval; North Adelaide versus Glenelg, on the Prospect Oval.

Two ovals will be used for the first time for League football, namely, those at Thebarton and Prospect. As far as can be foreseen, football matters should run smoothly this year. There is trouble in one club, which, it is to be hoped, will be ended before the season opens. Last year, League football established records for attendance and gate receipts, but the play was possibly not quite up-to the highest standard of pre-war days. Inter-State matches and inter-club contests have been steadily improving the game, however, and it is quite possible the football seen this year will be the best ever witnessed. The inter-State matches will be— South Australia versus Victoria, in Melbourne on July 6, and in Adelaide on August 12. The remarks of club secretaries indicate that most, if not all, of the teams will be stronger than last year.

#### Port Adelaide

The Premiers of last year are coming forward keyed up by splendid traditions and full of confidence in the men that kept the black and white colors to the fore last year. The captain of the premier team (Harold Oliver) has an orchard at Berri, which will take too big a demand upon his time for him to come to Adelaide. Hosking, who has long been a leading light in football, and played first with Port in 1907, is retiring from the game. S. Howie has been elected captain, and Adams vice-captain. A number of good men from the country districts are in training. Among them can be enumerated D.J. Bowen, from the Hills Association, a big follower, who has been showing good form at practice; Alban Teispeire, a 17-year-old player from the Gawler Association; J. Whelan, a halfback from Angaston; H. S. Bungey, a full back; J. Dayman, from B grade, a brother to Clem and L. C. Dayman, is





a solid half-back and R. Mayne, who showed form as a follower last season with the juniors. Of the juniors from the district who are out practising, L. Hodge, a wingman from the Church Association, shows most promise. With the exception of Oliver and Hosking, and possibly G. W. Beck, all last year's players will be available. G.W. Beck will play if a position can be secured for him in the district. Lloyd, the wingman who was incapacitated by fluid on the knee for practically the whole of last season, has notified his ability to take the field. Eric Dewar, who was also out nearly all last season owing to a leg injury, is practising, and appears to be as well as ever. Allingham and C. Dayman, who were injured in the latter part of the season, have completely recovered, and the former is showing wonderful form at practice. Mucklow, the wingman, will be back in his old place.

### **Norwood**

Norwood were well satisfied with last year's team, all the members of which will be available, including T. Hart, the prominent goal kicker. There are many new players available, but most of them have not yet been tried out. Fowler, a promising old Prince Alfred College boy and a prominent athlete, is training and may qualify for the red and blues. He appears to have ability to play at centre or in the ruck. H. A. Clapson, who captained the Essendon junior team (the B team of Essendon League 18), is now in the Norwood district. He is said to be a very clever rover or forward, and he kicks accurately with either foot. C. Pain, of Riverton, appears likely to develop into a good follower. He is a big man, and Norwood are rather in want of another good ruck man. Bryant, who lived in the part of the Norwood district given to South Adelaide, has changed his residence and keeps his qualification for the red legs. King, of Peterborough, L. Martin, a ruck shepherd from Broken Hill; G. Errington, who was promoted from the B team in the match against Carlton last year; C. Hepburn, the B grade Magarey medallist of 1921, and several other B grade players are at the service of the club. Hepburn captained West Adelaide B last year, but is now resident in the Norwood district.

### **South Adelaide**

South Adelaide are looking forward to a good season and are even more than usually confident. All last year's players are in training and awaiting selection, except J. Ryan and J. J. Tredrea. The latter has retired from match football, after 10 years' excellent service. He will coach South Adelaide this year. He was discovered by that club as a boy, and has never wavered in his allegiance. It was really in order that he might still be able to play with South that the League brought in the provision permitting players who had been five years constantly with a club to maintain their qualification for that club, even though they removed from the club's district. The new players include S. Moss of Smithfield, and two brothers of J. Ryan who seem likely to develop into footballers as good as the old defender who is giving up football. The Ryan brothers have been playing with South Adelaide Ramblers. G. Kain, of Christian Brothers' College, and F. Downs are likely local boys. F. Crouch, one of the newcomers who arrived from Broken Hill last year just too late to qualify, is likely to strengthen the forward lines. A. Caust, South Adelaide's best ruck man, who was available for only four games last year, will play regularly in the coming season. On Saturday next South Adelaide will play a combined team from the Mount Lofty Association at Uraidla, and on Saturday week two teams



picked from A and B grades will have a run on the Jubilee Oval. South Adelaide A will encounter South Adelaide B on the Kensington Oval as the last of the practice games.

### **Sturt**

In view of the trouble in the Sturt district, little can be said about the team that will be put into the field by this club until after the meeting of members 1921 season, to be held on April 26. The secretary is able to say however, that a number of good new men are available. They are:— James, a follower and half-back, from Crafers; Reece, a first-class wingman from Broken Hill; Shanahan, also from the Barrier; Martin, Vale, Stephens and Riley from Sturt B; Laschke, a former Sturt player; and Cooper, a wingman and rover from Mylor.

### **North Adelaide**

The secretary of the North Adelaide Club says it is still indefinite whether T. Leahy, who has captained the team since the war, will play or will accept one of the several invitations he has had to act as coach for a League team. Hamilton, the inter-State half-back, wishes to play for West Adelaide. He has not yet applied to North Adelaide for a clearance, and if he does so his residential qualification will probably be questioned. Frost, who has removed to a part still farther away from the city, has resigned from the club, and Sard is now at Barmera. In a practice game last Saturday, North Adelaide tried a number of new men. Three of them showed distinct promise. They are: — Burt, a back man, who captained the Koorunga team last year; Thomas, a rover and forward, from Wentworth; and Graham, a Sheffield runner, good in any part of the ground. Among others who showed good form were Judd, a forward from Victoria; H. Dawe, a rover from Prospect; and Holland, a ruck man, from Gaza. There are, in addition, many aspirants to A Grade from the Prospect and North Adelaide B clubs. The Prospect Oval will be the home ground of the club, and the training quarters will be among the best in the State.

### **West Torrens**

West Torrens have the Thebarton Oval as their home ground, and excellent training rooms. Nearly all last year's players are donning the blue and gold again, and there are many new faces at practice. McGregor is a big six-footer and a follower; McCarthy, a half-forward, hails from Woodville. Nesbitt, a former Port B player, is seeking senior honors, and O'Grady, a brother of the West Torrens player of last year, may be taken from the Henley and Grange team. Willsmore, a local man; Moss, from Prospect; Broderick, a West Torrens Association medallist; Swann from Woodville United; Armfield, from Goolwa; Druce, Oaten, Jarvis, Arnold, Mayne (who played two years ago), and others from B Grade are training. James, formerly of Glenelg, may join up later.

### **West Adelaide**

Special attention to the social side is the feature of the preparation of West Adelaide for the coming season. Since the removal of the North Adelaide club to Prospect the red and blacks have sole use of the Adelaide Oval for training purposes. The North Adelaide training rooms have been taken over and completely renovated. Ten massage tables have been provided, and, in addition to gas-heated



showers and cold showers, there is a Doulton bath with hot water attachment for the treatment of injured players. Another room is fitted up as a sitting-room, with leather upholstered easy chairs and occasional tables, a buffet, secretariat, &c. Such lavish provision for the comfort of the players was previously unknown. The chairman of the club (Mr. A.A. Edwards, M.P.) states that all last year's players are available, but some may be asked to stand down. 'Snowy' Hamilton was training in a red and black uniform on Tuesday, and Mr. Edwards says a big fight will be put up if his qualification for West Adelaide is contested. Scanlon is again with the club. N. Ellis, of Yorke Peninsula, who played at centre in the Adelaide Oval match with B Grade last year, will take that place in the West Adelaide team. Harry Morgan, formerly of Carlton, has secured his clearance, and will be in the forward lines, in which position he has a big reputation. Whitford, a new man from Port Lincoln is said to be a brilliant half-forward. T. Kempster, an 18-year-old local lad, is showing splendid form. Other newcomers are R. Lennie, Flintoff, S. Thorsson from Kadina; J. Pake of Tweedvale, a 15-stone ruck man; W. Martin, a heavy follower from Spalding; V. Smith, a junior ruckman; and J. Huppatz, of Saddleworth.


### **Glenelg**

It is unlikely that there will be any important changes in the Glenelg team, but an improvement in combination and individual play is expected as a result of last year's experience. J. Kappler, a valued back man, is retiring from the game, and R.B. Cant, who has taken up his residence at Barmera, will not take part in the opening matches, though he may play later on. The new players include Lovelock of Aldinga, who has been one of the best followers in the Southern Association; Mazzarel, a returned soldier and a big, fast young man, who has been playing well for Woodside; Richardson, from Port Augusta, a likely ruck man who has height and weight on his side; Percival and Liebelt, two big men from the Hills Association; and Ross, a goalsneak from Mount Barker. Perry has returned from Moonta and should strengthen the backlines, and Oliver, of Murray Bridge, will again be available. There are others not yet altogether proved.

## The 1922 Norwood Football Club Committee

### Officials

#### **Patron - Arthur W. Piper, K.C.**

	<p>Norwood Patron - 1920-1935 Norwood Chairman - 1905-1919 Norwood Committee Member 1905 -1915; 1919.</p>
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Arthur William Piper<sup>1</sup> was born on 5 July 1865 at Faversham, Kent, the eldest son of Thomas (a clergyman) and Elizabeth Yelland. Arthur had a brother and two sisters and the family came to Adelaide from England when his father was appointed to Adelaide as a resident minister. In Adelaide, Arthur won a scholarship to Prince Alfred College and was articled to Fleming, Boucaut & Ashton in 1881-85. Admitted to the Bar on 24 July 1886 at the tender age of 21. He entered partnership with F. A. Joyner. In 1892 he joined the firm of Symon, Bakewell & Stow (in 1897-1922 Bakewell, Stow & Piper; later Piper, Bakewell & Piper). He worked up an extensive practice, especially in commercial cases. On 7 August 1889 at Middleton he had married Edna Elizabeth Counter, and they had two daughters and six sons.

From 1892, Piper was a member of the board of examiners of the Supreme Court and from 1906 he lectured in commercial law at the University of Adelaide. He was appointed a King's Counsel (KC) in 1911. After he had refused an offer in 1919, his appointment as justice of the Supreme Court in 1927 was welcomed both for his 'forensic qualities' and his 'splendid personality'. His erudition enabled him to handle any case with ease, he dealt expeditiously with the most involved problems, and he

<sup>1</sup> <https://piperalderman.com.au/the-firm/our-history/>



was a 'prodigious worker'. He served as president of the Law Society of South Australia for a total of five years, his second appointment being in the year before he died.

A Federationist, Piper was an official guest at the ceremonies in 1901 in Melbourne and Sydney. A member of the Australian National League, he represented it at the conference which resulted in the formation in 1910 of the Liberal Union whose constitution he drafted and of which he was president in 1916-19.

In 1894 Piper had joined the council of Prince Alfred College. Following a quarrel with W. G. Torr, headmaster of Way College, Piper joined Stow Memorial Congregational Church and became a deacon there. He was also grand master of the Grand Lodge of Freemasons of South Australia in 1919-24.

Piper generously supported many of Norwood's sporting bodies. He was a founding member of the Norwood Bowls Club, but gave up the game when he moved out of the district (perhaps when they took up residence at 91 Wattle Street, Fullarton). He was chairman of the committee that established the Norwood Oval.

He was an active member of the Royal Geographical Society, the Liberal Union, then the Liberal Federation, South Australian Literary Societies' Union, and the River Murray League, and served as President or Vice-President of each.

He was a candidate for the House of Assembly seat of Torrens in 1910, but lost in a general move to Labor.


Survived by his wife and seven children, Piper died of cancer on 19 February 1936 and was buried in Mitcham cemetery.<sup>2</sup>

*C Brown 2022*

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<sup>2</sup> R. W. Piper, 'Piper, Arthur William (1865–1936)', Australian Dictionary of Biography, National Centre of Biography, Australian National University, <https://adb.anu.edu.au/biography/piper-arthur-william-8507/text14051>, published first in hardcopy 1988, accessed online 18 August 2022.

## President and Chairman – James H. Gosse

 <p>Norwood President 1920-1939 Norwood Chairman 1920-1938</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: Career: 1896 to 1905 NFC Games: 112 NFC Goals: 23 Debut: v Port Adelaide (Adelaide) 25th July 1896 Finale: v North Adelaide (Adelaide) 1st September 1905</p> <p>Norwood Captain: 1905 Premierships: 1901, 1904 NFC Life Member NFC Hall of Fame Best and Fairest: 1901</p>
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Sir James Hay Gosse<sup>3</sup> (1876-1952), businessman, was born on 21 December 1876 at Kent Town, Adelaide, second son of William Christie Gosse, an English-born surveyor, and his second wife Agnes, daughter of Alexander Hay. William died in 1881, leaving his widow with three small children. Educated (1886-96) at the Collegiate School of St Peter, James excelled at football and rowing. In 1894-1905 he played as a ruckman for Norwood and represented the State five times. 'A giant in the boat', in 1902-05 he rowed in the South Australian VIII and was president (1924-31) of Adelaide Rowing Club.

Sir James Gosse once said that Australian football was the finest thing in existence for the public to look at, and he spent all of his rich sporting life putting his time and his money where his mouth was.

Jimmy, as he was popularly known, started with Norwood as a teenage ruckman in 1894, going on to captain both his club and his State in 1905, his last year as a player. He participated in two Norwood premierships, but it was as an administrator and benefactor that Sir James had his greatest influence on the game.

He was president of Norwood for 20 years, and of the SANFL from 1945 until his death in 1952. Sir James had a special interest in past players and officials of all clubs. He believed they should stay involved with the game, to the benefit of everyone. As patron of their association, he was always

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<sup>3</sup> Redlegs Museum website



helping out. The former great Tom Leahy told the past players' annual dinner that each year Sir James paid for the tickets of those who couldn't afford them. Tom said Sir James would kick him in the backside for letting on about this, but he thought the players should know. At the other end of the football lifecycle, Sir James was known for his generosity to junior and school teams.

On leaving school, Gosse was employed as a clerk at George Wills & Co. Ltd; he was to remain with the firm for fifty years and rise to managing director. He also became a director and chairman of the boards of the Adelaide Steamship Co. Ltd and the Bank of Adelaide, and was a board-member of News Ltd, the Executor Trustee & Agency Co. of South Australia Ltd, G. & R. Wills & Co. Ltd and James & Alexander Brown & Abermain Seaham Collieries Ltd. Chairman of the Australian Association of British Manufacturers, he was president of the South Australian Chamber of Commerce, the Boy Scouts' Association and St Peter's Collegians' Association (1937-38), as well as being a governor (1917-38) of his old school. Gosse also served on the boards of the Adelaide Steamship Company, and the Bank of Adelaide. He was chairman of the last two for periods.

In 1907 Gosse had joined the Adelaide Club. At St Andrew's Anglican Church, Walkerville, on 29 April 1908 he married 21-year-old Joanna Lang, daughter of Tom Elder Barr Smith; they lived at St Margarets, Parkside. Gosse was intensely interested in his forebears, and kept up a friendship with his English cousins, among them the critic (Sir) Edmund Gosse. Travelling throughout Australia, and frequently abroad, James Gosse belonged to the Melbourne, Union (Sydney), Weld (Perth) and Queensland clubs. He was gregarious, hospitable—'On we go!' was his favourite toast—and a great promoter of his State. In 1911-18 he was manager of George Wills & Co. in Perth. Returning to Adelaide, he served as honorary consul (1923-52) for Denmark and was appointed to the Order of the Dannebrog (1936).

A bustling, forthright and active man, irascible and genial by turn, Gosse was much sought after for his zest and entrepreneurial skills. He was never idle or detached from the causes he adopted. President (1923-31 and 1935-47) of the Royal South Australian Zoological and Acclimatization Society, on Sundays he carried a basket of stale bread to distribute as he walked around the cages discussing affairs with the director. From 1933 until his death he was a councillor of the local branch of the Royal Geographical Society of Australasia. In 1947 he was knighted. As chairman (1940-52) of the State's Fauna and Flora Board, he fostered its Flinders Chase wildlife sanctuary on Kangaroo Island and holidayed there annually. He was a member (from 1939) of the board of the South Australian Museum and in 1948 gave the State government 3000 acres (1214 ha) in the Coorong to restore the sandhills to the condition depicted by George French Angas. Survived by his wife, daughter and four sons, Sir James died on 14 August 1952 at Stirling and was cremated. His nephew George Gosse won the George Cross and a grandson Alexander Downer entered Federal parliament.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>4</sup> Fayette Gosse, 'Gosse, Sir James Hay (1876–1952)', Australian Dictionary of Biography, National Centre of Biography, Australian National University.



## Hon. Secretary/Manager – Eric H. Tassie



Norwood Committee Member  
1919 – 1936  
1922 S.A.F.L. Delegate

Eric Harry Tassie (12 October 1887 – 21 July 1936) was an Australian rules football administrator. He was president of the Australian National Football Council (ANFC) from 1929 to 1935.

Tassie was a son of Henry Tassie, who was a government minister in South Australia. He attended Way College, Adelaide, and played football for the school team and later for various lower-level clubs. An accountant by profession, Tassie became manager of the Norwood Football Club's B-grade team in 1912, and then in 1914 was elected club treasurer. He became club secretary in 1919, holding that position until 1924, and was a club delegate to the South Australian Football League (SAFL) from 1920 until his death. Tassie managed the South Australian state team at the 1924 National Carnival, and was a state selector on a number of other occasions.

After several years as a delegate from South Australia and a term as vice-president, Tassie was elected ANFC president at its general meeting in November 1929, succeeding Alf Moffat of Western Australia. He held the position until November 1935, when he resigned and nominated Bob Rush of Victoria as his successor. During his presidency, Tassie was known for his flexibility with regard to the laws of the game. He presided over the reintroduction of the flick pass for the 1934 season, and at one point suggested tackling should be banned in order to free up the flow of play. Tassie died unexpectedly in July 1936, aged 48, while undergoing an operation on his mastoid process (a bony part of the skull below and behind the ear). After his death, the Tassie Medal was struck in his honour, to be awarded to the best player at each Australian National Football Carnival. South Australians who have won the Tassie Medal include former Norwood player Graham Molloy (1969, in a tie with Peter Eakins of WA); Graham Cornes (1980) and Mark Naley (1987).<sup>5</sup>

<sup>5</sup> Wikipedia






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<sup>6</sup> Trophy - Eric Tassie Medal, Best & Fairest Player - Brian Dixon 1961 - Australian Sports Museum

## Hon. Treasurer – J.J. Woods

 <p>Norwood Committee Member 1892, 1896-1897, 1902, 1915, 1919-1922 1922 S.A.F.L. Delegate</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Career: 1882 to 1892 Premierships: 1882, 1883, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1891</p> <p>League Coach: 1909-1910</p> <p>NFC Life Member</p> <p>NFC Hall of Fame</p> <p>Secretary Norwood 1902 - 1919 Treasurer Norwood 1919 - 1922 SANFL Delegate for Norwood 1902 - 1922 Deputy Vice Chairman of SANFL 1923 - 1952 Australian National Football Council Committee 1909 - 1919 Australian National Football Council Chairman 1911 - 1914 Umpire 1893 - 1899 (every interstate appointment) Life member of the Australian National Football Council</p>
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John Joseph Woods was Norwood's first coach, in 1909<sup>7</sup>. He was also just about everything else to the club - six times premiership player as an accomplished follower, centreman and half-back, secretary, treasurer, SANFL delegate, benefactor and inspiration.

One of four Woods brothers to play for Norwood in its heady early days, "JJ" made a success of everything he turned his hand to. In the mid-1920s, as Mayor of Kensington and Norwood, he was instrumental in the building of the Sir Edwin T. Smith Stand, which secured Norwood Oval as an SANFL venue.

By then the tireless JJ, or Jack as he was also known, already had been a State player, State coach and manager, umpire for every interstate game between 1893 and 1899, chairman of the Australian National Football Council and deputy vice-chairman of the SANFL. He stayed on in the latter position until his death at 86 in 1952.

Woods Street alongside Norwood Oval is named after JJ, and the club's Woods Medal for outstanding leadership and service honours the family name. But his brothers Ted, Julian and Charlie would admit that JJ was first when it came to Norwood, and Norwood came first for 'JJ'.

<sup>7</sup> Redlegs Museum website



*The Express and Telegraph* (Adelaide, SA : 1867 - 1922) Thu 13 Jul 1922 Page 6

"Let Well Alone."

MR. J. J. WOODS ON THE LAWS OF THE GAME.

The name of Woods has been before football enthusiasts for long than many of them care to remember. Get an old Norwoodite talking of the old days, and before many minutes he will mention Jack Woods, one of a quartet of brilliant brothers, who donned the red and blue uniform. Jack Woods first played for Norwood in 1880 and assisted the club to many premierships in the 13 years he was an active playing member. He was a stocky, dashing footballer, and stripped at 12 st. 5 lb. He started on the wing with the redlegs, but it was as a follower that he came into prominence. For the last ten years, of his career, however, he played at centre.

When asked by a representative, of "*The Express*" how the game of his day compared with the present, Mr. Woods said:- "Today the game is much faster, and though I do not think present-day footballers are cleverer than the old-timers they are better conditioned. The faster and more strenuous games require greater stamina, but players like Les Merrigan (South), Vic Stephens (Adelaide), a brilliant rover and wonderfully clever little footballer, the MacKenzies, (Port Adelaide), Alf and Bill Bushby (South and Port), 'Goody' Hamilton, Ben Rischbieth, 'Bunny' Daly the incomparable, and Topsy Waldron (Norwood), could hold their own in any company. The men of today train harder than we did, and much better facilities are provided for them. Our training used to consist simply of a run round, a cold shower, and a rub down with a pair of flesh gloves. We would stand up on a form and one man would do 16 or 17 of us. Now the players are massaged thoroughly by trained masseurs, and have an army of attendants to look after them. I think, however, that the old timer-was a more solid type than the man of today."

When in 1893 he retired from active participation in the game, Mr. Woods for five years acted as central umpire. "Was umpiring more difficult in your days?" he was asked. "No," he replied. "The introduction of boundary umpires has made the game a great deal faster, and that, combined with alterations to the rules, because of which more is left to the discretion of the central official than was the case previously, has made umpiring more difficult. In my days little short marks and pushing behind were allowed. The latter was cut out in 1886 by mutual consent between Victoria and South Australia. Undoubtedly a weak spot in our game is that so much depends on the umpire, but the more we alter the rules and the more discretion we give to that official the harder we are going to make his task. I am a great believer in allowing the rules to stand as they are. The more we tinker with them the greater confusion will we create. The trouble is that once a rule is altered it takes a long time to educate the public. How many football supporters have even a working knowledge of the laws of the game? If a rule be changed immediately an umpire puts it into operation, he is sure to be abused by a section of the crowd who are not aware of the alteration. I say 'Let well alone'. Our game is well balanced and highly spectacular. The rapid movement and the ever-changing fortunes of a well-fought match are peculiarly suitable to the volatile Australian temperament. The Australian game is a game of thrills and tense moments, that is what makes it so attractive."

## Committee

### W.A. Sneyd



Norwood Committee Member  
1920-1924

William Albert Sneyd (1874-1954) was in the business of being a draper and milliner, He had grown up in Adelaide but moved to Brisbane in 1898. Whilst there he worked for Mr T.C. Beirne for 8 years before opening his own shop in Queen Street for seven years. He also served as the honorary Treasurer of the Brisbane Drapers Association.

In 1913 he returned to Adelaide, having bought the 60-year old business of “Martin Brothers”, at Burlington House in Rundle Street – which was known as “a large emporium”. He served as a Norwood Committee member from 1920-24, and is acknowledged as having also been a vice-president for five years. His time with Norwood came an end in rather unique circumstances – he wanted to play more golf!

This was reported in *The Register* (Adelaide), on Monday 11 May 1925, at page 7.

“PRESENTATION TO MR. W. A. SNEYD.

*A pleasing function took place in the Norwood dressing room at the conclusion of the game with Sturt, when Mr Eric Tassie, on behalf of the Norwood Club, presented Mr. W.A. Sneyd with a smokers companion, as a token of the high esteem in which he is held. In apologising for the absence of Mr. J. H. Gosse, who, Mr. Tassie, said would have been delighted to have had the opportunity of honouring such a staunch supporter as Mr. Sneyd had proved himself to be, Mr. Tassie warmly eulogized the recipient's valuable aid in furthering the fortunes of Norwood, and expressed the regret which they all felt that Mr. Sneyd was no longer able to continue his active association with the club. Mr. Sneyd, who was received with cheers, in response, confessed his regret at the severance, owing to his*



*recently acquired penchant for the game of golf, which, he said, gave him a very enjoyable form of exercise of which he felt the need. His association with Norwood had given him the greatest pleasure, and he concluded by expressing hope that the splendid success attending Norwood's opening matches would continue."*

Notwithstanding, he may have also taken up swimming as he was later the patron of the Gilberton Amateur Swimming Club. In 1927 it was announced in *The Northern Districts Courier* (North Adelaide) on Saturday 17 December 1927 on page 4, that

*Through the generosity of Mr. W. A. Sneyd, Esq., the club's patron, a barrage is being erected at the club's pool, and when completed an average depth of nine feet of water should be available, which will enable the club to conduct carnivals again.*

In 1929, Sydney newspaper report (which included a photograph) indicated that he was mixing it with high society Adelaide as a member of the executive of South Australia's "Big Brother Migration Movement", with fellow executive members including Mr. J. Lavington Bonython, Lord Mayor (President); Mr. R. L. Butler, Premier; Sir Alexander Hore Ruthven, V.C., the Governor; Mr. J. Cowan, M.L.C., Minister for Migration; and Brigadier-General S. Price Weir, (vice president), and Ven. Archdeacon J. S. Moves.<sup>8</sup>

W.A. Sneyd was married to Alice Maud Sneyd (1880-1953) and they had three children – Dorothy Alma (1905-1976), Isobel Margaret (1921-2004) and William Howard (1923-1942). William junior was lost on the HMAS Perth on 1 March 1942, aged 19 years. William senior died in 1954. They are all buried together at Centennial Park in Pasadena.

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<sup>8</sup> Evening News (Sydney, NSW), Thursday 14 February, 1929, page 24

## William Essery Jnr



Norwood Committee Member  
1913 – 1938  
Patron – 1949-1973

William Essery Junior (1890-1973) was a Norwood Committee Member from 1913-1938, and a much admired club Patron from 1949-1973. He was a life member of the Norwood Football Club, contributing more than 20 years of service in a variety of roles including secretary of the Reserves or Norwood 'B' Team as it was then known. He was also Mayor of Kensington and Norwood from 1942-46.

William Essery Junior also worked for his father, William Senior, in the family's building and contracting company at 87 Sydenham Rd, Norwood. The family business was involved in the construction of the Adelaide City Bridge, and numerous city buildings.

In 1962, The Centenary stand at Norwood Oval was extended northwards and was named "The Essery Stand" after William Essery Jnr.<sup>9</sup>

### 1962 The Essery Stand

The Centenary stand was extended northwards and was named after William Essery Jnr, a local builder, former Mayor, club committeeman from 1913 - 1938 and a much-admired club patron from 1949 – 1973.

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<sup>9</sup> Redlegs Museum website



## J.G. Halliday



Norwood Committee Member  
1914-1915, 1920-1927

### STATISTICS

Guernsey Number:

Career: 1899 to 1901

NFC Games: 37

NFC Goals: 18

Debut: v West Torrens (Jubilee) 13th May 1899

Finale: v West Torrens (Adelaide) 2nd September 1901

NFC Life Member

James Grant (Jim) Halliday was born on 19th Dec 1873. His parents were Jemima Grant who arrived in South Australia as a six year old in 1839 and Francis Halliday. In his childhood years Jim successfully competed at Highland dancing including at the Highland Games held at Adelaide Oval.

Francis Halliday was a drover and in about 1886 he and Jemima were employed by John Howard Angus at Tarawatta near Angaston. Jim was sent to Whinham College, North Adelaide as a boarder by J H Angus who was a patron of the school. He left school at 15 to become a saddler for Colton, Palmer & Preston and continued to work for them until retirement.

Jim was a good runner and competed in hurdles races between 1890 and 1896, running off a handicap of 14 yards at the Commemoration Day Sports event of December 1896.

His football career started at College Park and he was recruited to North Adelaide in 1884. He switched to Norwood after the introduction of district football in 1899, playing as rover and wingman until he retired at the end of the 1901 season due to a knee injury. He always walked with a limp from then on.

He was timekeeper for Norwood from 1905 and was also a committeeman and selector. He became a life member of the club in 1928. He retired from timekeeping in 1950 and was presented with a chiming clock at the AGM. He was also involved with the East Torrens Football Association. Jim and his wife Laura and their many children lived at Phillis St, Maylands for many years and he died on 10th Oct 1956.<sup>10</sup>

<sup>10</sup> Redlegs Museum website. Profile written by James Halliday's great grand daughter Carolyn Cowgill April 2018

## William Hutton



Norwood Committee Member  
1922

### STATISTICS

Guernsey Number:

Career: 1908 to 1910

NFC Games: 30

NFC Goals: 2

Debut: v South Adelaide (Norwood) 2nd May 1908

Finale: v Port Adelaide (Adelaide) 3rd September 1910

Norwood Coach: 1919 to 1921

William "Billy" Hutton grew up in Thebarton where he impressed early as an all-round sportsman and a born leader. After captaining most of the junior teams he played for, Hutton joined West Torrens in 1903. He made his senior debut and showed he had the pace and skill to develop into a quality centreman.

After a couple of seasons with the club he travelled to Kalgoorlie and Boulder City in Western Australia in search of work. He joined the Mines Rovers football club, winning a premiership in his first season. The football in the goldfields was of a high standard, as many prominent players were recruited from the other States. Hutton also played senior cricket whilst in the west.

He returned to South Australia in 1907, and joined the Norwood Football Club the following season, playing predominantly in the pivot. Hutton played 13 games in his first year and was a member of the Norwood team that travelled to New South Wales to play three matches against a combined State team on the Sydney Cricket Ground. Norwood lost that year's Grand Final to West Adelaide by three points.

In 1909 he played eight league games. He appeared in another nine in 1910 and toured Tasmania with the Norwood squad that played matches against combined association teams in Hobart and Launceston. Hutton was practice captain in 1910, but unfortunately missed a large part of the season due to injury.

Hutton then played 37 league games for West Torrens from 1911 to 1914. He captained the side in 1913 and 1914, and was named best and fairest in 1913.





After World War 1 he went back to Norwood as their league coach. Ill health robbed him of the opportunity to lead the side on the field.

In his three years at the club, Hutton guided Norwood to seventh position in 1919, and runners-up in 1920 and 1921. In 1922 he was re-appointed as coach, but decided against going on due to work commitments and was replaced by Tom Leahy. Hutton continued to serve the club as a committeeman.

He also found the time to coach St. Peter's College from 1919 to 1921, and Adelaide University to the 1921 and 1922 premierships.

Hutton was a fine cricketer for East Torrens over many seasons, as an all-rounder and an accomplished wicket-keeper.

*R Cialini June 2020*<sup>11</sup>

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<sup>11</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Clifford Cope



Norwood Committee Member  
1922-1927  
1922 S.A.F.L. Delegate

### STATISTICS

Guernsey Number: #  
Career: 1909 to 1910  
NFC Games: 18  
NFC Goals: 3  
Debut: v West Torrens (Norwood) 1st May 1909  
Finale: v West Adelaide (Norwood) 16th July 1910

Although only playing 18 games in two seasons, Clifford Cope nonetheless left quite an impression. Described as a dashing rover/wingman, his performances during the 1909 season culminated with him being presented with the Most Consistent Player Award at the 1910 Norwood Football Club Annual General Meeting.

Clifford Cope enlisted in the Australian Imperial Force in March 1915 and after serving at Gallipoli was invalided back to Australia in 1916 where he was discharged from the Army.

*B Ridge June 2014<sup>12</sup>*

## Captain

Sydney (Sid) White

## Vice Captain

Leslie Bryant

## Practice Captain

Basil Scott

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<sup>12</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Delegates to S.A.F.L

Cope, W. 1922-1927

J.J. Woods

E.H. Tassie

## Guernsey



1922 Guernsey: <sup>13</sup>

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<sup>13</sup> Footyjumpers.com website

## 1922 Coach – Thomas J. Leahy



### STATISTICS

Years Coached: 1922 - 1924  
Premierships: 1922, 1923

The son of George Joseph Leahy (1861-1910), and Annie Mary Leahy (1860-1929), née McKenzie, Thomas Joseph Leahy was born at Goodwood, South Australia on 13 January 1888. He married Agnes Shannon on 29 November 1917.

Leahy was educated at the Christian Brothers College in Wakefield Street, Adelaide. He played school football, as well as for Albert Park in the (Junior) Adelaide and Suburban Youths' Association competition.

As a player, Leahy was highly regarded for his playing ability and his nature. The 6 ft 4 in (193 cm), raw-boned Leahy had an iron constitution and massive hands; he was famous for holding the ball in one hand when preparing to kick. Leahy played 58 games for West Adelaide, 111 for North Adelaide, and 20-31 games for South Australia (depending on which source you read). Known throughout Australia as 'The Prince of Ruckmen', Tom Leahy was arguably the most widely celebrated footballer produced in South Australia prior to the onset of the television age. The reasons for his high reputation were legion. In the first place, he possessed all the skills necessary to succeed as a ruckman in the 'ruck shepherd era', a time when the primary objective of the second player in a ruck combination (the player who would later metamorphose into the ruck-rover) was to impede and interfere with the opposition's main ruckman in an effort to prevent him from contesting the knock. Leahy's strength, intelligence and athleticism enabled him to counter these tactics better probably than anyone.

Secondly, despite being the object of unrestrained and often illegal vigour on the part of his opponents Tom Leahy always maintained a cheerful, unflustered demeanour, and never retaliated. This is not to suggest for a moment that his play lacked aggression; however, his aggression was always controlled, and seldom transcended standards of what was acceptable, both legally and morally.



Tom Leahy retired as a player in April 1922, by which time Norwood was already playing internal trial games in preparation for the season commencing in May. By the end of April he had accepted an offer to coach Norwood.

After leaving coaching Leahy wrote about Football in the Adelaide press. In 1935 he accepted a position on the tribunal which heard charges against reported players, so that he could protect them from unwarranted suspensions. He was belatedly appointed a life member of the South Australian National Football League in 1945 and in 1944-64 was the resident officer at Football House, Hindmarsh Square. In 1946 he helped to form the Past Players and Officials Association. Leahy also lectured and wrote about the evolution of the game. Leahy was courteous, obliging and always ready to help a young player. Scrupulously fair, he ignored attempted bribes.

Leahy died in the Royal Adelaide Hospital on 7 May 1964 and after a requiem Mass in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral, he was buried in Centennial Park cemetery.<sup>14</sup>

#### **West Adelaide Career**

- Player 1905-09 (58 games)
- Best and Fairest – 1906
- Premiership player – 1908, 1909
- Champions of Australia team member, 1908
- Patriotic team – 1918

#### **North Adelaide Career<sup>15</sup>**

- Player – 1910-1915; 1919-21 (111 games)
- Best Follower – 1910
- Most Efficient Services - 1912
- Magarey Medallist – 1913
- SANFL Football Budget Player of The Year – 1914
- Evening Post Player of the Year – 1913 (public vote)
- Best & Fairest – 1911, 1914, 1919
- Captain – 1915; 19-21
- Premiership player – 1920
- League Coach – 1913, 1919
- Life Member - 1921
- Hall of Fame - 2015
- Team of the Century - 2000

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<sup>14</sup> Mervyn Agars, 'Leahy, Thomas Joseph (Tom) (1888–1964)', Australian Dictionary of Biography, National Centre of Biography, Australian National University.

<sup>15</sup> North Adelaide Football Club website – Hall of Fame



### South Australian Representative Career

- State Captain – 1919-21
- 20-31 State Games, 1906 - 1921
- South Australian Football Hall of Fame – 2002
- State representative in the sport of handball – 1907
- SANFL Life Member - 1945

### Norwood Career

- League Coach 1922-24
- Premiership coach 1922, 1923. (Runner up in 1924).

## Tom Leahy appointed Norwood Coach

*The Register* (Adelaide, SA), Saturday 29 April 1922, page 5

TOM LEAHY.


COACH FOR NORWOOD.

Tom Leahy, who was so long and honourably associated with the North Adelaide Football Club— he was captain for many years — on Friday afternoon, after much pressure, accepted the position of coach of the Norwood Club. Footballers generally will rejoice that this popular veteran's knowledge and experience are not being lost to the game. Mr. Leahy, if he had consulted his own feelings, would have preferred to retire from the game, but his intimate friends have advised, him that for health's sake it would be wise for him to continue in training, and this will be possible in the position he has assumed.



## 1922 Player Profiles

### Sydney (Sid) WHITE (Captain)

 <p>1922 games played: 17/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 20, 24, 1  Career: 1912 to 1925  NFC Games: 146  NFC Goals: 43  Debut: v South Adelaide (Adelaide) 4th May 1912  Finale: v West Torrens (Adelaide) 26th September 1925</p> <p>Norwood Captain: 1919, 1921 to 1925  Norwood Coach: 1925  Norwood Premierships: 1922, 1923, 1925  NFC Life Member  Norwood Hall of Fame  SANFL Hall of Fame  Norwood Team of the Century  Best &amp; Fairest: 1913, 1914  South Australian Games: 8</p>
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Sydney C White was born at Kadina on Yorke Peninsula in 1893. Known as Sid, he was educated at Parkside after his parents moved to Adelaide when he was five years old. He was 14 when he first represented the Kenilworth Football Club in the juniors.

White joined Norwood in 1912, mainly due to his friendship with George Beames who had joined the Redlegs in 1911. Having impressed in his one trial, White made his league debut in the opening round of 1912. Initially he played as a wingman or rover. He played 12 games in his first season and won the award for best junior.

White won the best and fairest awards in 1913 and 1914.

When league football was suspended during World War I, White played for Norwood in the Patriotic Association in 1916 and when Norwood later withdrew from that competition, he rejoined Kenilworth.

League football resumed in 1919 and White was named Norwood's captain. He also won the club's best all-round player award and played interstate football for the first time.

The Redlegs' fortunes started to change and they were runner-up in 1920 and 1921. White was again named best all-round player in 1921 and continued to represent his state.



He played in his first premiership in 1922. Captaining the side, he was outstanding in Norwood's grand final win over West Adelaide.

During this period he was part of an impenetrable half back line alongside Walter (Wat) Scott and Guy Stephens. The trio also went on to play in the 1923 and 1925 grand final triumphs.

Norwood won three flags during White's years as captain and he also coached the team in 1925.

Durable, as well as consistent, he only missed 13 games throughout his entire career. He played his last game in the 1925 Grand Final.

White was renowned tactician and many astute judges attributed Norwood's success after the war to him.

While he did not take an active part in football after retiring, he acted as an advisor to Kenilworth and other junior clubs.

White went on to coach Sturt (1929-1937) guiding them to three grand finals and a premiership in 1932.

He was later named on a half back flank in Norwood's Team of the Century.

*R Cialini Sept 2015<sup>16</sup>*




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<sup>16</sup> Redlegs Museum website



## Leslie BRYANT (Vice Captain)

	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 6  Career: 1920 to 1922  NFC Games: 47  NFC Goals: 10  Debut: v Port Adelaide (Norwood) 1st May 1920  Finale: v West Adelaide (Adelaide) 30th September 1922</p> <p>Premiership: 1922  South Australian Games: 6  VFL/AFL Clubs: Fitzroy</p>
<p>1922 games played: 16/17  1922 State Representative</p>	

Leslie Bryant was born on 29 June 1896. He played seven matches and kicked five goals for West Adelaide in 1919, before transferring to Norwood in 1920.

A brilliant aerialist and good on the ground, he was an important member of the Norwood side of the early 1920's. Bryant was vice-captain of the team that won the 1922 Premiership, and led South Australia's first ruck in its win over Victoria at the Adelaide Oval in the same year.

Bryant played interstate footy in each year he was at Norwood; every match was against the Victorians.

He played for Norwood in its end of season win over Carlton in 1921 and against the touring East Perth team the following year.

Having established himself as one of the finest followers in South Australia, he moved to Victoria where his mother resided.

Bryant played for Fitzroy in 1923-24, totalling 35 games in his two seasons for the Lions, including the 1923 Grand Final loss against Essendon. Earlier in the season, he had made the Victorian state side which defeated South Australia on the MCG.


A noted runner, he competed in many professional meetings, including the Stawell Gift.

*R Cialini Dec 2013<sup>17</sup>*

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<sup>17</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Syd ACKLAND

 <p>1922 games played: 6/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 8, 4  Career: 1922 to 1931  NFC Games: 134  NFC Goals: 7  Debut: v South Adelaide (Adelaide) 8th May 1922  Finale: v Sturt (Norwood) 13th June 1931</p> <p>Norwood Coach: 1935 to 1937  Premierships: 1923, 1925, 1929  NFC Life Member  Norwood Hall of Fame  Norwood Team of the Century</p>
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Born in the Norwood area, Sydney Ackland began his League career with Norwood in 1922 and proved to be an exceptional footballer and clubman.

He played six matches in his debut season. Later in the year he was selected as a half forward flanker against the touring East Perth team.

Ackland went on to make the full back position his own, succeeding Harry Johns as the club's goalkeeper on the recommendation of the retiring defender. A high marking, long kicking defender, Ackland became renowned for his fine judgement and reliability.

He made 16 appearances in 1923, won the award for best trained player and played full back in Norwood's grand final win against North Adelaide. The following season he represented South Australia against Victoria.

He was again at full back when the Redlegs defeated West Torrens by one point in the 1925 Grand Final. He played a fine game and was high in Norwood's best players. During the year he represented the State against Broken Hill. The following season he was named "most consistent" and again played state football against Victoria and Western Australia. At the end of the season, Ackland was contemplating retirement due to increased business commitments.

Luckily for Norwood he chose to continue his League career although, on occasions, his fruit and green-grocery business prevented him from travelling interstate to play. He continued to set a great example on the training track and took practice very seriously throughout his career.



He played 19 games in 1928 and was one of the best players in the losing grand final against Port Adelaide. Ackland and Norwood had their revenge the following season however, as the Redlegs defeated Port Adelaide by 41 points to take out the 1929 premiership. Meanwhile, Ackland continued to be an automatic selection for South Australia.

An injury riddled season saw Ackland only play seven games in 1930. He added another five senior appearances to his tally, before retiring in June 1931.

In 1932, Ackland coached Rostrevor College's First 18, and was coach at Prince Alfred College in 1934 and 1935. With the tragic death of Norwood's captain-coach Jack Sexton during the 1935 season, Ackland was one of four coaches to lead the club during that year. Appointed coach in 1936 and 1937, he guided Norwood to 5th and 3rd spot respectively.

Ackland went on to serve the Norwood Football Club for many more years in a variety of roles. He was a committee member from 1932 to 1935, and then again from 1941 to 1945. He was chairman of selectors, and was heavily involved in junior and school football in the Norwood zone from 1945 to 1963.


In 2001 Sydney Ackland was named at full back in the Norwood Team of the Century.

*R Cialini Sept 2015<sup>18</sup>*

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<sup>18</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Roy Edward Kimberley BENT

 <p>1922 games played: 16/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 20, 26          Career: 1921 to 1928          NFC Games: 98          NFC Goals: 333          Debut: v West Torrens (Hindmarsh) 14th May 1921          Finale: v West Torrens (Thebarton) 14th July 1928</p> <p>Premierships: 1922, 1925          Norwood Hall of Fame          Leading Goalkicker: 1921, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926          South Australian Games: 17 (60 goals)          SANFL top goal kicker 1921, 1924, 1925, 1926</p>
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Roy "Alec" Bent was one of the Norwood Football Club's greatest ever forwards. Born in Broken Hill, Roy Edward Kimberley Bent played for North Broken Hill Reserves in 1918, progressing to the seniors in the second half of the 1919 season. He continued with them in 1920, earning the nickname of "Cool Alec".

Invited to join the Norwood B team in 1921, he played two games before being selected for his League debut. Bent began his career as a half forward/rover. In the last six games of the season he was named at full forward, starting with a game against Glenelg. He booted seven majors and never looked back. He played in the Grand Final in his first year. Named as the spearhead, he kicked Norwood's three goals in its narrow loss to Port Adelaide. He played 16 matches for the year and won the "best forward" award.

First of the star full forwards after WW1, Bent was slight in stature, quick, elusive and very good at ground level. He rarely wandered too far from the goal square and used drop kicks for most of his shots at goal. The left-footed Bent had uncanny accuracy with his attempts from difficult angles, whether it be from set shots or from clever snaps. He believed goal-sneaks were born and not made.

He won a flag in his second attempt when Norwood defeated West Adelaide in the 1922 Grand Final, 9.7 to 2.16. Bent again kicked three and was high in the best players. At season's end he was named the club's "most unselfish" player.

In 1923 he was controversially suspended after an incident in the last minor round game against



South Adelaide. He received a six match suspension for having forcibly thrown the ball to the boundary umpire, after Bent had been adjudged to have gone out of the field of play. The boundary umpire suffered a "bruised chest". The report was made by the central umpire and the suspension cost Bent the opportunity to play in back-to-back premierships.

On Grand Final day at the Adelaide Oval, a group called the "Wallaby Club sympathisers" presented him with a large leather medal, five inches in diameter. The medal had a drawing inscribed on the face of it, representing a footballer in the act of throwing a ball at another figure. The suspension was later reduced to three matches, resulting in Bent missing Round 1 of the 1924 season. He represented South Australia against Victoria and Western Australia in 1923.

Bent kicked 12 goals in a game against Queensland in the Hobart Carnival of 1924; it was a Carnival record at the time. He also kicked 10 goals, from 11 scoring shots, against West Torrens in the 1924 first semi-final. He was probably best remembered for kicking the winning goal in the 1925 Grand Final. With Norwood trailing by five points late in the last quarter, the ball came out to Bent who snapped at goal and converted from a long way out. Norwood won by one point: 8.4 to 7.9. Bent kicked six out of Norwood's eight goals. He established a State record kicking 65 goals for the year and was again selected for the State games against Victoria and Western Australia.

In 1926 he kicked 11 majors against Glenelg in the last minor round game of the season. The 26-year-old was unfortunately involved in an accident in December of that year, suffering concussion and other head injuries. He had left his home on Edward Street, Norwood and joined a city-bound tramcar, with the intention of going to the Adelaide Oval to watch an interstate cricket match. As the tram was proceeding through the East Parklands Bent was standing in the gangway and leaning over the rail. The back of his head hit a post, inflicting a deep wound and rendering him unconscious. He was admitted to hospital in a serious condition.

Although he returned to football in 1927, he only played four games before deciding to retire mid-season due to poor form, attributed to the accident he had suffered during the summer. Bent decided to have a complete rest from the game. He returned in 1928 and played another six games. He also played seven games with the Reserves, heading the goal-kicking with 32 majors.


Bent crammed many highlights in his eight seasons with the Norwood Football Club. Despite a relatively short career, restricted by injury and suspension, he was the club's leading goal-kicker on five occasions, and topped the SANFL goal-kicking four times. He played in two premierships, and represented the state 17 times. Retiring in Mount Gambier, Roy Bent was sadly taken in a car accident in 1975, returning home having made the trip to Broken Hill one last time.

*R Cialini August 2017<sup>19</sup>*

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<sup>19</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Victor CAVE

 <p>1922 games played: 1/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 21  Career: 1921 to 1922  NFC Games: 7  NFC Goals: 7  Debut: v West Adelaide (Norwood) 21st May 1921  Finale: v East Perth (Norwood) 26th August 1922</p>
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Alfred Victor Cave attended Unley District High School where he showed early promise as a first eighteen footballer. On leaving school, he played three seasons for the Kenilworth Football Club in the Amateur League competition.

Cave enlisted in the 10th Battalion in 1916 and saw active service in France before he returned to Australia in 1919. He then joined the South Adelaide where he played for the B team (Reserves). Transferring to Norwood, he made his League debut in round three, 1921.

Very much a utility, Cave preferred to play on the wing, where he could pit his skills against his direct opponent. The outstanding features of his play were his clean ball-handling, and more particularly his accurate stab passing. He struggled to cement a spot in the powerful Norwood side of the time, and only managed seven League appearances.

In 1922, Cave won the Woolley Medal, as the leading goal-kicker in the B Grade (Reserves) competition. Cave's last game for Norwood was against East Perth, late in the 1922 season. Playing as a wingman, he was among Norwood's best players.

He moved into the Sturt district in 1924 and was eventually cleared by Norwood in the middle of the year. Whilst awaiting for his transfer to be approved, he had played for Blackwood in the Mid-Southern Association. Cave played 37 games for Sturt, and was a valuable member of its 1926 premiership team.

*R Cialini May 2015<sup>20</sup>*

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<sup>20</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Henry (Harry) CLAPSON



1922 games played: 6/17

### STATISTICS

Guernsey Number: 24

Career: 1922 to 1924

NFC Games: 14

NFC Goals: 7

Debut: v Glenelg (Glenelg) 13th May 1922

Finale: v Glenelg (Glenelg) 14th June 1924

VFL/AFL Clubs: North Melbourne

Henry "Harry" Clapson came to Norwood as a 27 year old who had played for a number of years in the Victorian Football Association. He started his career with a club that had a most interesting history. The Essendon Association Club had no links with the Essendon VFL team. In fact it was formed in 1900 by disgruntled Essendon fans annoyed that their side was located in East Melbourne and not in Essendon. Originally called Essendon Town, the name was changed to the Essendon Association Dreadnoughts in 1905.

Harry was an outstanding wingman with this team and prior to arriving in South Australia was their captain. Clapson was small in stature, only 5ft 4 inches (165cm) tall but the word, "game," was often used to describe his demeanour. One early report of his playing style appeared in the *Daily Herald* 9th June 1922 "Clapson played on the centre wing against Port and was in the picture all day. He is only a little fellow but is very game. His marking and ground work were a treat to watch and he kicks finely with either foot."

A groin injury sustained in July had him sidelined for a few matches and consequently he struggled to earn back his place in the league side. This was a golden era for the Redlegs and the side had great depth on the wings. Harry had to compete with the likes of Heinrich, Fowler, Toovey and Hepburn to gain a league birth. He managed 14 games in three seasons before returning to Melbourne.

Harry's next move was precipitated by the continued topsy-turvy history of his old club. In his absence, the Essendon VFL club not only came back to Essendon but took over the Association's



ground at Windy Hill. His old club could survive only by amalgamating with another VFA club. This they did and the club chosen was North Melbourne. So on his return to Melbourne, as a 30 year old in 1925, Harry joined North Melbourne. 1925 was a significant year for North Melbourne. It was their first year in the VFL.

Clapson missed selection in their first game in which they defeated Geelong at Corio Oval but he was selected the following week. This was their first VFL game to be played at their home ground at Arden Street. Unfortunately they lost to Fitzroy. Harry played six more games that season before retiring.

Henry (Harry) Clapson was born on March 5th, 1895 and died on June 6th, 1987, aged 92.


*B Ridge March 2018<sup>21</sup>*

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<sup>21</sup> Redlegs Museum website



## Clyde CLOSE

 <p>1922 games played: 16/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 15, 6  Career: 1921 to 1927  NFC Games: 55  NFC Goals: 68  Debut: v Port Adelaide (Norwood) 9th May 1921  Finale: v Glenelg (Glenelg) 23rd July 1927</p> <p>Premierships: 1922, 1925</p>
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Clyde Close was born in Crystal Brook and later attended Unley High School, before playing for Sturt Rovers and eventually Norwood.

Playing mainly at centre half forward, Clyde Close was noted for his spectacular high marking.

While he only played 68 games in seven seasons, he was a valuable player in a period when Norwood was blessed with many great players and experienced significant on field success.

In his first year, Close was rated best on ground in Norwood's victory over Carlton in the end of season match played on the Norwood Oval. The following year, he was high in Norwood's best players in the match against Western Australia's Premiers, East Perth.

He was the team's centre half forward in the 1922 and 1925 Grand Final wins, kicked four goals in the 1924 losing Grand Final, but missed the chance to play in the 1923 Premiership because of injury.


A great aerialist throughout his career, he was a dangerous goal-kicker despite not being a particular good kick.

R Cialini Dec 2013<sup>22</sup>

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<sup>22</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Murray DOBSON

	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 15, 23          Career: 1920 to 1924          NFC Games: 45          NFC Goals: 1          Debut: v South Adelaide (Adelaide) 21st August 1920          Finale: v Glenelg (Glenelg) 14th June 1924</p> <p>Premierships: 1922          South Australian Games: 1</p>
<p>1922 games played: 14/17</p>	

Murray Dobson was a fine defender, possessing a good kick and the ability to take a great mark. Named in defence, Dobson was high in Norwood's best players in its 1921 Grand Final loss to Port Adelaide, and in the end of season clash with Carlton on the Norwood Oval.

In 1922 he was rated the club's most consistent player and was among Norwood's best players in its Grand Final win over West Adelaide. Dobson played 14 games during the season, mainly as a back pocket. Playing at half back, he had also been prominent in Norwood's loss against Western Australia's minor premiers, East Perth, before the start of the finals.


The following season he played interstate football for South Australia against Tasmania on the Adelaide Oval. Unfortunately, he severely injured his foot late in the minor round and as a result he missed out on Norwood's 1923 Premiership success. Ankle injuries eventually caused him to retire from football at the relatively young age of 24.

*R Cialini April 2014* <sup>23</sup>



<sup>23</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Richard FOWLER

 <p>1922 games played: 10/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 3  Career: 1922  NFC Games: 10  NFC Goals: 2  Debut: v South Adelaide (Adelaide) 8th May 1922  Finale: v West Adelaide (Norwood) 29th July 1922</p>
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Richard Fowler made his League debut for Norwood in the opening round of 1922, in front of 21,600 spectators on the Adelaide Oval.

A quick, athletic footballer with a good kick, "Dick" Fowler played his first game as a wingman, and moved into the centre later in the season.

Norwood rated him as one of the best juniors the club had seen for many years, but sadly injury brought his career to an abrupt end.


He suffered a severe knee injury in a game against West Adelaide on the Norwood Oval. In what was likely the biggest disappointment in the club's premiership year, Fowler was never able to play League football again, taking on umpiring the following season.

*R Cialini April 2014<sup>24</sup>*



<sup>24</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Harold W GRANTLEY

 <p>1922 games played: 17/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 24, 5  Career: 1912 to 1924  NFC Games: 96  NFC Goals: 17  Debut: v Sturt (Unley) 8th June 1912  Finale: v Glenelg (Norwood) 30th August 1924</p> <p>Premierships: 1922, 1923  NFC Life Member  South Australian Games: 1</p>
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Harold Wyndham “Dick” Grantley was born in 1892 in Birchip in the Mallee region of Victoria. He played his first game for Norwood against Sturt on 8 June 1912 in front of a crowd of 5000, having replaced Lionel Hill (67 games: 1907 – 1913) who had stood down from the team with an injured finger.

In the previous season he played for Marlborough, one of the five foundation members in the inaugural season of the South Australian Amateur Football League, and was its only representative in the league’s combined side for that year.

Norwood clearly held him in some regard naming him “best shepherd” in his debut season, an award he was to win on a further four occasions in 1919, 1920, 1921 and 1922.

Grantley played as a ruck-shepherd which has since become known as ruck rover. As the result of changes to the rules over the years regarding shepherding in the ruck, the role of a ruck rover (or as more commonly known in the modern game - follower or on-baller) has changed considerably.

He won interstate selection against Victoria in 1921, being named in the best players, and played in the 1920 and 1921 Norwood sides which were runners up and the 1922 and 1923 premiership sides.

Norwood awarded him life membership in 1922 “by reason of ten years of long and useful service to the club”, the Norwood Annual Report for that year stating that “ Mr Grantley has taken part in 64 matches, and during that time Dick, in his position as ‘shepherd’ in the ruck, has given and received more hard knocks than most footballers, and for his size has done yeoman service in the ruck for Norwood”.

Grantley, a bank employee, seems to have been an educated and literate man. He wrote a series of letters to the editor of the Advertiser in 1914 regarding the suspension of North Adelaide ruckman Tom Leahy for three matches for striking a Norwood player. The letters are well written and argued and include such sentiments as “I must humbly confess I am rather young ... and could easily be overwhelmed in a vortex of idiomatic legal persiflage.” Leahy subsequently coached Norwood in 1922,



1923 and 1924.

Grantley retired after playing his last game against Glenelg on 30th August 1924, the final game of the 1924 season's minor round. He had played a total of 97 games and but for the suspension of the competition in 1916, 1917 and 1918 during the first World War would certainly have played more than 100 games.

Grantley retained an interest in football, playing in the Veteran Footballers Association with players such as Clarrie Packham, a Norwood teammate (104 games: 1910 – 1922) whose sister Winifred he had married in 1916 and Tom Leahy, his former coach.

He died suddenly in Kaniva, Victoria in 1951 and is buried with his wife in the Payneham Cemetery.

*G Williams April 2013<sup>25</sup>*



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<sup>25</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Tom HART



1922 games played: 16/17  
1922 State Representative

### STATISTICS

Guernsey Number: 22, 24  
Career: 1920 to 1924  
NFC Games: 35  
NFC Goals: 97  
Debut: v West Adelaide (Adelaide) 31st July 1920  
Finale: v Port Adelaide (Norwood) 10th May 1924  
  
Premierships: 1922  
Leading Goalkicker: 1922  
South Australian Games: 3  
VFL/AFL Clubs: Carlton

Tom Hart was born in Victoria, but grew up on the outskirts of Adelaide. He enlisted for military service in 1916 and suffered a gunshot wound to the right foot at the Battle of Messines in France in June 1917. Tom spent months recuperating and was about to return to the front line when the War ended and he returned Adelaide in early 1919.

Tom's career with Norwood started in 1920 and he quickly developed into a brilliant half-forward flanker with pace, guile, a high mark and a dangerous eye for the goals. He continued to perform well for Norwood and in 1922 was the league's leading goal-kicker after kicking 50 goals. 1922 was also a premiership year for Norwood and along with the likes of Sibley and Bent, Tom was a key member of the team's very strong forward line.


The Norwood committee expected Tom to be back for the next season but Carlton had tried for more than twelve months to entice the flashy half-forward to Princes Park, and finally succeeded in May 1923. He returned in 1924 but was not the Tom Hart who had delighted Norwood supporters in previous years. Tom left Norwood in May 1924.

He completed his career with West Adelaide and then went bush as a railway fettler and ganger with the Commonwealth Railways. He was still doing this hard, physical work into his forties until the start of World War II in 1939. Once again Tom enlisted in the AIF but wasn't allocated to combat duty, due to his age and previous service.

*R Crompton April 2013<sup>26</sup>*

<sup>26</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## William HEINRICH

 <p>1922 games played: 3/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 13, 26  Career: 1921 to 1926  NFC Games: 63  NFC Goals: 18  Debut: v Port Adelaide (Norwood) 9th May 1921  Finale: v Glenelg (Norwood) 4th September 1926</p> <p>Premierships: 1923, 1925  South Australian Games: 1</p>
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William Heinrich played only five seasons for Norwood but they were during one of its more successful periods.

He was a part of the Club's finals campaigns from 1921 to 1925 which resulted in premierships in 1922, 1923 and 1925.

The Club recognized him as "best junior" in his first year in 1921 and subsequently in 1923 for "valuable services", 1924 as "best utility player" and 1925 as "most consistent".

In 1923 he was selected at back pocket in the State team which played Tasmania and in 1925 the team which played Broken Hill.

He was appointed coach and captain of the Freeling football club (colours: red and navy blue - "The Redlegs") before the 1926 season, returning to Norwood for one final match against Glenelg on 4th September 1926.

Heinrich won a Mail Medal as best player in the Barossa and Light Association playing for Tanunda (colours: black and white - "The Magpies") in 1933, the first year they were awarded.


*G Williams April 2013<sup>27</sup>*

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<sup>27</sup> Redlegs Museum website



## Charles HEPBURN

 <p>1922 games played: 15/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 14  Career: 1922 to 1926  NFC Games: 67  NFC Goals: 56  Debut: v Glenelg (Glenelg) 13th May 1922  Finale: v Port Adelaide (Norwood) 29th May 1926</p> <p>Premierships: 1922, 1923, 1925  NFC Life Member</p>
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Charles William Hepburn had already played two League games for West Adelaide in 1920 and won the 1921 Reserves Magarey Medal before he moved residence and transferred to Norwood in 1922. His last game for West Adelaide was as the Reserves captain in their Grand Final defeat by Norwood. He was his team's best player in the final, as he had been earlier in the year, when he captained the State Reserves against the Yorke Peninsula Association.

The move to Norwood not only saw Hepburn play regular A Grade football, but also snare him three premierships in five seasons.

A small but solid utility, he was never beaten and battled hard for the ball. Named on a wing in Norwood's premiership side of 1922, he was adjudged the club's best junior for the season. He was again named on a wing in the 1923 Grand Final, which saw Norwood win back-to-back flags.

Hepburn then won the club's Most Consistent award in 1924.

1925 was probably his best season. He played in his third premiership for the club, after being named in the back pocket for the Grand Final.

Hepburn had developed into a close checking defender with a reputation for putting his opponents off their game. He also represented South Australia against Broken Hill during the season, and was named Norwood's "Best All-Round Player" in its premiership winning year.

Early in the 1926 season he suffered a broken nose in a match against Port Adelaide. He was hospitalized, but despite a couple of operations to rectify the problem, was unable to get back into



the League team and his only match for the remainder of the year was against Tanunda late in the season. He attempted a return in 1927 but, despite training in the off season, eventually decided to take on umpiring for the year.

After another attempted comeback the following season, he was appointed coach of Norwood's Reserves. Hepburn coached the Reserves from 1928 to 1931, winning the 1930 flag.

*R Cialini Dec 2013<sup>28</sup>*

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<sup>28</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Harold JOHNS



1922 games played: 17/17  
1922 State Representative

### STATISTICS

Guernsey Number: 6, 8, 9  
Career: 1912 to 1922  
NFC Games: 100  
NFC Goals: 2  
Debut: v West Adelaide (Adelaide) 27th July 1912  
Finale: v West Adelaide (Adelaide) 30th September 1922  
  
Premierships: 1922  
NFC Life Member  
South Australian Games: 4

For a decade Harry Johns was a stalwart of the Norwood defence. He stoically held down the full back position. In his era however, he was referred to as the Norwood goalkeeper. He was also the state goalkeeper.

An Advertiser journalist reflecting on Harry's career in 1924 wrote, "He saved the situation for his side in many a thrilling encounter in the goal mouth."

A.E.Waldron, at Norwood's Annual General Meeting in 1923, said this of Harry Johns. "He played the game according to the best traditions and played for the game's sake without fee or reward."

Harry Johns' last and most eventful game was the 1922 Grand Final against West Adelaide. Norwood won its first premiership for 15 years. It should have been a cause for great celebration for Harry. Not only was he at last a premiership player but the Grand Final was his 100th game.

For Harry Johns it was bitter-sweet. It was reported that during the game he, "fell awkwardly." The nature of the injury is unclear but what is known is that he endured, "a serious operation," that brought an end to his football career and for a lengthy period left him somewhat incapacitated.

The Norwood Football Club responded to his plight and launched a Harry Johns Fund. During the next two years a number of fundraising functions were held. These included, a grand ball at the Palais Ballroom, a benefit concert at the Norwood Town Hall and on May 5th 1923, Norwood's home game was declared a benefit game for Harry and all supporters were asked to donate.

Despite this tragic setback, Harry Johns' love and support for his beloved Norwood never wavered. Not long after his injury he returned to the club and took on the position of gatekeeper, a position



he held for over 25 years.

Harry Johns, 100 gamer, premiership player and devoted servant was duly and deservedly awarded Norwood Life Membership.


*B Ridge Jan 2013<sup>29</sup>*



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<sup>29</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Clarence PACKHAM

 <p>1922 games played: 1/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 12  Career: 1910 TO 1923  NFC Games: 104  NFC Goals: 60  Debut: v Sturt (Norwood) 11th June 1910  Finale: v south Adelaide (Adelaide) 8th September 1923</p> <p>Norwood Captain: 1915  Norwood Coach: 1915  NFC Life Member  Best &amp; Fairest: 1915  South Australian Games: 4</p>
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Clarence Packham graduated through Norwood juniors to Norwood Seconds, where in 1910 he won the Carr Medal as the best all-round footballer in that grade. He eventually made his League against Sturt on 11th June 1910. He was a ruckman/follower, described by his peers as being highly skilled.

At the Norwood Annual General Meeting in March 1914, the President said of him, "A brilliant follower [who] also won the President's Prize for the best all-round player in the club."

He was rewarded in 1915 by being made club captain and coach and went on to win the club's best and fairest the same year.

Typical of the news reports of the time was one written after a game against North Adelaide in May 1915 "Packham (ruck) shone out with magnificent marking... his play was clean and brilliant."

Unfortunately for Packham, he entered the league side when Norwood was experiencing its first slump in their history, coming seventh four years in a row. Towards the end of his illustrious career the team's fortunes changed. Clarence played in successive grand finals in 1920 and 1921 only to be on the losing side each time.

In the 1920 Grand Final it was reported that an early injury to Packham turned the tide of the match. One reporter wrote "Packham who had been doing great work in ruck was injured in a collision and was carried off the field on a stretcher. Norwood seemed discouraged by this accident to Packham."

Clarence continued for two more seasons which were Norwood premiership years but injury in 1922 and influenza in 1923 prevented him from playing in either grand final.

Nonetheless, 104 games, 60 goals and captain coach in 1915 ensured he deservedly received Club Life Membership.

*B Ridge Feb 2014*<sup>30</sup>



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<sup>30</sup> Redlegs Museum website



## Claude Thomas PAIN



1922 games played: 1/17

### STATISTICS

Guernsey Number: 18

Career: 1922

NFC Games: 1

NFC Goals: 0

Debut: v Port Adelaide (Adelaide) 5th June 1922

Finale: v Port Adelaide (Adelaide) 5th June 1922

Claude Pain was a country boy who played one season with Norwood after his return from World War I and then went on to build stone houses, halls and churches across upper Eyre Peninsula.

Claude was born at Riverton on 31 July 1898, one of eight sons and two daughters of Charles Pain and his wife Ann, née Bury, who was formerly of Port Augusta. Charles was a mason and with his sons was responsible for many of the early buildings in Riverton. Young Claude was the first King's Scout in the Riverton Troop, which was the oldest country troop in SA.

He was a farmer when he enlisted for war service at Wudinna on 27 October 1916. He served with the 48th Battalion until his discharge on 16 March 1919. In 1921 he was a member of the first Le Hunte Football Association team, along with future Glenelg player Glen Griffiths and former South Adelaide man Vic Barns.

Claude then tried his hand at Norwood. On the Monday holiday of June 1922 he enjoyed his one league game as a tall follower with ruckman Les Bryant and rover Bert Schumacher. Before 23,500 fans who defied threatening weather, Norwood whipped reigning premier Port Adelaide 17.11 to 4.6 on a soggy Adelaide Oval, with full forward Roy Bent bagging seven goals. Norwood would go on to end a 15-year premiership drought.

Claude was one of six new players brought into the senior team that season. Two of them, Syd Ackland and Ray Plunkett, had played in Norwood's B Grade premiership team in 1921 and a third, Charles Hepburn, had captained the opposing West Adelaide side, defeated 4.8 to 2.12. The other new men were Harry Clapson and Ern Wadham. Hepburn and Wadham were the only members of the six who took part in the 1922 league grand final in which Norwood beat West Adelaide 9.7 to





2.16.

Claude returned to the country but came to Adelaide to marry Blanche Lily Redding in 1928. They had two children who reached maturity, Margaret Anne (Smart) and Brian Claude Pain.

Claude was 43 when he enlisted for World War II service on 5 May 1942 and was a private in the 5 Battalion Volunteer Defence Corps upon discharge on 31 May 1943. He died at Port Lincoln on 30 December 1980, aged 82


*P Robins, D Cox August 2019<sup>31</sup>*

*\* For the picture we thank Kerri Cliff, granddaughter of Claude Pain*

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<sup>31</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Reginald Ambrose PLUNKETT

 <p>1922 games played: 2/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 11, 22, 26  Career: 1922 TO 1925  NFC Games: 10  NFC Goals: 2  Debut: v Port Adelaide (Alberton) 2nd September 1922  Finale: v Port Adelaide (Alberton) 5th September 1925  Premierships: 1923</p>
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Reg Plunkett had pedigree. His father, Oliver, was one of four brothers who served Norwood with distinction in the 1890s and 1900s. Uncle Henry and Uncle William were Norwood captains who, along with Uncle Mick, celebrated premierships and represented South Australia. Reg could not match their deeds, but he did celebrate a premiership in only his fourth senior game for the club, with Norwood a 26-point winner over North Adelaide before a crowd of 37,000 in 1923. Reg was named in the back pocket that day.

He struggled to keep a place in the league team, playing just ten games. Born on 5 January 1903, he was only 19 when he started as a wingman in 1922 and three years later fought his way back into the team as a high-marking ruckman. He also kicked 14 goals in 48 games for the Association team between 1922 and 1925.


Reg was living in Sydney in 1928 but never lost interest in the Redlegs. He was a member of a large gathering of supporters who greeted the Norwood and Port Adelaide teams at the railway station as they arrived to play an exhibition match of Australian Rules at the Sydney Showground on 25 August that year. He later worked with the Texas Company in Melbourne.

On 9 May 1945, Norwood players wore black armbands at Prospect Oval as a tribute to the late chairman of the SANFL, T. S. O'Halloran, and also to Reg Plunkett, who had died five days earlier at the age of 42 in the Sacred Heart Hospital, Melbourne. He was survived by his widow Veronica and sons John and Michael. A younger brother, Jack, known as Jock, played for Norwood in the 1930s.

*P Robins, March 2017*<sup>32</sup>

<sup>32</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## William "Tiger" POTTS

 <p>1922 games played: 15/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 19, 17, 19, 4          Career: 1921 to 1930          NFC Games: 96          NFC Goals: 38          Debut: v West Torrens (Hindmarsh) 14th May 1921          Finale: v Port Adelaide (Alberton) 6th September 1930</p> <p>Premierships: 1922, 1923, 1925          NFC Life Member          NFC Hall of Fame          South Australian Games: 9</p>
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### Love your players

Tiger Potts had a simple dictum: Love your club, love your players. It was Norwood's good fortune that Tiger applied those sentiments to our club for 47 unstinting years, up until the day he died.

As a powerful ruckman down from his hometown Broken Hill, he played in three Norwood premierships and represented his adopted State nine times. But it was as a trainer behind the scenes that Tiger left an indelible mark on his club. The minute his playing career was over, Tiger signed on for his new duties, saying that was what he had always wanted to do.

In 1935 he was made head trainer, and he stayed that way. His treatment room became known as Tiger's Flat, for it did seem as though he lived there. It is fitting that the "flat" is now named after him and his successor, Lionel Jarrett.

Generations of Norwood footballers and players from other SANFL clubs in many State games sought not only Tiger's healing hands, but his wise counsel as well. Norwood claims Tiger and reveres him. But the club is proud to acknowledge that he would help anyone, from schoolboy to superstar, in whatever sport. The door of Tiger's Flat was open to all of those in need.<sup>33</sup>

<sup>33</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Hugh Bowen PRIDMORE

 <p>1922 games played: 1/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 10          Career: 1922          NFC Games: 1          NFC Goals: 0          Debut: v East Perth (Adelaide) 26th August 1922          Finale: v East Perth (Adelaide) 26th August 1922</p>
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Hugh Pridmore was born at Woodley House, Glen Osmond on the 18th July 1901 and attended St Peters College. He joined Norwood in 1920 when he was named in the club's pre-season trials and then selected in the B team for the opening round against Port Adelaide at Alberton on the 1st May. He continued to play for the B team throughout the year.

In 1921 Pridmore was a consistent player for the B team, culminating in a premiership when Norwood defeated West Adelaide in the Challenge Final on 1 October 1921.

Pridmore had joined Norwood at the start of what was to be one of the most successful decades in the club's history so although newspaper reports were positive about the young full-back's performances, he was competing for senior selection with the league team's outstanding back-man, Harry Johns.

In 1922 Norwood were league premiers after winning 14 and losing just two games so it was difficult for the reserve players to force their way into the senior side. Pridmore was however, one of five juniors selected for a game against East Perth at the Adelaide Oval on 26th August. Billed as a contest between the best sides from each state, Norwood disappointed the local crowd by resting a number of senior players and was defeated 8.20 to 7.10. Pridmore played at full back as Johns was named at centre half back.

Pridmore had been named before the East Perth game as a "goalkeeper of outstanding promise" (The Journal 25th August 1922 p2) but was again relegated to the B team for the remainder of the season.

A leg injury forced Harry Johns to retire at the end of 1922, but Pridmore was overlooked for the vacant full back position in favour of Syd Ackland. Pridmore stayed with the B team for the early rounds before moving to Kapunda in July where he continued to play football for the local side until



1925.

Pridmore enlisted in the 2/27th Battalion on 8th June 1940 and reached the rank of Lance Corporal before he was discharged on 30th September 1943.

Hugh Bowen Pridmore died at McLaren Vale on 12th February 1975 aged 73.

*W Heading June 2022*<sup>34</sup>

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<sup>34</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Bert SCHUMACHER



1922 games played: 16/17

### STATISTICS

Guernsey Number: 4, 19

Career: 1920 to 1927

NFC Games: 104

NFC Goals: 72

Debut: v West Adelaide (Adelaide) 31st July 1920

Finale: v South Adelaide (Norwood) 21st May 1927

Premierships: 1922, 1923, 1925

Reserves Magarey Medal: 1920

Berthold Edward Bernard Schumacher was born at Stepney on 10 March 1897 and was known throughout his professional and sporting life as Bert. Schumacher enlisted for war service in 1918 and returned from England in January 1920 and started playing in the Norwood Reserves team. He played seven Reserves matches and went straight into the Norwood senior team. He won the Reserves Magarey medal that year, polling best on the ground votes in each game.

Over the next seven years Bert played 104 games and was the best rover at Norwood and one of the best in the state until he retired with a persistent shoulder injury at the start of the 1927 season.

Bert won the Norwood club award for Best Rover every year from 1920 to 1926 as well as Best All-Rounder in 1923; he played in 3 premierships and 2 interstate games against Victoria and Western Australia. Some said his slight build - 5'7" (170cms) and 10stone 5lbs (66kgs) had kept him out of previous interstate teams.

His build may have contributed to his large number of injuries. More likely though it was his enormous courage and tenacity. He "took the hardest bumps with indifference", in one season playing with a permanent black eye. Bert would play with grit and determination, often through pain. He suffered a broken collarbone, a broken nose and a broken cheekbone. Through all this he was soft-spoken and amiable and demonstrated a sporting spirit that made him very popular with team mates and supporters.



In a powerful Norwood team, Bert roved to three of the best ruck/followers in the game, Clarrie Packham, Leslie Bryant, and Tiger Potts. He was a “tigerish and highly effective rover, ... dashing and unselfish” and part of powerful and successful ruck combinations in Norwood’s 1922, 1923 and 1925 premierships teams.

He joined the South Australian Public Service as a junior clerk in 1914 and retired at the top as the Commissioner of the Public Service. Bert represented the Government on ten wages boards and was much sought after for other private boards. He has also had wide experience as a Government advocate in both the Industrial and Arbitration Courts. As he had done on the football field, Bert could take punches and knocks with the best. He didn't pull his punches in 1954 in one of the most candid annual reports ever presented to Parliament. He accused the Public Service of low efficiency and the shake-up was felt around the Public Service.

Bert was a pillar of the Blackwood community and for 30 years was a lay preacher in the Church of England. He also played four seasons in the East Torrens A Grade cricket side winning the trophy each year for Best Fieldsman. He was a slow leg break bowler and middle order batsman.

*R Crompton May 2014<sup>35</sup>*




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<sup>35</sup> Redlegs Museum website



## Basil SCOTT

 <p>1922 games played: 16/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 1, 2  Career: 1920 to 1924  NFC Games: 60  NFC Goals: 33  Debut: v West Adelaide (Norwood) 5th June 1920  Finale: v South Adelaide (Adelaide) 3rd May 1924  Premierships: 1922, 1923</p>
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Basil Scott had an impressive, but relatively short, career with the Norwood Football Club. He joined Norwood after serving in the Light Horse in Palestine during World War 1

The elder brother of Norwood legend, triple Magarey Medallist Walter "Wat" Scott, Basil played in Grand Finals in each of the four seasons he completed at the club.

Basil and "Wat" both came to Norwood via the Stirling Football Club in the Hills Association, making their League debuts in 1920. Although he played mainly as a centre-man, or as a rover resting up forward, Basil proved to be a fine player in many positions. A clever footballer, with a good mark and kick, he was dangerous when resting in the forward lines.

A dual premiership player, he was named in the pivot for the 1922 Grand Final and at full forward changing on the ball in 1923. In the losing Grand Finals of 1920 and 1921 he played in the centre and as forward pocket, respectively.

He was named the club's best junior in 1920, most improved in 1922, and best user of the ball in 1923.

At the end of the 1921 season, Scott played against Carlton (runners-up in the Victorian Football League) on the Norwood Oval. Norwood were victors, 12.9 to 10.14 and Scott played as a forward/rover.

Scott was vice-captain to Sid White in 1921 and 1923, and his two League coaches were William Hutton and Tom Leahy.

Injured in the opening match of the 1924 season, he did not play for the club again.

He was employed by the Postal Department at Eudunda, and subsequently ended up playing locally. In 1925 he played for Eudunda in a match against Norwood Reserves.

*R Cialini Jan 2014*<sup>36</sup>



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<sup>36</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Walter SCOTT



1922 games played: 13/17

### STATISTICS

Guernsey Number: 7, 1  
 Career: 1920 to 1930, 1932  
 NFC Games: 175  
 NFC Goals: 3  
 Debut: v Port Adelaide (Norwood) 1st May 1920  
 Finale: v Sturt (Adelaide) 24th September 1932

Norwood Captain 1926 to 1930  
 Norwood Coach: 1926 to 1930, 1932  
 Premierships: 1922, 1923, 1925, 1929  
 NFC Life Member  
 Norwood Hall of Fame: Legend  
 SANFL Hall of Fame  
 AFL Hall of Fame  
 Norwood Team of the Century  
 Best & Fairest: 1920, 1921, 1923, 1926, 1928, 1930  
 Magarey Medal: 1921, 1924, 1930  
 South Australian Games: 39  
 State Captain: 1930

Walter Scott was one of the State's best ever defenders, and possibly Norwood's finest footballer. Better known as "Wacka", or "Wat" (the nickname inherited from his father) Scott was born in East Stirling and attended the local school.

He started working at the age of 13 as an apprentice electrician with a company that included three Norwood footballers, Charles Gwynne, Algie Millhouse and Jack Morison. Up to 1919 he lived in Adelaide and returned home on weekends, to play with Stirling in the Adelaide Hills Association. Late in the 1919 season, Scott had been impressive playing for Norwood in a charity match against North Adelaide.

In 1920 he and his brother Basil (60 NFC games, 1920-24) were invited to play with Norwood. Scott once said that another brother Arnold, was the best out of all the brothers; a ruckman/forward, he was playing for Cobdogla/Berri at the time.

Scott was named best and fairest in 1920 - his first season with the Redlegs. The following season he made his interstate debut for South Australia, and became part of the famous half-back line which included Jack Hamilton (North Adelaide) and Dan Moriarty (South Adelaide)



He again won Norwood's best and fairest award, and was originally named runner-up for the Magarey Medal. Having tied with Moriarty with the number of votes polled, the umpires eventually decided the Medal should go to the South Adelaide Champion on a count-back. In 1998, the SANFL made the decision to retrospectively award medals to all players who had lost the award in such circumstances.

Noted for his high marking and long clearing dashes from half back, he was also very constructive by foot. Scott put the high leaping ability down to his early athletics training as a hurdler/high jumper. Having finished second in the previous two years, Norwood won the 1922 premiership. He rated the 1922 team as the best side he ever played in. The half-back line of Sydney White, Scott, and Guy Stephens were all named in the best players on Grand Final day, and were instrumental in keeping West Adelaide down to two goals (and 16 points). "Wat's" brother Basil was selected in the pivot.

Scott was again named best and fairest when the club made it back-to-back flags in 1923. Scott was one of six Norwood footballers who represented South Australia against Victoria and Western Australia during the season - "Alec" Bent, "Tiger" Potts, Guy Stephens, Bert Schumacher, Scott and Syd White; at the time, this was a record number of representatives for any one club, in an interstate match.

He then won the Magarey Medal in 1924, and followed that with another premiership in 1925. Scott played very well in the Grand Final. For the third time in a row, Norwood's premiership side fielded a half-back line of White, Scott and G. Stephens.

In 1926 he was appointed captain-coach. The extra responsibility did not affect his form however, as he once again took out the best and fairest award. Norwood finished second in 1928, and Scott won his fifth best and fairest.

The following season he had the satisfaction of being captain-coach of the Norwood team that was crowned 1929 premiers. Scott starred at centre-half back in the Redlegs Grand Final victory over Port Adelaide.

His wonderful form continued, and he had a stellar season in 1930. Scott's great judgement in overhead marking/spoiling, combined with excellent ground skills, was never more evident. The Norwood captain-coach took out the best and fairest award for a record sixth time (later equalled by Michael Taylor) captained South Australia in the Australian Football Carnival held in Adelaide, and won another Magarey Medal. He polled 53 votes for the medal, winning the coveted award by 20 votes. He badly injured his knee in the last minor round game of the 1930 season however. Ironically, he received the news of his medal win whilst still recuperating in hospital.

The injury effectively ended his playing career, and despite attempting a comeback in 1932, only managed two more games. He returned to the coaching position midway through the 1931 season, and continued in the role in 1932.



Scott later also coached at Glenelg, Sturt and West Adelaide, with moderate success. He was umpire's coach in 1940, replacing the well-known state cricketer/footballer, Victor Richardson.

Scott's remarkable record and reputation was not confined to South Australian football. He played 39 consecutive State games, ensuring his playing record was recognised Australia wide. Scott played in four Australian Football Carnivals - 1921, 1924, 1927 and 1930 - when he captained the South Australian team, in Adelaide. He was also coach of the State team on several occasions.

A noted all-round sportsman, Scott played A Grade District Cricket for the East Torrens Cricket Club as a wicket-keeper, and was also an accomplished lawn bowler.

Scott was inducted into the Australian Football Hall of Fame in 1996 and 2002 into the SANFL Hall of Fame.


*R Cialini May 2017<sup>37</sup>*



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<sup>37</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Spencer SIBLEY

	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 20, 10  Career: 1919 to 1923  NFC Games: 51  NFC Goals: 63  Debut: v West Adelaide (Adelaide) 12th May 1919  Finale: v North Adelaide (Adelaide) 29th September 1923</p> <p>Premierships: 1922, 1923  Best &amp; Fairest: 1919  Leading Goalkicker: 1919  South Australian Games: 2</p>
<p>1922 games played: 16/17</p>	

Spencer Sibley came late into league football. He won a prize for Latin and played in the First 18 for St Peter's College and studied at Roseworthy College. Then came the World War 1 and he played his first game for Norwood in 1919 at the age of 25.

He made an immediate impression. In 1919, Sibley was awarded Best and Fairest for Norwood and kicked 18 goals from the half forward flank to be the leading goal scorer in the League.

Sibley played in the premiership winning grand finals of 1922 and 1923. He played a critical part in Norwood's forward system which was key to their success in those years. His final game for Norwood was the 1923 grand final.

Sibley's career with Norwood was short, but memorable. After he retired, the attributes of the best forwards of later years were compared to Sibley's. He was noted for his speed, unselfishness and year on year consistency. He was accurate, whether foot passing or kicking for goal and always dangerous when in possession. He was a "fairly good mark" and kicked with his left foot, enabling him to turn out of trouble.

After he retired he maintained a connection with the game as a league football goal umpire and continued to play A Grade district cricket.


*R Crompton April 2013<sup>38</sup>*

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<sup>38</sup> Redlegs Museum website



## Wilfred SPARKS

	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 11  Career: 1920 to 1922  NFC Games: 9  NFC Goals: 4  Debut: v West Torrens (Hindmarsh) 10th May 1920  Finale: v East Perth (Norwood) 26th August 1922  Reserves Magarey Medal: 1922</p>
<p>1922 games played: 1/17</p>	

A local junior, Wilfred Clarence Sparks made his League debut early in 1920, having played for the Norwood B team (Reserves) the previous season. He was best known as a rover, although he also played occasionally as a wingman.

Sparks failed to secure a permanent role in the league side and subsequently spent a lot of his time at Norwood playing in the B grade. He played as a rover in the 1922 Norwood B's Grand Final loss to West Torrens and also in his last league game for the club against East Perth earlier that season.

In 1922, Sparks played 15 games for Norwood's B grade, winning the Reserves Magarey Medal as well as the club's Best and Fairest.

After again playing for Norwood B's in 1923, he left for NSW, and joined the Newtown Football Club. Regarded as one of that state's finest footballers, he represented NSW in 1925 and 1926. He was named in the first ruck in the game against Victoria on the MCG in 1925. The following season he represented Sydney against Canberra.

He returned from Sydney in 1927, and again played for the Norwood B team.


*R Cialini Aug 2014<sup>39</sup>*

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<sup>39</sup> Redlegs Museum website



## Guy Rupert STEPHENS

 <p>1922 games played: 17/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 16, 17  Career: 1911 to 1915 &amp; 1919 to 1927  NFC Games: 156  NFC Goals: 60  Debut: v West Adelaide (Adelaide) 13th May 1911  Finale: v West Adelaide (Norwood) 2nd July 1927</p> <p>Premierships: 1922, 1923, 1925  NFC Life Member  NFC Hall of Fame  Leading Goalkicker: 1914, 1915  South Australian Games: 7</p>
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Born on 5 November 1891 at Mt. Torrens, Guy Rupert Stephens went to the same school as another well-known Norwood footballer, R.J.B.Townsend.

In fact, it was Townsend with the help of Guy's elder brother Victor, who eventually persuaded Guy to move to Norwood, after having played his early football at Birdwood and Gumeracha.

Guy played his first League game on the Adelaide Oval on May 13 1911 and was destined to become one of the club's longest serving, and most consistent footballers. He was named in a forward pocket, brother Vic at centre-half back, and Townsend at centre-half forward. While Guy ended up playing in all positions bar wing, his early days were mainly spent up forward, and he was the club's leading goal-kicker in 1914 and 1915. However, it was as a half-back flanker that he really made his mark. Guy re-called that after a game against Sturt, when he kicked 1.15 on the Unley Oval, that the decision was made for him to play in the backlines. He became an integral part of the all-conquering Norwood half-back line of Sid White, "Wacka" Scott and Guy Stephens.

His individual awards reflected the type of footballer he was : most unselfish player in 1919, most consistent in 1921 and 1923, best placed man in 1922 and 1925, and best user of the ball in 1924 and 1926. Playing at half-back, Guy was high in Norwood's best players in its Premiership wins of 1922, 1923 and 1925. Guy rated the 1922 Norwood team as the best he played in. Scrupulously fair, he was noted for his excellent disposal, coolness under pressure and reliability.

He donned the state jumper on 7 occasions, and in 1916 represented Norwood in the Patriotic League. He toured Western Australia with the Norwood team that played against East Fremantle, South Fremantle and a combined West Australian team in 1914. Guy was also prominent in high profile interstate club games versus Carlton (1921) and East Perth (1922).

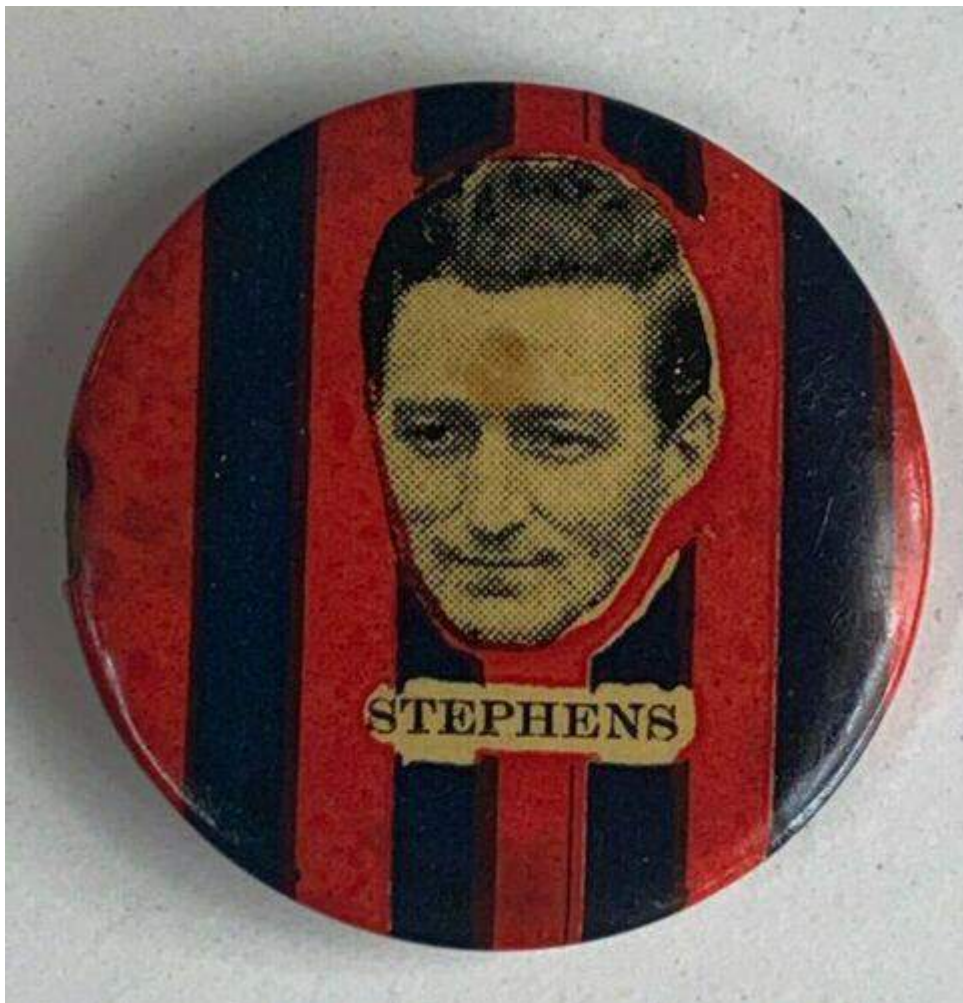
Respected by team-mates and opponents alike, he played very good football right to the end of his career. Initially a bad ankle injury had forced him to retire at the end of the 1926 season. He did



manage to return in the middle of 1927, but a serious arm injury in his comeback match saw him hang up his boots for good.

Like his brother Vic, he made his Norwood debut against West Adelaide, and finished his career against the same club. He was awarded Norwood Football Club and SANFL Life Memberships.


*R Cialini Mar 2014<sup>40</sup>*



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<sup>40</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Noel Harry Bishop TOBIN

 <p>1922 games played: 1/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 11, 24, 21  Career: 1920 to 1922  NFC Games: 11  NFC Goals: 0  Debut: v Port Adelaide (Norwood) 1st May 1920  Finale: v Glenelg (Glenelg) 13th May 1922</p>
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Harry Tobin played four games for Port Adelaide in 1915 and 1919 before moving residence and joining Norwood in 1920. He had shown promise playing for the Magpies in his last year at Alberton and brought that form to Norwood's pre-season internal trials.

Tobin made his senior debut for Norwood on a wing in the first round 1920 : Norwood 11.12 defeated Port Adelaide 7.10. However he had to wait until the crucial last minor round game of the season to play his second senior game - against West Torrens at Norwood.

The wingman was named in the best players and kept his spot for the finals. Tobin was an important player in Norwood's victory in the second semi-final against Port Adelaide and then played in the losing Grand Final versus North Adelaide.

In 1921, Tobin played in the drawn first semi-final against Port Adelaide. Norwood won the replay, but Tobin was a late out for that game. He was then named 19th man for the next two finals, including the Grand Final loss to Port Adelaide. At the end of the season he played against Carlton on the Norwood Oval; Norwood 12.9 defeated Carlton 10.14.


Tobin's last league game was early in 1922. He was later named in the team that lost to West Torrens in the 1922 reserves Grand Final. He played all of the 1923 season in the reserves.

*R Cialini May 2022<sup>41</sup>*

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<sup>41</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Claude Henry St Leonard TOOVEY

 <p>1922 games played: 16/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 14, 16  Career: 1919 to 1922  NFC Games: 33  NFC Goals: 3  Debut: v Port Adelaide (Alberton) 16th August 1919  Finale: v West Adelaide (Adelaide) 30th September 1922</p> <p>Premierships: 1922  Best &amp; Fairest: 1922  VFL/AFL Clubs: Fitzroy</p>
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Claude Toovey was a talented and flamboyant character. Born on 24 November 1896, he lied about his age to sign up for World War 1 in 1914 and turned 18 on the ship en route to Gallipoli. He was wounded, returned to Australia in 1915, and for the rest of the war used his talents as a very popular singer and eccentric comic to entertain troops in Australia.

Before the war he had shown great promise as a footballer with the North Adelaide Cadet team and was involved with the Glenelg Football Club.

In 1919 he became engaged to Mary (later his wife) and shortly afterwards played his first game for Norwood. Toovey was a dashing wingman with a strong mark and accurate long, low stab pass. He reached the peak of his football career in 1922, the final year of his short stay at Norwood.

Norwood played West Adelaide in the 1922 Grand Final. Norwood had demonstrated the power and system of its forward lines throughout the season. West Adelaide controlled the centre throughout the game, but Norwood attacked through Toovey's wing. Toovey was in magnificent form and proved to be an effective channel through to the forwards. Norwood won the game, their first premiership since 1907, and Toovey received Norwood's Best and Fairest award for that year.

He left Norwood to coach Ballarat in 1923 and continued coaching various Victorian country clubs and living, it appears, a very colourful life. In 1927 he played 15 games for the Fitzroy Football Club.


He returned to Adelaide in the 1940's. His son Douglas won a DFC and Bar as a pilot in World War 2. Claude Toovey died on 29 January 1978

*R Crompton April 2013<sup>42</sup>*

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<sup>42</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Roy TOWNLEY

 <p>1922 games played: 15/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 27  Career: 1919 to 1924  NFC Games: 76  NFC Goals: 15  Debut: v West Torrens (Hindmarsh) 7th June 1919  Finale: v Sturt (Adelaide) 20th September 1924</p> <p>Premierships: 1922  South Australian Games: 2</p>
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Roy Townley started his League career in 1919 after returning from war service and was first coached by William Hutton, and then the legendary Tom Leahy.

Impressive from the start, he won the club's Most Consistent award in his first year. A very good mark and an excellent kick, he played in a variety of positions for Norwood, including centre in the club's 1921 Grand Final loss to Port Adelaide. He also was a member of the team that then beat VFL runners-up Carlton on the Norwood Oval.

1922 was a successful one for Norwood, and he was amongst the team's best in the Grand Final win against West Adelaide, playing as a back pocket/half back flanker. Late in the minor round of that year, Townley was involved in a bizarre incident in a game against Port Adelaide on the Alberton Oval. At the end of the game, a crucial encounter Norwood had won by two points, Port supporters set upon the field umpire and, despite being escorted off the ground by police, the umpire still sustained a nasty leg injury after being kicked by an angry Port Adelaide supporter. Another group of Port supporters also surrounded the Norwood players as they came off the ground and Townley was stabbed in the arm by a woman wielding a hat-pin.

Earlier in the same year, Townley had played for Norwood in the game against East Perth on the Adelaide Oval when he was named in a back pocket changing on the ball. A broken foot in the second half of the 1923 season saw him miss the last nine matches and a chance to play in back-to-back premierships. Back to full fitness, he was named the "Best All-Round Player" for 1924.

After marrying, he took up residence within the North Adelaide zone and eventually asked for a clearance to North in 1925. Serving that club with distinction, he played 65 games between 1925 and 1928, captained the side, and also represented the state during his period with North.

*R Cialini Dec 2013*<sup>43</sup>

<sup>43</sup> Redlegs Museum website





## Ernest W C WADHAM

 <p>1922 games played: 5/17</p>	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number: 18, 2, 1  Career: 1922 to 1931  NFC Games: 144  NFC Goals: 155  Debut: v East Perth (Adelaide) 26th August 1922  Finale: v North Adelaide (Norwood) 1st August 1931</p> <p>Norwood Captain: 1931  Premierships: 1922, 1923, 1925, 1929  NFC Life Member  Norwood Hall of Fame  SANFL Hall of Fame  South Australian Games: 7</p>
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Ern Wadham was a wonderful servant of the Norwood Football Club, both on and off the field, for over 50 years. Educated at Norwood Public School and then at Norwood High School, Wadham entered the State Civil Service in 1916.

He first came under Norwood's notice playing for East Torrens in the Young Men's Christian Association, winning the fairest and most brilliant award. Wadham played as a ruckman for Norwood High and East Torrens. Recruited from the East Torrens club in 1922, Wadham was promoted to the League side after playing a handful of games in the Reserves.

"Skinny" Wadham, as he was known, played his first senior game against the East Perth Football Club on the Adelaide Oval. Norwood were defeated 7.10 to 8.20, but the young Wadham acquitted himself very well as a ruckman. The following week he made his SANFL debut against Port Adelaide at Alberton when he had to ruck the last three quarters on his own after Norwood's senior follower Leslie Bryant was injured in the first quarter. The Redlegs won the match by two points.

Wadham became a permanent fixture in the Norwood league team as a ruckman resting in the forward pocket. A vigorous and speedy follower, he was also a long and accurate kick for goal.

He played in a premiership team in his first season, and was high in the best players in the 1923 Grand Final, as the Redlegs went on to win back-to-back premierships. Wadham was named most improved in 1924, and was part of another flag in 1925 - Norwood defeating West Torrens by one point (8.4 to 7.9) in the Grand Final.





Wadham led the ruck division in the 1929 Grand Final against Port Adelaide. Norwood won the game comfortably; Wadham kicked three goals and was again named in the best players.

In 1927 and 1929 he won Norwood's "Best Follower" award.

After Alick Lill injured his knee (jumping off a table prior to a pre-season trial match) in 1931, Wadham was named captain. Then, in early May of that year he was appointed captain-coach. He ran into injury problems however and, with his form deteriorating, suggested that Wacka Scott take over as coach.

Wadham retired after the game against North Adelaide at the Norwood Oval on August 1, 1931.

A valuable State representative, he played in the 1924 ANFC Championships in Hobart, and in the 1927 Championships held in Melbourne. He also played State football in 1926.

In 1932 he became a Norwood selector, and held that position until 1948. He served the club in a variety of other roles including committeeman, was SANFL delegate for 24 years, Secretary/Manager (1950-67) and Team Manager.

1971 marked Wadham's 50th consecutive year of association with the club - he was Assistant Secretary at the time. His remarkable off-field record also included his appointment as Team Manager of two ANFC Championship SA teams (Brisbane 1961, Adelaide 1969) and as State selector from 1970. When he died in 1973, Wadham was Chairman of the State selectors.

Possessing a passion for junior football, at different times he filled the roles of Secretary and Chairman of the East Torrens Football Association.

A talented sportsman and a professional athlete, he won the Bay Sheffield in 1922, had wins in the Bendigo quarter mile and half mile, and ran third in the Stawell half mile. He was also a keen District tennis player for Kensington. He had earlier run a sports store in Gawler Place (Adelaide) in partnership with P.K. Lee, the prominent Norwood footballer (41 games, 1923-29) and interstate/Test cricketer. Ernest Wadham gave a life-time of service to the Norwood Football Club, and was deservedly inducted in the club's Hall of Fame in 2006 and the SANFL Hall of Fame in 2010.

Jack Wadham, well-known Sturt footballer and Secretary, was his cousin.

Wadham served his country as a Flight Lieutenant in World War II, spending four years in Italy and the Middle East.

*R Cialini Dec 2016<sup>44</sup>*

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<sup>44</sup> Redlegs Museum website



## 1922 Match Results

S.A.F.L. Games - played 16, Won 14, lost 2.<sup>45</sup>

### Round 1

Sat 6 May, 1922      Adelaide Oval

West Adelaide	1.0	3.5	6.6	8.8	56
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Port Adelaide	2.2	5.2	6.6	7.6	48
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West Adelaide won by 8 points

Sat 6 May, 1922      Thebarton Oval

West Torrens	1.0	3.1	4.2	8.5	53
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Sturt	1.2	3.7	4.11	4.12	36
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West Torrens won by 17 points

**Mon 8 May, 1922      Adelaide Oval**

<b>South Adelaide</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>8.12</b>	<b>60</b>
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<b>Norwood</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>5.10</b>	<b>7.10</b>	<b>52</b>
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**South Adelaide won by 8 points**

Mon 8 May, 1922      Prospect Oval

North Adelaide	4.4	7.6	10.9	12.11	83
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Glenelg	1.1	4.2	7.2	9.4	58
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North Adelaide won by 25 points

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<sup>45</sup> See Australian Football - SAFL Premiership season - Season 1922



## Match Report

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 13 May 1922, Page 17

SOUTH LOWER NORWOOD COLORS.

ATTENDANCE 21,600

Both the size of the crowd and the high-class display of football given by the opposing teams on the Adelaide Oval on Monday, were more characteristic of a premiership contest than an opening match of the season. The game is going to boom this season as it never did before. It is an unheard of thing for an opening match in South Australia to attract 21,600 people, but that is the official figure for yesterday's match, which was between Norwood (last year's runners-up), and South Adelaide who went very close to the premiership of 1921. The takings amounted to £602. The match was not only closely contested, but was particularly spectacular. Such excellent combined play would not have been looked for during the first month of any season. Until Norwood showed signs of disorganisation in the last two minutes, the result was always in doubt. The redlegs were very impressive in the first quarter, but South Adelaide, though in arrears until after half-time, always kept their opponents from breaking away, and their speed, excellent system, and splendid stamina at length won them victory. A showery morning gave place to a glorious afternoon. The rain had made the ground a little heavy, and there were two very slippery parts on the oval. The wind had no appreciable effect upon the play. S. White (the Norwood captain) won the toss from McKee, and the redlegs kicked to the river end. Mr. Hicks was central umpire.

South Adelaide began with a spirited movement direct for goal. J. W. Daly broke away from the centre with the ball and passed to McKee, who started the scoring with a tremendous kick that won a point. The game was very fast, and for a couple of minutes South Adelaide were the pacemakers. They were quick to the ball and passed well, sticking all the time to the direct attack. The Norwood defence was very sound, and W. Scott relieved the pressure two or three times in particularly good style. A brace of behinds was the sum total of South's results before the redlegs asserted themselves. Good marking and fast and clever team work by the forwards then quickly put Norwood in a good position. B. A. Scott goaled twice and the game became more spirited than ever. Both teams were playing exceptionally well and making few mistakes. South Adelaide were weak in the goal shooting department, but Norwood were goaling with snapshots. Bryant placed the ball on the ground when he received a free within fair range and kicked beautifully. South Adelaide's midfield work was good, but of six shots which the forwards had, only one was true. J. W. Daly was responsible for this goal, and his drop kick was a splendid one. Except for the faulty aim of their battery South Adelaide had more of the play than Norwood. The red legs, however, were safer in their forward work. At the first change of ends the scores were: — Norwood, 3 goals 1 behind; South, 1 goal 5 behinds.

South Adelaide wiped off one point of the deficit in a few seconds when play was resumed. Then Easton marked from J.W. Daly, and two flags were waved as the result of his kick. This began to put a different complexion on the game, but Fowler made a great run from the pavilion wing and centred



the ball in front of goal. B. A. Scott did the rest. Once more South Adelaide were eight points to the bad, but they were very aggressive. They maintained a siege for some time, but still the battery was not effective. Some shots fell short, and others missed because of faulty direction. Several of Norwood's advances were particularly well carried put, and their combination was surprisingly good for a first match. Following a movement in which the ball was carried from end to end without a South Adelaide man touching it, Close marked and kicked for goal with accurate aim. Thereafter for a space the game was too hotly contested for much scoring to be done. South Adelaide had a shot or two, but beyond making the proportion of their goals to behinds look worse they did nothing to make history. The play was full of stirring incidents, however, fine kicking and high marking and thrilling bits of combined play keeping the spectators worked up. Norwood were often hard pressed, but they defended tenaciously, and a good mark at a critical stage often turned the tide. South Adelaide reduced the margin to nine points shortly before the long adjournment, Waye coming to light with a difficult angle shot. The teams went to the dressing-room with the board showing: — Norwood, 5 goals 3 behinds; South Adelaide, 3 goals 8 behinds.

Norwood's weight and height had helped them so far, and their marking stopped dead many vigorous attacks of their opponents. After half-time the Norwood wingmen were changed, Fowler looking after Clark, who was on the pavilion wing, while C. Daly roved or kicked a loose limb up forward. Toovey and Allen were opposed on the other wing. Spirited attacks by Norwood kept South fully occupied in the early stages of the quarter. It was now the red legs turn to be erratic, and three possible shots only advanced the score three points. B. A. Scott then hit a post, and the Norwood attack continued. South Adelaide were restricted to defensive tactics for several minutes, but Gibson raised the siege with a magnificent run and a fine kick. This was the signal for a fresh offensive by the blue and whites. Easton made a spectacular wing run, but the South Adelaide forwards were not able to carry on. The attack was maintained, however. McKee had an excellent chance to goal, but kicked hastily and hit the man on his mark. Norwood replied with a well-executed attack, which was stopped by the South Adelaide last line of defence. This was followed by a splendid South Adelaide rally, which had been threatening for some time. J. W. Daly and C. Daly each had shots, and two flags were raised as the result of the second one. Much heartened. South Adelaide launched another attack, which was perfectly carried out. Vickers and Allen were the leaders, until Caust capped brilliant team work with a goal. Norwood were then with a deficit of one point, but scored a couple of behinds before the end of the quarter. The scores then were:— Norwood, 5 goals 10 behinds; South Adelaide, 5 goals 9 behinds.

The Norwood forwards were not equal to the occasion in the third quarter. They were, nevertheless, much alive when the final term opened, and the ball was taken along and through the goal with three kicks. Fowler broke away at the bounce, and Bent did the trick. South replied almost as quickly. O'Brien marked close to the behind post and kicked a goal, though the angle was a particularly difficult one. South were hard pressed for a space, but Allen started them goalwards again, and O'Brien got full points. This was the signal for a great demonstration by South supporters. Before the cheering had died South were near the goal again, and looking dangerous. J. W. Daly ran in and again two flags were hoisted. South Adelaide's spurt had shaken Norwood badly, but the latter were by no means out of the hunt yet. They rallied quickly and delivered a strong attack, marking, kicking, and



shepherding cleverly. They flashed the ball from man to man with such skill that amazed the spectators. B. A. Scott won his third goal. It was, however, the last to be got by Norwood. South Adelaide were accelerating their pace, while some of the red legs were flagging a little. The Norwood men had found their lively antagonists just a little too good for them. Only six points were wanted by Norwood to make a drawn game of it, but they seemed as if the effort was just beyond them. South were playing like a winning team, giving nothing away and taking advantage of every chance. Norwood's game began to break down. Their defence was more easily pierced than previously and their attacks sometimes failed because of lack of momentum. Dan Moriarty, who had been hard to overcome throughout the afternoon, was now impassable, and when the attackers outflanked the half-back line Oliver, a doughty goalkeeper, was there and equal to the test. Every rally by Norwood raised the waning hopes of their supporters, but the game was closing with the red legs becoming disorganised and South Adelaide delivering most telling thrusts. Kay should have goaled for South, but failed badly when only a few yards from the posts. The blue and whites put on a couple of points before the end of a magnificent game. South Adelaide won by 8 goals 12 behinds against 7 goals 10 behinds.

The outstanding players, in the South Adelaide team were D. Moriarty, Allen, Oliver, 1 Easton, Caust, Waye, Gibson, J.W. Daly and Vickers. There were several others almost as prominent. Norwood were best represented by Bryant, W. Scott, B. A. Scott, Close, Toovey, Johns, Sibley, Fowler and Townley. The goalkickers were - South Adelaide— J. W. Daly and O'Brien (each 2), Easton, Waye, C, Daly, and Caust; Norwood-B. A. Scott (4), Bryant, Close, and Bent.



## Round 2

Sat 13 May, 1922

Glenelg Oval

**Glenelg**                      **2.1     4.4     5.8     5.11     41**

**Norwood**                      **3.3     7.9     10.10     14.11     95**

**Norwood won by 54 points**

Sat 13 May, 1922

Unley Oval

**Sturt**                              **3.1     8.3     12.7     13.13     91**

**South Adelaide**              **4.3     6.7     7.11     7.13     55**

**Sturt won by 36 points**

Sat 13 May, 1922

Alberton Oval

**Port Adelaide**                **0.3     3.7     5.10     7.12     54**

**West Torrens**                **3.1     5.7     7.8     9.10     64**

**West Torrens won by 10 points**

Sat 13 May, 1922

Adelaide Oval

**West Adelaide**                **4.0     5.1     8.3     8.5     53**

**North Adelaide**              **3.3     5.7     6.10     8.15     63**

**North Adelaide won by 10 points**



## Match Report

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 20 May 1922, Page 16

### GLENELG VERSUS NORWOOD.

The home team and Norwood were the opposing forces on Saturday afternoon in the first league game of the season on the Glenelg Oval. Both sides had been successful in their opening contorts. There was a satisfactory attendance. The turf was in excellent condition. The afternoon was fine, and there was little or no breeze blowing. David and Wadham were omitted) from the Glenelg side, and Sparks was 19th man for the visitors. Glenelg kicked towards the railway. Scott and Bryant headed an immediate onslaught on their objective, but Perry saved effectively. After up-and-down play Scott essayed a breakthrough in front of goal, and in the ensuing struggle the ball was rushed through for a minor. Gathering their forces, the home team rushed the ball forward, and Parker equalised the tallies. Several assaults were launched by the redlegs but their battery was not strong enough. Smith, instead of taking an opportunity to kick, endeavored to run with the ball, and Hart- securing, punted the first major of the day; Parker snapshotted the maximum for his side several minutes later. Glenelg were frequently penalised for holding, and W. Scott, from a free, sent the ball well down, with the result that Close obtained a two-flagger. Glenelg were continually allowing the opposing forwards to get in front of them, and Hart, from a nice mark, again found the opening. Perry was conspicuous in defence, and frequently checked advances. The marked superiority of the visitors in the air was a big factor in keeping the "tigers" quiet. However, they successfully worked the ball from centre to the northern wing, and Purser, who had been playing well forward, marked, and got a neat goal. A nice piece of open play by the gold-and-black was nullified through a bad pass by Hanley, and the ball was transferred to Norwood quarters; but nothing resulted. A fine stab kick by Farrelly gave Hillier a chance, but his place-kick was stopped by the man on his mark. The play in this quarter was distinguished more by ruggedness than by brilliance. When the bell rang for the first change the ball was hovering round the centre. The scores were: —Norwood, 8 goals 8 behinds. Glenelg, 2 goals 1 behind.

When the second quarter begun, Norwood rapidly shot the sphere well forward, and after several futile efforts obtained two minors. Valiantly the seashiders attacked, but W. Scott, Grantley, and Stephens were an impregnable trio. Bryant was kicking beautiful long drop-kicks, and as a result of one of them Close was enabled to manoeuvre the ball in front of goal and dribble it through. Place-kicks by Hillier raised only minors. Hanley marked splendidly in a bunch, and from an angle punted a goal, reducing the arrears of the home team to eight points. Bryant excelled himself in long kicking, and astonished the crowd. Norwood were smarter in picking out a man, and their powerful defence frequently extricated their side from dangerous positions. Hillier broke through the cordon after much attacking, but again failed to shoot straight. Norwood took a turn, and a fine kick by Townley was well marked by Close within easy distance, and he kicked accurately. The Glenelg ruck stuck tenaciously to their work, and kept their opponents battling hard for supremacy. By a well-directed attack, Norwood forced the leather down the centre, but Close's effort raised only one flag. Farrelly however, was more successful, and piloted the ball through for Glenelg. Previously a golden





opportunity was missed by Hanley, who made an error in attempting to pass when surrounded by opponents. He had marked the ball and could have kicked. Again adhering to the drive down the centre. Hart obtained possession, and gained the red-legs' sixth goal, and Ackland followed quickly with another. Just prior to the interval, Fowler received a hard bump, which temporarily incapacitated him. Norwood's mature judgment was much in evidence in this quarter. Nevertheless, the opponents gave a commendable display, Liebelt being of great assistance to their ruck. At half-time the scores were:—Norwood, 7 goals 9 behinds. Glenelg, 4 goals 4 behinds.

Glenelg had played a game in the first two quarters of which they had no reason to be ashamed, but they were not equal to their opponents in the air. Norwood were quickly to the fore and raised a flag, and Murdoch performed a similar service for Glenelg. Townley forwarded, and Sibley marked in a bunch; a goal resulted. Murdoch marked well and passed to Farrelly, but his kick fell short, and Johns smartly brought out the ball. Play hovered near the pavilion wing for a minute, and then Norwood worked the leather down to goal; but Smith was twice in the way; and staved off the attacks. Hanley beat Bryant in the air and a fierce onslaught followed in front of goal, in which Mutton secured in a scrumage and scored the maximum. Glenelg were now playing with dash and by the exercise of good judgment and concerted action again played the sphere in the danger zone. Murdoch picked up and punted a minor. Hepburn wept round the wing, and Dyer returned. The play had vastly improved, both sides showing up well. Eventually Clapson capped some good work with a major, and placed his side in a safe position. The score was further augmented by Hart, who raised his side's tenth goal. Murdoch was conspicuous in the forward ranks, but his kick went astray, as also did Mutton's a few seconds later. Norwood attacked, but Smith and Perry drove them back. Mutton excelled in the air again for Glenelg, but kicked wildly. Clapson came with a rush and a fine kick on the run, but the Glenelg defence shot the leather back. The play was kept interesting by the dashing methods adopted by both sides. It was a good quarter. At three-quarter time the scores were: — Norwood, 10 goals 10 behinds. Glenelg 5 goals 8 behinds.

Glenelg opened the last term spiritedly, but Mutton, who marked well, endeavored to get through a cordon of opponents and lost the ball. Thus a golden opportunity was dropped, and Norwood, by another well-directed rush down the centre, placed Hart in possession. That player from a long shot sent the leather home. The game was vigorous, but the big lead by the visitors robbed it of much excitement. Close was also responsible for a good effort, which produced full results. Murdoch came in with some effective work, and then passed to Mutton, who raised a flag. Norwood were not particularly hard pressed, but they were after points and kept moving. A bad pass by Farrelly lost Glenelg another opportunity. Murdoch's kick was stopped on the goal-line, and the Norwood defenders rushed it forward. Fowler; after a long run and neat kick, gave Close an opportunity - a task he was equal to. This was Norwood's thirteenth goal. Several times Glenelg rushed their opponents' citadel, but the defence was well-nigh impregnable. At length, driving all opposition before them, the redlegs shot forward, but their movement was smothered, and the venue of play transferred to the opposite end. Both sides were battling gamely without result, the ball see-sawing from one end to the other. Eventually Oliver relieved the monotony of up-and-down play with a behind for the Seaside. Then, as if in retaliation, Norwood came on the opposing defence, over-ran



them, and Hart securing, sent the leather through for the fourteenth time. The final scores were: — Norwood, 14 goals 11 behinds. Glenelg, 5 goals 11 behinds.

Best players:— Norwood— Bryant, W. Scott, Stephens, Sibley, Hart, Close, Clapson, Fowler, and Johns. Glenelg— Mutton, Liebelt, Perry, Marshall, Smith, Murdoch, Hanley, and Conlon.

Goalkickers:- Hart (7), Close (4), Ackland, Sibley, and Clapson. Glenelg— Parker (2), Hanley, Farrelly, and Mutton.

## Premiership Table

PREMIERSHIP TABLE.						
				Points		
	W.	L.	For.	Agst.	Pts.	
West Torrens .. .. .	2	—	165	90	4	
North Adelaide .. .. .	2	—	146	111	4	
Norwood .. .. .	1	1	147	101	2	
Sturt .. .. .	1	1	127	108	2	
West Adelaide .. .. .	1	1	109	111	2	
South Adelaide .. .. .	1	1	115	143	2	
Port Adelaide .. .. .	—	2	101	120	—	
Glenelg .. .. .	—	2	99	178	—	

## TARDY FOOTBALLERS.

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 20 May 1922, Page 17

A constant source of complaint with league football patrons is the amount of time spent in intervals during matches. Years ago the only break was a quarter of an hour at half-time. Now the players are regaled with refreshments at quarter-time and three-quarter time, and are also off the field at least 25 minutes halfway through the game. It is necessary in a strenuous match for the players to have a rub down, but 15 minutes should be long enough for this, and the other breaks might be cut out. If this were done it would be possible to finish the contests in daylight, which is hardly ever the case now in midwinter. The matter was discussed by the Victorian League last week, when it was unanimously agreed that any team which exceeded the quarter-hour interval by more than five minutes be fined £5. The president (Sir Baldwin Spencer) said the proposal, if carried out, would do the game a great deal of good. It was decided that in future, after a goal had been kicked, the nearest boundary umpire should return the ball to the field umpire in the centre of the ground, instead of the field umpire having to take the ball to the centre himself. The South Australian League



might well copy both decisions. The laws of the game here provide that the half-time adjournment shall not exceed 15 minutes. The league should see that this provision is carried out.

## MEETING OF THE LEAGUE

*The Chronicle (Adelaide), Sat 20 May 1922 Page 17*

The annual meeting of the Football League, which has been adjourned on several occasions, came to an end on Monday night. The chairman (Mr. A. J. McLachlan) presided over a good attendance.

The resignation of Mr. W.B. Tank as delegate from the Sturt Club, consequent upon his retirement as secretary of the club, was received, and Messrs. J. Alderman and F.K. Gould accepted as delegates for Sturt.

A letter was received from the Subiaco Club (Western Australia), enquiring (amongst other things), what percentage a visiting club would receive for a contest with a league team in Adelaide. The secretary (Mr. F. Marlow) said the usual allotment of gate receipts was 60 per cent, to the visiting team, 30 per cent to the home team, and 10 per cent to the league. Mr. C. V. Tyler (Port Adelaide) moved that in consequence of the team coming so far, they should receive 75 per cent of the state takings. Mr. A.A. Edwards (West Adelaide) seconded the motion, which was carried.

Customary fines of £2 2/ for each offence were inflicted upon the West Adelaide and Port Adelaide clubs for late starting of matches. The former club offended twice.

The selection committee (one delegate from each club) for choosing inter-State teams was adopted as follows: — Messrs. J.J. Daly (West Torrens), C. F. Young (North Adelaide), J. J. Woods (Norwood), C. V. Tyler (Port Adelaide), A.A. Edwards (West Adelaide), R. Kappler (Glenelg), F. K. Gould (Sturt), and J. J. Dawe (South Adelaide).

The amended rules and standing orders of the league were adopted.

The advisability of incorporating the league was briefly discussed, and it was decided that Mr. S. J. O'Halloran be supplied with a copy of Mr. Cleland's legal opinion on the matter, with a request that he draw up a scheme to bring about the desired incorporation for protecting both league members and property. It was further resolved that the scheme, when formulated, should be left to the consideration of a sub-committee consisting of the chairman, secretary, and Mr. Daly, who will report back to the financial committee.

A recommendation of the Umpire and Permit Committee that all players who had participated in league football for ten years (the war period, during portion of which there was no league football being included) should be made life members, was adopted.

## Premiership Table

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Sturt .. .. .	1	1		127	108	2
West Adelaide .. .. .	1	1		109	111	2
South Adelaide .. .. .	1	1		115	143	2
Port Adelaide .. .. .	—	2		101	120	—
Glenelg .. .. .	—	2		99	178	—



## Round 3

Sat 20 May, 1922      Adelaide Oval

South Adelaide	3.1	6.6	10.10	16.13	109
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Glenelg	3.1	3.4	4.7	4.7	31
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South Adelaide won by 78 points

**Sat 20 May, 1922      Norwood Oval**

<b>Norwood</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>13.11</b>	<b>22.13</b>	<b>145</b>
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<b>North Adelaide</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>29</b>
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**Norwood won by 116 points**

Sat 20 May, 1922      Thebarton Oval

West Torrens	4.3	5.5	6.10	7.11	53
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West Adelaide	1.4	2.9	3.9	5.11	41
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West Torrens won by 12 points

Mon 22 May, 1922      Unley Oval

Sturt	2.3	3.9	7.11	7.15	57
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Port Adelaide	3.3	3.6	7.14	8.15	63
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Port Adelaide won by 6 points



## Match Report

The Chronicle (Adelaide), Sat 27 May 1922 Page 17

### NORTH ADELAIDE DEBACLE.

Umpire Raven bounced the ball at Norwood in the Norwood-North Adelaide contest on Saturday afternoon under the most favorable conditions for the popular winter pastime. The day was fine but cloudy, with but a slight northerly breeze blowing, and the turf was in excellent condition. It was the first league game this season at the eastern oval, and the occasion was marked by a splendid attendance. Conrad and Quigley were omitted from the twenty selected by the visitors, and Clapson was nineteenth man for the redlegs. Both teams appeared to be evenly matched in height and weight, with perhaps a little in favor of Norwood.

White won the toss from Lewis and kicked towards the southern goal. North were the first to assume the offensive; but a free to Grantley nullified the effort. Then coming with a spurt down the centre the redlegs placed Bent in possession, but, Trescowthick marked on the goal line. Eventually Hepburn manoeuvred in a scrimmage and punted the first goal of the day, and this was followed quickly by a minor by B.A. Scott. Good work by Sprigg was marred by Thomas, who tried to run. Handballing to perfection, Grantley, W. Scott and White extricated their side from a dangerous position. But North quickly returned and Wedger, over-anxious nullified a good opportunity. Then, by a well-executed concerted action, the red-legs temporarily held sway, and B. A. Scott, shooting out meteorically from a crush punted the second goal for the home side. North were showing a lamentable weakness forward, and it must have been very disconcerting for their comrades to see so many splendid efforts fail. On the other hand, Zevern and Trescowthick, especially the former, were doing excellent service in defence. Sibley and Hart added goals for the red-legs, whose supremacy in the ruck was particularly noticeable. Norwood were easily masters of the situation, and were using wonderful judgement in picking out their comrades and using handball effectively. Lewis marked over W. Scott and a long kick sent the sphere near North's objective, and Davies, from a difficult position, was responsible for North's second minor. He had previously kicked one for North, who were giving a poor exhibition. At the first change the scores were:— Norwood, 5,goals 2 behinds, North Adelaide 2 behinds.

With the wind in their favor, North rushed down the centre, and Lewis, with a long kick, sent the leather in front, where a North appeared to have marked it, but the ball was bounced. Norwood forced it from the danger zone, and Hepburn narrowly escaped getting a maximum. Zevern was again conspicuous for the North defence. Hart, after clever ground play, screw-kicked his third goal on the run, and Schumacher hit one of the tall uprights. In aerial work the redlegs were supreme, Hart, after a splendid mark, registered another major. North now infused more life and more combination in their work, and neat work by Davies gave Wedger a chance in front, and he easily raised the two flags, the first time the feat had been performed by North that day. At this stage Toovey was temporarily incapacitated. Brilliant work by B. A. Scott changed the venue of play to the opposite end, where Hart was again the cynosure of all eyes, but his kick missed by inches. Norwood



were still holding the upper hand, and were playing with a dash and certainty that nonplussed their opponents. Hepburn, by clever play, snapped the eighth major for his side. B. A. Scott found an opening to kick, and slotted the leather through. The work of Norwood was characterised generally by quick decisions, smart passing, and Jong- kicking. After a meteoric rush, Hart again marked splendidly, and from a good boot registered the double-figure margin for his side, and his fifth. It was another quarter in which the visitors were hopelessly out-classed in every department of the game. Their foot-passing was too high, their hand-passing faulty, and their ground work did not compensate them for their inferiority in the air. Apart from the defenders, Zevern and Wallis, and Lewis, the skipper, no men stood out conspicuously for effective services for North Adelaide. There was not a weak spot in the ranks of the redlegs, most of whom played brilliantly. A more disappointing first half could not have been anticipated. At the main interval the board showed: — Norwood, 10 goals 6 behinds, North, 1 goal 3 behinds.

In the opening stages of the third term W. Scott and Zevern figured conspicuously in defence for each side. The standard of play had improved, and North were having much of the game. Zevern again coming into prominence, headed a determined onslaught by North Adelaide, and Lewis, by skilful manoeuvring, secured North's second major. Retaliating, the red legs responded with one from Sibley. Same beautiful open play by the home team was checked by a bad kick, which sent the ball out of bounds. A little later Bryant marked superbly, and Hart did likewise, the latter culminating his effort with his sixth major, and his team's twelfth. North initiated a couple of onslaughts, but their forwards misfired, and only minors resulted. In an interesting struggle in front of Norwood's citadel Hart, while on the ground, pushed the ball through for a minor. Bent from a free, had a shot but struck a tall post. The play had become willing and fast, but Norwood were masters in every department. Toovey to B. A. Scott, who flew high for the ball, and a straight long kick went home — 13th major for the Winners. Hepburn mulled a chance to mark in front, and Ween splendidly worked the sphere out of danger. Apart from several flashes of bright play by North, the losers were unable to cope with the masterly work of their opponents, who were continually assuming the offensive, and sweeping home. The third quarter scores were:— Norwood, 13 goals 11 behinds. North Adelaide, 2 goals 5 behinds.

Faced with certain defeat, North Adelaide played gamely, but they were driven back. Fuss flew round the wing, but the opposing defence was like a stonewall, and back the leather went. Fowler, shooting out from the centre, sent the ball forward, and Bent picked up and raised two flags. It was now only a question of how many more goals the redlegs would pile on. Ween, who was battling well, hurt his shoulder but continued playing. To the fore again came the invincible Hart and his kick augmented the tally of Norwood by another six points and Grantley added another major. A rush by North forced the leather well down, and Thomas by skilful play, raised North's third major. A minute later Close performed a similar service for the home side, the seventeenth for the side. The eighteenth came from a soft snap close up by Schumacher, and the Norwood's supporters yelled themselves hoarse in their exhortations to their players to put in twenty goals. Ween was putting up a splendid defence for North, and was receiving plenty of bumps. After a couple of fruitless onslaughts, Schumacher dribbled a minor. Hart marked brilliantly and kicked accurately, registering his eighth goal and his side's nineteenth. Good work by Stennett, who was battling hard against





desperate odds, and the ball was driven down to Thomas, who manipulated cleverly, on the run and punted North's fourth goal. Up and down play prevailed for several minutes, and Hart broke a record for goal-kicking by culminating some smart ground play, with still another six-pointer, bringing up 20 for the redlegs. Running in with excellent judgment, he marked well, and the crowd again applauded him when he sent the ball sailing through the tall uprights. It was a wonderful performance. Just before the bell rang, Sibley sent up the twenty-second major for his side. The final scores were: Norwood, 22 goals 13 behinds. North Adelaide, 4 goals 5 behinds.

Every member of the winning side showed such excellent form that it was difficult to pick out best players, but among those who were frequently noted were:— Hart, Bryant, Schumacher, White, Hepburn, Scott (2) Sibley; and Fowler. For North Adelaide Zevern, Wallis, Trescowthick, Thomas, Stennett, Ween, Lewis and Davis were the most prominent.

Goalkickers:— Norwood— Hart (10), Sibley (3), B. A. Scott (3), Hepburn (2), Bent, Grantley, Close, and Schumacher. North Adelaide— Thomas (2), Lewis and Wedger.

## Remarkable Goal kicking

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Hart, Norwood's star goal-kicker, who signalled his re-appearance with his team on May 13 against Glenelg, by notching seven goals, established a record for league games in South Australia by kicking no fewer than ten goals against North Adelaide on Saturday afternoon at Norwood. Nearly every one of his goals was the outcome of his own clever marking or ground play, and beautiful kicking. After the match he was heartily congratulated upon his record-breaking performance. Hart was one of this State's representatives in the Carnival matches in Western Australia last season.

## Premiership Table

PREMIERSHIP TABLE.					
	W.	L.	Pts.		Prem.
			For.	Agst.	Pts.
West Torrens .. .. .	3	—	170	131	6
Norwood .. .. .	2	1	292	130	4
South Adelaide .. .. .	2	1	224	174	4
North Adelaide .. .. .	2	1	175	258	4
Sturt .. .. .	1	2	184	171	2
Port Adelaide .. .. .	1	2	165	177	2
West Adelaide .. .. .	1	2	150	164	2
Glenelg .. .. .	—	8	130	287	—



## Football Perplexities

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WHICH IS THE BEST TEAM?

WEST TORRENS HEAD THE LIST.

(By 'Spectator'.)

The riddle of the Sphinx is not more complex than the football problem of the moment. West Torrens, having won the three games they have played, are at the head of the list. Yet on Saturday's form they can scarcely be classed as beyond question 'the best 'team in the league'. Norwood, naturally, will go high up in public estimation, because of their win over North Adelaide by the equivalent of more than 20 goals, but Norwood have been beaten by South Adelaide, who have been beaten by Sturt, who have been beaten by Port Adelaide, who have been beaten by West Adelaide, who have been beaten by North Adelaide, therefore, which is the best team?

If it were horse racing the stewards would be asking questions about change of form, but being football, there is no occasion for such an enquiry. The teams have all produced the best form they could in all the circumstances, and all have been triers. The varying fortunes only go to prove that any one of seven teams in the league may have a premiership pennant in prospect this season.

Many matches have to be played before the 'big four' emerge from the ruck, and the truth is it is too early yet for speculation.



## Round 4

Sat 27 May, 1922      Glenelg Oval

Glenelg 2.1      3.6      5.8      6.10      46

West Adelaide 3.6      3.11      5.15      7.18      60

West Adelaide won by 14 points

**Sat 27 May, 1922      Norwood Oval**

**Norwood      6.3      8.4      11.9      13.11      89**

**Sturt      0.3      4.8      5.8      8.9      57**

**Norwood won by 32 points**

Sat 27 May, 1922      Prospect Oval

North Adelaide 3.2      3.2      9.3      10.4      64

West Torrens 2.4      7.9      8.11      10.11      71

West Torrens won by 7 points

Sat 27 May, 1922      Adelaide Oval

South Adelaide 4.1      6.2      10.6      11.11      77

Port Adelaide 2.3      4.9      5.12      5.13      43

South Adelaide won by 34 points



## Match Report

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 3 Jun 1922, Page 17

NORWOOD'S TRIUMPH.

RUNAWAY FOOTBALL.

STURT SOUNDLY BEATEN.

(By 'Spectator.')

The Norwood football team is a great side. Many people suspected it when the redlegs a week ago defeated North Adelaide by more than 20 goals. Some may have thought the phenomenal victory in the nature of a flash in the pan, but everyone will now agree that if the redlegs maintain their present form they will be hard to beat. The men who took the field on Saturday against Sturt are worthy of the best traditions of Norwood. It looks on performances last year and this year as if the period of depression which for several years kept the eastern team at the bottom of the list has definitely ended. Footballers come and footballers go. In the days Topsy Waldron and 'Bunny' Daly, the name of Norwood in the football world was one to conjure with, but the glory departed, and Norwood appeared to fall under a spell. The old brigade passed on and the men who filled their places were seemingly not of the same race of champions. But now a new generation has come. The red and blue banners are again aloft. The name of Norwood is on every lip. Herein is a stimulus for the team. Their supporters are sure of them; their opponents hold them in respect. The future is bright with promise. How will they carry their honors? Will they justify the trust? Saturday's was a great and memorable match. Better contested games have been played this season; better football has been seen, but still it was a fine match. Sturt were full of confidence at the outset, and at half-time they still spoke hopefully of snatching victory. Now they are chastened in spirit, and know they met a better team. Norwood depended upon the men who had so soundly defeated North Adelaide, and in the beginning placed them in the field in exactly the same positions. Sturt considered they had much improved upon the combination, which suffered defeat at the hands of Port Adelaide, by strengthening their wings. Sharp was opposed to Fowler, and Noal to Toovey, but there was not much evidence of additional strength on the centre wings. Golding was brought into the 18, and used mainly in defence, though the exigencies of the game compelled Richardson to send the erstwhile champion goalkicker occasionally into the forward lines. S. Scrutton, one of the stars of South Australia's last win against Victoria, reappeared with Sturt after a long absence.

A Surprise at the Start.

The ground was made a little heavy by the rain on Friday night, and a shower in the second quarter made the ball very greasy. Perfect football could not be expected in the circumstances. White won the toss, and Norwood kicked to the northern end taking advantage of a very light south-westerly breeze. It is a curious thing, however, that 16 goals and 14 behinds were kicked at the northern Goal compared with 5 goals 6 behinds at the other end. The wind could not have accounted for the



disparity. The explanation is that it is much more difficult to score at the southern end than at the other, because the playing space near the southern goal has been cramped on the wings in order to make room for spectators. This is a defect in the ground which should be remedied, for it has the effect of crowding the players together at that end, and deceives them as to the distance the goal is away. The first quarter's play may be easily described. It began with a free to Bryant and a kick which made the big follower's critics open their eyes. The scoring opened with a behind snapped by Sibley. Sturt then gathered themselves together and delivered a thrust with characteristic vigor and speed. W. Scott, who was to deal the death-blow to many of Sturt's hopes in this encounter, checked the first onslaught of the double blues. Sturt still were aggressive, but their passing was bad and their hand work clumsy. A succession of fine kicks and good marks by Norwood soon showed that the visitors could not look for superiority in aerial work. The combination of Norwood from the start was infinitely better than that of Sturt. The Norwood forwards were particularly clever in getting away from their opponents, while Sturt were very lax in the matter of keeping their positions. Norwood soon began piling up goals. Bent marked and kicked the first. The next two were free kicks by Close and Bryant and Bent added the fourth before the Sturt account was opened. The feature of the game in this term was the good team work of the redlegs. Sturt were a quarter of an hour getting their first behind, and only won three points in 25 minutes. Norwood went on their victorious way surely. Close scored a remarkable goal. It was a long-range shot, and few of the players apparently expected Close to manage the distance. The ball travelled over the heads of all the men between the kicker and the goal, landed in front of an opening which Probert had left undefended, and bounced through. Norwood, scored in the quarter 6 goals 3 behinds against 3 behinds.

#### The Value of Good Forwards.

The luck had been against Sturt a little in the opening quarter, but nothing but Norwood's good play and their own bungling could account for the deplorable position of the Unley men at this stage. In the second quarter Sturt developed more pace and eradicated most of their faults. Bryant had dominated the ruck in the first quarter. The Sturt ruck, led by O. B. Beatty, however, took principal honors in the second term. Norwood began with a nice chain of marks and a wonderful goal by Hart. Then Sturt, though, seven goals had been won against them, set to work to give a true indication of their merit. Lyne kicked their first major. Richardson, who throughout the game held complete control at centre and played splendid football in the face of every discouragement, drove the ball to Riley who marked well and got full points. Sturt had by this time adopted the role of aggressors, but their goal-shooting was not nearly so telling as Norwood's had been. Many shots went behind or out of bounds. Sturt's third goal was kicked off the ground by Jackson, and the spectators had visions of a great recovery by the double blues. Schumacher put in a clever dodging run, however, and another goal went on the board for Norwood before O. Beatty, with a free kick, registered Sturt's fourth. The scores were:— Norwood. 8 goals 4 behinds; Sturt. 4 goals 8 behinds, when the teams retired to the dressing-rooms. Twelve scoring shots each, but an advantage for one team of 20 points! It pays to have good forwards.



#### A Stern Chase.

Sturt seemed to have an outside chance of retrieving their position when the game was resumed, but the second quarter rally was the only one during the match in which they looked like having a chance. Bryant continued in the ruck throughout and confirmed the good opinion previously formed of him. The third quarter was not a good one. There was too much scrambling, and the flashes of fast, open play were few. Sturt goaled first, but the fault of the first quarter soon re appeared. They neglected their men and got out of their places. Even Fowler, the Norwood centre-wing man, was permitted to dash in and kick a goal. Norwood improved on their second quarter form and got all over Sturt, though the aim of their forwards became erratic. O. Beatty was called into the Sturt ruck to take the place of Whiteshead. Hart, after missing the goal from easy range, kicked true over a longer distance. It soon became evident that the lead Norwood had established in the first quarter was too much for Sturt to overtake. The issue was settled thus early when Hart collared from a throw-in near goal and kicked true. Towards the close of the quarter Townley, the Norwood centre man, was injured, and had to go in the forward hues. This, however, had no effect on the fortunes of the game. At three-quarter time the scores were: — Norwood, 11 goals 9 behinds. Sturt, 5 goals 8 behinds.

#### Not Sturt's Day.

Golding was sent forward in the last quarter, but it was clear by this time that nothing but a miracle could save Sturt. The visitors made a dying effort but the most they could expect to do in the quarter was to reduce the margin. They did so by five points, Scoring 3 goals 1 behind against 2 goals 2 behinds. They played pluckily, but it was not their day. The showers in the afternoon had not improved their chances, for it is a very difficult thing to wipe off a big deficit with a wet and heavy ball. The defence of Norwood, which had been exceedingly strong in the first half, maintained its reputation. W. Scott was a rock against which the attacks of Sturt broke harmlessly. The Sturt defence, which in former years was very sound, was in this game not able to stem the tide of the Norwood attacks. The snap in the Norwood handwork— even though the ball was slippery— and the combination and systematic forward work continued to the end. Sturt fought to the last ditch, but they fought a losing fight. The final scores were: - Norwood, 13 goals, 11 behinds. Sturt 8 goals 9 behinds. There was a little too much roughness in the game. Sturt lost many chances by unnecessary handling the men.

Best players - : Norwood— W. Scott, Bryant, Schumacher, Close, Fowler, Bent, Sibley, White and Stephens. Sturt: — Richardson , O. Beatty, James, Barron, E. Beatty, Odgers, Golding and Sharp. Goalkickers:— Norwood— Bent, Close, and Hart (each 3), Bryant, B. A. Scott, Fowler, and Schumacher (each 1). Sturt; Jackson, Barron and Lyne (each 2), Riley and O. Beatty.

## Premiership Table

PREMIERSHIP LIST.						
	W.	L.	Pts.		Prem.	
			For.	Agst.	Pts.	
West Torrens .. .. .	4	—	241	195	8	
Norwood .. .. .	3	1	381	197	6	
South Adelaide .. .. .	3	1	301	217	6	
West Adelaide .. .. .	2	2	210	210	4	
North Adelaide .. .. .	2	2	239	327	4	
Sturt .. .. .	1	3	241	260	2	
Port Adelaide .. .. .	1	3	208	251	2	
Glennelg .. .. .	—	4	176	347	—	

Norwood .. .. .	13 goals 11 behinds.
Sturt .. .. .	8 goals 9 behinds.
South Adelaide .. .. .	11 goals 11 behinds.
Port Adelaide .. .. .	5 goals 13 behinds.
West Torrens .. .. .	10 goals 11 behinds.
North Adelaide .. .. .	10 goals 4 behinds.
West Adelaide .. .. .	7 goals 18 behinds.
Glennelg .. .. .	6 goals 10 behinds.





## Round 5

Sat 3 June, 1922      Adelaide Oval

South Adelaide	4.9	6.16	8.25	10.32	92
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West Adelaide	0.0	1.0	4.6	8.11	59
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South Adelaide won by 33 points

Sat 3 June, 1922      Prospect Oval

North Adelaide	3.2	3.6	4.14	7.15	57
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Sturt	1.0	4.5	8.5	12.7	79
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Sturt won by 22 points

Mon 5 June, 1922      Glenelg Oval

Glenelg	3.3	3.4	5.6	9.6	60
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West Torrens	4.0	8.9	11.10	14.19	103
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West Torrens won by 43 points

**Mon 5 June, 1922      Adelaide Oval**

<b>Norwood</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>17.11</b>	<b>113</b>
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<b>Port Adelaide</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>30</b>
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**Norwood won by 83 points**



Left - Norwood vs Port action photo from Adelaide Oval, 1922 <sup>46</sup>



Right - Footballers jumping for the ball, Port v Norwood c. 1922 <sup>47</sup>

Below – Port Adelaide and Norwood Football players jumping for the ball <sup>48</sup>



<sup>46</sup> SLSA, PRG 280/1/31/155

<sup>47</sup> SLSA, PRG 280/1/39/100

<sup>48</sup> SLSA, PRG 280/1/35/2



## Match Report

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 10 Jun 1922, Page 16

TRIUMPHANT NORWOOD.

A LESSON IN GOAL-KICKING.

Norwood are the heroes of the hour in the football world. West Torrens may be at the head of the list and may, indeed, be the best team in the league, but, nevertheless, the name of the Norwood team is on every lip. There is so much in tradition that when it was known that Port Adelaide and Norwood were to meet on the Adelaide Oval on the holiday, a large attendance at the match was assured. Port Adelaide are next to last on the list, yet the glorious traditions of the magpies made the public still feel, as in years past, that a Port Adelaide-Norwood encounter must never be missed. Therefore, in teeming rain, 23,500 people left their homes and wended their way to the Adelaide Oval on Monday to see the classic engagement. Happily, the rain ceased before the game began, but not until it had so soddened the already wet ground that the spring was taken out of the turf and little else but a mud scramble seemed in prospect. For two hours the crowd watched the traditional rivals battling for supremacy, and then the thousands went homeward again wondering at the prowess of Norwood and thoroughly satisfied that any team that can beat the redlegs from now on will have a claim to be looked upon as potential premiers.

The Champions Appear.

The reserves and the mounds of the oval seemed packed with people when the game began. The widening of a large part of the northern mound has been finished, and the public were admitted to that part. Port were out first, and were welcomed by a deep-throated roar. No less vociferous was the greeting of the wearers of cardinal red and blue. Norwood looked the heavier team, though the black and white uniform, which has led to Port Adelaide being called magpies, is a neat garb, which seems to make the man appear slighter on the field. Norwood really had the advantage in weight, however. White and Howie walked to the front of the pavilion and the former tossed a gleaming florin into the air. The captains bent over the coin and White pointed to the southern goal. Norwood had won the toss and chose to kick against the wind at the start. Any wind there was came in light gusts from the south-west, and White obviously thought it might strengthen later in the afternoon, and that his team might have the benefit in the last quarter. He made changes in the disposition of his team. Toovey was placed on Mucklow at centre wing, and Clapson was opposed to Lloyd on the other wing. Hepburn took Clapson's place at forward right wing. Oliver, a former captain of Port, made his first appearance with the magpies for the season, and at the outset held control of the centre against Fowler.

Attack and Counter Attack.

The ground in the centre was so muddy that the umpire bounced the ball several yards on the pavilion side. Oliver began by throwing the ball, and for this folly Port were called upon to stem a



Norwood rush. The magpies quickly assumed the offensive again. White, Bryant and Grantley repulsed the attack but Oliver, scouting on the wing, gathered in the ball and passed to Allingham. The latter's shot fell short, and Port were chagrined at seeing the ball roll across the front of the goal with one of their men on hands and knees vainly trying to turn it through the opening. The play was very fast though, naturally, there was much misdirecting of foot passes, and it was difficult to hold the ball. Port had provided themselves with gloves, and at the start were better in the air than Norwood, who had no gloves. This aerial superiority of the magpies soon disappeared, and it soon was evident that Norwood were all round a faster and cleverer team. The ball soon became heavy, and the players went in for punting a good deal. For several minutes the struggle rocked from end to end of the ground. Congear hit a post with the first scoring shot of the match. Then Norwood warmed to their game, and Hart and Hepburn each won a goal. Howie called C. Dayman into the ruck in place of Taylor, but the redlegs could not be held for more than a few seconds. Bent started a goal-getting performance which was exceptional on such a wet day, by getting Norwood's third and fourth goals. Allingham broke the ice for Port. At the first change of ends the scores were: — Norwood, 4 goals 1 behind; Port Adelaide, 1 goal 4 behinds.

#### A Comparison of Styles.

Port had not had the best of luck in the first quarter, but their forwards were by no means as good as those of Norwood. The redlegs made quick rushes as straight as possible for goal. Norwood kept cool, used their heads, and played to the loose man — and there always seemed to be a loose man or two in the forward lines. Port Adelaide went in a good deal for wing attacks and generally found the Norwood backs so well marshalled by the time they worked the ball along that it was very hard to get within reasonable kicking distance of goal. At the opening of the second quarter Norwood kept the ball amongst their forwards for some time, and at last Schumacher put a very hard angle shot through. Then, with two kicks from the centre, Port gave the ball to Allingham. Once more the post was hit. Bower goaled, however, before Norwood took up the running again. The bad luck was not all with Port, for Hart hit a post with a long shot. The next attack of the Portonians collapsed after much good work, for Allingham kicked the ball out of bounds. This was not the only time Port failed in that way. Norwood finished the quarter very strongly. They broke through the Port defence time after time. Bent snapped a goal, missed with another snapshot, and then goaled again. Hart just failed to find the opening with a magnificent long drop kick. It was all drop kicking, punting, and snap shooting. Only one place kick was there in the match. Port Adelaide worked up an offensive, but had not got within striking distance when the bell signalled half-time. The scores at that stage were: — Norwood, 8 goals 6 behinds; Port Adelaide, 2 goals 5 behinds.

#### Port Already Beaten.

The third quarter was distinguished by many splendid high marks by Hart, L.C Dayman, and Stephens. The game already was as good as won by Norwood, but the black and white colors never came down until they were hauled down. Port Adelaide sustained their great reputation by fighting every inch of the way. In this quarter Bower goaled meritoriously. Schumacher snapped one for Norwood. For some time the Port backs stood firm against the aggressive reds. The tension was



great, but the crowd forgot everything else and laughed merrily when Mucklow accidentally sent the umpire sprawling. Norwood, always attacking, thrust here and thrust there, but each time Port parried expertly, until with a crushing assault Norwood reached their objective and Basil Scott got the maximum. Port returned to the charge, but Stephens, Dobson and White (particularly the lastnamed) were almost impassable. W. Scott, who was suffering from influenza, was not at his best. Port broke through near the end of the quarter and Allingham had a running shot, which fell short. At lemons the scores were:—Norwood, 10 goals 9 behinds; Port Adelaide, 3 goals 5 behinds.

#### Crushing Last Quarter.

Port Adelaide were in a hopeless plight, but the worst was yet to come. Norwood played a crushing last-quarter game, scoring apparently with ease. Their headwork and system were marvellous, and the wet did not seem to affect their game. Close and Bent got goals in a few minutes. Port made a good rally, but the effort petered out, and the redlegs went after more goals. Bent received a pass within range, and that meant another six points against Port, for Bent did not seem to know how to miss on this day. He played a most unselfish game, passing to a better placed comrade whenever occasion demanded, though he had a good chance of equalling Hart's 10-goal record by shooting for goal at every opportunity. He enabled Hart to get the fourteenth goal. Oliver had been replaced by L. C. Dayman at centre and had gone forward, possible in the hope of leading a forlorn hope. Norwood, however, continued their overwhelming rushes, and Close, Hepburn and Sibley carried the goal tally to 17. Long before this all hope of victory had departed from the premiers of last year, but they had no thought of giving in. Until the bell stopped play they battled on without obvious signs or demoralisation. Some of their play towards the close of the last quarter was fine. They got the ball to the goal mouth once, but Johns marked it. Before the end, however, Congear very cleverly snapped a goal. The magpies were goalwards bound when play ceased. They had fought a plucky and not unskilful fight against a better team. Norwood were lucky in scoring with snapshots but it was good methods and good material that triumphed. The final scores were: —Norwood, 17 goals 11 behinds. Port, 4 goals 6 behinds.

Best players:— Norwood— Bent, White, Bryant, Hart, Sibley, Stephens, Dobson, Clapson, Hepburn and Fowler; Port Adelaide— C. Dayman, L. C. Dayman, Mucklow, Oliver, Bower, Adams, J. Taylor, Congear, and Beck.

Goal-kickers:— Norwood— Bent (7), Hart, Schumacher, Hepburn, Close (each 2), B.A. Scott, and Sibley; Port Adelaide—Allingham, Bower, C. Dayman, and Congear.

## Premiership Table

<b>Football.</b>						
<b>PREMIERSHIP LIST.</b>						
	P.	W.	L.	Points. For.	Prem. Agst.	Pts.
West Torrens ..	5	5	—	344	255	10
Norwood .. . . .	5	4	1	494	217	8
South Adelaide .	5	4	1	383	275	8
Sturt .. . . .	5	2	3	320	317	4
West Adelaide .	5	2	3	260	302	4
North Adelaide .	5	2	3	296	400	4
Port Adelaide ..	5	1	4	206	460	2
Glenelg .. . . .	5	—	5	236	450	—

South Adelaide, 10 goals 32 behinds.  
 West Adelaide, 8 goals 11 behinds.  
 Sturt, 12 goals 7 behinds.  
 North Adelaide, 7 goals 15 behinds.  
 Norwood, 17 goals 11 behinds.  
 Port Adelaide, 4 goals 6 behinds.  
 West Torrens, 14 goals 19 behinds.  
 Glenelg, 9 goals 6 behinds.





## Round 6

[Football at Norwood Oval, South Australia • Photograph • State Library of South Australia \(slsa.sa.gov.au\)](http://slsa.sa.gov.au)

Sat 10 June, 1922	Adelaide Oval				
South Adelaide	3.4	6.8	7.11	9.12	66
North Adelaide	0.6	2.8	6.10	7.11	53
South Adelaide won by 13 points					

<b>Sat 10 June, 1922</b>	<b>Norwood Oval</b>				
<b>Norwood</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>18.8</b>	<b>116</b>
<b>West Torrens</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Norwood won by 72 points</b>					

Sat 10 June, 1922	Alberton Oval				
Port Adelaide	5.5	11.8	14.10	17.13	115
Glenelg	0.2	2.6	4.9	5.11	41
Port Adelaide won by 74 points					

Sat 10 June, 1922	Unley Oval				
Sturt	4.4	6.11	8.14	10.19	79
West Adelaide	1.3	3.3	8.4	8.4	52
Sturt won by 27 points					





Football at Norwood Oval – Norwood vs West Torrens, c. 1922. <sup>49</sup>

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<sup>49</sup> SLA, PRG 280/1/30/38



## Match Report

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 17 Jun 1922, Page 17

PHENOMENAL GOALSHOOTING.

NORWOOD'S SPECIALTY.

(By 'Spectator.')

Norwood have reduced goal-getting to a science, and so at present they are carrying everything before them. Since their defeat by South Adelaide in the opening match the redlegs have won a succession of astonishingly big victories. The feature of their wins has been their almost uncanny accuracy in goal shooting. In all matches they have kicked 91 goals and 64 behinds, and in the last four games, when they were opposed by such doughty teams as North Adelaide, Sturt, Port Adelaide, and West Torrens, they have won 70 goals and only 43 behinds. Their most wonderful straight shooting was against West Torrens on Saturday, when two shots went through the major opening for every one that went behind, and there were two goals to spare, making the average more striking. In the last quarter of Saturday's match Norwood kicked seven goals and only one behind.

First Place the Prize.

West Torrens went to Norwood in great heart. The match was to decide which team should for the time being head the list. West Torrens had up to that point beaten all who had challenged them and, on performances, were entitled to the place they occupied in the premiership table. Sturt, North Adelaide, Port Adelaide, and West Adelaide were four good teams whose colors they had lowered. A great young side, recruited in the western suburbs, had shown how fast, clever, open football should be played, and they were not daunted by the prowess Norwood had shown. They were flushed with victory and justifiably proud of their record. Twenty thousand people paid a tribute to them by going to the eastern oval to see how they would acquit themselves against the team whose name was on every lip. Every road seemed to lead to the oval, motor cars filled the adjacent thoroughfares, crowds jostled on the footways. Half an hour before the game began it was difficult to move on the thronged mounds of the oval. The public were keyed up to the highest pitch of expectancy. This was recognised as a battle of Titans, and an unapproached record was established in the matter of attendance at a football match on a suburban oval. For two hours the struggle proceeded, and then the thousands wended their way homeward, wondering at this phenomenon — a team which kicked 70 goals and only 43 behinds against four good teams. The thing had no parallel in the annals of South Australian football.

Torrens Begin Well.

West Torrens proved themselves worthy of Norwood's steel. Until after half-time, indeed, they looked as if they might possibly make the eastern team bite the dust. In the second half, however, the red legs picked 11 goals and 3 behinds. West Torrens could make no reply to that. They exerted



superhuman efforts, but were beaten by almost supernatural goal-shooting. West Torrens missed Mills, their big follower and forward. He might conceivably have turned the tide of fortune for them, as a few good goals in the first quarter, when West Torrens were really in command of the play, might have given Norwood a shock from which they might have been slow to recover. As it was, the visitors scored 1 goal 7 behinds against 3 goals in that term, and missed a great opportunity. Norwood made changes in their forward lines. Obviously they wanted a high mark near goal, and Close was sent from half-forward to forward on the right, B.A. Scott filling the vacancy on the half-forward line when he was not roving. Hepburn was changed from right-forward to left-forward. The rucks at the beginning were as shown in 'The Advertiser' on Saturday. West Torrens began with great dash. Curnow checked a Norwood advance, and before the home team had time to realise what was happening the blue and golds had delivered a direct attack and opened the scoring with a behind. Almost immediately Nesbitt was given a free, and Bryant let Marsh mark the kick, unchallenged, close to goal. The first six-pointer of the day was Torrens'. Norwood, by a fast wing attack, gave the ball to Schumacher, and the goal tally was equalised. Strugnell in this quarter was on Hart and beat him frequently. The Torrens centre half-hack time after time prevented Norwood taking the shortest route to goal, but the red legs delivered occasional flank attacks. Hepburn got a low shot through the goal opening when Allen, the Torrens goal-keeper, was missing from his post. Then for some time Torrens predominated, except in goal shooting. Long shots by them went just outside the goalposts, and Johns, marking splendidly, stopped several others. Norwood in this quarter were not able to develop their game. Torrens marked quite as well as they did, and were quicker and more sure in their ground work, particularly on the fringe of scrimmages. The blue-and-golds were obviously surprising Norwood with their combined work in the mid-field and their particularly strong defence. The Torrens forwards, too, found Norwood backs hard to beat. Still the visitors held the honors in the quarter, notwithstanding that Norwood scored another goal before the quarter ended. Three attacks won them three goals in the term. A sustained offensive and frequent shooting, secured for Torrens only one goal and six behinds.

#### The Value of Good Forwards.

In the second quarter Bryant, spelling from the ruck, went on to Strugnell, and Hart moved on to the wing. The last named at once came to light with wonderful high-marking, but his kicking was not good. Bent, however, goaled after a splendid combined movement, in which Toovey, Hepburn, and Schumacher figured. Torrens then went forward by the wing, and Marvell kicked straight. The gold and blues were very aggressive and systematic. The ball was sent forward again, along a zig-zag course without a Norwood man touching it. Jones scored full points, and Norwood's lead came back to one point. Bryant was called into the ruck again. He knocked the ball to Hepburn, who ran and passed to Schumacher. The latter dodged an opponent and won a clever goal. Almost immediately Hart, in a scrum on the goal line, might have scored, again, but he miss-kicked, and finished by knocking the ball through. There was straightway a similar scrum on the Torrens' goal line, in which three of the visitors in turn kicked the ball into an opponent. A poor kick off by Allen shortly afterwards gave Norwood a chance. Sibley picked up the ball and punted it through. The game seemed to be slipping away from Torrens. Sibley scored full points before half-time, and the scores then were: — Norwood, 7 goals 5 behinds; West Torrens. 3 goals 8 behinds.



### The Redlegs Take Charge.

Norwood had scored with twelve shots, and Torrens with eleven, yet the latter were twenty-one points to the bad at this stage, West Torrens had played the better and more dashing game until they got the ball over the half-forward line, and then they were either beaten by the opposing backs or failed to make good openings for scoring. Norwood's efforts up to this stage had been spasmodic, a most brilliant and successful advance by the redlegs being followed by a period in which they were hard pressed and scarcely able to stave off the Torrens attacks. Norwood goaled first in the third quarter, Close receiving a pass so near to goal that he could scarcely miss. This was followed by a battle royal at the other end at the end of which Ashby goaled with a free kick. From this out, the Norwood superiority was undeniable. Excellent team work resulted in Bent and Sibley each scoring two-flaggers. Torrens met with severe misfortune in having to rearrange their centre line. Brown, who had held the ascendancy over Townley at centre, hurt his back and had to go forward, Oaten moving to centre. Karney took the place of Naylor as the immediate opponent of Toovey on the wing. The game in this quarter was exceptionally fast and spectacular. It had been good to watch all through, but the third term was the best of the match. Every moment brought its thrill, but it was obvious that Torrens could not hope to win. Norwood thrust again and again. Hart, marking splendidly, just missed with two long shots, but he was successful when he took a skyscraping mark near goal. His aerial work was a feature of the match, and had he kicked as well as he marked there is no telling what Norwood might have scored. It was said he kicked seven of the eight behinds of Norwood; I cannot say if that is correct but he certainly got four of them, if not more. West Torrens came with a rattle near the end of the quarter, but Nesbitt failed. The blue and golds were thrown back several times, but returned to the charge, and at last Hollis marked within easy range and another goal went on the board. Schumacher marked just as the bell rang and put a shot through from a very acute angle. At three-quarter time Norwood had scored 12 goals 7 behinds against their opponents' 5 goals 8 behinds.

### Six Goals with Seven Shots.

The visitors set their teeth for a great final effort. They finished heroically; everyone will admit that. Norwood were like clockwork in the last term. Victory already was certain; they, too, wanted a memorable finish. Sibley and Bent increased the Norwood lead by 12 points and West Torrens covered themselves with glory by rallying as if they had a two-goal instead of a nine-goal deficit. W. Scott came to light with sensational marking in this term, and Townley brightened up at centre. Torrens occasionally played as if it were an exhibition match, and one of their prettiest advances of the day resulted in Brown goaling. The deadly accuracy of the Norwood forwards was most marked in this quarter, and as goal after goal went on the board the efforts of West Torrens became feebler. In the latter stages Norwood attacked incessantly. Close failed, Hart and Sibley again scored goals in turn. The final scores were:—Norwood, 18 goals 8 behinds. West Torrens, 6 goals 8 behinds.

Goalkickers:— Norwood— Bent and Sibley (each 4), Schumacher and Hart (each 3), Close (2), B. A. Scott and Hepburn. West Torrens— Marsh, Marvel, Jones, Ashby, Hollis, and Brown.



Best Players:— Norwood, Fowler Stephens, Hepburn, Dobson, Bryant, Sibley, Hart, Schumacher, W. Scott, and Bent. West Torrens— Strugnell, Curnow, Brown, Marvel, Hollis, Ashby, Marsh, and Karney.

## Premiership Table

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PREMIERSHIP LIST.							
		P.	W.	L.	Premiership		Pts.
					For	Agst.	
Norwood .. ..	..	6	5	1	610	281	10
South Adelaide ..	..	6	5	1	459	329	10
West Torrens ..	..	6	5	1	388	371	10
Sturt .. ..	..	6	3	3	399	399	6
Port Adelaide ..	..	6	2	4	353	408	4
West Adelaide ..	..	6	2	4	321	381	4
North Adelaide ..	..	6	2	4	349	472	4
Glenelg .. ..	..	6	—	6	277	565	—

Norwood .. ..	..	13 goals	8 behinds.
West Torrens ..	..	6 goals	8 behinds.
South Adelaide ..	..	9 goals	12 behinds.
North Adelaide ..	..	7 goals	11 behinds.
Sturt .. ..	..	10 goals	19 behinds.
West Adelaide ..	..	8 goals	4 behinds.
Port Adelaide ..	..	17 goals	13 behinds.
Glenelg .. ..	..	5 goals	11 behinds.



## Children's Hospital Charity Match

### Teams

*The Register* (Adelaide), Sat 17 Jun 1922, Page 7

### CHARITY FOOTBALL.

### THE TEAMS.

Today the eyes of the football public will naturally be centred upon the charity match to be played on the Adelaide Oval between teams ('Red' v. 'Blue') selected from the whole of the A grade league players. The match will be interesting on account of the fact that the teams have been chosen not merely for the laudable purpose of arranging a game to raise money to assist Lady Hackett's Children's Hospital appeal but to serve as a guide to the selection committee of the interstate team. It is hoped that the patronage of the football public will yield £1,000 for the Children's Hospital. The disposition of the teams, which are remarkably strong in character, will be (blue kicking up, and comprising the second line of names in each instance): —

G. Glenelg; N. — Norwood; N.A.— North Adelaide; P.A.- Port Adelaide; S.-Sturt; S.A.- South Adelaide; W.A.— West Adelaide; and W.T.— West Torrens.

Oliver (S.A.)		
Hart (N.)		
Adams (P.A.)	Zeeven (N.A.)	
Whitehead (S.)	J. Dair (S.A.)	
Huxtable (W.T.)	Bampton (P.A.)	E. Beatty (S.)
Karney (W.T.)	L. Dayman (P.A.)	Cass (S.A.)
Fowler (N.)	Brown (W.T.)	Mucklow (P.A.)
Seaton (W.A.)	Richardson (S.)	Allen (S.A.)
Easton (S.A.)	Lynn (S.)	Lewis (S.A.)
Strugnell (W.T.)	D. Moriarty (S.A.)	W. Scott (N.)
Schumacher (N.)	Hanley (G.)	
Cowley (W.A.)	Davies (W.T.)	
McKee (S.A.)		
Johns (N.)		



Blue Rucks.-First— Bryant (N.), Peters (W.A.) and Barnes (W.A.). Second— O. Beatty, Caust, and J. Daly. Vice-captain— Peters.

Red Rucks.— First— C. Dayman (P.A), Howie (P.A.), and L. G. Beck (T.A.). Second - Easton, Hanley, and Schumacher. Vice-captain, Hanley.

Blue Reserves — Lukeman (W.A.) and Marshall (G.)

Red Reserves— Ashley (W.T.), Dobson (N.)

The umpires, who will give their services gratuitously, are:— Central, Mr. O'Connor; boundaries, Messrs. Quigley and Hicks; goal -umpires, Messrs. Dawes and Cook.

The balls for the match have been supplied free of charge by the Adelaide Sports' Depot.





## Match Report

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 24 Jun 1922, Page 17

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL MATCH.

TEST FOR INTER-STATE HONORS.

The football match between two League teams in aid of the Lady Moulden's Children's Hospital appeal, which was played on the Adelaide Oval on Saturday, was favored by ideal weather. As there was no club rivalry to stimulate interest, the attendance may be considered satisfactory. The oval was in good order and the turf springy, and conducive to fast football. Two teams, comprising of the best players in the League, were opposed.

A 'curtain raiser' was played between Sturt-street and Nailsworth boys, in the Schools' League. It was a lively little contest and was won by Sturt-street by 7 goals 13 behinds to 3 goals 4 behinds. The goalkickers were:— Sturt-street— Thomas and Lampre (each 3) and Shaw; Nailsworth— Pickering (2) and Melvin.

The senior League teams were as published, and took the field in the positions indicated in the diagram in 'The Advertiser' on Saturday. One team wore bright blue guernseys, and the other bright red, with a terra cotta tinge. The Blues, led by Richardson, were considered to be a potential inter-State team, and the other team a very close second best. Mr. O'Connor was central umpire.

McKee, captain of the Reds, won the toss, and his side kicked to the southern end. The Blues attacked strongly at the outset. Richardson twice started them goal-wards, and before the opposing backs could marshal themselves Barnes and Whitehead had each snapped a goal. L. C. Dayman then had three shots, two of which went behind, while the third fell short. The first attack of the Reds was nicely executed until the ball reached the half-forward line, at which stage a bad pass gave the Blues a chance to clear. A moment later Hart, of the Blue, team, snapped a goal. A sustained offensive by the Reds opened their scoring with a behind, following which concerted work gave McKee a good chance, and the Red's first goal was posted.

The Blues were playing a superior game, distinguished by magnificent long kicking and splendid marking, but marred occasionally by bad short passing. The Blues' half back line— D. Moriarty, W. Scott and Strugnell— was very hard to pass. No. 1 team continued to prevail, and Hart got a fourth goal after Barnes had hit a post. After a space the Reds infused more spirit into their play and the game became more even. A strong attack, in which the Reds showed great dash, gave Beck a chance to shoot. Johns was out of goal, and the ball went through unchecked. At quarter time the scores were: —

Blue Team, 4 goals 5 behinds.

Red Team, 2 goals 2 behinds.



It was a good game, and the attendance had swelled to 11.000, the gate being £555. The Blues went forward in fine style when play was resumed, but after a point had been scored the Reds took control, and Howie snapped a goal. The smartest advance of the day was then carried out by the Blues. Richardson sent to Karney, who passed the ball on to Whitehead, and by three remarkably good passes a goal was won. There followed several fine exchanges. Scanlon sent the ball in several times, and eventually snapped a very pretty goal. Lyne, who was shaping well for the Reds, went in for place-kicking. He did two very long kicks, but could not exactly get the direction; The Reds were doing better in this term, and checking the Blues excellently. They had difficulty in overcoming the Blue half-backs, Scott coming to the fore in this term with wonderful marks. Richardson was a power at centre, however, and was well supported by Scanlon and Allen. Three kicks—Richardson to Hart, to Caust, and through the goal, is the story of the next Blue assault. A few minutes later Hart goaled again, and the Reds faced a deficit of 33 points. C. Dayman wiped off six points, and a great charge by the Reds made a further reduction of a point before the quarter ended. The scores then were: — Blue Team, 8 goals 9 behinds. Red Team, 4 goals 6 behinds.

The play was particularly fast at the opening of the third quarter. Advances by each side alternated. First one team flashed out with a brilliant attack. Then the tables were turned, and so the game went on, the backs of each side being too strong for the forwards. Lyne had a chance of scoring for the Reds, but missed with a running shot. The players who in the first half had seemed cautious, doubtless from fear of being hurt, showed more dash in this term. Bampton did excellent defensive work for the Reds, but Richardson's men gave the opposing backs plenty to do. Hart missed thrice, twice with shots and once with a pass. The Reds then delivered a telling thrust, and Lyne had his third place-kick. This time he got his first goal. Hart failed again and seemed not to be well placed as a goal-sneak: The only thing the Blues could do for a space was snatch a behind or so out of their 'strong rushes.' The Reds goaled again after a dashing attack, Schumacher sending a nice shot through. The Blues picked up then, and Hart got a shot through an open goal. Oliver, for the time being, was absent. At 'lemons' the board indicated;— Blue Team, 10 goals 14 behinds. Red Team, 6 goals 3 behinds.

Hanley tried a place-kick for the wing when the last quarter began. In this term Fowler, who had been beaten by Scanlon at centre-wing, was opposed to Allen, Mucklow looking after Scanlon. After a few minutes of defensive play Hart received a pass and goaled. The Reds pressed the Blues hard for a while, but the ball was brought out majestically. In a Blue rush Daly got his foot to the sphere while Oliver was away from the goal, and sent it through the opening. A minute afterwards Daly kicked his way into the inter-State team by getting dead-centre with a place-kick. This was his third goal. L. C. Dayman, who was not doing well at centre-half-forward, just missed with a long place-kick. In the fading light the Blues made a nice attack with good team work, and Barnes called up two flags with a fine running shot. This young player had shaped magnificently throughout. The game had now become one-sided, the Blues delivering a succession of well-directed thrusts. Daly piloted another shot through. A wing attack was delivered by the Reds in the closing minutes, and McKee goaled with a fine shot. The Blues got to work again without delay, and Barnes sent another shot home. This was the last goal of the day. The final scores were:—Blue Team, 16 goals 20 behinds. Red



Team, 7 goals 11 behinds. Goalkickers:— Blues— Hart (5) Daly (4), Barnes (3), Whitehead (2), Caust and Scanlon; Reds — Schumacher (2), Beck, Howie, C. Dayman and Lyne.

The game lacked the vim and 'ginger' of an inter-club game. Goal-getting was not the main objective of the players, who naturally would not take the risk of injury which they gladly take in an inter-State or a pennant contest. The lack of dash robbed the game of much of its attractiveness. Still there was high marking, magnificent long kicking, and clever ground work to keep the spectators interested. Weight was used guardedly, however, and there was little coming through with the ball. Some of the players whose selection for the inter-State match was almost assured did not exert themselves very much, and the spectators did not blame them. The No. 1 team was satisfactory so far as the centre and half-back lines are concerned. Richardson, Allen, and Scanlon could not be passed over. Strugnell, D. Moriarty and W. Scott qualified by this or other performances. The forwards, however, were not all up to the mark. Bent should have been in the team and Hart should have been in his accustomed place at half-forward on the left. J.W. Daly won his place as a rover and forward, and Caust as a ruckman and forward. Cossey was the only one of the Blue full backs who showed form that would warrant selection without careful consideration.

C. Dayman played a fine game for the Reds. Bampton put up a meritorious game at half-back, and would be a certainty if there had been a vacancy in that line, but there was not. He should be able to take a full-back place. Oliver, on his performance in the first half, would have been a certainty for the goal-keeper's place had he kept up his form, but he made a couple of mistakes in the second half. Nevertheless his kicking off was magnificent, and he looked like coming into the picture. E. Beatty did well in defence and looked like making a good full back.



## Round 7

**Sat 24 June, 1922**

**Adelaide Oval**

**West Adelaide      1.1    7.3    7.5    8.6    54**

**Norwood              2.4    5.6    8.12    11.17    83**

**Norwood won by 29 points**

Sat 24 June, 1922

Unley Oval

Sturt                    3.2    10.4    14.6    20.7    127

Glenelg              1.3    3.4    4.4    7.4    46

Sturt won by 81 points

Mon 26 June, 1922

Adelaide Oval

South Adelaide      1.3    3.8    5.11    8.12    60

West Torrens        3.5    5.6    6.10    10.10    70

West Torrens won by 10 points

Mon 26 June, 1922

Alberton Oval

Port Adelaide        2.3    5.6    8.7    9.11    65

North Adelaide      6.3    6.4    10.7    12.7    79

North Adelaide won by 14 points



## Match Report

The Chronicle (Adelaide), Sat 1 Jul 1922, Page 16

CURIOUS FOOTBALL.

WEST ADELAIDE SURPRISE NORWOOD.

(By 'Spectator')

The Norwood forwards nearly spoilt their record in the match at the Adelaide Oval against West Adelaide on Saturday. During The first two quarters of the game they were beaten and in the second half, when the red-legs were almost constantly in the ascendant, they could only kick 6 goals 11 behinds. Clearly they had a day off, for their performance was not in keeping with their previous consistent accuracy.

It was a curious game. Prior to the match the public expected an easy win for the easterners; otherwise, in view of the perfect weather and the absence counter-attractions, the attendance would have been 25,000 instead of 17,500. West Adelaide are a good side, and at the top of their form should be able to give any other team in the league a run for their money, but it was too much to expect that they should defeat Norwood in this match, for they had to rearrange their team, in consequence of an injury to Lukeman, their centre half-forward, and bereavement to Cossey, the centre half-back. Two pillars of the team were removed, and the consequent upsetting of the team combination seemed likely to be a serious thing. In the circumstances something very near to a sensation was created when West Adelaide kicked 6 goals 2 behinds against 3 goals 2 behinds in the second quarter, and retired to the dressing-rooms exhilarated by a lead of nine points. It was apparent when the game was resumed, however, that they had run themselves out, and after half-time Norwood had matters a good deal their own way.

Effect of Inter-State Selection.

There was obviously strong feeling between the teams, and during the earlier stages fears were prevalent that before the game ended there would be horseplay. The contestants, however, controlled themselves, and there were no regrettable incidents. It looks as if the Norwood forwards, who were unjustly passed over by the inter-State team selectors, came to the oval on this occasion determined to prove their capability. They were over-anxious, and consequently below form. The big feature, however, was the dash and spirit infused into the play by West Adelaide during the first half. In this is the explanation of the success of the red and blacks. They prevented Norwood from developing their system, checked their attacks on the centre by beating Hart at centre half -forward, and carried out flank movements with precision and cohesion. They were particularly smart on the ball, spoiled the redlegs in the air, were sound in defence, and the forwards— particularly Macklin — were very accurate in goal shooting. In the first half Scanlon beat Fowler on the wing, and West almost invariably chose that wing as the avenue for their advances. Stephens, playing behind Fowler, frequently stopped them, but a flash across the field to Simmons often proved a well-advised and



unanswerable move. Townley held the centre against Duncie and Toovey gave nothing away to Anstey on the other wing. Fowler's game improved in the second half, however, and he beat Scanlon. The Norwood centre line then was very hard to pass, and the backs picked up any of their leavings.

#### Norwood Begin Quietly.

White has developed a habit of winning the toss, and this time he beat Peters. Norwood kicked first to the river end, backed by a north-easterly breeze, which was of considerable assistance. West Adelaide went away with a rattle when the ball was bounced, and opened the scoring with a behind. Then Norwood came to light with an electrifying advance. Before West had time to look round three Norwood kicks in a bee-line, from goal to goal delivered the ball right in front. It was rushed through the behind opening. Norwood wore in an aggressive mood, and made , thrust after thrust, but the West Adelaide backs stood solid against them. Bryant, however, had an easy shot for goal. He placed the ball, but picked it up again, and was at once pounced upon. A moment later he was awarded a free, and placed the ball again a few yards out. This time he kicked it along the ground. Close, who was the loose man right forward, marked a few yards from goal, but missed the opening. Four scoring shots had won four points for the redlegs. Was this Norwood? Bent had hit a post and missed another chance by colliding with the upright. J.R. Bishop, of West, scored the first goal of the day with a snapshot. This spurred Norwood on, and Grantley succeeded with a long angle shot. Sibley goaled before the end of the quarter, but Norwood made a very poor showing during the term. The help they had from the wind was worth much more than the 9 point lead they had when ends were changed.

#### West's Great Second Quarter.

The breeze still held in the second quarter and West Adelaide, playing like champions and still keeping to their wing movements, proceeded to run all over the easterners. With tremendous speed they took the ball along the pavilion wing, and Peters, marking within easy range, made the goal tallies equal. There were tense moments the while Norwood fought desperately to stem the torrent of the West Adelaide advance, but Macklin, dashing in from the wing, booted a very clever goal. The redlegs raised the seige, and Hart, kicking left foot as he turned, won the best goal of the match. West gathered up their strength and over-whelmed the Norwood backs again. Simmons did very pretty work in this attack, and Bailey was the goal-getter. Barnes, one of the star performers of the match, figured in the next advance, and Macklin put the ball through. Norwood seemed unable to collect themselves before the red and blacks were knocking again. White called Hepburn from forward to help their defence as a loose man and the ball was sent out to the sturdy rover just as he crossed the centre. He completely turned the tables. Norwood were checked and checked again, but shortly Close marked in a bunch, and won a much-wanted goal. Without an instant's delay West went in again, and Simmons piloted the ball through. Norwood lacked just the snap and finish that is everything to their game. The forwards helped West to crowd the ball and prevent open play. As the bell signalled the end of the quarter Macklin got his foot to the sphere at an acute angle, and the leather sailed majestically through the goal, skimming just out of reach of the upstretched hands of



half a dozen players. The scores at this stage were; —West, Adelaide, 7 goals 3 behinds. Norwood, 5 goals 6 behinds.

Norwood Wake Up.

Norwood must have had a lecture at half-time, for subsequently the game underwent a decided change. The red legs were' like tigers — the greater the opposition the harder they fought. Scoring began with a wonderful, snapshot by Bent over his shoulder. Lee, who had kept Hart very quiet, was temporarily knocked out but soon recovered. Toovey had a plaster on his nose which had been badly cut in the second 'quarter. The play oscillated between the two sets of backs, and the tension became very great as first one side and then the other seemed on the point of scoring, but were turned. A woman near the northern goal worked herself into a frenzy of excitement, and her piercing screams were heard above the din of shouts and yells. Norwood were now more dashing than West, and their forward work was sounder. Hart began to prevail against Lee, and, with a free kick nearly 60 yards from goal, sent the ball high and safe between the tall posts. Nearly every attack by West was checked, and the red and blacks did not get a goal in the term. Much of the vim had gone from their play, and already Norwood appeared to have their measure. At lemons the redlegs were 13 points to the good, the scores being: —Norwood, 8 goals 12 behinds. West Adelaide, 7 goals 5, behinds.

The story of the last quarter is easily told. Since half-time the wind had not had much influence on the play, and the final term opened in a calm. During nearly the whole 25 minutes Norwood kept tie ball amongst their forwards. Their system and resourcefulness overcame all opposition. Bent proved his skill as a snaphooter by putting three wonderful shots through the goal. It was not till near the close of the quarter that Wests were able to control the play. Then Macklin with a free kick got the first goal for the red and blacks since half-time. The bell put an end to another West Adelaide assault. The final scores were: —Norwood, 11 goals 17 behinds. West Adelaide, 8 goals 6 behinds.

The best players for the winners were: — Bent, Townley, Bryant, Stephens, W. Scott, Johns, Schumacher, White, Grantley, and Sibley; and for the losers— Lee, Barnes, Simmons, Scanlon, Peters, Huxtable, Bailey, Macklin, and Morgan.

The goal-kickers were:— Norwood— Bent (4), Grantley and Hart (2), Sibley, Potts, and Close: West Adelaide— Macklin (4), Bishop, Peters, Bailey, and Simmons.



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South Adelaide ..	7	5	2	519	419	10	
Sturt .. .. .	7	4	3	526	415	8	
North Adelaide ..	7	3	4	428	537	6	
Port Adelaide ..	7	2	5	418	487	4	
West Adelaide ..	7	2	5	375	464	4	
Glenelg .. .. .	7	—	7	323	629	—	



## Round 8

Sat 1 July, 1922                      Adelaide Oval

West Torrens	1.2	2.6	4.7	7.7	49
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Sturt	1.3	3.7	6.10	6.13	49
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West Torrens drew with Sturt

Sat 1 July, 1922                      Glenelg Oval

Glenelg	1.1	2.6	3.6	7.9	51
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North Adelaide	4.3	5.3	8.11	12.13	85
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North Adelaide won by 34 points

**Sat 1 July, 1922                      Norwood Oval**

<b>Norwood</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>7.12</b>	<b>10.16</b>	<b>76</b>
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<b>South Adelaide</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>7.10</b>	<b>52</b>
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**Norwood won by 24 points**

Sat 1 July, 1922                      Alberton Oval

Port Adelaide	2.3	4.4	10.5	11.6	72
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West Adelaide	1.3	3.7	5.9	7.14	56
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Port Adelaide won by 16 points



## Match Report

The Chronicle (Adelaide), Sat 8 Jul 1922, Page 16

FOOTBALL WITHOUT THRILLS.

ARE NORWOOD GOING OFF?

HARD PRESSED BY SOUTH.

(By 'Spectator.')

It is not unusual for a football team, when apparently at the zenith of a victorious career, suddenly to become 'stale' and go right off its game. It would be foolish to say that Norwood, who on Saturday completed a succession of victories in which they made every other team in the League lower their colors, have gone stale, but it would be useless to deny that the once spectacular and over-whelming team is not what it was. After the game with West Adelaide I remarked that Norwood were not convincing in that match. The same may be said with respect to the contest on the Norwood Oval on Saturday. Until well into the last quarter the redlegs seemed to be 'feeling' for their system, and only in the last ten minutes did they give evidence of that electrifying dash and combination which distinguished them in earlier encounters. The home team led throughout, but South Adelaide would have given a much better account of themselves had sundry easy shots for goal and other good chances not gone wretchedly astray. Thousands of people had awaited this match with impatience, for South Adelaide, having once beaten Norwood, were expected to put a period to Norwood's long succession of victories. They found the task too much for them, though at one stage in the last quarter they gave promise of making the finish at least exciting. Recalling the eleventh-hour victory of the city men in the holiday game at the beginning of the season, some of the South Adelaide supporters had visions of another brilliant win, but at a critical stage of the last quarter, Allen, who provided one of the vital elements in South's game, was hurt and had to leave the wing. After that Norwood finished strongly and won by the equivalent of four goals.

South Adelaide Forwards Poor.

There were obvious weaknesses in the Norwood team. Fowler was consistently beaten by Allen on the wing; Bent, who is undoubtedly one of the cleverest goal-sneaks in the League, was a passenger all day; and Sibley, usually a sound and helpful forward, found more than his match in Gibson, the South Adelaide half-back. Partly because of the dash and speed of South Adelaide, and partly because of their own deficiencies, Norwood were unable to play with that precision and coolness which has characterised their game this year. South Adelaide lacked reliable forwards, and Caust, their representative in the inter-State rucks, though marking like a champion, often kicked like a schoolboy. Norwood in the last two matches have not been the team which beat Sturt and West Torrens, but it may be that they are suffering from only a temporary lapse. South Adelaide, too, are not quite as good as in the earlier part of the season. Their forward work wants brushing up.



#### Norwood Goal-shooters Not Accurate.

The weather was fine but the turf heavy. A crowd of 12,500, buoyed up by the hope of seeing a classic struggle, assembled at the eastern arena. McKee, of South Adelaide, tried an experiment in rearranging his centre line, the pivotal position being taken by J. W. Daly, and the wing usually occupied by L. Clark being this time held by Vickers, who has been the South centre man during many seasons. The experiment was hardly successful, for Townley predominated over Daly at centre, and the experiment was not carried beyond the first quarter. After that Vickers returned to the centre and continued there, with increasing success, during the remainder of the game. Both sides at the start played as if over anxious. Norwood began their scoring early, but they reversed their usual form by scoring more behinds than goals. Early in the game the two inter-State half-back men (W. Scott and Dan Moriarty) came to light, and they were conspicuous throughout, notwithstanding that Hart, on Moriarty, kicked five goals, and Caust, when on W. Scott, took a number of brilliant marks. Townley at centre, by his fine aerial work, gave Norwood much help in their direct advances, but South forwarded with no less ease through Allen. Later Townley was stopped by Vickers, and Norwood usually had to pass the centre by means of Toovey, who, in the second half, played a wonderfully fine game. The first quarter was not particularly entertaining. Seven shots by Norwood won only 2 goals 5 behinds before Hepburn got the third goal and gave Norwood a lead of 21 points at the first change of ends. South secured only two points in this quarter. They were frequently checked at the Norwood half back line, where W. Scott, Stephens, and White were efficient throughout the match. The blue and whites should have done better in the 25 minutes, for Sampson and Wayne missed the goal from easy range.

#### An Even Quarter.

South Adelaide were a much Improved team in the second quarter. They were more dashing than Norwood, and early in the term pressed the home team very hard. The Norwood high fliers in this period failed in the same way as on the previous Saturday, and frequently mis-judged the flight of the ball. Scoring was very even, South winning 2 goals 3 behinds against Norwood's 2 goals 4 behinds. In this term Hart began an exhibition of high-marking which became the feature of the match as the play proceeded, and which gave bright hopes for his success in the Melbourne match. Sibley, however, marked only occasionally and lacked his usual cleverness. Vickers began to prevail at centre, but at first passed badly. Later his long passing was particularly fine. Norwood played to Hart at every opportunity, and the only two goals won by the home team in that quarter were scored by him. McKee and Daly got South's pair, the former putting the ball through with a long-range place kick. At half-time the scores were: — Norwood 5 Goals 9 behinds; South Adelaide, 2 goals 5 behinds.

#### Serious South Adelaide Mistakes.

Some people thought it was “all over, bar shouting”, but the visitors again scored point for point in the third quarter. They began with a rattle playing nicely together, scouting well on the fringes of the pack, and passing with more accuracy than formerly. Sampson got a wonderful goal with a shot from the right flank of the goal-posts at the Parade end. It was some minutes before Norwood got going.



Then Hart came to light with two electrifying marks. After the second he called up two flags with a fine shot. There were strong attacks and counter-attacks for some time, without alteration. Then for a space Norwood held the ascendancy in the midfield, mainly owing to the marking of Toovey, but could not overcome the opposing backs. South assumed the offensive, and with more success. Caust made one of his most lamentable mistakes when given an easy chance to score, but McKee goaled with a more difficult shot. Sibley scored meritoriously with a kick from the wing. The Norwood forwards were fed a good deal, but their combination was not anything like as good as usual, and before any serious damage was done Moriarty drove the ball out. Caust made himself conspicuous by faulting badly with a pass when a goal seemed certain; and with an easy shot after having marked over a crowd. There was a curious incident in this term. Schumacher got a behind, but Oliver, the South goal-keeper, obviously thinking it was a goal, picked up the ball, ran out a little, and kicked the ball toward the umpire. The sphere was promptly returned to him in order that he might kick off. What would have been done if a Norwood player had taken the ball from Oliver's kick and goaled?

Hart the Lodestar.

Townley gave place to Fowler at centre in the last quarter, and went to half forward. Heinrich was brought to Fowler's place on Allen, but the little South Adelaidean was still unbeaten until, after 10 minutes' play, he was hurt. South Adelaide became very aggressive after the last change of ends; and with two kicks reached their objective. Caust passed the ball from the centre to McKee, and the latter sent it through the goal. Then for a space only the wonderful defence of W. Scott, Stephens, and White held South in check. That trio practically sounded the death knell of South Adelaide hopes. The city men nevertheless were playing better than ever, and Waye, with a nice mark and kick, reduced the deficit to eight points. At this stage Alien was hurt; and McKee called him forward and went himself to the wing. Hart was the lodestar of the Norwood team. The redlegs developed and sustained an overpowering offensive, kicking all the time to the tall forward. Sibley was given a free. Hart waited in front, judged the flight of the ball, went up like a sky rocket and made several South men look as if they had scarcely risen from the ground. Having taken the mark, it was easy for the inter-State crack to get his fifth goal, and the eighth for the side. Norwood now used the accelerator, and attacked in their best style. A snapshot by Schumacher called up two flags. There was an interlude in which the visitors manoeuvred and gave the wounded Allen a chance. He got South's last goal. It was the last great effort of a team discouraged by the fall of one of their champions. Allen was badly wanted on the wing. Norwood finished with a constant offensive, in which Hart was unbeatable in the air. Hepburn got the last goal of the match, and Bent wasted an easy chance. Thus ended a game which left much to be desired. Neither side rose at any time to expectations which had been based on past performances. The final scores were: — Norwood, 10 goals 16 behinds. South Adelaide, 7 goals 10 behinds.

The best players for the winners were: — W. Scott, Toovey, Hart, Stephens, White, Bryant, Schumacher, B. A. Scott, and Townley; and for the losers:— Allen, D. Moriarty, Caust, Gibson, Moss, Easton, Williams, J. W. Daly, and McKee.



The goalkickers were:— Norwood— Hart (5), Hepburn and Schumacher (each 2), Sibley. South Adelaide— McKee (3), J.W. Daly, Sampson, Waye, and Allen.

## Premiership Table

PREMIERSHIP LIST.									
	P.	W.	L.	D.	For.	Agst.	Points	Prm.	
Norwood .. ..	8	7	1	—	769	367	14		
West Torrens .	8	6	1	1	507	480	13		
South Adelaide	8	5	3	—	571	495	10		
Sturt .. .. .	8	4	3	1	575	464	9		
North Adelaide	8	4	4	—	513	588	8		
Port Adelaide .	8	3	5	—	490	543	6		
West Adelaide .	8	2	6	—	431	536	4		
Glenelg .. .. .	8	—	8	—	374	714	—		
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Norwood .. .. .					10 goals	16 behinds.			
South Adelaide .. ..					7 goals	10 behinds.			
Sturt .. .. .					6 goals	13 behinds.			
West Torrens.. .. .					7 goals	7 behinds.			
Port Adelaide .. ..					11 goals	6 behinds.			
West Adelaide .. ..					7 goals	14 behinds.			
North Adelaide .. ..					12 goals	13 behinds.			
Glenelg.. .. .					7 goals	9 behinds.			



## South Australia inter-State Game vs Victoria, Game 1 (MCG)

### Game 1 – 8 July 1922 at the MCG

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INTER-STATE FOOTBALL.

THE MELBOURNE MATCH.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA DEFEATED.

Victoria. 9 goals 10 behinds.

South Australia. 5 goals 12 behinds.

The rain which fell throughout the night and early on Saturday morning caused the turf of the Melbourne Cricket Ground, for the match between South Australia and Victoria, to be in a sodden condition. Despite the threatening weather, there was an attendance of 19,000.

Right on time the South Australian team appeared and posed for the photographers. The Victorians followed shortly afterwards. Many of the visitors had taken the precaution of wearing mittens, so as more effectively to handle the ball. South Australia kicked towards the railway goal. A movement by South Australia was frustrated by O'Brien, who passed to Cazaly. Lee marked from the latter, but his kick fell short. Bryant relieved the position. The ball was driven back by O'Brien. Moriarty and Richardson returned, and Caust had a free kick on the full forward line. With a fine punt he scored the first goal of the day. Victoria went away on the bounce. Carr sent on to Rattray, who passed to Lee. The champion Collingwood kicker, with a running shot, equalised the scores. Strugnell had a penalty kick, but Beckton and Carr relieved. Hiskins and Cazaly went forward, but a mark to Scott ended for the time what threatened to be a dangerous move by Victoria. Scanlon played across to Richardson, who forwarded. The ball was very greasy, and kicking off the ground was the order of the day. Lyne had an easy shot from a free kick, but he scored only a point. South Australia was pressing the attack, and Hart sent the ball right in front of goal. Tyson staved off the attack. Moriarty was showing good form in defence. Some congested work on the Victorian half-forward line ended in Eicke having a shot, but he scored only a point. Oliver to Bryant and Moriarty to Barnes was a fine piece of concerted play, which gave Richardson a chance to play to Peters. The latter sent the leather across to Lyne, who, with a splendid place-kick, obtained South Australia's second goal. Scott to Daviess to Allen was an effort which looked threatening, but Smith took a hand and sent forward, where Beckton snapped a behind. A fine mark to Rankin was the next episode. Moriarty, however, relieved finely, and sent to Scanlon, who played to Caust. The latter scored a point. Caust, Daly, and Beatty at this stage relieved the first ruck. The ball went from Hart to Peters, and the captain punted a behind. Bryant had a place-kick from a penalty, but it failed badly. South Australia was having the larger portion of the play, but the Victorian backs were defending very well. The first quarter ended: —South Australia, 2 goals 3 behinds. Victoria, 1 goal 3 behinds.





In the second term Peters, Bryant, and Barnes were the ruck for South Australia, and Tyson, Beckton, and Haines for Victoria. Events moved quickly. The ball went from Haines to Eicke to Tandy, and the South Melbourne player scored a goal. Another effort initiated by Haines, Eicke, Lee, and Rattray ended in Rattray obtaining a second goal within two minutes of the resumption. Bryant sent forward to Lyne, who took a dashing mark, but only a point resulted. The South Australians settled down to their work, and Bryant, who was putting in solid work following, centred. Rattray played to Rankin, who kicked towards an unprotected goal. The ball rolled through. Victoria now had a lead of 11 points. South Australia retaliated with a dashing down-the-centre effort and Strugnell forwarded. A pass from Peters to Daly had the ball well in front, but the Victorian backs were resisting finely. The attack was sustained, however, and a point was rushed. After Cazaly had scored a behind for Victoria, Lee, from a free kick, added the fifth goal. The home team was now dominating the play. The South Australian ruck was changed to Caust, Beatty and Daly. Lee passed to Eicke, and a behind resulted. Rankin added another. Lyne marked finely and, put an end to the pressure for a while, but Rattray and Haines came forward again, and Rankin punted a goal. The leather passed from Barnes to Daly, who was roving finely, and back to Barnes, and the visitors had an opportunity. Smith, however, stopped the rally, and there was no addition to the scores. Beckton, marking from Cubbins, punted the seventh goal for Victoria. At half-time the board showed:—Victoria, 7 goals 7 behinds. South Australia, 2 goals 5 behinds.

Daviess, Allen, Richardson and Beatty were prominent in an attack by South Australia soon after the start, but O'Brien frustrated it, and forwarded the ball out to Cazaly, who punted a behind. Moriarty centred. The Victorians returned, however, and a penalty kick to Lee increased the score by another point. Tandy showed a fine turn of speed, and sent the ball in front of goal. Barnes returned well. The play was now of a desultory nature. South Australia livened up, and Peters forwarded to Allen, who in turn sent on to Karney who added a behind. Capital concerted work between Eicke, Beckton and Lee ended in Lee getting his third goal. The fourth was obtained by Eicke through the agency of Beckton and Cubbins. Cheers were given when, as the result of good passing between Peters, Karney, and Daly, the last-named scored a nice goal. The South Australians' play had now shown considerable improvement, but the opposition was altogether too strong. Karney had a try which just missed the big timber. Rattray was injured in a tussle for a mark, but soon resumed. South Australia started forward, and a sustained attack added two behinds, by Barnes and Beatty (the latter hitting a post), and a goal by Hart. The third quarter ended with the scores: —Victoria, 9 goals 9 behinds. South Australia. 4 goals 9 behinds.

South Australia opened the last term with a deficit of 30 points. Bryant, following, had the first kick. Karney obtained possession on the forward line, and booted a point. The game revolved around the wings for some time, then Tandy broke away and sent to half-forward. Allen returned the ball with some clever work. Fine handball, with Allen still showing out prominently, forced the ball half-forward. A pass from Peters to Karney to Hart gave the last-named a chance. The ball, however, fell short. Allen was shining over Garden on the wing, and no one had been more busy than he during the day's play. A determined attack by the South Australians eventuated in Barnes punting a beautiful goal, one of the best- kicked during the match. Peters notched a point. The Victorians responded and Cazaly scored a minor. The delay at the half-time interval had resulted in the play



concluding in the dark. A finishing effort by South Australia aroused the crowd. Lyne had the misfortune to hit a post. The final scores were: —Victoria, 9 goals 10 behinds. South Australia, 5 goals 12 behinds.

Goalkickers: — Victoria — Lee (3), Rankin (2), Tandy, Rattray, Beckton, and Eicke. South Australia — Caust, Lyne, Hart, Daly, and Barnes.

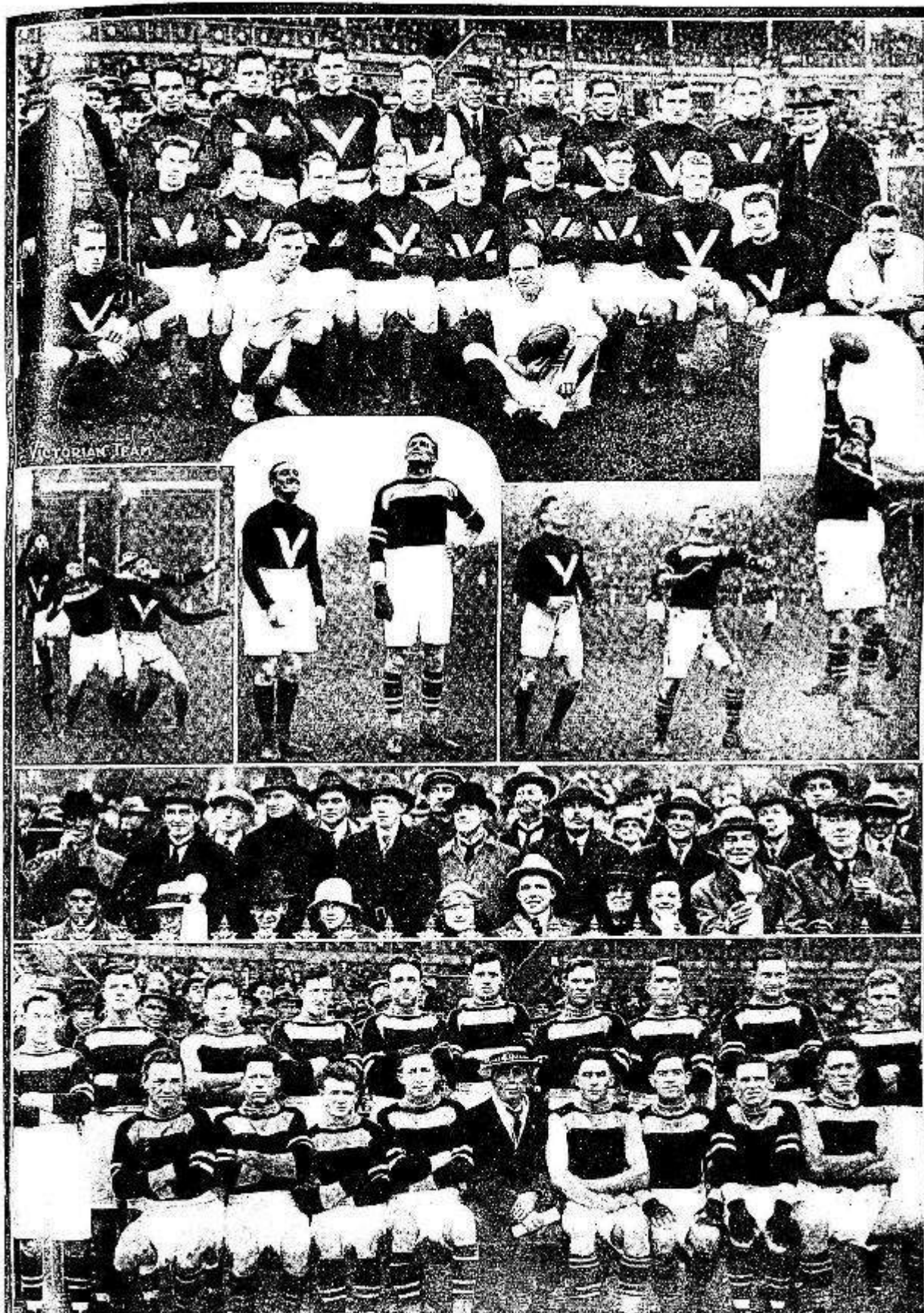
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VICTORIA AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA PLAY FOOTBALL ON RAIN-SODDEN FIELD

Under adverse weather conditions the inter-State football match between South Australian and Victorian teams took place on the Melbourne Cricket Ground on Saturday. The ground, owing to previous rain, was in bad condition, and the visiting team was especially at a disadvantage from this cause. They started with dash and led for a time, but in the middle of the second quarter were overpowered by the home team, which won by 9 goals 10 behinds to South Australia's 5 goals 12 behinds. (*Photo on next page*).



THE BAD CONDITIONS WERE ESPECIALLY DISADVANTAGEOUS TO THE VISITING TEAM.





## Round 9 (Norwood – Bye)

Sat 15 July, 1922	Adelaide Oval				
South Adelaide	4.6	7.12	10.18	18.21	129
Sturt	1.0	4.3	8.6	11.6	72
South Adelaide won by 57 points					

Sat 15 July, 1922	Prospect Oval				
North Adelaide	2.2	4.6	7.8	9.10	64
West Adelaide	2.4	4.16	6.16	11.20	86
West Adelaide won by 22 points					

Sat 15 July, 1922	Glenelg Oval				
Glenelg	2.7	4.10	7.12	8.15	63
Port Adelaide	2.3	4.6	7.8	10.11	71
Port Adelaide won by 8 points					

<b>Norwood</b>	<b>Bye</b>
West Torrens	Bye





## Norwood's Mid-Season Odyssey

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 15 Jul 1922, Page 17

### **Norwood beat Mt Gambier Association Team**

NORWOOD BEAT MOUNT GAMBIER.

The visiting Norwood footballers played the Mount Gambier Association team on Vansittart Park on July 5. The visitors: were without the services of Hart, W. and B A. Scott, Townley, Fowler, and Schumacher. The exhibition of football was of a high standard. The attendance was a record, there being 1,400 persons present, and the gate takings amounted to over £60. The scores at the intervals were as follow:

First quarter— Norwood, 4 goals 4 behinds; Mount Gambier, 1 goal 6 behinds.

Second quarter— 10 goals 9 behinds, 2 goals 13 behinds.

Third quarter— 14 goals 12 behinds, 4 goals 13 behinds.

Final — Norwood, 18 goals 14 behinds (123 points). Mount Gambier, 8 goals 16 behinds (64 points).

Bent kicked 13 goals for Norwood.

On Wednesday evening a complimentary dinner was tendered to the visitors in the Caledonian Hall. There was an attendance of about 140. The mayor presided, and those associated with him at the table were the manager of the visiting team (Mr. E.H. Tassie), the chairman of the local association (Mr. J.D.F. Harbison), and the opposing captains (Messrs. S. White and A.E. Higgs). The toast of the "Norwood Football Club" was submitted by Mr. Harbison and replied to by Mr. Tassie. Other toasts honored were "The Mount Gambier Association Team," proposed by Mr. P. Krunel, and responded to by Mr. Higgs; "the Captains" proposed by Messrs. R. Cotton and S. Sibley and responded to by Messrs. White and Higgs, and "The Supporters". The health of the chairman (Mr. C.L. Spehr) was toasted at the instance of the secretary of the Mount Gambier Association (Mr. J.S. Harrington). During the evening items were rendered by Messrs. H.J. Johnston, S.C. Davis, H.S. May and R. Cotton.

*The Border Watch* (Mount Gambier), Tue 11 Jul 1922, Page 3

### **Norwood Gold Membership Badges Presented**

Prior to leaving Mount Gambier for Victoria on Friday the manager of the Norwood football team (Mr. E.H. Tassie) presented to the Chairman (Mr. J. D. P. Harbison) and the Secretary (Mr. J. S. Harrington) gold membership badges. "These entitle the recipients to rank as members of the club for the current season, and repre sent a fitting expression of thanks for the hospitality extended the



visitors during their sojourn in the town. The enlarged photo of the team presented to the local Association at the complimentary dinner is now on view in Mr. A. McDonald's window.

## **Norwood's (SA) inter-state game players chase the train to Melbourne**

*The Daily Herald (Adelaide), Fri 14 Jul 1922, Page 7*

### **NORWOOD**

The Norwood Club scored an easy win against a team representing the Mount Gambier Association. They scored freely in each quarter, and finished with a tally of 18 goals 14 behinds against 8 goals 16 behinds. The redlegs were without the services of the two Scotts, Schumacher, Fowler, and Hart. There were 1,400 present at the match and the takings amounted to £60 which is a record since the war. With the receipts of the dinner held the same evening the local association will receive over £81), Norwood having generously donated their percentage of £42 to their entertainers. The promise to visit Mount Gambier was made 12 months ago, and now a proposal is being made that a team from the B grade should visit the Mount every year. Bent kicked 13 goals in his imperturbable style and Close was the finest mark on the ground. Hart (2), Close (2), and Sibley (1) were the other goal-kickers, and Toovey was especially prominent on the wing.

Fred Piek, an old C.B.C. boy, marked grandly at half-back for the locals, and knocked out with fine direction to his rover. Jack Quigley umpired the game and there was nothing but praise for him. The Mucklow incident had no interest for either side. Bob Cotton, a former player with the Wellington Square (North Adelaide) team, played a cool game against both Norwood and Broken Hill.

At one time Lal Reedman, North Adelaide half-back, played for the Rovers, Cotton's team in Mount Gambier, but did not display the form, that distinguished his play in Adelaide last season.

The two interstate members of the team (Hart and Bryant) together with the secretary of the club (Mr. E. H. Tassie) had an exciting motor run (writes the Mount Gambier "Border Watch"). It was necessary for them to arrive in Melbourne on Thursday night in order to prepare for the interstate football match on Saturday, and a motor car was hired to convey them to Heywood (Victoria), where they proposed to board the morning train for Melbourne. The car, an Oakland, in charge of Mr. S. C. Davis, duly left then at 5.40 am. on Thursday, on what proved to be an eventful trip.

The party arrived at Dartmoor with 45 minutes in which to cover what, according to their estimation, should have been the remaining 11 miles, but which they discovered with a rude awakening, was in reality 26 miles. Their informant also vouchsafed them the cheering intelligence that the road was "in a pretty bad state," and that metal would be encountered after two miles. After proceeding some five miles they were on the wrong road, and had perforce to turn back to one of the most wretched tracks in the Western District. The car was soon bespattered with mud, and the two players in a worse state than ever were on a football field. Macadamised road was reached after some 14 miles, and here the driver allowed the car "her head" and 45 miles an hour was touched. Then followed the next incident in the chain of misfortunes, a puncture when within a mile and a



half of Heywood. The damaged tube was removed, and they scorching into Heywood only to find that the train was already leaving the Milltown siding. The response to earnest solicitations made by Mr. Tassie that the train be held up at the next station was that "it could not be done." Mr. H. Righetti, a local resident, informed the party that provided they could cover the 14 miles between Heywood and Condah in 15 minutes, they might intercept the train at that station, and offered to accompany them to point out the road. This offer was gratefully accepted, and though the driver made a gallant attempt, the handicap proved too great, and the car drew into the station as the train drew out. It was essential that the train should be caught, and the next stage was pursuit to Branhholme, a further eight miles, which was traversed at the rate of 50 miles an hour. And here it was that the exciting journey ended, and the car arrived three minutes in advance of the train, which was boarded amid all-round congratulations by the Melbourne-bound passengers, who bestowed hearty commendation on Mr. Davis for his skill in handling the car on the wretched road traversed.

## **The Visit to Ballarat**

*The Herald* (Melbourne), Mon 10 Jul 1922, Page 13

BALLARAT, Monday.

Members of the Norwood (South Australia) team of footballers, who purpose returning to their home State at the week-end, will visit Ballarat on Thursday and remain here until Saturday. They will be entertained at a smoke social on Thursday night.

*The Ballarat Star* (Victoria), Sat 15 Jul 1922, Page 4

Charity Football.

In connection with the charity football match, to be played at the Eastern Oval today Mr. Greenaway has donated the football. It will be auctioned at half-time by Cr R.J. Cooke. The members of the Norwood (S.A.) Club will be the guests of the Association at the match. Mr A. Kenny (superintendent of the Orphanage) has accepted an invitation for the band and the children to be present. Preparation is being made for a big attendance of the public, as it is rarely indeed that the association can get either of the principal ovals from the league, and it is determined to put in a solid contribution to the charities on one of the few opportunities afforded it by the rival body.

Norwood Footballers Entertained.

The Norwood team of footballers, who are holiday-making in this State, and arrived in Ballarat on Thursday morning, were accorded a civic welcome at the City Hall yesterday morning by Mayor Elsworth. The visitors were accompanied by Mr. A.A. O'Dea, secretary of the Ballarat Football League, who introduced them to the civic representatives. The mayor, after giving a brief and interesting account of the Eureka Stockade affair, the only battle yet fought in Australia, extended his best wishes to the Norwood men, and hoped that they would thoroughly enjoy their visit. He





remarked also that the name of Norwood had been well and favorably known in Ballarat football circles for several decades past. Cr Nicholson supplemented the Mayor's remarks and Mr. W.H. Gent, president of the Golden Point Club, expressed regret that it had been found impossible to provide the Norwood players a match during their stay in Ballarat. In response, Mr. Eric Tassie, manager of the visiting team, said that they had been delighted with what they had seen in Ballarat, and were greatly impressed by the warmth of the hospitality shown them. He mentioned that the club had been in existence 43 years, and that Mr. Tom Leahy, described a couple of years ago by competent critics as the greatest ruck player in Australia, was now their coach. He was delighted to see the estimation in which footballers were held in Ballarat. In some places they were not rated too high, but he would point out that many who had been prominent footballers in Adelaide in the past had become the leading men of that State. Mr. Sid White, captain of the team, also responded. Subsequently the visitors were driven to various places of interest in Ballarat, and in the evening, after attending a picture show, they were entertained by the members of the league at supper. To-day they will be at the association match at the Eastern Oval, and will return to Adelaide tonight.



## Round 10

Sat 22 July, 1922

Adelaide Oval

West Adelaide	3.8	4.10	6.10	9.11	65
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West Torrens	1.2	4.7	7.14	8.14	62
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West Adelaide won by 3 points

Sat 22 July, 1922

Glenelg Oval

Glenelg	1.3	1.5	3.8	4.10	34
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South Adelaide	3.3	6.6	9.8	12.12	84
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South Adelaide won by 50 points

**Sat 22 July, 1922**

**Prospect Oval**

<b>North Adelaide</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>45</b>
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<b>Norwood</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>7.16</b>	<b>9.17</b>	<b>71</b>
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**Norwood won by 26 points**

Sat 22 July, 1922

Alberton Oval

Port Adelaide	2.3	6.7	7.10	11.12	78
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Sturt	5.1	6.3	8.10	9.14	68
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Port Adelaide won by 10 points



## Match Report

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 29 Jul 1922, Page 17

NORTH ADELAIDE VERSUS NORWOOD.

North Adelaide, who are fighting for a right to participate in the semi-final matches, tried conclusions on Saturday afternoon with Norwood, who are top of the premiership list. The redlegs are practically of being one of the four in the final contests, but their desire is to annex the minor premiership as well. When these teams met earlier in the season at Norwood, the easterners overwhelmed their opponents, and amassed 22 goals 13 behinds, to 4 goals 5. Norwood's, performances easily made them the popular fancy, but the northerners entered the arena determined to make strong battle for victory.

When Umpire Quinn bounced the ball, the weather was fine but cloudy. The turf was fairly good after the recent rains. The attendance was large. The teams were as published, C. Curnow being a notable absentee from the ranks of the home team. Bryant, Potts, and Schumacher (roving), constituted Norwood's first ruck, and Sprigg, Sandery, and Thomas, (roving), acted in a similar capacity for North. Lewis won the toss, and North Adelaide kicked towards the southern goal.

From the bounce Norwood set off in workmanlike manner, but Wallis effected a line save. The visitors had a couple of opportunities to score, but their kicking was faulty and nothing eventuated. Eventually the home team were forced on the defensive, the redlegs making attack after attack. Eventually Bent opened the scoring with a minor after about five minutes play. The northerners, by a smart piece of wing play, at length got the sphere over the centre line, but it was quickly driven back, and Hart, from a poor shot, close in, obtained a minor, followed by another by Schumacher from a snap-shot. A few seconds later, however, Townley was more successful, a neat drop kick reaching home. Momentarily the red-and-whites held sway, and by a fairly swift movement along the western wing they forced a behind. Rallying their forces again, North by a spirited move via the same route, sent up another point. At this juncture Lewis had to be assisted off the field. Despite his absence the home men battled valiantly, and for five minutes they attacked strongly, but after little success, Conrad, from a long shot, striking a big upright. North Adelaide were making a fine impression towards the close of the quarter, but they were unable to raise the two flags. At the call of the bell the scores were: — Norwood, 1 goal 4 behinds. North Adelaide, 5 behinds.

On the change over North immediately instituted a sortie which was resultless. At this stage Lewis reappeared with a pronounced limp, and Sprigg was helped off. The game was not spectacular, but it was thrilling. The red-legs forced a passage down the centre, then to the wing, and Schumacher took a mark and from, an angle sent up two flags. A great cheer went up as Lewis took a mark close in and punted Norths' first goal. Sprigg reappeared and Lewis signalled his colleague's reappearance with another major, thus placing his team only one point in arrear. Then the visitors took a hand and after Hart had missed the big opening Hepburn kicked the ball, the break of which beat Wallis, in goal, and the leather went through. By superior passing the red-legs broke through again, and Close, after marking brilliantly, piloted the leather through. Not to be outdone, North Adelaide, by a neat



combined effort, in which shepherding played a feature, enabled Stennett to do the needful. The play had become interesting, with both sides putting in with a vim that pleased the onlookers. In this quarter North had improved considerably. They were quicker to the ball, and played with much more certainty than in the earlier stages of the game. Considering the injuries sustained by Lewis, who had to hop on one leg to get the ball, and Sprigg, they put up a remarkably fine quarter. When the big adjournment took place the board showed — Norwood, 4 goals 7 behinds. North Adelaide, 3 goals 6 behinds.

During the interval it was ascertained that Lewis had broken an external ligament of an ankle. He was attended by Dr. Pellew. Sprigg's temporary retirement was caused by his tongue being cut by his false teeth. With a meritorious rush, headed by Fuss, North dashed homeward, and Thomas, after worming his way out of the crush, punted a goal, making North Adelaide one point behind. Norwood attacked vigorously, but they found the defence strong, and twice their thrusts came to nought. The game had developed pace, quick passages being effected by good play. B. A. Scott registered full points for the visitors, and Sandery, in a tussle, did likewise for the northerners, who missed a golden opportunity to score, owing to Lewis' disability. Faulty kicking by Norwood sent up their eleventh minor, Bent and Hart both failing, the latter from a free again misfiring. Ultimately Bent secured, and after sparring for space he found the opening. The game had now reached a fairly high standard, with Bryant king in the air. Attack after attack of the visitors failed to produce the double flags, until Hart broke a ,oiif run of bad shots with a major. Then the red-and-whites came prominently to the fore with some quick exchanges, but minors only were the outcome. Towards the end of the term Norwood again became masters of the situation, and, by concerted action, in which they displayed fine aerial work and slick passing, they launched a hot attack. Hepburn capping the quarter with a minor as the bell rang. At three-quarter time the scores were:— Norwood, 7 goals 16 behinds. North Adelaide, 5 goals 8 behinds.

The red-and-whites faced the final bout with a deficiency of 20 points, but they opened with grim determination, and gave the opposing backs plenty of work. Unfortunately, North's weakness, through Lewis' disability, rendered several attacks useless. It was too strenuous to last long, and then the redlegs came with two fine rushes down the centre, which produced maximums, Hart, at length coming into prominence by notching both of them. Norwood continued to press onward, a spectacular run by W. Scott evoking loud applause. The home team appeared to be tiring, but they battled gamely against tremendous odds. The visitors were showing marked superiority in the air, but their opponents were smart along the turf, many of their efforts being nullified by poor passing. Pulling themselves together again, the northerners temporarily assumed command, but their inability to yield results was due to the gap down forward, which was dis-heartening to the ruck and centre line, who were working well together. The red-and-whites exhibited some excellent handball along the pavilion wing, as a result of which Wedger gained prominence by a shot which reached its objective. The play was interesting, and at times brilliant, but the heavy ground militated against a consistently clean, fast game. At the final bell the scores were:— Norwood, 9 goals 17 behinds. North Adelaide, 6 goals 9 behinds.



The best players were: — Norwood — Bryant, W. Scott, Dobson, White, Schumacher, Stephens, Toovey, Hart, and Potts. North Adelaide— Thomas, Zeven, Sprigg, Fuss, McDonald, Broderick, Conrad, Wallis, and Sandery.

Goalkickers. — Norwood — Hart (3), Townley, Schumacher, Hepburn, Close, B. A. Scott, and Bent. North Adelaide— Lewis (2), Stennett, Thomas, Sandery, and, Wedger.

## Premiership Table

PREMIERSHIP LIST.							Pts. Pm.	
	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.	
Norwood.. . . .	9	8	1	—	840	410	16	
South Adelaide .	10	7	3	—	784	581	14	
West Torrens ..	9	6	2	1	569	545	13	
Port Adelaide ..	10	5	5	—	649	674	10	
Sturt.. . . .	10	4	5	1	715	671	9	
West Adelaide .	10	4	6	—	582	662	8	
North Adelaide.	10	4	6	—	620	745	8	
Glenelg .. . . .	10	—	10	—	471	932	—	

West Adelaide, 9 goals 11 behinds.
West Torrens, 8 goals 14 behinds.
Port Adelaide, 11 goals 12 behinds.
Sturt, 9 goals 14 behinds.
Norwood, 9 goals 17 behinds.
North Adelaide, 6 goals 9 behinds.
South Adelaide, 12 goals 12 behinds.
Glenelg, 4 goals 10 behinds.



## Round 11

Sat 29 July, 1922	Glenelg Oval				
Glenelg	2.1	3.3	5.8	5.10	40
Sturt	3.4	6.9	8.12	11.17	83
Sturt won by 43 points					

<b>Sat 29 July, 1922</b>	<b>Prospect Oval</b>				
<b>Norwood</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>9.7</b>	<b>11.15</b>	<b>81</b>
<b>West Adelaide</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>5.11</b>	<b>6.12</b>	<b>48</b>
<b>Norwood won by 33 points</b>					

Sat 29 July, 1922	Thebarton Oval				
West Torrens	3.1	5.3	6.6	7.8	50
South Adelaide	2.4	3.6	7.12	9.15	69
South Adelaide won by 19 points					

Sat 29 July, 1922	Prospect Oval				
North Adelaide	3.2	5.5	6.8	7.11	53
Port Adelaide	4.2	4.6	6.10	11.14	80
Port Adelaide won by 27 points					



## Match Report

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 5 Aug 1922, Page 17

### NORWOOD VERSUS WEST ADELAIDE.

West Adelaide, who entered the arena at Norwood on Saturday afternoon, flushed with recent victory over West Torrens, were confident of inflicting defeat on the champion red-legs, who head the premiership list with only one loss. When these teams met on June 24, at Adelaide, the westerners put up a good game, and were not nearly so badly beaten as have been all the other teams by Norwood. On that occasion West Adelaide were defeated by 11 goals 17 behinds to 8 goals 8 behinds. On the other hand, Norwood were equally confident of success. Their form against North, without detracting from the merit of that team, was not their best, owing to a break caused by a holiday tour. The weather was at its best, and in anticipation of a titanic struggle, for defeat to the red and blacks meant practically elimination of their chances of getting into the big four, a very large crowd assembled to witness the contest. Hamilton, the ex-North Adelaidean, over whom trouble has arisen concerning residential qualifications, was included in the West team, and Cooper and W. Bishop stood down. Norwood's team was as published, with the exception that Clapson was substituted for Hepburn. Peters, Bailey, and Barnea (roving) constituted the West Adelaide's first ruck, and Bryant, Potts, and Schumacher (roving) acted in a similar capacity for the home team. Peters won the toss and West Adelaide kicked to the Parade end. Twice Norwood went goalwards, but Lee marked brilliantly and saved the situation. Barnes headed a quick rush and Peters from a free scored first point of the day. With rapidity the ball travelled to all parts of the arena, smart exchanges and excellent ground work being features of this play. The game was thrilling and already the spectators had been worked up to a high pitch of excitement. After some minutes of resultless play on both sides, Norwood broke through, and B. Scott put the ball through. A semi-circular dive by the visitors drove the sphere into the danger zone, where Barnes, from a free, equalised the goal tally. The game continued to be thrilling, and some exciting tussles occurred near the Norwood's goal, out of one of which Close secured and kicked truly. Again, with a meteoric rush, West went onward, and Martin cleverly secured the red and blacks' second major. Like a flash then the home eighteen swept along the wing, and Schumacher, from an easy shot, sent Norwood a goal ahead. The players were very energetic. At this stage Fowler was limping, and had to be transferred from centre to the forward division. He was immediately successful with a major a second before the bell rang, when the scores were: — Norwood, 4 goals 2 behinds. West Adelaide, 2 goals 2 behinds.

Cossey, Martin, and J. Bishop (roving) formed West's second ruck, and Grantley, Dobson, and B. Scott (roving) acted for the home team. A wing manoeuvre by the red and blacks was frustrated by a fine mark by Johns, but three subsequent attacks made in quick succession yielded a minor each to the chagrin of West's supporters. West were combining well, and Peters was marking superbly, but his shots were inaccurate. Both were close in. Norwood did much better when they got into their opponents' back lines, and goals came quickly from Schumacher and Bent, the latter marking splendidly. Vigorous methods were being adopted, and the aerial work was pleasing. After some resultless work Schumacher cleverly snapped the red-legs' seventh major, after securing from a long





kick by Hart, which nearly reached its objective. By a swift direct central movement West, through the instrumentality of Lukeman, obtained a six-pointer, and Hart performed a similar service for the red-legs. Sympathetic cheers greeted Fowler as he rose to his feet with his knee bandaged after being temporarily incapacitated. A minute later his knee gave way again, and he was lifted out of the way. Subsequently he was assisted from the field. The game provided many exciting encounters, but the marked superiority of the local men in the air, and their good shooting accounted for the big discrepancy between the scores. Alternately the ball went to the forward lines on both sides, but the poor kicking of the red and blacks was disheartening to their ruck. At the long adjournment the board showed:—Norwood, 8 goals 4 behinds. West, 3 goals 8 behinds.

Norwood were first to find their feet, and Bent hit the post, the third time this had happened to Norwood. As Schumacher kicked for goal and missed, Fowler reappeared. Norwood assumed the offensive on three occasions, but a minor only resulted. In their thrusts the red and blacks were more successful, Macklin registering six points. A few seconds later Bent snapshotted the easterner's ninth major, after a warm tussle in front of goal. Schumacher evoked loud applause by clever work, and Barnes was effective on the other side. The game was willing, and frees were plentiful, but the play was still exciting. West were showing poor judgment in passing, and their forwards were displaying a lamentable lack of cohesion. A beautiful goal by Barnes sent up West's fifth major. A beautiful passage was effected, by White, Sibley, and Bent, but the last-named kicked short. The Norwood men were masters of the situation. West were leaving their places, and were relying more upon bulldog rushes than on picking out their men to effect their advances. The same had been fast and often spectacular, but the home team were playing the better football and more than held their own. Simmons tried an impossible shot for West just as the three-quarter bell rang. The scores were then:— Norwood, 9 goals 7 behinds. West Adelaide, 5 goals 11 behinds.

Despite Fowler's injury, Norwood opened the last term with every prospect of winning, and they set about immediately in best fashion to achieve their purpose, a central drive resulting in the redlegs' tenth major, from a kick by B. Scott. The same player quickly after struck an upright and Bent sent up another minor. Rough play was shown on the eastern wing. Again Norwood rushed goalwards, and Bent was successful in raising two flags. Nothing but a supreme effort could now save Peters' men who were unable to counteract the masterly tactics of their opponents. At length the red-and-blacks thrust hard to get through, but Stephens blocked the passage and in turn, initiated a forward increment, but nothing resulted. Then West Adelaide wriggled their way across to the wing and then to the central position, within striking distance, whence Martin fired accurately. Immediately there followed the most spectacular incident of the game, Clapson some neat, swift exchanges by Scott and Schumacher, and capped his effort with a minor from a long running kick. The play was willing, with a tendency to be rough, in consequence of which the whistle had frequently to be used. The play, although the issue was settled, continued to be fast, but the display of West was not particularly impressive. Even with Hamilton occupying the pivotal position at centre, the centre line was weak, and the same may be said of West's forward lines. The final scores were: —Norwood, 11. goals 15 behinds. West Adelaide. 6 goals 12 behinds.



The goalkickers were:— Norwood— Schumacher (3), Bent (3), B. A. Scott (2), Close, Fowler, and Hart; West Adelaide - Martin (2), Barnes (2), Lukeman, and Macklin.

Best players: — Norwood— Schumacher, Clapson. White, Bryant, W. and. B. A. Scott, Toovey, Townley, and Bent. For West Adelaide— Barnes Huxtable, Cossey, Lee, Peters, Martin, Ellis, and Lukeman.

West Adelaide were outclassed. The winners displayed fine judgment in the air, were more certain in their passing, and in team work excelled.

## Premiership Table

PREMIERSHIP LIST.									
	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Ag.	Pts.	Prem.	
Norwood .. ..	10	9	1	—	921	460	18		
South Adelaide	11	8	3	—	853	631	16		
West Torrens .	10	6	3	1	619	614	13		
Port Adelaide .	11	6	5	—	719	727	12		
Sturt .. .. .	11	5	5	1	798	711	11		
West Adelaide .	11	4	7	—	630	743	8		
North Adelaide	11	4	7	—	675	825	8		
Glenelg .. ..	11	—	11	—	511	1015	—		

Norwood, 11 goals 15 behinds.
West Adelaide, 6 goals 12 behinds.
South Adelaide, 9 goals 15 behinds.
West Torrens, 7 goals 8 behinds.
Port Adelaide, 11 goals 14 behinds.
North Adelaide, 7 goals 11 behinds.
Sturt, 11 goals 17 behinds.
Glenelg, 5 goals 10 behinds.



## Round 12

Sat 5 Aug, 1922

Adelaide Oval

West Adelaide	4.4	5.6	11.13	17.19	121
Glenelg	1.3	2.7	2.8	3.9	27

West Adelaide won by 94 points

Sat 5 Aug, 1922

Thebarton Oval

West Torrens	1.3	6.10	7.13	10.18	78
North Adelaide	3.3	5.4	8.6	9.8	62

West Torrens won by 16 points

**Sat 5 Aug, 1922**

**Unley Oval**

<b>Sturt</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>Norwood</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>9.14</b>	<b>11.18</b>	<b>84</b>

**Norwood won by 33 points**

Sat 5 Aug, 1922

Alberton Oval

Port Adelaide	0.4	6.4	7.5	10.8	68
South Adelaide	3.5	4.9	5.13	5.14	44

Port Adelaide won by 24 points



## Match Report

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SCIENTIFIC FOOTBALL.

FORWARDS SPELL VICTORY.

NORWOOD BEAT STURT.

(By 'Spectator.')

"Sturt will get in the four—the last four," declared a disconsolate double blue barracker at the close of the football contest between Sturt and Norwood on the Unley Oval on Saturday. Probably the gloomy prediction was the result of the news that Port Adelaide had secured a strangle hold upon fourth place by beating South Adelaide at Alberton. Otherwise the defeat of Sturt by the great Norwood team, which had triumphed over all comers, except in the first match of the season, should not have caused Sturt supporters to lose faith in their own side. It would have caused a good deal of surprise had Norwood met with a reverse in this game, for Sturt had not of late done anything to warrant an expectation of a great and spectacular victory. But the double blues did one thing, they gave Norwood some anxious moments up to half-time. Furthermore they played the better and more dashing game during three of the four quarters, except in the forward lines. In the work that counted, however, Norwood still proved themselves masters. Sturt beat them in the air and out-pointed them a good deal in mid-field tactics, but when one wanted to see good forward play one had to look at the redlegs in attack. Had the Sturt forwards been as well schooled the match undoubtedly would have had a different result. Sturt, however, failed rather dismally in finishing their attacks. As a whole the team has seldom shown better flash, but there seemed to be a line about 20 or perhaps 30 yards from goal, and when the ball went across it a spell seemed to be cast upon the Sturt forwards. They lost their dash, speed gave place to anxious haste, and before they had time to realise what was happening Norwood had checked and turned the attack and opened an offensive on their own account. It was disappointing to see such excellent work in other parts of the field going for nought, but it was clear that strive how they might, Sturt could not imitate the combined and easy methods of the Norwood forwards. When the ball came along the men on the redlegs' front line began to move, running here, running there, dodging, turning, and stopping, as if controlled by some unseen power, which made them do just the right thing without undue effort. There were generally two or three loose men; it was impossible for the Sturt backs to keep track of them all. The one loose man in the forward lines was always the dangerous man. Norwood always picked the best-placed man, and as all were moving—breaking for any open space that showed—there was always a good chance for a neat pass. Norwood players this year are adepts at neat passing. Sturt were nothing like so clever or resourceful in attack, and so Norwood, although they have played many better midfield games, won a strenuous match with a margin of 33 points.



### Sturt Keep Their Opponents Busy.

Sturt had not a particularly strong team. 'Ted' Beatty and Caldwell well might have stiffened the defence, and helped to hold the opposing attack, but it was method more than men which Sturt were deficient in. The crowd numbered about 15,000, and the 'gate' was £453, both figures constituting a record for the Unley Oval. White won the toss and Norwood kicked to the northern goal. The weather was fine, and there was no wind. Sturt began in dashing style and won their first goal in a manner which promised much. Richardson drove the ball well forward, and a little towards the wing. Whitehead was thrown, and, with a penalty kick, stabbed the ball in businesslike style to Odgers. The little rover got the goal with one of his best drop kicks. Norwood then assumed the offensive, but were effectively held for some time. Their first score was a behind, followed a little later by a goal by Hepburn after a display of marking by Bryant. The home team early showed aerial superiority over Norwood, and one conspicuously good mark was taken by Lyne over the head of W. Scott. Long kicking and fine air work enabled Sturt to maintain an offensive for some time, but there was no finish to their attacks. Norwood, on the other hand, after several minutes of serious defensive work, suddenly rallied, and in the easiest manner possible worked the ball through the opposing backs, where Bent goaled with a snapshot. Once again Sturt kept their forwards well supplied for several minutes, but before any serious damage was done Norwood flashed the ball to the other end and Sibley kicked it off the ground to Close, who had no difficulty in winning a goal. Sturt seemed to be wearing out their strength in fruitless attacks, while Norwood, by clever manoeuvring, appeared to be able to score with the smallest expenditure of energy. At quarter time the red legs led with 3 goals 4 behinds against 1 goal 2 behinds.

### Scoring Without Effort.

The second quarter was almost a replica of the first, except that the scoring was goal for goal. Sturt started with a meritorious six-pointer snapped by Sellick out of a scrum. Then straight through the middle of the field went Norwood, but Bent failed with a shot at moderate range. Sturt again spent a long period in attack, but Norwood moved quickly and with deadly sureness. Travelling ahead of the ball, picking out men quickly and passing accurately, they overcame every line of defence with the greatest ease, and Bent did the proper thing. Sturt replied with such vigor and directness that it seemed as if they had at last found their game. Sellick screwed his second goal. It was Norwood's turn now to attack for some time without much result, but Hart broke the spell by marking from a kick-off and notching the fifth goal for his side with a drop kick. At half-time Norwood had a lead of 13 points— 5 goals 7 behinds against 3 goals 6 behinds.

### The Redlegs' Quarter.

Norwood supporters, and particularly the keener critics amongst them, wanted to know at half-time what was the matter with their team. They did not seem to realise that the dash and spirit and the skill of certain of the Sturt players had kept the redlegs out of midfield play a good deal. The marking in the first half and last-quarter of K. Jackson, who was opposed to W. Scott, was phenomenal and gave the inter-State man no chance. Jackson kicked very poorly, however, otherwise he might have been a match-winner for Sturt. James, at centre half-back, had put up a splendid game, and Riley, in



the ruck, and Richardson, at centre, made up a quartet of Sturt performers which Norwood could not rival. Mainly by the great work of these four, aided by the skill and dash of a very honest team, Sturt made a game of it until half-time. Then a change came o'er the scene. Norwood spent nearly the whole of the third quarter in attack. Sturt seemed listless and were not at all like the dashing eighteen of the first half. Norwood, on the other hand, moved like fine mechanism — each part in its place and doing its allotted task without obvious strain. W. Scott asserted himself at centre half-back, Bryant dominated the ruck, Dobson marked like a champion, and Hart and Bent were very much alive in attack. Norwood scored four goals and should have had another, but Sturt only advanced their score two points. At three-quarter time Norwood apparently had the game won— 9 goals 14 behinds against 3 goals 8 behinds.

Sturt made a big revival in the last quarter. Richardson brought Golding from goal into the forward lines, Nicolle, who was limping a little, becoming goalkeeper. The double blues began with a rattle, Odgers winning a goal with a place-kick within a few seconds of the bounce. In another attack a fine pass was sent to Scrutton. He took the mark too easily, let the ball slip from his hands to those of Toovey, and in two kicks Norwood won a goal, this being Bent's fourth. Pretty combined work by Norwood followed, but Hart missed an easy snap, and Sturt took courage. A great kick by O. Beatty, and an equally good mark and kick by Golding were followed by Whitehead turning the ball through the goal opening. A Norwood attack was stopped in the goal mouth. Sharp made a fine run and Riley delivered the ball well forward. Golding just missed with a free kick from long range. A moment later he marked again, and, with a magnificent place kick, scored his first goal. Norwood still had a big lead, but a little later Golding scored with another place kick, and the margin was reduced to 4 goals 3 behinds. It was Sturt's last effort. Norwood attacked, and a Sturt man foolishly interfered with Bent near the goalposts. It was as good as giving Norwood a goal, for Bent could not miss at the short distance. A little later the bell stopped a Sturt attack. The final scores were: —Norwood, 11 goals 18 behinds. Sturt, 7 goals 9 behinds.

The question on the lips of many Sturt supporters after the match was why Golding was not sent forward earlier. They overlooked what he saved to the side in his position as custodian. The best players were: — Norwood— Stephens, Clapson, Bent, Bryant, Dobson, Hart, Schumacher, White, and Toovey. Sturt— Riley, Richardson, Golding, James, Jackson, Whitehead, Bruce, and Odgers.

Goalkickers: — Norwood— Bent (5), Hart (3), Hepburn, Close, and Sibley; Sturt—Sellick, Odgers, and Golding (each 2), and Whitehead.



## Premiership Table

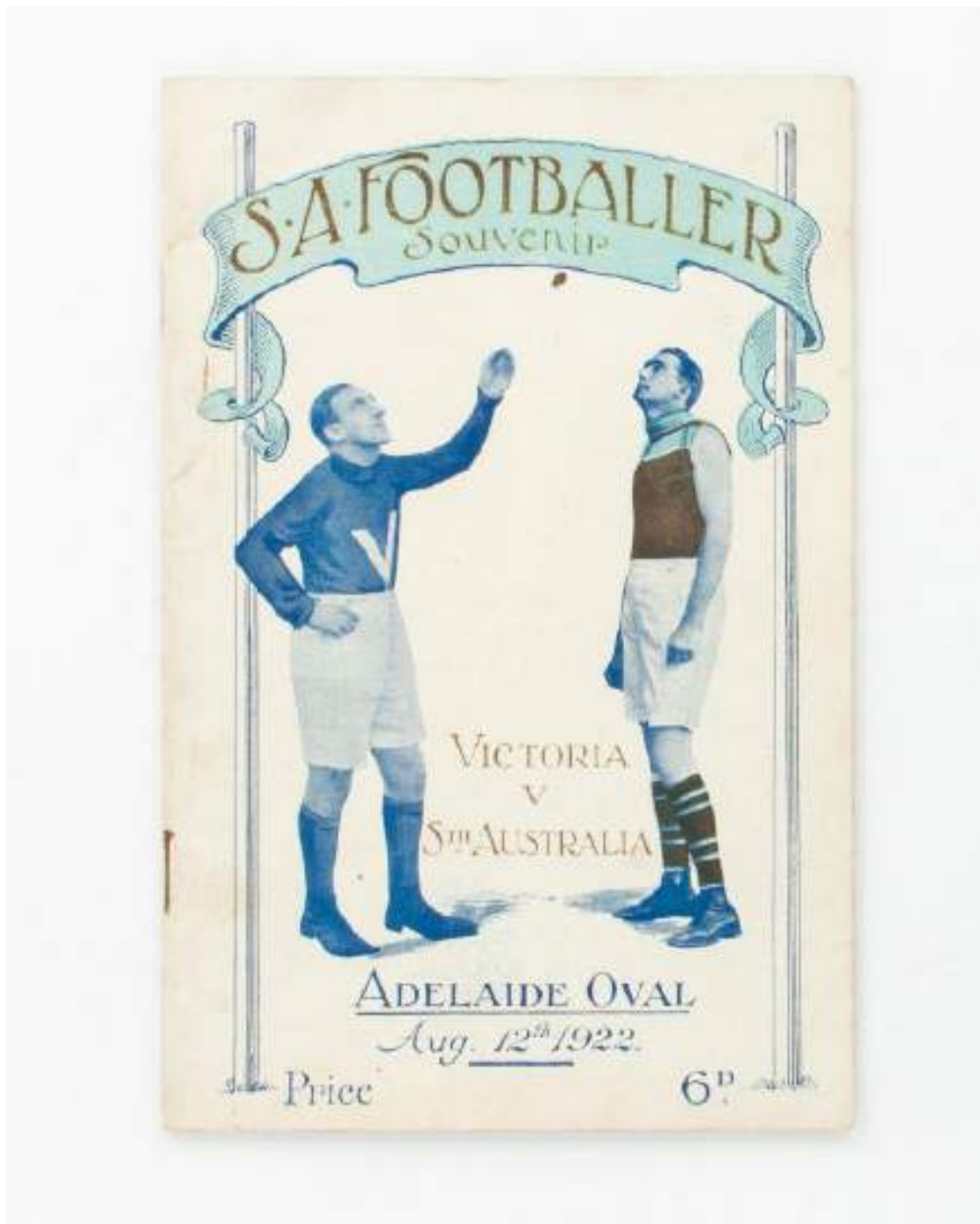
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		P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Ag.	Pts.	
Norwood .. ..	11	10	1	—	1005	511	20		
South Adelaide ..	12	8	4	—	897	899	16		
West Torrens.. ..	11	7	4	1	697	676	16		
Port Adelaide ..	12	7	5	—	787	771	14		
Sturt .. .. .	12	5	6	1	849	795	11		
West Adelaide ..	12	6	7	—	751	770	10		
North Adelaide ..	12	4	8	—	737	903	8		
Glenelg .. .. .	12	—	12	—	538	1136	—		

Port Adelaide, 10 goals 8 behinds.  
 South Adelaide, 5 goals 14 behinds.  
 West Torrens, 10 goals 18 behinds.  
 North Adelaide, 9 goals 8 behinds.  
 Norwood, 11 goals 18 behinds.  
 Sturt, 7 goals 9 behinds.  
 West Adelaide, 17 goals 19 behinds.  
 Glenelg, 3 goals 9 behinds.



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## Football.

### COMING INTER-STATE MATCH.

#### THE TEAM SELECTED.

##### WHERE ARE THE FORWARDS?

(By "Spectator.")

The South Australian Football League selectors have come very close to making themselves look ridiculous by the team they chose on Saturday night to meet Victoria in Melbourne on July 8. They had really an easy task. The centre and half-back lines and the two rucks were already chosen by the consensus of opinion amongst all players and critics of the game. The certainties were Bryant, Peters, Barnes, Caust, O. Beatty, J. W. Daly, Scanlon, Richardson, Allen, Strugnell, D. Moriarty, and W. Scott. Therefore the selectors had to fill only six positions and pick a couple of reserves. They took three hours over the task. Apart from the resting ruckmen, the selectors decided upon Allingham, Karney, and Lyne as the three best forwards in the league. The Norwood forwards, who have won an average of more than 100 points a match and shown every other team in the league how goalgetting should be done, have been passed over as if form and performances count for nothing in the selection of an inter-State team. Last year South Australia depended on Hart, Golding, and Harold Oliver as the set of forwards. Opposed to the South Australians in the carnival, the Victorians kicked 11 goals 13 behinds against 6 goals 7 behinds, and the Western Australians beat the team by 12 goals 3 behinds against 9 goals 11 behinds. The lesson of the carnival was that South Australia needed forwards; it has been a lesson repeated in nearly every inter-State match since the war, and this year, when the State seemed to be coming into its own and likely to be able to pit a worthy side against the redoubtable Melbourne professionals, the forwards who have been making history every Saturday have been passed over. Is it fair to expect Karney, who was for several years a centre man and has this season been a half-back man, to cope in an inter-State game at half-forward with men of the stamp Victoria will select as half backs?

The team chosen by the league is as follows:—

West Adelaide—Peters (captain), Barnes, Scanlon, and Cossey.  
South Adelaide—J. W. Daly, D. Moriarty, Allen, and Caust.  
Sturt—Richardson (captain), O. Beatty, and Lyne.  
West Torrens—Karney, Strugnell, and Davies.  
Norwood—Bryant and W. Scott.

Davies.

Norwood—Bryant and W. Scott.  
North Adelaide—Trescowthick.  
Port Adelaide—Allingham.

The reserves are:—Ruck, Hanley (Glenelg); all-round, Lewis (North Adelaide).

The selectors have apparently overlooked the fact that football supporters in South Australia want the status of South Australian football maintained, and do not care a fig about whether certain clubs or certain players may be disappointed. The South Australian public looked for the best available team. They have not got it, and will want an explanation from the League delegates. If the League flout public opinion interest in the great winter game will soon wane.

After the match on Saturday and prior to the meeting of the selectors I picked a side as a choice entirely free from personal or club partisanship. Appended is the team selected by the League, and under each in parentheses is the name of the player I selected for the position:—

#### FORWARDS.

J. W. Daly (O. Beatty)	Allingham (Bent)	O. Beatty (J. W. Daly)
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#### HALF-FORWARDS.

Karney (Hart)	Caust (Lyne)	Lyne (Caust)
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#### CENTRE.

Scanlon (Scanlon)	Richardson (Richardson)	Allen (Allen)
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#### HALF-BACK.

Strugnell (Strugnell)	D. Moriarty (D. Moriarty)	W. Scott (W. Scott)
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#### BACK.

Cossey (E. Beatty)	Trescowthick (Oliver)	Davies (Bampton)
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#### RUCKS.

Bryant (Bryant)	Peters (Peters)	Barnes (Barnes)
Caust (O. Beatty)	O. Beatty (Caust)	J. W. Daly (J. W. Daly)

The centre and half-back lines and the rucks are precisely the same. The full-backs are entirely different. I favored Oliver because he is young, clever, and heady, and kicks magnificently. His youth should give him a prior claim over Trescowthick. With me it was a toss-up between E. Beatty and Cossey for back on the left, but on Saturday's form Bampton won the place on the right. Davies was in the carnival last year, but this season has not been up to form. In the forward lines Caust and Lyne appear in both teams, but Hart unquestionably should have been half-forward on the left. He got five goals on Saturday, though he was not

played in his proper place. Bent is undeniably the goalsman most likely to succeed in an inter-State game. He is exceptionally clever in getting the ball.

The method of selection is bad. Eight club delegates chose the team. The system has failed before. It would be infinitely better to leave the choice to three





The Chronicle (Adelaide), Sat 8 Jul 1922, Page 16

**THE INTER-STATE FOOTBALL TEAM.**

The selectors met last night to choose two players to fill the vacancies in the inter-State football team caused by the retirement of Allingham and Trescowthick. After considerable deliberation T.

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Hart, the Norwood half-forward, and W. G. Oliver, the South Adelaide goalkeeper, were chosen. The team has been rearranged. H. Lyne will take Allingham's place right forward, and Hart will play half-forward, where Lyne was originally placed. Oliver will take Trescowthick's place in goal. Either G. Smith (West Torrens), or T. Etheridge (Glenelg) will accompany the team as trainer in place of W. Braham, who is ill. The omission from the team of Bent, the Norwood forward, will occasion surprise.

The Chronicle (Adelaide), Sat 19 Aug 1922, Page 17

SOUTH AUSTRALIA WINS.

ONE GOAL VICTORY OVER VICTORIA.

GREAT CROWD AT THE OVAL.

(By 'Spectator')

South Australia, 7 goals 11 behinds.

Victoria, 6 goals 14 behinds.

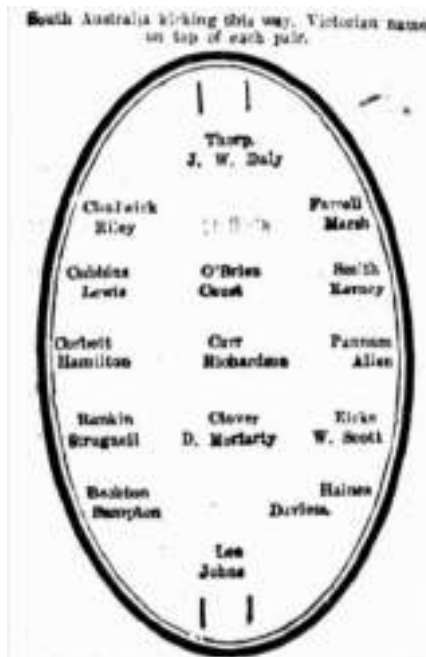
South Australia has beaten Victoria at football so seldom within the memory of the great body of present-day patrons of the sport that, a victory for the central State is a matter of great moment. There was a strong hope stimulating the 36,200 people who gathered at the Adelaide Oval on Saturday afternoon that the preponderance of lost games over won games would that day be reduced by one, and the hope was realised, for the South Australian team compelled the visitors to lower their colors for the fourth time in 20 years. It was not quite such a convincing victory as leaves a sense of complete satisfaction in the result, but it was nevertheless a notable achievement. The visiting team, came over accredited as the strongest side the sister State could place in the field. It offered no apologies then, and it returned to Melbourne making no excuses for the reverse. South Australia played the better game, and beat an honest and skilful combination. In the natural order of



things Victoria, by reason of its bigger population should be able to pick 18 better footballers than South Australia can find. Further, the Australian code of football has been brought to a higher pitch of perfection in the neighboring State than in South Australia, because there are more players competing for senior honors. It is therefore a big thing in football to win by even one goal against a Victorian eighteen. Really, we should hardly expect to beat a Melbourne team on even terms, but beaten them we have, and in one of the hardest contests seen on the Adelaide Oval. The victory was won by dint of greater speed and dash and grim determination. No players ever faced an issue with more courage than did the champions of this State in Saturday's contest. Victoria, it must be admitted, did not play as fine a game as they usually treat us to, but the counter-measures of the home side were at least partly the cause of that in preventing the visitors from developing the combined and businesslike methods which have so often won them distinction in the past. It should be pointed out, too, that some of the men who are looked upon as the bright particular stars of football in this State were by no means brilliant in this game, and several of the lesser lights for once outshone them. The Victorians were unfortunate in having one of their players off the field temporarily incapacitated during the second quarter. This certainly affected their play, but whether it cost them the win it is hard to say. Victoria played a hard forcing game in the last quarter, but their wonderful goal-kicker, Lee, who was playing his last inter-State game at the close of a remarkable football career, was not quite equal to the occasion. South Australia saw a three-quarter time lead of 10 points steadily whittled away, but they beat off attack after attack and saved the day.

#### A Heavy Ground.

The weather was fine, and a bracing light wind blew from the west almost directly across the ground. As the result of the rains during the previous days the turf had not recovered its springiness when the match began. A large area in the centre was very slippery, and midway between centre and goal at each end there was another bad patch. On account of the mud the umpire had to bounce the ball some distance on the pavilion side of the line from goal to goal. A great sea of faces surrounded the playing arena, and the huge multitude appeared to be on the tip-toe of expectation. The Victorians were warmly cheered when they entered the field, and though there was a general hope that the home team would win good play on the part of the visitors evoked generous applause. Martyn and Hagger were left out of the Victorian twenty. The South Australian team was the same as originally selected, except that Lewis took the place of C. Dayman, who stood down on account of injury. L. C. Dayman, of Port Adelaide, was 19th man. The positions of the Victorians were a good deal altered and the players took the field as shown in the appended diagram:—



First rucks

South Australia: Bryant, Peters and Barnes (roving).

Victoria: Cazaly, Murphy and Tandy (roving).

Second rucks

South Australia: Marsh, Riley and Daly (roving).

Victoria: Beckton, Chadwick and Haines (roving).

Businesslike Victorians.

Peters (captain of the South Australian team) won the toss from Haines, and the home team kicked first towards the Cathedral goal, receiving very slight assistance from the light cross wind. South Australia opened the scoring with a behind, quickly followed by a splendid screw kick for goal by the rover, Barnes. Pannam started the visitors on their first offensive. Clover, the Carlton crack half-forward, was interfered with in going for a mark, and his kick delivered the ball in the vicinity of Lee, who pounced upon it, and with speed that almost made one blink popped it through the goal opening. The game livened up. It was no parlor contest, but the temper of the players was excellent. South Australia were very aggressive, and thus early the spectators began to arouse a real hope of victory. Caust marked everything that came his way, but when both he and Lewis missed the goal with easy shots a doubt rose whether the story of the game might not be a tale of missed chances. After a period of strenuous defensive work Victoria emerged majestically with the ball, and as it came forward Clover marked over a bunch. He hit the post at long range. Thereafter until the first



change of ends, the backs of both teams held attacks in check. The visitors, however, were more thorough in their methods, were quick off the mark, particularly smart in turning after receiving a pass, and wonderfully sound in judging a position at a glance. There was not the slightest hesitancy in anything they did, and a few mistakes could be held against them. The South Australian attacks often failed for lack of momentum; the forwards nearly always being outwitted by the opposing backs in manoeuvring for position. The behind tally of the South Australians grew, but no other goal was won by that team in the quarter. Lee secured the second goal of his side with a place kick. At the end of the term the scores were: —Victoria, 2 goals 3 behinds; South Australia, 1 goal 4 behinds.

#### FOUR GOALS FROM 14 SHOTS.

The South Australians improved their methods very much in the second quarter. An advance by Victoria was checked by Bampton, and definitely turned by Scott, and the home side attacked in the most approved manner. Daly and Barnes carried on in the forward lines, the latter winning a goal. Farrell, the Essendon back, was hurt and was carried off the field to remain out of the game during the remainder of the quarter. Eicke was sent back to help the defence. The South Australians by this time had developed a fast, open game, distinguished by high marking and good handball. Daly gave them a good lead by getting a goal, and this seemed to convince the Victorians of the need for something big on their part. Splendid marking by Beckton and Chadwick gave the Victorians a good chance, but Johns stopped the attack on the goal line. South Australia set off goalwards again, but Moriarty tried to run too far in the slippery patch in the middle, and lost the ball to Pannam, who made a beautiful long pass to Lee. The great goalkicker found the shot well within his capacity. Excellent mid-field work by the South Australians was then nullified by poor shooting on the part of the forwards, and before long Victoria secured a lead of two points in consequence of Beckton marking at arm's length from the goal. The success was only made possible by the fine play of Cazaly and Clover. The South Australians' poor aim in goal shooting came painfully under notice again before Daly scored with a free kick, awarded because Cubbins juggled the ball. Lewis, however, failed immediately afterwards, although he had a splendid target. In consequence of diligent behind scoring, however, the home team had a lead of six points at half-time, the scores then being— South Australia, 4 goals 10 behinds. Victoria, 4 goals 4 behinds.

#### South Australia Still in Front.

As in the second quarter, South Australia began the third term with great dash, and Riley caused two flags to be waved. Lee then made the first of a succession of unexpected misses. Farrell had returned to the ground and for a while played full forward before going to his allotted place in the defence. From this out the speed of the game was faster than ever. South Australia showing some of their best form in quick rallies. They adopted a system of cross-field passes from centre to half-forward wing and back to the front of the goal. This scheme was frequently successful until the ball reached a point near goal. Rankin secured a goal for Victoria after a characteristically well-executed attack, but South Australia then scored twice, Riley and Caust each goaling after marking magnificently close up. At the other end Johns, the South Australian custodian made his only serious mistake by knocking the ball to Clover a yard from the goal line, and six points were added to the Victorian score. The



Carlton star, however, missed badly twice in this quarter. At three-quarter time the board showed:  
— South Australia, 7 goals 13 behinds. Victoria, 6 goals 9 behinds.

To the Last Ditch.

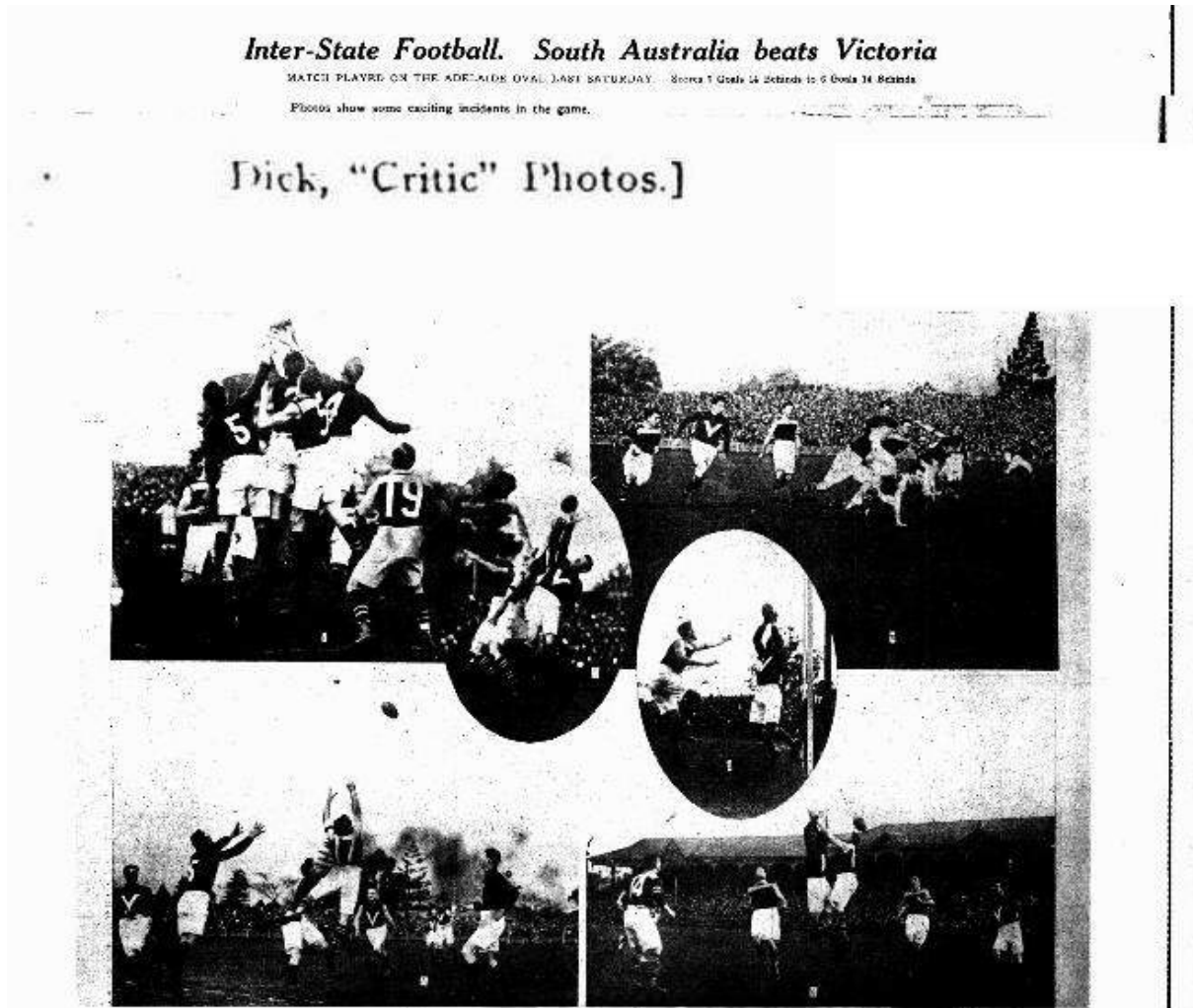
Richardson's aerial work at centre and his unfailing good judgment in sending the ball on had been a big factor in South Australia's success up to this stage. He was the king-pin of the home team, but in the last quarter Carr outclassed him by dint of wonderful ground play. The St. Kilda centre man had a big hand in the strong effort made by the Victorians to snatch a win in the last quarter. South Australia added a point early, their last point for the match. Thereafter there was a titanic struggle—Victoria making desperate efforts to get a goal, and South fighting with grim determination to keep a lead if it were only one point. Slowly the visitors wore their opponents down, but Lee could never get a shot at anything but fairly long range, and his wonted accuracy had deserted him. He missed by feet, he missed by yards, and he once kicked out of bounds. If the Victorians got the ball at all it was smothered by weight of numbers, and thus letting a point go now and again, the South Australians fought the attackers off. Strugnell was the lion in the path in this quarter, and he did yeoman service. Victoria were dazzling in midfield, but the defence was just a little too strong for them. As the watches ticked off the last seconds Lee was given a free kick at moderate distance. The shot fell short, and the bell sounded the knell of Victorian hopes. The final scores were:—South Australia, 7 goals 14 behinds. Victoria, 6 goals 14 behinds.

Best players: South Australia— Barnes, Richardson, Bampton, Allen, Strugnell, Peters, Caust, Hamilton, Johns, and Riley; Victoria— Carr, Lee, Clover, O'Brien, Chadwick, Cazaly, Thorpe, Smith, and Rankin.

Goalkickers: South Australia— Barnes, Daly, Riley (each 2), and Caust; Victoria— Lee (3), Beckton, Rankin, and Clover.



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## Round 13

**Sat 19 Aug, 1922**

**Thebarton Oval**

<b>West Torrens</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>14.7</b>	<b>91</b>
<b>Norwood</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>62</b>

**West Torrens won by 29 points**

Sat 19 Aug, 1922

Adelaide Oval

West Adelaide	1.1	4.4	7.5	8.6	54
Sturt	1.4	2.6	3.8	7.10	52

West Adelaide won by 2 points

Sat 19 Aug, 1922

Prospect Oval

North Adelaide	5.4	7.6	10.9	10.9	69
South Adelaide	1.4	5.7	6.10	6.15	51

North Adelaide won by 18 points

Glenelg                      Bye

Port Adelaide              Bye



## Match Report

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 26 Aug 1922, Page 17

### WEST TORRENS VERSUS NORWOOD.

In cloudy but fine weather West Torrens met Norwood at the Thebarton Oval on Saturday afternoon. When these teams were pitted against each other at Norwood on June 10 the easterners, who still head the premiership list, inflicted a severe defeat on the blue-and-gold combination, who have lately occupied third position. The red-and-blues are assured of the minor premiership, and it is highly improbable that West Torrens will be excluded from the semi-final games. Despite that fact the match attracted a large concourse of spectators, who anticipated witnessing a keen struggle. The home team entered the arena confident of turning the tables on their formidable foemen, from whose ranks W. Scott and Toovey were notable absentees. C. Curnow and Naylor were not playing for the home team for whom Johnson, their coach, was nineteenth man. Umpire Blumberg had charge of the game.

Daviess won the toss and Torrens kicked to the northern end. Bryant, Potts, and Schumacher (roving) were the first ruck for the visitors, and Amis, Ashby, and Marvell (roving) acted in a similar capacity for Torrens. The home team moved down the centre from the bounce, but two attempts to break through were smothered. Two more drives were made, Wyld and Marvell getting respectively a minor and a goal. The home team were showing dash and concerted action, and were keeping their opponents continually on the defensive. Marvell from a free struck a tall upright. Neat passing and straight shooting augmented the home team's tally by six points, Wyld scoring. Norwood at length got within striking distance, but Jones and Ashby were in the way, and down the sphere travelled towards the home team's objective, but Johns saved. Eventually Wyld again figured prominently, and screw-kicked a clever goal. At length the red-legs took a turn, but a shot from Schumacher fell short. In vain Norwood endeavoured to break through, but the defence was too strong. Johns saved, but he was not ably assisted, and Pain securing, passed to Marvell, who kicked true, registering the home side's fourth major, which was followed a couple of minutes later by a similar shot by Ashby. So far Norwood had not opened their tally. They were nonplussed by the dashing methods and quick passing of their opponents. Eventually Schumacher shot down the centre, and Bent secured, but managed only a minor. A minute later the bell signalled the close of the quarter, when the board showed: — West Torrens, 5 goals 3 behinds. Norwood, 1 behind.

The home team were vastly superior in all departments of the game in the first quarter, and completely outclassed the men from Norwood. Bryant, Grantley, and B. A. Scott (roving) were Norwood's second ruck, and Marsh, Hollis, and Karney (roving), Torrens'. At the start of the second term the home team held sway, and two minors were quickly the outcome. Continually Torrens attacked, Marvell from one movement registering his third major, after unsuccessfully shooting from a snap a few seconds before. Allen, in goal, was helped by his comrades to get the ball out. Back it came again, and Hepburn drop-kicked Norwood's first goal. Immediately the blue-and-gold retaliated with a central drive, and Marvell again came into the limelight with a six-pointer. Norwood



then got into their stride. A semi-circular movement resulted in Hart raising two flags. Another swift movement elated the Norwood supporters, and Sibley was equal to the occasion. The redlegs were fast and certain and were playing a rattling good game, but they were by no means overpowering the home team. The blue-and-gold were having plenty of defensive work, but the forwards of the red-legs were elusive and keen. Hart being very prominent. Much mid-field play was indulged in, and then two determined rushes by Norwood culminated in two minors. The game had developed pace, and there were some exciting tussle. It was essentially Norwood's quarter. Half-time scores:—West Torrens, 7 goals 5 behinds. Norwood, 4 goals 5 behinds.

In the second term the football at times reached a high standard, some of the exchanges on both sides not only being spectacular, but very effective. Norwood made a fine recovery, and with the aid of the southerly wind which blew down the ground, and which had favored the home team in the opening term, they added four goals in quick time. Within 20 seconds and in three kicks, Norwood, through the instrumentality of Schumacher, registered their fifth major, and in about the same time, Hollis did likewise for Torrens. Repeatedly Norwood attacked, but their efforts were frustrated, Mills being in the way on several occasions. Then Torrens initiated a wing manoeuvre, and McCarthy place-kicked a minor, which was followed by a two-flagger by Wyld. Both sides were battling gamely, but the home team were splendid in the forward lines, where Wyld again proved reliable, and sent the ball through the tall uprights. Bent did likewise for Norwood, after Townley had sent the sphere down with a telling boot. Norwood continued their fast and effective work from midfield to forward, and Sibley, by excellent play, outwitted a couple of opponents and did the needful. Close extricated his side from a dangerous position, but the home team pressed on unavailingly, until Marvell from an acute angle sent up Torrens' eleventh goal. A meteoric rush by the redlegs on the eastern wing showed Sibley to advantage, and the left-footer sent a long, straight boot sailing through, but it was fouled in transit by Allen, Torrens' keeper. At the call for the final change-over the scores were — West Torrens, 11 goals 6 behinds. Norwood, 7 goals 7 behinds.

With a deficiency of 23 points, the visitors, despite the fact that the breeze favored them in the final term, were in an unenviable position, for Torrens were playing a winning game. The ball travelled all over the field with great rapidity, and then Norwood worked it into the danger zone, where it was punched behind. Karney was prominent in a Torrens onslaught, out of which Marvell secured a brilliant mark in front and kicked a maximum, making Torrens' position very safe. The home team were marking well, but they were unable to stem an onrush by the red-legs, which culminated in Schumacher, from a running shot, obtaining a two-flagger. Torrens were holding the game well, and Norwood were displaying dash and resourcefulness, but were unable to outplay their opponents, who had not exhausted their staying power or skill. At this juncture Daviess collided with Heinrichs, who had to be assisted from the field. Continuing their forceful tactics, the red-and-blue thrust home an attack, Bent obtaining their ninth major. The home team reasserted themselves, and Karney made a fine run down the centre wing and passed to Ashby, who from an acute angle sent up another two-flagger for the blue-and-gold. Norwood made an effort to relieve their position, but the defence overpowered them, and the sphere was transferred to the vicinity of the home team's objective. Karney and Wyld figured in some clever work the outcome of which was a goal from the former, thus registering Torrens' fourteenth major. Norwood were unable to counteract the



movements of their opponents, and the final bell rang. Norwood sustained their first defeat since the opening games in May. The scores were:— West Torrens, 14 goals 7 behinds. Norwood, 9 goals 8 behinds.

Goal-kickers:— West Torrens, Marvell (6), Wyld (4), Ashby (2), Hollis, and Karney; Norwood, Schumacher (3) Bent (2), Sibley (2). Hart and Hepburn.

Best players:- West Torrens, Karney, Marvell, Daviess, Richmond, Pain, Ashby, Wyld, Mills, and Oaten; Norwood, Schumacher, White, Sibley, Bryant, Johns, Dobson, Close, Hepburn, and Heinrich.

The winners were not superior to Norwood in aerial work, but were generally faster and more skilful in handling the ball along the turf. Torrens' forwards were in fine form, and their shooting was very good. It was a splendid game and was witnessed by 10,500 people.

## Premiership Table

PREMIERSHIP LIST.							
	P.	W.	L.	D.	Points.		Prem.
					For.	Agst.	Pts.
Norwood . . .	12	10	2	—	1067	602	20
West Torrens	12	8	3	1	788	738	17
S. Adelaide .	13	8	5	—	948	768	16
Port Adelaide	12	7	5	—	787	771	14
W. Adelaide	13	6	7	—	805	822	12
Sturt . . . .	13	5	7	1	901	849	11
N. Adelaide .	13	5	8	—	806	954	10
Glenelg . . .	12	—	12	—	538	1136	—



## Norwood vs East Perth

### Match Report

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 2 Sep 1922, Page 18

EXHIBITION FOOTBALL.

EAST PERTH DEFEAT NORWOOD.

NOT STRAIGHT-SHOT SPECIALISTS.

(By 'Spectator.')

The East Perth football team has won the virtual championship of South Australia and Western Australia, though, the title in the circumstances is not a valuable one. This much may be said for the eighteen which defeated Norwood on Saturday, however, that they appeared capable of winning the championship of the two States if, having beaten all comers in the West, they should be able to come over and meet the South Australian premiers at the close of the season. They have all the potentialities of a first-class side— pace, skill, combination, balance, and dash. It is regrettable that Norwood were not able to turn out in full strength on Saturday, for the East Perth men wished to be pitted against the strongest side the club could muster. On the play it seemed quite feasible that the visitors could have beaten Norwood at their top, but it must be admitted that the home team on Saturday was not comparable with the Norwood combination which made an exhibition of some of our best teams a few weeks ago. No side could be said to be representative of Norwood which did not contain W. Scott. B.A. Scott, Schumacher, Sibley, and Potts and these players were absentees for various reasons from the contest with East Perth. The reshuffling of positions necessitated by the alterations could not but reduce the cohesion of the side. No one could wish to rob East Perth of the honor of victory, but these are facts which the visitors themselves would not like to have ignored. They would have had no particular reason to fear Norwood at their best. In all things but one — goal-shooting — they exhibited proficiency far above the average in this State. Their dash and pace surprised many spectators, who have not kept in touch with Western Australian football and do not realise that the standard of play over there is quite as high as in Adelaide. East Perth are a high-marking side, but versatility is their chief characteristic. Once in possession they seldom lose the ball without a telling kick. Their passing is excellent, mainly because the man who is to receive the ball always anticipates and by getting into position makes passing a really simple matter. A forward, for instance, when the ball is coming always breaks the way that will suit the man in possession — that is, if a left-footer has the ball and is turning to the left wing his club-mate will dash out to that wing. Such a movement may be quickly noted by the man with the ball who has only to kick accurately and his work for the moment is well done. This is but one of many good points of the Westerners, but it is very telling. It enables them to keep the opposing backs in a state of uncertainty, and to transfer the ball from one end of the ground to the other with the greatest ease. In that respect they really





taught Norwood a lesson in forward work, though Norwood themselves were the tutors of other clubs a few weeks ago. East Perth on Saturday made their advances as smoothly as Norwood ever did. Happily for the home team the Westerners found a cross wind too much for them, and could not shoot straight. Eight goals from 28 scoring shots was a deplorable record, even on a windy day, for the ground was dry and the ball in good condition.

#### Norwood Begin Briskly.

In view of the threatening weather an attendance 8,000 and a "gate" of £330 proved that the visiting team was held in high repute over here. Probably no other purely exhibition game in Adelaide has attracted a larger crowd. The weather was far from being ideal, for the strong south-westerly wind had a big influence upon the ball, though fortunately the lowering skies did not send down rain, except in one brief, driving shower. The East Perth players were given an encouraging reception when they appeared on the field, and throughout the afternoon their achievements were warmly acclaimed. Cooper and Scott stood down from the 20 chosen by the East Perth selectors. White, the Norwood captain, won the toss, and the redlegs kicked first to the Cathedral end, backed by a diagonal wind. They started in dashing style, and Bryant was the first to score a point. Hart marked from the kick-off, and drop-kicked a great goal. East Perth got within striking distance, but their forwards were not in their stride, and the advance failed. Norwood took up the running, and Bent won their second goal. The goalsneak had been given a roving commission, and he proved very useful in that capacity throughout the match, often going into the back lines after the ball. East Perth's first score was a goal from Sparrow, after the team had beaten up in the face of driving rain. Almost immediately Giese, their goalsneak, equalised the goal-tally after marking in a bunch. The Norwood forwards during the remainder of the quarter kicked badly – except Hart, who narrowly missed with splendid shots – and scored no more goals. East Perth, seeming to find the opposition of the wind no bar to their progress, went forward in good style. They were quick off the mark, particularly expert in getting the ball out of scrimmages, and carried on their game with such speed that Norwood, after repelling one attack, scarcely had time to get into position before their opponents were at them again. When the teams changed over for the first time East Perth were leading (3 goals 1 behind against 2 goals 6 behinds), and so early in the game it was realised that the home team had met more than its match.

#### Erratic Goal-shooting.

The second quarter was a better one for Norwood. East Perth, with the wind behind them, began strongly, but the aim of their forwards, which had been good in the first quarter, became erratic. Herd, Matson (the old-time Sturt champion) and Owens were conspicuous in the first rush of the westerners, and the last-named scored a goal. Sparks missed a chance for Norwood, and then East Perth made one of the best advances of the day, marking and passing perfectly. The attack culminated in Giese place-kicking a goal. There were nice flashes of play in this quarter, both sides keeping the game fast and open. Norwood seemed satisfied to put a check on scoring, and in this connection Pridmore, the B grade goalkeeper, did splendid work. Towards the close Norwood secured the ascendancy for a while. White followed the ball into the forward lines, and hand passed





to Bent, who punted the third goal. In consequence of East Perth's poor shooting, Norwood's deficit at half-time was only two goals— 5 goals 8 behinds, against 3 goals 8 behinds.

#### One Goal in Eight Shots.

East Perth did their best work against the wind, and in the third quarter scored point for point with Norwood. They were the first to score, V. Harrold outpointing Pridmore in working for position to receive a pass. This gave the visitors a three-goal lead. The wind had dropped a good deal, and whereas it should have been worth three goals to the redlegs in the first quarter, it was not at this stage of much assistance. East Perth kept Norwood hard on the defensive for some time, and when the home team did rally the visiting backs were equal to nearly all the demands made upon them. Hart did excellently at long range throughout the match, and he just missed with a strong kick before he was given a chance near the goal and two flags were waved. Groom had as easy a chance almost immediately at the other end, and missed. Hart's finest goal was his third from about 60 yards out, a long skimming kick in which the side pressure of the wind was allowed for. The Western Australians in the quarter kicked one goal in eight scoring shots, but they limited Norwood to two goals and one behind. By three-quarter time the game was as good as won, the scores being— East Perth, 6 goals 15 behinds. Norwood, 5 goals 9 behinds.

#### East Perth Finish Well.

The wind was still an element in the game and helped the visitors in the last quarter. Norwood did not look like being able to make up the leeway, but Close was brought forward preparatory to a big offensive. The East Perth forwards, after the first quarter, had played with excellent combination, and had their aim been better, they must have won by several goals. On resuming after "lemons" they scored a goal in less than a minute, Hebbard doing the trick. Norwood replied with one of their best attacks, and no fault could be found with their forward work this time. Sparks, Hart, and Wadham were concerned, and the tall B grade colt made people open their eyes at the smart way in which he snapped a goal. Matson, of East Perth, then got his one and only goal. Herd, a dashing half-back, had been the great bar to Norwood progress in the second-half, and he was particularly hard to pass in this term. Brentnall, the carnival crack, had been the bulwark of the visitors' defence in the first half. Stamina appeared to be one of East Perth's qualities, for they never slackened until time was called. When Norwood attacked, the Westerners went in a mass to the defence, and when the ball came out they managed to get into position again in some inexplicable way in time to carry on the offensive. Their aim was not so uncertain as in the third quarter, and considering the wind two goals from seven shots was not a bad result. Norwood scored 2 goals 1 behind, Bent getting a goal after the spectators had decided that Norwood were finished for the day. The final scores were: — East Perth, 8 goals 20 behinds. Norwood, 7 goals 10 behinds.

The victory again proved the advantage of system. Man for man East Perth probably had no marked superiority, but in the capacity to play good and telling football, to carry on without pause or uncertainty, to pick up and handle the ball, to decide when a kick or a hand pass was most advantageous, and to keep cool in any circumstances. East Perth were infinitely the better team. The



best players were:— East Perth— Thomas, Herd, Brentnall, Owens, Duffy, Hebbard, Allen. Western, and V. Harrold. Norwood- White, Bent, Hart, Bryant, Stephens, Pridmore, Townley, and Wadham.

Goal-kickers:— East Perth— Giese and Hebbard (each 2), Sparrow, Owens, V. Harrold and Matson; Norwood— Hart and Bent (each 3), and Wadham.



**Above - The East Perth Football team in Adelaide.** <sup>50</sup>

East Perth defeated what were to be the 1922 SAFL (SANFL) premiers Norwood by the score of 8.20 (68) to 7.10 (52), and runners-up West Adelaide by 11.12 (78) to 7.12 (54), after having lost by a point to St. Kilda two weeks earlier in Melbourne. East Perth went on to win the W.A.N.F.L. premiership in 1922.

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## Round 14

Sat 2 Sept, 1922

Thebarton Oval

West Torrens	1.3	8.13	9.14	13.24	102
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Glenelg	1.5	2.5	6.7	6.10	46
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West Torrens won by 56 points

Sat 2 Sept, 1922

Unley Oval

Sturt	1.3	2.7	3.9	4.10	34
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North Adelaide	3.2	7.5	10.9	12.10	82
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North Adelaide won by 48 points

**Sat 2 Sept, 1922**

**Alberton Oval**

<b>Port Adelaide</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>9.12</b>	<b>66</b>
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<b>Norwood</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>8.10</b>	<b>9.14</b>	<b>68</b>
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**Norwood won by 2 points**

South Adelaide	Bye
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West Adelaide	Bye
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## Match Report

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 9 Sep 1922, Page 19

### PORT ADELAIDE VERSUS NORWOOD.

The most important of Saturday's league matches was contested at the Alberton Oval, Port Adelaide and Norwood being the opposing teams. Bright weather, with just that nip which makes for attractive football, was experienced, and the arena was in tiptop condition. These clubs are traditional rivals, and that fact goes a long way towards drawing a big attendance when they meet. Additional interest was lent to Saturday's contest by the fact that Norwood had not defeated the black and whites at the Alberton Oval. Port Adelaide were fighting hard to hold fourth position.

Neither side was at its full strength. From the Norwood ranks W. Scott, Fowler, and Dobson were absent, while Port were without the services of Maywald. Both teams had made considerable alterations in their placings. As regards Norwood, B.A. Scott occupied the central position usually held by Townley, the latter going to centre half-back. Close was stationed half-forward, Plunkett took the left centre wing, and Wadham went full forward. Of the Port men, Dewar took the place of Robertson at centre half forward, the latter going full forward. Of the Port men, Dewar took the place of Robertson at centre half forward, the latter going full forward: Hosie went half-forward instead of full forward, and J. Taylor took the centre half back position, Olds going full back. There was a slight westerly breeze blowing when the teams took the field, and White, winning the toss, decided to take advantage of it and directed his team to kick to the Port end of the oval. When Central Umpire Waters set the ball in motion the packs were Olds, Howie, and Bayley (roving) for Port, and Bryant, Grantley, and Schumacher (roving) for Norwood. Howie secured at the bounce, but White temporarily repulsed. Drew and Beck combined to give Allingham a chance, from which a single resulted. From a scrumage another single came. Hosie secured the kick-off, sent on smartly to Allingham, and a goal was scored. Stephens saved well, but his efforts were spoiled by Bampton being freed. Keeping the attack moving, Bent secured the redlegs first score— a point. Sibley also got a behind. Toovey to Bent, and a third behind resulted. Bayley took the ball down the field for the Portonians, but when the forward lines were reached a free to Ackland checked them. The visitors whipped the ball along the railway wing, and Bent's shot was productive of six points. Schumacher, Sibley, Wadham, and Hepburn was a chain that brought along the redlegs' second six-pointer. A free to Plunkett in the centre and Norwood again had Port on the defensive. Bent was pulled round the neck in a scrumage, and from the resultant free secured the third goal. Grantley forwarded to Sibley and Bent was then given yet another chance, but only one point came. B.A. Scott outwitted three opponents, and the visitor's fourth goal was registered. Only a few seconds had elapsed before yet another major went on the board, Wadham securing it. The redlegs rush had completely paralysed the Port men, and they appeared to be doing what they liked. Ackland stopped a Port onslaught in the goal mouth, and Townley aided the ball on. Adams temporarily checked, but Townley again sent it in. Nothing resulted, Taylor clearing well. Norwood returned and a behind was scored. Wadham and Sibley combined to get the sphere to the objective. Bent marked well and the score was increased by six points. Port Adelaide at last got to the Norwood citadel. Clever play by



Keal was responsible for Allingham securing Port's second goal. From the bounce Norwood again shot forward. Bent had a long shot, which C. Dayman marked. Taylor received and Howie booted it down the field. Good play on the part of L.C. Dayman, Beck, Dewar, and Hosie was marred by the last-named securing only a behind from an easy shot. The scores at the end of the first quarter were:- Norwood, 6 goals 5 behinds. Port Adelaide 2 goals 3 behinds.

On changing over J. Taylor, C. Dayman and Beck went into the pack for Port, and Wadham, Grantley, and Schumacher (roving) for Norwood. Close hit a big post within seconds of the resumption, Port repulsed through the agency of Taylor, only to see B.A. Scott return the ball. Bampton forced it out, and up forward Allingham marked and put it between the big posts. Wadham, from a free at the bounce, put the sphere into the magpie defence lines. J. Taylor sent it right up to the posts, and Wadham marked brilliantly. After Dewar had a shot which missed, Beck had an easy chance, but secure only a single. Adams stopped the redlegs when they were within striking distance, and Keal and Beck combined and got the sphere within range. The Norwood backs kept them out, however. Port were having the bulk of the play, but failed when they reached the forward lines. Taylor marked and from a scrimmage in front a point was secured. C. Dayman and Robertson were both observed to be limping at this stage. Norwood were again on the attack, but Hart's shot did not get the distance. Dayman to Dewar put Port in possession. Great play by Norwood along the grandstand wing, in which Toovey, Bent and Close co-operated, saw the lastnamed in front of an empty goal, and the visitors secured their first major for the quarter. Port retaliated with a point. Bampton was freed, and a stop was put to a Norwood rush. Norwood were overshadowing the home side in the air, and Port were kicking high, thus playing in to their opponent's hands. Olds sent the ball almost to the goal, but the eastern defenders got it back to the centre line. Olds started the black-and-whites on the move once more, but again they were stopped in the back lines. Beck then had a shot from an acute angle which realised full points. A few seconds later the bell went, with the scores reading: —Norwood, 7 goals 6 behinds. Port Adelaide, 4 goals 6 behinds.

Norwood had easily had the better of the first term, and in that quarter had secured a lead which looked like landing them the victory. Port had had the better of the second quarter, but they had failed in the forward lines and had not got anything like the advantage that the redlegs secured. Norwood were also "sharking" to better effect than the home team. When the teams again took the field Norwood attacked right away. Ford twice repulsed. Hepburn was freed and the ball shot back again, but Olds propelled it out. Once more it was brought back, and Close had a shot, but for the second time for the day he hit a post. Adams shone in defence, and Bayley sent it over the centre line. Frees kept Norwood attacking, and it was only good work by Adams and Ford that kept their scoring down to a single. After the magpies had worked up an onslaught, Stephens repulsed them. Bampton, and then Adams did likewise for Port. Taylor and Keal got the ball to their forwards only to see it forced back to the centre line. Up forward Bent passed to Sibley, and a behind went up. Play was kept round the centre for some time, and then veered to the scoring-board wing. Port at last burst away, Hodge making a spectacular run down the field. Ackland marked well, and the ball went to the opposite end. Bampton and then Drew sent the leather out and carrying it down the field Robertson shot and hit a post. Wadham was temporarily "outed." Allingham shot, but did not get the distance. Robertson picked the sphere out of the scrum and a goal resulted. Norwood attacked



strongly, and out of a scrimmage in the goal mouth Hart booted Norwood's eighth goal. Port shot away at the bounce and Dewar goaled. Bampton and White turned attacks for their respective sides. After several unsuccessful attempts by Norwood to penetrate the Port defences, the magpies shot forward. Bayley was freed, and running on kicked a goal. He was called back behind his mark, and this time could only manage a single. Norwood carried it forward, and Bent marked a long way out just as the bell rang. His shot added a point to the total. Scores:-— Norwood, 8 goals 10 behinds. Port Adelaide, 6 goals 8 behinds.

The redlegs began the last term with an advantage in the scores of 14 points, while Port had the advantage of the breeze. A good finish was anticipated, and it appeared that the team which could last the better would secure the spoils. Howie sent Ford forward, and Robertson, who had injured his leg, went back in goal. Ford, with a long, running punt, secured a single. Port kept moving, and Dayman marked from Dewar and secured full points. A few seconds later Dewar got another. This reduced Norwood's advantage to one point within less than a minute. Norwood went on the offensive. Close shot, but could only manage a single. Sibley got another point, and yet another came from Plunkett. In that onslaught Norwood threw away a host of chances to goal. Sibley got the fourth point. The Dayman brothers sent the ball out, but it went back and a pass from Hart to Close put the visitors 11 points to the good, Close securing full points. By no means dismayed, Port attacked strongly. Eric Dewar was hurt. The ball went out of bounds in front of the scoring board, and Bayley snapped a point. Taylor booted it in again, and then Norwood forced them out. Johns stopped a shot by Allingham between the goal posts. Port kept the attack moving, but could not score. Beck was freed and sent in again, but once more Norwood repulsed. A shot by Beck was stopped in goal by Johns. Bayley got a behind, and a few seconds later Keal got a further single. Potts was the next to stop Port on the goal line. At last Port got a goal, the result of a wonderful long punt by C. Dayman. Only two points now separated the score and the excitement was intense. The bell rang; Port had suffered defeat by two points. The final scores- were:- Norwood, 9 goals 14 behinds. Port Adelaide, 9 goals 12 behinds.

Best players:— Norwood— B. A. Scott, Grantley, Ackland, Johns, Sibley, Plunkett, and Bent. Port— Allingham, Drew, Dewar, Ford, Howie, Olds, and Taylor.

Goalkickers: - Norwood— Bent (3), Close (2), Hart, Hepburn, Scott, and Wadham. Port— Allingham (3), Dewar, and C. Dayman (each 2), Robertson, and Beck.

There were disorderly scenes after the close of the match. One spectator was seen to strike at the umpire, but nothing serious resulted. There was an attendance of 15, 000, the "gate" being £440, which is a record for the oval.



## Premiership Table

THE PREMIERSHIP LIST.								
	P.	W.	L.	D.	Points.	Prm.		
					For	Agst.	Pts.	
Norwood .. ..	13	11	2	—	1,135	668	22	
West Torrens..	13	9	3	1	890	784	10	
South Adelaide	13	8	5	—	943	768	16	
Port Adelaide .	13	7	6	—	853	839	14	
West Adelaide	13	6	7	—	805	822	12	
Out of the Running.								
North Adelaide	14	6	8	—	888	988	12	
Sturt .. .. .	14	5	8	1	935	931	11	
Glenelg .. .. .	13	—	13	—	584	1,238	—	



## Round 15

**Sat 9 Sept, 1922**

**Norwood Oval**

<b>Norwood</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>9.11</b>	<b>11.18</b>	<b>16.23</b>	<b>119</b>
<b>Glenelg</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>49</b>

**Norwood won by 70 points**

Sat 9 Sept, 1922

Adelaide Oval

South Adelaide	2.3	2.5	2.8	4.11	35
West Adelaide	2.1	5.4	13.7	17.11	113

West Adelaide won by 78 points

Sat 9 Sept, 1922

Thebarton Oval

West Torrens	3.8	5.10	10.14	10.14	74
Port Adelaide	0.3	3.9	4.11	9.19	73

West Torrens won by 1 point

North Adelaide      Bye

Sturt                      Bye



## Match Report

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 16 Sep 1922, Page 17

### NORWOOD VERSUS GLENELG.

Despite the fact that the result of the match on the Norwood Oval between Norwood and Glenelg would have no bearing on the premiership there was a good crowd of spectators present. The visitors, who had not won a match in two years, were up against the combination holding top position. Heinrich was dropped from the Norwood selection published in 'The Advertiser,' and T.G. Barnett and Wadham were left out of the Glenelg team.

Wadham, Grantley, and Schumacher (roving) were opposed to Hanley, Toms and Ross (roving), at the opening of the contest. Glenelg did what they have done in a number of matches—predominated in the first few minutes. Hanley was largely responsible for this with his splendid ruck work. In the first minute they rushed goalwards and Toms kicked a behind. Several other attempts were made, but Townley and White were in the way. Toms subsequently took a snapshot and managed the maximum. The redlegs rallied and Schumacher, who was doing splendid work as a rover, shot the leather forward. Bent knocked it on, and Hart, taking a screw kick, scored a minor. The “tigers” transferred the venue of the game, and Spry found the centre of the uprights. Hepburn replied with a single for Norwood, and Close, from a long shot, raised both flags. The game was fast and interesting. The home side having found their legs, did some spectacular high marking, and smart combination play. Bent put the ball well forward, and Hart, from a free, added a goal. Plunkett met with similar success. The seashiders fought hard to regain the lead, and Barnett kicked true. Like a flash the sphere traversed the field and Bent by a beautiful kick added the redlegs’ fourth goal. There was plenty of dash in the play. The scores at the end of the first quarter were:— Norwood, 4 goals 3 behinds. Glenelg, 3 goals 1 behind.

The rucks remained the same as in the opening bout. Wadham knocked out at the bounce, and Sibley, with a long kick, raised both flags. A chain of marks —Toms, Drew, and Murphy— took the ball almost the length of the field, and the last-named player had a shot which resulted in a single. Bent, who had been most conspicuous, had a lucky shot while on the run, and the ball, although low, went through the uprights untouched. It made the score of the red-legs double that of their opponents. While fairly close up Hepburn marked and tapped the ball on to Bent, who was in a little more central position. A beautiful kick ended by hitting a post. Hepburn took a chance a couple of seconds later, but it fell short. Hart, who could not get into his stride, had a kick at it, but without result. The leading straight-shot specialist was off color. By this time, however, Norwood had practically overcome their opposition. Several minors went up, and then goals by Hepburn and Bent. Close a little later hit a post, and then made amends by a perfect shot. Murphy added Glenelg’s second behind for the term, and at half-time the scores were: —Norwood, 9 goals 11 behinds. Glenelg, 3 goals 3 behinds.

Norwood wasted no time in getting to the right end. A behind was registered and then Hart, battling against two opponents, snapped a six-pointer, The ball did not leave Norwood for more than a few



seconds. Good work by Toovey gave Schumacher a chance to run in and snap the maximum, after Hart had fumbled the ball. A great deal of centre play followed until Perry got the leather through to Hanley, who annexed Glenelg's fourth goal of the day. The home side put on a couple of singles and the "tigers" began to show up a little more. Toms raised one flag and Murphy, with a good long kick, managed the maximum. For the remainder of the quarter the play was evenly distributed, alternate behinds being registered by the sides. At 'lemons' the scores were:— Norwood, 11 goals 18 behinds. Glenelg, 5 goals 7 behinds.

Hart started the scoring in the final quarter. He was awarded a free some distance out and a beautiful kick sent the ball between the uprights. Hepburn followed him with a single. An attack by the visitors was capped with a goal from the foot of Murphy, who had been marking and kicking well. The red-legs got busy again and gave Sibley a chance to score, which he made the most of. This was followed shortly afterwards by a similar result from a kick by Hart, who was invariably up against two and sometimes three opponents, but had got into his stride again. Potts scored a goal, and Hart put on a similar quantity from a difficult angle. The feature of the closing few minutes of the game was Hart's stupendous efforts to increase his goal-kicking tally for the season against great odds. Just before the bell rang Glenelg launched an attack, and Ross added a six-pointer. The final scores were:— Norwood, 16 goals 23 behinds. Glenelg, 7 goals 7 behinds.

Goalkickers.— Norwood— Hart (5), Bent (3). Close and Sibley (each 2), Plunkett, Hepburn, Schumacher, and Potts. Glenelg —Murphy (2), Toms, Spry, Barnett, Hanley, and Ross.

Best players:— Norwood— Bent, Schumacher, Close, Hart, Toovey, B. A. Scott, Townley, Hepburn, and Sibley. Glenelg — Hanley, Murphy, Perry, Toms, Ross, Moore, Spry, and Marshall.

## 1922 Ladder at the end of the Minor Round

	Club	P	W	L	D	FOR	AG	%age	PTS
1	Norwood	14	12	2	0	1254	717	63.62	24
2	West Torrens	14	10	3	1	964	857	52.94	21
3	South Adelaide	14	8	6	0	983	881	52.74	16
4	West Adelaide	14	7	7	0	918	857	51.72	14
5	Port Adelaide	14	7	7	0	926	913	50.35	14
6	North Adelaide	14	6	8	0	888	988	47.34	12
7	Sturt	14	5	8	1	935	931	50.11	11
8	Glenelg	14	0	14	0	633	1357	31.81	0



## First Semi-final

**Sat 16 Sept, 1922**                      **Norwood Oval**                      **Crowd - 22,000**

**Norwood**                      **4.7**                      **9.8**                      **11.10**                      **13.10**                      **88**

**South Adelaide**                      **0.3**                      **2.4**                      **7.10**                      **11.11**                      **77**

**Norwood won by 11 points**

## Match Report

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 23 Sep 1922, Page 24

SOUTH "MAKE A GAME OF IT."

THRILLING FOOTBALL.

NORWOOD WIN SEMI-FINAL.

(By 'Spectator.')

South Adelaide, notwithstanding their dismal failure against West Adelaide a week earlier, finished their season on Saturday in a manner which adds lustre to their record in league football. One cannot remember the time when South Adelaide were not considered a team worthy of any opponents. They have not won a premiership since 1899, but they have always been 'knocking' to use the word in the sporting vernacular sense. They have never failed to earn the respect of all the other teams, and it has been a recognised thing that they might spring surprises of a sensational nature. South Adelaide have a record for losing by small margins, and winning by wide ones. They have always been a "last ditch" team, and seldom have they failed to give the spectators their money's worth. Against West Adelaide, they went to pieces in a manner quite unlike what the public have been taught to expect from them, and which led the question to be asked whether a desire to see Port Adelaide out of the 'four' had not something to do with 'their defeat. This was one of those 'after the event' suggestions which are easily made, and not easily rebutted when circumstances may be construed to lend force to suspicions. It should be clear now, however, that South Adelaide stooped to no mean or questionable action. They might well have been beaten when at their best by a team like West Adelaide, on such a day as the red and blacks had, but it is abundantly clear that the crushing defeat was the result of loss of form in consequence of their recent trip, and also because of injuries to prominent players. During the first half of the match with Norwood they looked as if the faults which enabled West Adelaide so easily to beat them might cause another collapse. They were obviously out of condition, too slow off the mark, a trifle uncertain, as if the accord between hand or foot and eye which is so essential in football, were lacking. In some cases,



this would be put down to staleness; in their case it appears to have been due to sluggishness occasioned by the easy life they led for two or three weeks when holiday-making. It is true a spell from hard training generally stimulates an athlete, but it seems in this instance as if the jaunt had the opposite effect. The disablement of such a man as Allen was of itself enough to upset any team's game, and with Sampson and Burrowes both injured, South Adelaide found it necessary to reorganise the whole team, to play a forward as a wingman, a backman as a half forward, and so on. In view of all this the wonder is that they were able to make the revival in the second half which thrilled the spectators and thoroughly frightened the Norwood team.

Just what to think of Norwood I hardly know. They played a splendid game up to half time, kicking nine goals against two. Thereafter they got only two goals, while South Adelaide put on eight, though they scored two more in the last ten minutes of the game before South won the final six points. South Adelaide, after being 7 goals 4 behinds in arrears, got up to within five points of Norwood in the last, but the red-legs then reasserted themselves and made sure of victory. I think the element of surprise played a big part in this match, as it did in the last quarter recovery of Port Adelaide against West Torrens at Thebarton. Norwood were justified in thinking they had the game won at half-time. Prior to the long adjournment the red-legs were infinitely superior in individual skill and combined play and with an eye on a big test in their next encounter they may have decided that so long as they won they were wiser to avoid risk of injury rather than strive for a spectacular win. Thus Norwood, with the breeze behind them in the third-quarter, probably expected to be able to keep in the lead without undue exertion. The tremendous improvement in the methods of their opponents was obviously a shock to them. It is well-known in football that if a team gets a run on no effort can , stop them, and such a run South Adelaide did get in the third quarter. In the last quarter, as the breeze was behind them, it was no surprise that South continued to reduce the margin. Norwood proved, in the hour of extremity however, that when occasion demands, they too can "do things," and they put on two more goals to settle the issue.

#### The Teams.

The South Adelaide and Norwood teams were not exactly as published on Saturday, and the positions, particularly of South Adelaide, were considerably altered. Townley, owing to injury, could not play for the red-legs and Heinrich went into the team. Allen and Burrowes stood down from the 20 selected by South. The teams were placed as shown in the appended diagram.



South Adelaide kicking this way. Norwood names on top of each pair.

	John McKee	
Potts O'Brien		Dobson Ryan
White Barnes	W. Scott Caust	Stephens Williams
Heinrich C. Daly	B. A. Scott Vickers	Toovey Kay
Sibley Gibson	Closs D. Moriarty	Hart Moss
Wadham Organ		Hepburn V. Moriarty
	Bent Oliver	
	First Ruck.	
Bryant, (rowing).	Grantley,	Schumacher
Easton, Waye, and J. W. Daly (rowing).		

White (captain of Norwood) won the toss and his team kicked first to the Cathedral end. with a light breeze behind them. The turf in midfield was watered on Friday, but the remainder of the playing area, though well grassed was very hard. The weather was fine and cool. McKee, prior to the contest, said C. Daly was the only member of his team who was in any way sore, but several were still carrying too much condition. "Nevertheless," he added, "we shall make a game of it, be sure of that." There was not much in the first quarter or the second to suggest that South would be able to fulfil their skipper's promise. Their first attack petered out feebly on account of their mulling. Norwood checked them and save a glimpse of their best form in forwarding the ball through B.A. Scott and Toovey. Wadham scored a goal in sprightly manner within a minute of the start. Norwood continued to be very businesslike and but for the splendid work of D. Moriarty probably would have scored heavily. After a while South took the offensive, mainly through the agency of Caust, whose marking was superb, but they could not drive their attacks home. Norwood's effectiveness was in marked contrast to the poor passing and lack of cohesion amongst the South Adelaide forwards, but after their initial goal the red-legs added three behinds. During the rest of the match, they scored 12 goals and 7 behinds, which is exceptional. South Adelaide had a lot of midfield play, Kay doing very well on the wing in opposition to Toovey. Norwood were like the Norwood of earlier in the season, and their attacks were made with good direction and great force. Frequently the ball was sent the full length of the field in three or four well-directed kicks. South's defence was sound, else the city team would have been in a 'bad case in 'this quarter. As it was, Norwood scored 4 goals 3 behinds against 3 behinds. The second quarter was a good deal a repetition of the first. Norwood played



high-class football, working up against the breeze as if it made no difference. In this term they scored 5 goals 1 behind. They seemed as if nothing could stop them, and their goal shooting was unerring. The South Adelaide forwards strayed too far from goal and in their anxiety to score helped Norwood to crowd the ball. Caust, however, opened their goal tally in this quarter. Waye immediately got another after a wonderful mark, but then Norwood cracked on the pace and ran all over South Adelaide until the end of the quarter. When the teams left the ground the board showed Norwood 9 goals 8 behinds; South Adelaide 2 goals 4 behinds.

It seemed to be “all over, bar shouting” at this stage, and the gloom of the South Adelaide officials was not lightened when it was announced that Waye had broken a finger. That player took the field again, however, and went to his allotted place in the ruck. It was not long before the spectators realised that a change had been wrought in the South Adelaide team. No longer were they beaten to the ball; their team work was excellent, and the pace they set was hotter than anything Norwood had so far attained. There was a crispness quite refreshing about everything they did. Fumbling gave place to wonderful deftness. Instead of aiming badly, when passing they clipped the ball from one to another with accuracy and great judgment. The forwards spread out and kept the ball moving so quickly that the opposing backs were frequently taken unaware. Despite his broken finger, Waye played a remarkable game, and Caust's marking was finer than ever. Oliver, the goalkeeper, had been brought up as a half forward, with almost untrammelled freedom, and Norwood either failed to recognise the move or could not do anything to counter it. Oliver became the king-pin of the game. Round him the South Adelaide system revolved. He was brilliant, heady and dashing, safe on his feet, good in the air, and a splendid kick. By three-quarter time South had reduced the deficit to four goals. They so rehabilitated themselves in the opinion of the spectators, that at three-quarter time with the scores 11 goals 10 behinds against 7 goals 10 behinds they seemed to be capable of winning.

Their revival continued into the last quarter. Vickers, Waye, and D. Moriarty kept the forwards supplied. The features of the quarter were a mark taken by McKee—the finest of the match— and a check to Norwood, administered by Moss almost on the goal-line. South Adelaide made advances which electrified the spectators. Very soon the difference was only eleven points. Then J. Daly made a great dash and sent the ball to McKee. The captain's aim was not good but Waye converted. Another goal would have put South in the lead. Norwood seemed to be getting disorganised and were nothing like the team which had played which had played so well in the first half. In the nick of time however, they reasserted themselves and showed what they could do at a pinch. Bryant, Bent and Wadham combined in getting a goal when only ten minutes remained for play. This gave a serious check to South Adelaide, and before they had recovered, Norwood broke through their defence again and Sibley scored a great goal. After this South Adelaide showed the effects of the strenuousness of the struggle, and the mightiness of their effort, but they died game. The injured Waye brought off another spectacular mark, and won another goal. This was the finish. Time was drawing near. C. Daly was in the hands of the trainers, and McKee was limping painfully, but looking proud of his team. The unconquerable Waye checked a Norwood attack, and then the bell stopped play. The final scores were:- Norwood, 13 goals 10 behinds. South Adelaide, 11 goals 11 behinds.



Goalkeepers- Norwood— Hart and Close (each 3), Bent, Wadham, and Sibley (each 2), and Hepburn. South Adelaide- Waye (3), Oliver, Caust, and Easton (each 2), Williams, and Barnes.

Best Players- Norwood- Close, Hart, Bent, Sibley, Bryant, White, Schumacher and W Scott. South Adelaide-Oliver, Easton, D. Moriarty, Caust, Waye, Williams, Kay, and Moss.

## **After the Game**

*The Chronicle (Adelaide), Sat 23 Sep 1922 Page 25*

After the match McKee (captain) and Mr. G. Wallace (of South Adelaide) entered the Norwood dressing-room and congratulated the redlegs upon their win. McKee admitted that his team had been beaten by a better side, and expressed regret that South Adelaide had not been able to place their best 18 in the field. He congratulated Norwood on the standard of play they attained and upon the spirit in which the game was played.

S. White (captain) and Mr. J.H. Gosse (chairman), of the Norwood club, reciprocated by going to the South Adelaide room and congratulating the losers upon the fight they put up. White said at half-time he though Norwood could win easily, but after that he had many anxious moments. He congratulated South Adelaide on the revival they made in the last half, and Oliver in particular for his great game. He offered thanks for the clean fight which the blue and whites had put up.

Mr. Gosse also expressed admiration at the revival made by the losers, and said it was many years since he had suffered such anxiety for his team. He had played against South Adelaide for 12 years, and he knew they were always a side to be highly respected.



## Second Semi-final

Sat 23 Sept, 1922                      Adelaide Oval                      Crowd - 28,000

West Adelaide	4.1	11.4	15.7	16.12	108
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West Torrens	3.1	4.4	7.6	11.9	75
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West Adelaide won by 33 points

## Match Report

*The Chronicle* (Adelaide), Sat 30 Sep 1922, Page 18

WEST ADELAIDE'S STAR AT THE ZENITH.

REMARKABLE FOOTBALL.

(By 'Spectator'.)

When the half-time interval arrived in the football semi-final on the Adelaide Oval on Saturday, the spectators rubbed their eyes, looked at the scoring-board, and pinched themselves to make sure they were awake. Some thought of Bret Harte's lines, "Do I wake, do I dream, do I wonder and doubt? Is things what they seem, or is visions about?" There were the scores on the board, however, in large, bold characters:— West Adelaide, 11 goals 4 behinds; West Torrens, 4 goals 4 behinds. At quarter-time there had been only one goal separating the teams, and in 25 crowded minutes West Adelaide had added 7 goals 3 behinds, while West Torrens had put on 1 goal 3 behinds. The majority of the spectators found it almost unbelievable, although they had the third-quarter performance of the red-and-black team against South Adelaide a fortnight earlier as a precedent. West Torrens, let it be remembered, had lost only three games during the season, add had been the only team to check the extraordinary career of Norwood. That West Adelaide could in this way reduce such doughty opponents would have been too much for the credulity of the crowd had they not seen the process in course of execution, and had the evidence of those figures not been staring at them from the scoring-board. I remarked a few days ago that this red-and-black team might prove to be the "dark horse" of the finals. They lost seven matches in the minor premiership round, and the public refused to take them seriously even after their extraordinary game against South Adelaide. One purpose served by their equally meritorious win against West Torrens is finally to dispel any lingering thought that South Adelaide might have stooped to a mean action in letting West Adelaide win handsomely in order that an apparently more dangerous rival (Port Adelaide) might be kept out of the finals. This latest performance of West Adelaide should clear up all doubts and re-establish the faith of the public in the cleanness of football in this State.



### Evenly Matched at the Start.

Saturday's game was a memorable one. It presented West Adelaide in a role reminiscent of the part they played in the 1908 season, when, after having been last or next to last for six years in succession, they burst upon the football world as a premiership team. Since the war West Adelaide have been last once, and next to last twice. This season they spent half the time as near the bottom of the list as Glenelg would let them go, and then, when everyone had put aside all thought of their taking part in the finals, they forced themselves under notice by their meteoric progress, and, in the last match of the minor round, won a place in the "four". Now a volatile football public is asking whether Norwood can beat them.

### A Good Side.

Making a calm survey of the game, it is abundantly clear that West Adelaide are an uncommonly good side. They won on Saturday by sheer merit and without the aid of fortuitous circumstances. The elements did not play any important part in the game, the warm sunshine was as distressing to them as much as to West Torrens. The bounce of the ball appeared occasionally to favor them, but could not account for their great superiority, and the only circumstance which might be said to have favored them was that the game was played on their own training ground. The teams were as published on Saturday. A light wind blew across the ground, slightly favoring the northern goal, and in that direction West kicked in the first quarter. The scoring was not heavy before the first change of ends, for the backs on both sides checked many attacks, but the goal shooting was deadly, and West Adelaide began a performance in this respect which was remarkable. Up to half-time they scored nearly three goals for every behind, and up to three-quarter time they still had a record of more than two to one. West Torrens were the first to score. They received several checks, mainly at the hands of Cossey, before they thrust home an attack and scored a goal through the agency of Marvell, who received a free kick. West Adelaide's first score was a behind by Barnes, who began a faultless individual performance by nearly getting a goal with a seemingly impossible shot. The visiting team quickly settled down to fast, vigorous, correct football. Their height gave them an advantage in the air, they were smart in getting on to the ball, quick in picking it up and in getting rid of it, and altogether appeared to be a more systematic and skilful team than West Adelaide. Some of their advances were perfectly executed, and when, with the breeze against them, they put on two goals against the single point of West Adelaide, things looked promising for them. There was one fault on both sides which threatened to spoil the game — several players, from time to time, stopped to appeal for marks when they thought the rules had been infringed, and in each case the opposing side benefited by carrying on. That fault diminished a good deal, however, as the game progressed. It was a dangerous thing in this game to make a fault, so quickly did scoring result from any defect. In one case in the first quarter a Torrens man made a bad pass when his side was engaged in a promising attack, the ball went to a West Adelaide player's hand, and in about five seconds was sent half the length of the ground and through the goal. Heartened by the success West Adelaide repeated the attack, and in three kicks from the centre won another goal. At the first change of ends the scores were: —West Adelaide, 4 goals 1 behind. West Torrens, 3 goals 1 behind.



### A Paralysing Second Quarter.

There was nothing in West Adelaide's first-quarter display to presage their wonderful second-quarter performance. That quarter decided the issue. West Torrens obviously prepared for an aggressive campaign. Karney went on as rover, and when the ball was set in motion, became the life of the game. He gave Wyld a chance to score, but the usually safe forward was having a day off, and got a behind. A little later Barnes sent the ball in to Wright, who scored full points with a wonderful kick. From this point until half-time West Adelaide became practically unbeatable. Cossey stood in the way of the West Torrens' attacks, Hamilton was unbeatable at centre, Barnes played a remarkable game as a half-forward, and later as a rover, and the rest of the team seemed unable to make a mistake. Very quickly West Torrens, the formerly superior team, were reduced to a state of almost complete impotency. West Adelaide marked over them, and beat them to the ball, the forwards spread out and made passing easy, and above all, six successive shots for goal called up two flags every time. No team in the league could have stood against West Adelaide while they were going so strongly. They seemed to sense the right thing to do and they were adept in every art of the game. Marking, kicking, handball, picking up, all were done with the skill of experts. They were scarcely a flaw anywhere. It was thrilling to watch, but one could not help wondering whether, in the game of games before them, West Adelaide will be able to repeat that form. There was also in many minds a feeling of sympathy for West Torrens that they should be up against a team able to develop such an overwhelming and sustained offensive. Gradually the game slipped away from Torrens, until the scores stood at 9 goals 2 behinds against 3 goals 2 behinds. Then the blue-and-golds momentarily pulled themselves together, and Marvell accepted a pass near the behind post. The shot seemed an impossible one, but he ran round and with the side of his boot kicked the ball through the goal opening. At times, however, Torrens seemed to be demoralised in this quarter, and they made many mistakes. Strugnell, who was the chief bulwark of the defence, failed badly twice, but he was by no means alone in the matter of faulting. The Torrens attacks were either turned or petered out, and West Adelaide finished the quarter in the same conquering spirit which had characterised them during most of the term. They went to the training rooms at half-time with the board showing: — West Adelaide, 11 goals 4 behinds. West Torrens, 4 goal 4 behinds.

### West Torrens Die Hard.

By this time the game was as good as won by West Adelaide, unless there should be a complete reversal of form in the second half. The spirit of the Torrens players would not be quelled by their disheartening experience, everyone knew. Peters, the captain of West Adelaide, said he realised that his team would have to keep up, but he was satisfied that they were standing the test as well as their opponents, and would go the full distance. Torrens made a mild sensation at the opening of the third quarter. Going straight for goal, Marvell sent the ball to Wyld, received it again, and kicked a goal just 20 seconds after the bounce. Before a minute and a half had elapsed Hollis won another goal. Then West Adelaide's response came quickly. The irrepressible Barnes took matters in hand, and with the assistance of Simmons and W. Bishop sent the ball well in, where Martin marked splendidly and kicked a goal. West Torrens then had bad luck in Wyld hitting a post. This was followed by Hamilton making a run through the centre and punting a goal from very long range.





West Torrens, however, were by this time playing their best football, and Karney, Wyld, and Hollis combined to win a goal. Hamilton had obtained such a command at centre, however, that Daviess changed Oaten from wing to centre, and Brown from centre to wing. The only effect it had was that it kept Oaten a good deal out of the game, and enabled Brown to take part in the Torrens' last quarter advances. There were two amusing incidents in this quarter. Hamilton kicked the ball into Oaten, and was given another kick because the Torrens man had crossed his mark. At the second attempt, Hamilton again kicked the ball into Oaten, but with such force that the wearer of gold-and-blue seemed very much distressed, and Hamilton secured the ball again and had a third successive kick. The other incident was when Bishop, in kicking a goal at close range knocked the hat off the head of the goal umpire. At three-quarter time West Adelaide, with 15 goals 7 behinds, against 7 goals 6 behinds, were in an apparently unassailable position for their half-time advantage of 7 goals had grown to 8 goals 1 behind. West Torrens declined to haul down their colors however, and revived so markedly at the beginning of the last quarter that in three splendid assaults they scored three goals in 4½ minutes, Pain doing much fine work at centre half-forward. West Adelaide for a time degenerated, and Torrens continued to play a determined and forcing game. Marvell scored a goal, then West Adelaide took the offensive, and so a few minutes passed. With ten minutes to go Torrens were four goals, to the bad, but as West Adelaide had command of the mid-field play again the crowd began to move towards the gates. The goal of Marvell was the last Torrens were to score. In the closing two minutes a West Adelaide attack succeeded, and Wright, with a nice kick, won his third goal, and the last of the day. The final scores were: — West Adelaide, 16 goals 10 behinds. West Torrens, 11 goals 9 behinds.

It was a match well worth seeing. Except for the overwhelming second quarter of West Adelaide, the sides were fairly evenly matched, and both teams produced football of a high standard. West Torrens, however, during certain parts of the game played too much handball, and tried to run with the ball when they should have kicked.

Best Players:— West Adelaide— Barnes, Hamilton, Martin, Cossey, Wright, Peters, Shea, Huxtable, and Simmons. West Torrens— Marvell, Mills, Daviess, Karney, Strugnell, McCarthy, Hollis, and Green.

Goal-kickers— West Adelaide— Martin (6), Wright (3), Cooper and Bailey (each 2), Barnes, Hamilton, and W. Bishop. West Torrens— Marvel (6), Hollis (4), and Karney.



## Grand Final

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[Crowds at a football match, Adelaide Oval • Photograph • State Library of South Australia \(slsa.sa.gov.au\)](#)

Sat 30 Sept, 1922	Adelaide Oval				Crowd - 31,000
Norwood	2.0	4.5	4.6	9.7	61
West Adelaide	0.4	0.8	2.14	2.16	28

### Norwood won by 33 points

Norwood Team Photo<sup>51</sup>. Syd White, captain, is sitting centre of the front row holding the ball with Eric Tassie on his left, Wacka (Walter) Scott stands back row, third from the left. Tom Hart, a 1922 premiership player is middle row, 5th from the left, to his right (4th from left) is Roy Townley (1896-1974). Bert Schmacher is 3rd from right in the middle row.



<sup>51</sup> SLSA, PRG 280/1/24/362

West Adelaide Team Photo<sup>52</sup>



Members of West Adelaide Football Club 1922 Grand Final football team.

Back Row - Harry Lee; Jack Kearns; Matt Huxtable; Fred Bailey.

Third Row - Joe Brown; Joe Lukeman; Bill Martin; Albert Wright; Jack O'Dea; Charles Shea.

Second Row - Bobbie Barnes; George Cooper; Bert Edwards MP (Chairman); Vic Peters (C); Gordon Dreyer (Secretary); Len Cossey (VC); Snowy Hamilton.

Front Row - Bill Bishop; Sid Simmons; Jim Bishop

(Shine Hosking was West Adelaide's coach. Not pictured).

Bobbie Barnes won the Magarey Medal that year and it is Snowy Hamilton's seventh (and final) game in red and black after waiting half the season to get a transfer. He went to Subiaco Football Club in Western Australia in 1923.

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<sup>52</sup> SLISA, PRG 280/1/38/167



## Match Report

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Football.

NORWOOD THE PREMIERS

GREAT END TO SPLENDID SEASON

WEST ADELAIDE OUT-CLASSED.

(By Spectator)

Norwood put a fitting period to a wonderful season on Saturday when, by beating West Adelaide by 9 goals 7 behinds against 2 goals 16 behinds, they won their first premiership since 1907. It has been remarked before that Norwood are a wonderful team, splendidly balanced, dashing, courageous, and heady. "It pays to have good forwards" is a truism made manifest by the eastern eighteen this year. It is the capacity of the forwards which makes the balance of the team so excellent, and Norwood's record for the year shows how important in a team is an accurate battery. Other clubs have good backs, rucks, and centre line, but none has such enterprising and capable goal getters as the premiers of 1922. Herein lies the secret of Norwood's success. It goes without saying that all other departments of a top notch team must be equal to that entrusted with the attack, and that is why balance is so important. Other teams have had all the essentials except goal getters, and so Norwood, being deficient in no part, have added an interesting page to the annals of football this year. They have scored more points than any other South Australian team since the records of football began. Prior to last year there were only 12 matches in the minor round, compared with 14 this year. The only real comparison can be made, therefore, between 1921 and 1922. Norwood this season have scored 1,409 points in 11 matches, compared with 1,380 scored by Port Adelaide last year in 17 matches. Norwood lost only two matches during the whole season, and made such exhibitions of the other teams as to assume the proportions of giants in the football world. In time the public began to sigh for a David to rise up and smite this Goliath. Sure enough the David came along— the little-fancied West Adelaide Club, which in a series of spectacular performances rose from obscurity to prominence, and so spectacular was their rise that many people said "Norwood could not live with them." The exploit of David was not repeated, and Goliath bulks now so large that little else but Norwood can be seen in the football world.

Big Question Quickly Settled.

For a week thousands of people waited in almost breathless anxiety to see what West Adelaide would do to Norwood. After an hour of the game they decided that there was only one team in it, and it was not West Adelaide. Such a shame! When West Adelaide routed West Torrens a week ago, an old inter-State footballer remarked, "I told you so," although I have no recollection of him having told me anything. "This team," he went on, "will beat allcomers. It will win the premiership." The same old exponent of the game at the close of the match on Saturday buttonholed me again. "Did I



not tell you?" he remarked with great jubilation, "that Norwood would stop them?" So is the mighty fallen! It was the same on all hands. Those who had been sure West Adelaide would go through the remainder of the season unbeaten, and those who were previously not able to arrive at any definite decision, found out, when Saturday's game was three-parts over that they had never had any doubt of Norwood's superiority. However, although there was a wide disparity in the scores, and notwithstanding that the game ended rather tamely, there was never, prior to the match, any certainty regarding the result, except in the minds of the Norwood men themselves and of those of their partisans, who could not imagine their team being beaten.

West Adelaide were "worthy of the steel" of their opponents, and had they been able to develop the game which they played against West Torrens, there might still have been another match to be played. Norwood, however, were well advised, capably led, and old in experience. They set out to counter the measures which, a week before, had been successful, and they had the capacity and power to do it. They broke up West Adelaide's system, while keeping their own intact. They played like the champions they are, and although opposed by a sturdy young team, their skill and experience won out.

#### The Titanic Struggle Begins.

The elements threatened to take a hand in this match, but happily there was only a sprinkle of rain now and again. West Adelaide would have liked a brick-hard ground, as on the previous Saturday, but the turf was rather soft from the effect of the recent rains. The ground was not heavy enough to incommode footballers, however, and no excuse is offered by West in that regard. The wind blew diagonally across the ground with variable strength, but always favoring the northern goal. To that end, Peters, who won the toss, elected that his team should kick. There were no changes in personnel, but, as I predicted on Saturday, Huxtable was told off to look after Sibley, and Lee was placed on Hart. Also, the West Adelaide wingmen were changed across, Simmons to Toovey's wing, and Shea to oppose Hepburn. In having to make these changes West were placed at a slight disadvantage, as it is not always easy for a man to accustom himself to a new position. The crowd around the oval was tremendous, pulsating with enthusiasm, and caring not about the lowering clouds. A ray or two of sunshine only was required to inspire the scene. Norwood were the first out, looking particularly fit and West Adelaide came a minute or two later, with the red-and-black banner waving over their heads. The coin was tossed, and Peters beamed, as he waved his hand to the north. The umpire and the captains examined two footballs and chose one, and at last the titanic struggle began. The climax of the enthusiasm came before the end of the first quarter. West had the wind behind them, and drove the ball to their forwards frequently, but always with the same result. Norwood closed in and smothered the ball and West could get no opening but for snapshots. Several minutes passed before even a point was scored. Then Barnes passed to Martin, but West's great forward of the previous week found the cross wind difficult to cope with, and he got only a behind. Seven minutes had elapsed before Norwood crossed the centre line with the ball. Then twice the red legs carried attacks almost to the goal, only to be thrust back. Hamilton already had established command at centre, and covered a lot of ground. West, too, spoilt Norwood in the air and scouted on the fringes of the packs with consummate skill, but their phenomenally fast and open attacks of





the previous Saturday they could not repeat in this match. Norwood had an answer for every move. They were satisfied with defensive tactics until they had the measure of their opponents. They were not yet themselves at anything like their best, and their passing was faulty. West put on a point now and again, but their first goal was not to come until the third quarter. Still they had a lot of the mid-field play and chief honors of the quarter until, a couple of minutes before the change of ends, Potts, with a free kick, drove the ball in and Hart marked in front of goal, scoring full points. Like a flash Norwood got the ball forward again along a zigzag course, Hart and Sibley passing splendidly, and Close marked and goaled. Two goals from two shots was Norwood's tally for the 25 minutes; four behinds from five shots was the best West Adelaide could do.

Hit the Post Three Times.

The red-and-blacks were up against it. They should have had a two-goal lead at least at this stage to make up for the help Norwood were about to receive from a freshening wind in the second quarter. The city men had failed in the great essential of finishing their attacks. They had delivered quite a number of futile thrusts, and already were a little discouraged by their inability to score. Still they continued to be aggressive, and beat up against the wind time after time in very good style, only to be thrown back. Lukeman hit a post, and it must have begun to dawn on the forwards that they were having a day off. A little later Stephens, Hepburn, and Bent combined in a splendid Norwood attack, and Sibley goaled. W. Scott (at centre half-back), Dobson, Stephens, and Townley were a quartet of defenders whom West could not overcome. Hamilton controlled the centre throughout the game, but Norwood used Toovey's wing for advances, and as Toovey was in magnificent form they got the ball forward through him, despite the vigilance and cleverness of Hamilton. During a part of the term White, who was doing very capably as a rover, called in Schumacher to work on the other side of the ruck. Barnes was very closely watched on all hands throughout the match. Peters, who was playing a fine game in the ruck, and had several times marked over Bryant, gave away a goal in this quarter. He mis-kicked the ball when relieving pressure, and Hepburn marked at easy range. Norwood may count themselves lucky in getting that goal. I do not recollect Peters making another such mistake during the season. West Adelaide continued to attack, but with such disappointing result that at half-time they had scored only 8 behinds, whereas Norwood's tally was 4 goals 5 behinds.

The Issue Settled.

It could now be seen that unless West could make such a revival as South did in the first semi-final they were doomed, and, to be sure, West Adelaide did not seem to have the power to turn the table on their methodical and brilliant adversaries. The issue was placed beyond all doubt when Norwood kicked two goals at the beginning of the third quarter. Toovey was the forwarding agent in the first advance, and Hepburn sent a low kick through the goal while Brown (the goal-keeper), obviously under instruction, was out of goal, keeping on the track of the Norwood loose man. This scheme of having no goalkeeper was adopted by West in the second semi-final, and repeated in Saturday's match. It does not appeal favorably to me. The second goal of Norwood was won by Bent with a splendid snapshot following a lightning thrust straight from centre. West's bad aim at the goal





continued. Even the usually infallible Barnes missed with a shot at moderate range. Norwood began from this out to show superiority in all departments, and their smothering of West Adelaide attacks was very effective. The redlegs even beat West in speed and dash, and in all-round work as well as in the air. Their long kicking and high marking, with the excellent understanding between all units of the team, made them very difficult antagonists to deal with. West could not do anything right in the forward lines. Martin after a splendid mark close up kicked the ball out of bounds— a more difficult feat, it seemed, than kicking a goal from the place at which he marked. W. Bishop missed when trying to goal, and then West's hearts went down to their boots when Martin hit a post with one of the longest shots of the day. West's tally went up to 12 behinds. It was almost incredible, in view of their phenomenal kicking a week earlier. It was left to Cooper to get West's first goal a few minutes before "lemons." His shot was a difficult one, and the performance revived the flagging spirits of the city team. Martin, who had marked splendidly throughout, brought down the ball again, and, with a kick equally as strong as that which had hit a post, scored the second goal. West Adelaide's cup was nearly full, and it brimmed over when Barnes again hit a post. At three-quarter time the scores were:- Norwood, 6 goals 6 behinds. West Adelaide, 2 goals 14 behinds. This was to all intents and purposes the end of the struggle; Norwood had the wind in the last quarter, and scored 3, goals 1 behind against 2 behinds. West Adelaide battled on to the finish, however, and never let Norwood have a single point without a tremendous fight. Had West Adelaide let up the redlegs might easily have made this a crushing last quarter. O'Dea continued to shadow Bent, as he had done every time the latter went out upon a roving commission. West Adelaide played all along as if a goal would win the match. Norwood, however, played with the confidence born of the certainty of victory. The last goal came a minute before time from a place-kick by Bent. High marking and long kicking combined with alertness in ground play and direct attacks had told their tale. The final scores were:— Norwood, 9 goals 7 behinds. West Adelaide, 2 goals 16 behinds.

The goalkickers were:— Norwood— Bent (3), Hepburn (2), Hart, Close, Sibley, and White. West Adelaide- Cooper and Martin.

Best players:— Norwood— White, Toovey, Dobson, Bent, Stephens, Potts, Hepburn, W. Scott and Sibley. West Adelaide:- Hamilton, Peters, Martin, Cossey, Barnes, Shea, Huxtable, Bailey.

## Positions of Clubs Since Inception of District System

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POSITIONS OF CLUBS SINCE INCEPTION OF DISTRICT SYSTEM.							
Year.	Port A.	South A.	Norwood.	North A.	West Tor.	West A.	Sturt.
1897	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1898	2	1	3	4	5	6	7
1899	3	1	2	4	5	6	7
1900	4	2	4	1	3	5	7
1901	2	4	1	3	5	6	7
1902*	3	2	5	1	4	6	7
1903	1	2	4	3	5	6	7
1904	2	3	1	4	5	7	6
1905	2	4	3	1	5	7	6
1906	1	5	3	2	6	7	4
1907	2	5	1	4	3	6	7
1908	3	5	2	6	4	1	7
1909	2	7	3	5	4	1	6
1910	1	7	3	5	4	5	2
1911	2	7	5	3	6	1	4
1912	2	5	6	7	3	1	4
1913	1	5	7	2	6	3	4
1914	1	6	7	2	4	5	3
1915	2	3	7	5	5	4	1
1916	No matches.						
1917	No matches.						
1918	No matches.						
1919	4	5	7	2	3	6	1
1920	3	6	2	1	4	7	5
1921	1	3	2	5	6	7	4
1922	5	4	1	6	3	2	7

\*Port Adelaide disqualified for having declined to play under an umpire only temporarily appointed. At the time of disqualification Port were minor premiers, and were afterwards placed third.



## **After 14 Years. Norwoods Premiers Again.**

By Steve McKee, Captain of South Adelaide.

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Norwood clinched the pennant in a manner that left no doubt as to their fight to the title of premiers for 1922. West Adelaide died hard, but were palpably over matched by the power and skill of the opposing forces, and went down for the third time this season before the might of the redlegs. It was a somewhat drab ending to an eventful season, for the game petered out timidly in the last quarter. West had clearly met their masters, and it was apparent a few minutes after play had been resumed in the third term that a premiership flag would be unfurled at Norwood on the opening day of next season - the first since 1908. The redlegs rattled on 2 goals in quick succession, thereby widening the already considerable gap separating the tallies at half-time, and the effect was at once noticeable. Norwood went on with a confidence that indicated victory was firmly within their grasp, while West Adelaide were playing dispiritedly and without the determination of a side with morale unshaken and defeat yet unacknowledged. The spectre of failure was clearly impressed on the vision of the westerners, and despite a rally towards the end of the quarter, which brought them their first goal of the day, and then another, there was a slackness and indecision that presaged disaster. West had lost the will to win, and were floundering like a beaten team. As a spectacle the game fell far below expectation. There was little of that smooth combination that one expected from these two eighteens who, by fighting through to the ultimate test, genuinely represent the best that there is in football in this State at present.

### **An Ugly Spirit.**

Soon after the initial bounce an ugly spirit manifested itself between several of the candidates, and the first 25 minutes was disfigured by several incidents of a discreditable nature. Savage charging and hacking were frequently resorted to, and for a time the game threatened to degenerate into an unseemly melee. The men became flurried under the tension, and the state of their nerves was reflected in the hasty and haphazard kicking, which made the game a systemless and unattractive struggle. Umpire Waters kept a firm grip of the situation, however, and was quick to penalize, and to administer a restraining caution to the numerous offenders who had temporarily lost control of their feelings under the stress of conflict. A better spirit prevailed in the latter stages - there were not the same menace and viciousness discernible- but for the most part it was a combat fierce and fearless. It was no place for the faint-hearted out there in the oft-recurring scrimmages, where men hurled themselves at each other with a reckless abandon that thrilled.

### **Redlegs' Superiority.**

Norwood won chiefly because of superiority in the air, which, owing to the congested state of the game, was absolutely a controlling factor. Apart from Peters, who leapt superbly and repeatedly eclipsed Bryant, and Hamilton, who, served by an advantage in height, but also displaying splendid judgement nevertheless, consistently beat B.A. Scott at centre. West Adelaide could not cope with



the redlegs, the ascendancy being particularly noticeable on Norwood's defences. The Opposing forwards were helpless against their tall adversaries, and contributed materially towards their own downfall by persistently converging in to the centre, with the result that the physical advantages held by the back men enabled them to keep the diminutive wearers of the red-and-black in complete subjection. Martin and Lukeman were the only men in attack who shone at all in the aerial work, and when Norwood's half-back line settled down after the first change of ends they, too, were decisively beaten. B.A. Scott was no match for Hamilton at centre, the latter always holding an advantage in the many individual encounters in which the pair were engaged during the day. That advantage was by no means as absolute as that exercised by Hamilton on the previous Saturday, nor did his work have the same polish and effect as against Torrens. In that engagement he played with a faultless ease that never wasted an opportunity, but he detracted from this last performance by attempting to do too much by himself, several times losing the ball through trying to achieve the impossible.

#### On the Flanks.

West Adelaide received a severe check on the flanks, where Norwood more than held their own. The consistent Toovey overshadowed Simmons, and Shea could do little against Hepburn on the opposite side. The latter distinguished himself by a sound performance, and he worthily filled the gap occasioned by the omission of Heinrichs. West Adelaide did not get the ball to the forwards through their wingers with anything like the same frequency as when South and Torrens were overwhelmed, and the comparative failure in this regard had an important bearing on the result. Peters followed finely, hooking the ball out to his rovers at every angle, his overhead knock to the rear of the ruck consistently beating the rival packs. He easily held Bryant in the air, and the latter's poor showing in the first half gave the Norwood rovers, Schumacher and White, few opportunities on the fringes. Bryant improved after the half-way had been passed, but at no period showed the equal of his early season brilliance. Potts was the best of the red leg followers, safe marking and long kicking featuring a serviceable performance. An analysis of the scoring shots discloses the fact that the losers crossed the line on 18 occasions, twice more than Norwood, but Wests surprising failure to get a goal until the third term had then put them in an impossible position. The scoring board at this juncture read Norwood, 6 goals 6 behinds, West Adelaide 12 behinds-equal shots, but a difference of 30 points in actual results, and this from a team which had displayed astonishing skill in getting goals from almost any position and distance, only a week previously.

#### Grandstand Advice.

No wonder a facetious and pleased Norwood supporter in the stands yelled out, "Bert, you'll have to pass a Bill through Parliament compelling them to shoot straight." In the first 20 minutes of the game, the only period when Wests actually held command, four simple shots went awry, and Norwood, who could only pierce West's outer defence twice towards the end of the quarter, got a goal each time they forced the ball into the danger zone, and thus with two straight kicks nullified the effect of the city team's strenuous assaults, and considerably heartened the side by establishing an eight points lead. West Adelaide's half-forwards encountered stern opposition from Stephens, W.



Scott, and White, the trio all playing well. Stephens handled the ball beautifully on the ground, his swerving dashes frequently turning West's attacks. Scott was sound rather than brilliant opposed to Martin, and the pair had many exciting duels in the air, with honours easy at the close. Just as Martin had been unable to go wrong against Torrens in finding the objective, here he went right to the opposite extreme. He had numerous shots, but could not get them straight, and West's appeared dismayed by his repeated failures. White led Norwood capably, and played as well as any man on the ground both when repealing the invaders on the half-back line, and when roving.

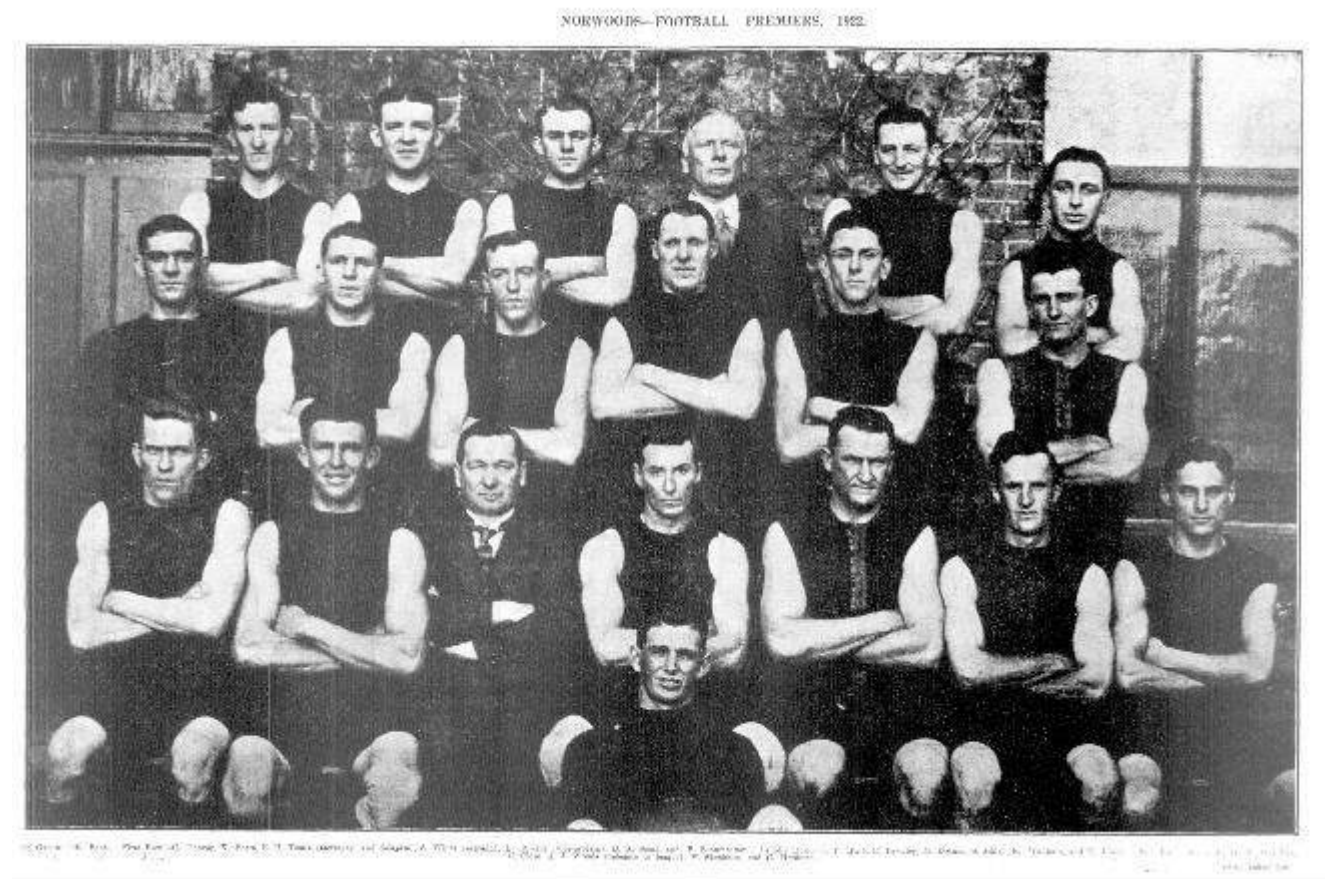
Barnes & Co.

Barnes was not as superlatively brilliant as usual, and although always finding a team mate with his well directed kicks, played like a tried man. Probably the severe strain of the previous engagement, and the knock he sustained have had "a staling" effect on this great rover, who by his wonderful ability as a footballer, coupled with an admirable bearing both on and off the field of play, enjoys a popularity that is unbounded. Sibley and Huxtable had a great struggle all day, and the tall forward again demonstrated that he is in the first flight by a heady display. One fine mark taken in the second quarter after a desperate dive, was one of the gems of the match. Bent excelled himself when on the ball. He had evidently received a roving commission, but West countered the move by sending O'Dea out to shadow him. Despite close attention Bent was equal to every call, his cool and methodical style standing out as the main factor in breaking up West's first quarter offensive. Brown, who replaced McConnell in goal made several spectacular dashes from the goal mouth, but his tactics were not of the same service to the side as was McConnell's well directed kicking in against Torrens. Altogether West failed to rise to a height comparable with Norwood's all round solidarity, and the latter's victory was conclusive enough to convince all unbiassed observers that the title of premiers for the season 1922 has gone to the club most deserving of that high honour.



## NORWOODS—FOOTBALL PREMIERS, 1922.

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**On Ground.** R. Bent.

**First Row** (L-R). C. Toovey, K. Potts, E. H. Tassie (secretary and delegate), S. White (captain), L. Bryant (vice-captain), B. A. Scott, and B. Schumacher.

**Middle Row** (L-R). T. Hart, K. Townley, M. Dobson, S. Sibley, E. Wadham, and H. Johns.

**Back Row** (L-R). W. Scott, H.W. Grantley, C. Close, J.J. Woods (delegate to league), V. Stephens, and C. Hepburn.

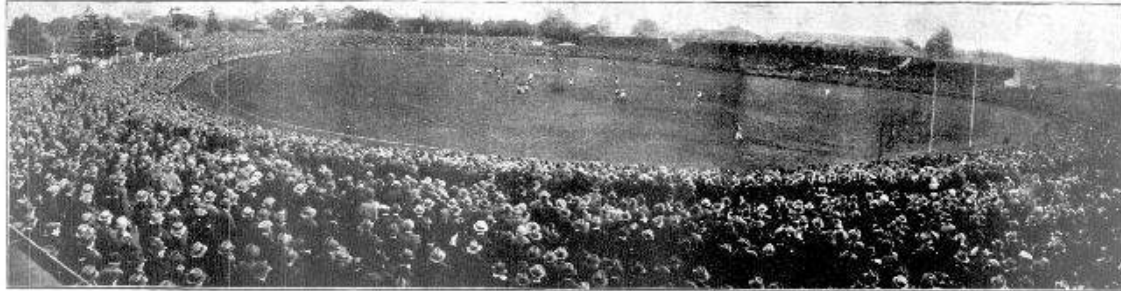
*Photo. Pulford Bros.*



## INTENSE INTEREST IN FOOTBALL PREMIERSHIP.

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### INTENSE INTEREST IN FOOTBALL PREMIERSHIP.



A. D. WHITE, FOR THE OBSERVER. (Adelaide, 1922, 10/7/22)



The West Adelaide team:—Front row—W. Bishop, S. Simmons, and Jim Bishop. Second row—R. Barnes, G. Cooper, A. A. Edwards, M.P. (Chairman and delegate), V. Peters (captain), G. Dwyer (secretary and delegate), L. Cossey (vice-captain), and J. McG. Hamilton. Third row—J. Brown, J. Lukeman, P. Martin, A. Wright, J. O'Dea, and C. Shea. Top row—R. Lee, J. Kearns, M. Huxtable, and F. Bailey.





## 1922 Season Review

*The Observer* (Adelaide), Sat 7 Oct 1922, Page 17

### RETROSPECT OF THE SEASON.

#### ALL RECORDS BROKEN.

Never has the Australian code of football been so popular as during this season. In all of the States it has taken a firmer grip than ever upon the public, and the general report is that all previous records have been broken. So far as inter-state contests are concerned, too, there has been a striking advancement, both as regards the number of them and the quality of the play. In South Australia the pastime was booming when the Great War broke out, and, although there was a suspension by the league of its programme for three of those years, when the premiership competitions were resumed in 1919 the followers of the sport took up the threads of patronage, where they had been dropped in 1915, and each year since then fresh records have been established. It was apparent at the opening of the season just concluded that football in Adelaide would be even more interesting than had been the case in 1921; but the most sanguine anticipations of the officials in that respect have been easily eclipsed by the actual results. In every respect the season has been particularly gratifying to the league and the clubs financially. Each team, except Glenelg (which is on a different percentage at present), received up to the end of the minor round nearly £150 more than to that stage last year. The two semi-finals yielded £200 above the receipts for the corresponding games in 1921. Then there were five contests in the major round (including a draw and the challenge to play-off), as against only three matches this time. The finals, therefore, have given £2,800 less than last season. The games in the competition just closed, however, have produced better average takings than those in any other year. All the teams except West Adelaide and Sturt, have indulged in interstate holiday trips, but the westerners intend to proceed to Perth so soon as possible, and Sturt will go to Tasmania at the end of this month. Happily no very serious accidents occurred in any of the games. The most notable injuries did not extend beyond a fractured bone or two, and there were only a couple of instances of that kind. It is doubtful whether the quality of the football displayed, on the whole, has been surpassed. Certain it is, that the going has never been more strenuous. The league commissioner (Mr. A. J. McLachlan) has had little to do in the way of dealing with complaints against players for misconduct in the field, and that, taking into consideration the more robust style of play adopted, speaks volumes for the self-control of the participants. The chief cause for the present order of things, so far as the play is concerned, has probably been the appointment by various clubs of leading ex-players as coaches for them. The three outstanding tutors in this respect have been T. Leahy (with Norwood), S. Hosking (with West Adelaide), and J. Tredrea (with South Adelaide).

—The Young Man's Day.—

So exacting has the football been that a number of the older players soon found it desirable to drop out, and allow younger men to take their places. Each of the eight teams has called extensively upon its juniors, and, while that has been encouraging to the B grade, it has, in its results, gone to prove that the quality of the football in the second teams is little below that of the senior ranks. In every district there are numerous candidates for promotion to A grade, and it is probable that next season



there will be substantial alterations in the personnel of the respective sides as they are composed at present. The outlook for the game in South Australia, at least for the next few years, is decidedly encouraging. So far as the material at hand is concerned, Victoria, South Australia, and Western Australia pose as the three leading States in the sport. In the two games between the Melbourne and Adelaide representatives this season the honours were even, with a win each. Although a representative interstate team has not visited Perth this time, the Fitzroy Club made the trip, and the westerners proved, as they did in the last carnival, that they can hold their own against the best of rivals. The East Perth team, in its matches in Adelaide against Norwood and West Adelaide, further emphasized that fact. The Adelaide teams which have visited New South Wales and Tasmania have also found that there are, in those parts, foemen worthy of the best efforts that can be put up against them. All things considered, the standard of play throughout the Commonwealth is higher to-day, and the equality between the teams is more even, than has ever been the case before the next carnival should provide prodigious struggles.

—Official Matters.—

The method of the selection of inter-State teams in Adelaide has received much adverse criticism. It has been contended that, instead of having a selection committee of one delegate from each of the eight clubs, it would be more advisable if the committee were composed of three members outside of club officials and who are close followers of the sport, and have practically made it a life study. The Victorian example in this respect has been extolled. The league has considered this matter in part, and it has been indicated that a definite move will be made at the next annual meeting to have an alteration effected so far as the constitution of the selection committee is concerned. Relatively to the general control of the sport, the league officials have worked assiduously, and, generally speaking, they have discharged their duties satisfactorily. Mr. A. J. McLachlan (Chairman) has again filled his responsible position with credit to himself and to the organization. Of course the person who has so successfully guided the league of late years is the secretary (Mr. Frank Marlow). During his term of office he has proved an ideal man for the position, and has been responsible for much of what has been accomplished in that period. In his dealings with the representatives of the press, he has been most obliging and helpful. No matter at what time or on what subject he has been approached, he has always displayed that spirit of urbanity which is a characteristic trait with him and which has helped to make him the popular official that he undoubtedly is with all concerned with the sport. The secretaries of the clubs also deserve a special word of commendation for the way in which they have at all times rendered assistance to the football writers.

—Among the Clubs.—

Never at any time during the season did interest wane in the premiership competition. When the minor round was completed, and left Norwood, West Torrens, South Adelaide, and West Adelaide to participate in the major round for the pennant, it was realized that patrons of the game were in for a singularly spirited climax. Norwood, on their consistently good performances in the opening 14 matches, well deserved top place, which they won with 12 successes, and only 2 losses. Their tally of points was 24. It was South Adelaide and West Torrens who administered the couple of defeats.



Torrens secured second place with 10 wins, 3 losses, and a draw, or 21 points. They fell to Norwood, West Adelaide, and South Adelaide, and they drew with Sturt. There was an appreciable gap in premiership points between the two leading sides and South Adelaide, who had 8 wins and 6 losses. The keenest competition between any of the clubs for pride of place on the scoring list was that between West Adelaide and Port Adelaide, who finished with 7 wins and 7 defeats each, and who, therefore, filled fourth and fifth positions as a result of their percentage in points kicked for and against respectively. The westerners just scraped into the big four. Port Adelaide lost to West Torrens by one point in a match which, had they won, would have given them 16 premiership points, against West Adelaide's 14. The Portonians protested to the league on an allegation that they had not been credited with a goal which, they stated, was scored by Bayley, but which the umpire disallowed, because he had awarded a free to a Torrens player before the magpie representative had made his running shot. In the official enquiry the evidence showed conclusively that the umpire was right. The protest was dismissed. The 13 goals' victory which West Adelaide scored against South Adelaide in the last match of the minor round gave them the advantage in percentages. North Adelaide, who felt severely the loss of their champion leader, Tom Leahy, were able to win only 6 out of their 14 games, and they finished sixth on the minor list. The Sturt team, who were rent by dissatisfaction at the start of the season, performed well when the disturbing factors had been dispelled. But they could not do more than win 5 games, and make a draw of one, which gave them 11 points, against the northerners' 12. Glenelg, who experienced their second season in the league, struggled valiantly against tremendous odds to improve upon their unbroken run of defeats in 1921; but they were not rewarded at all with premiership points, and again find themselves at the bottom of the list. If the perseverance of Glenelg should be fruitful next year, they will richly merit the congratulations which are sure to be showered upon them by all the other clubs, who, even in the existing circumstances, admire the stout-heartedness with which they have throughout entered into their uphill fights. In the semi-finals Norwood vanquished South Adelaide, and West Adelaide more decisively vanquished Torrens. That left Norwood and West Adelaide to play off for the honours. They met at the Adelaide Oval on Saturday. Both were confident of victory. In the first quarter Norwood scored 2 goals against 4 behinds; at half-time the redlegs had increased their advantage to 4 goals 5 behinds against 8 behinds; "lemons" reached the easterners with 6.6 against 2.14; and the final bell declared Norwood to be the winners by 9.7 against 2.16. It was a battle of the giants. West Adelaide had 18 shots against 16, and yet they lost. Such is the luck of football. Norwood had revenge for the 1908 defeat by West Adelaide. Of the individual players mention may be confined to the winner of the Magarey Medal (R. Barnes, of West Adelaide), and to the champion goalkicker of the minor round (Allingham, of Port Adelaide, who had a total of 47 majors and beat Hart, of Norwood, by a goal, for first place among the marksmen). Norwood eclipsed the previous record for points scored. Hart leads the list of goal-kickers for the whole season with 50 to his credit.

Although the season, as a whole, has been a record one, the aggregate revenue received as gate money for the final matches has been £2,880 less than the corresponding total in 1921. Last year, however, there were five matches in the final round, including a draw and "challenge" game, compared with three contests this year. The average takings per match in the final round this season easily constitutes a record.





## “EIGHT HOURS DAY” FOOTBALL MATCH

*The Observer (Adelaide), Sat 7 Oct 1922, Page 32*

It had been understood that the Essendon (Victoria) football team was to have played a match against Norwood on the Adelaide Oval on Eight Hours Day, October 11. On Wednesday evening, however, the secretary of the South Australian Football League (Mr. F. Marlow) stated that advice had been received stating that the Essendon team had cancelled its projected trip. It had therefore been arranged that West Adelaide should play South Adelaide on Eight Hours Day. The premiership of Victoria has not yet been decided, but the premier team will visit Adelaide to try conclusions with Norwood on October 21.



## 1922 Player Awards

Best all-round player – L. Bryant

Best follower – L. Bryant

Best use of ball – S. White

Brilliant Captaincy – S. White

Best backman – H. Johns

Most goals – T. Hart (50)

Best shepherd – H.W. Grantley

Most improved – B.A. Scott

Fairest and most brilliant – C. Toovey

Most unselfish player – R. Bent

Best junior – C. Hepburn

Best trained player – W. Potts

Best rover – B. Schumacher

Brilliant services – W. Scott

Best-placed man – G. Stephens

Best forward – S. Sibley

Most consistent – M. Dobson

Valuable services – R. Townsend

Brilliant – C. Close

Promising junior – H. Clapson

Valuable services on field – E. Wadham

Best centreman – R. Fowler





## 1922-Games played per player

S. White	17
H.W. Grantley	17
H. Johns	17
G. Stephens	17
S. Sibley	16
B.A. Scott	16
L. Bryant	16
R. Bent	16
C. Close	16
B. Schumacher	16
C. Toovey	16
T. Hart	16
K. Potts	15
R. Townley	15
C. Hepburn	15
M. Dobson	14
W. Scott	13
R. Fowler	10
S. Ackland	6
H. Clapson	6
E. Wadham	5
W. Heinrich	3
R. Plunkett	2
C. Packham	1
H. Tobin	1
C. Pain	1
H. Pridmore	1
W. Sparks	1
V. Cave	1



## 1922 South Australian (State) Representatives

W. Scott


L. Bryant

T. Hart

H. Johns

## 1922 Obituaries

### Joe Traynor

	<p><b>STATISTICS</b></p> <p>Guernsey Number:  Career: 1878 to 1884  NFC Games:  NFC Goals:  Debut:  Finale:</p> <p>Premierships: 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883  NFC Life Member  NFC Hall of Fame  Leading Goalkicker: 1880  VFL/AFL Clubs: North Melbourne</p>
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Before being enticed to Norwood by A J Diamond in late 1878, Traynor had already established himself as the premium follower in the colony, while playing for Hotham (North Melbourne) from 1874 to 1878.

He played very well and kicked the only goal in the premiership deciding match versus Victorian in 1878, his debut game for Norwood and was rated the best player in the State in 1879 and Norwood's best in 1881 and 1882. At the end of 1884 Traynor had scored more goals than any other Norwood player.

Dubbed "the prince of followers" during his career at Norwood, Traynor was a key player in many of its interstate clashes, including the match against Essendon, the first time a South Australian club side had beaten a touring Victorian team. Traynor was a valuable member of the first South Australia team to play Victoria in 1879.

He was an elite performer in a team that rarely lost a game in its first 6 seasons and was regarded as a scrupulously fair footballer, a superb follower, possessing great strength, stamina and skill, a fine mark and sure kick. An all-round sportsman, Traynor also contributed to the supremacy of Norwood's cricket team during the 1880's.

He worked as a blacksmith's striker in Melbourne, and as a Custom's Officer in South Australia

Traynor never married, but left relatives in Victoria. He was awarded NFC Life Membership in 1885 and served on the Match/General Committee in 1881 and 1883.

*R Cialini Feb 2013<sup>53</sup>*

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<sup>53</sup> Redlegs Museum website

## Henry Charles Burnet (club founder)



### STATISTICS

Guernsey Number:

Career: 1878 to 1880

NFC Games:

NFC Goals:

Debut: v South Adelaide (Adelaide) 18th May 1878

Finale:

Premierships: 1878, 1879, 1880

NFC Life Member

Chairman: 1881, and 1884-87.

Harry was born in Carrington Street on 14 September, 1856. His mother, Elizabeth, had come to Australia on the ship *Diadem*, in 1840. His father, Charles, was a pioneer who had a pastoral lease at Mount Brown near Pt Augusta. In fact, his mother was the first white woman to set foot on the site where Port Augusta is now located. Mr. Burnet subsequently, and almost up to his death in 1872, carried on sheep-farming at Lower Light. Harry had two sisters, and a brother, Captain W. J. Burnet, R.N.B., who was the first native-born South Australian to obtain an extra masters certificate. One sister, Miss Jessie Marion Burnet, was matron of the South Australian Refuge at Norwood. His other sister was called Rosina Robertson Burnet, who later married Albert Edward Campbell.

Harry was educated at Whinham's School (North Adelaide Grammar), and in Edinburgh. In 1870 he competed in Athletics for the North Adelaide Junior Club, coming second in the 100 yards champion race; second in the 120 yards hurdle, and second in the 150 yards flat race. In 1876, he bought an auctioneers licence a week before his 20<sup>th</sup> birthday.

In 1877 Harry Burnet was playing football for Adelaide and represented South Australian Natives in a match against the Victorian Residents on 11 May and the SAFA against a Combined Team (Gawler, Kapunda, and Willunga) at the Adelaide ground on 31 August. A fast attacking backman, he was known as a smart dodger and an excellent kick.

The following year, the Norwood Football Club was inaugurated in a meeting held at Norfolk Arms Hotel in Rundle Street, Adelaide on 28 February. H.C. Burnet was a co-founder of the club with A.J. Diamond and J.R. Osborn. In a playing career between 1878-1880, Burnet had the remarkable distinction of winning 3 premierships in 12 games. In 1881, and from 1884 – 1887, Burnet was Chairman of the Norwood Football Club.



In 1921 Harry Burnet wrote to the editor of the "Mail" and the following extracts were published under the heading of "The Origins of Norwood".

*"It happened in this manner. Joe Osborn was captain of the Woodville Club and one afternoon the three of us, Joe, Arthur Diamond and myself were walking across the ground where the University Oval now is, on the way to the Adelaide football grounds, close to the practice ground of the Norwood Cricket Club.*

*Osborn stated that the Woodville club was on the point of disbanding. That was enough! We immediately decided to found a Norwood Football Club, if possible.*

*On arrival at the cricket ground we separated and booked the names of those present who were willing to join the proposed club.*

*The response was so good that a meeting was convened for the Norfolk Arms Hotel, Rundle Street, Adelaide on Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> February, 1878.*

*The meeting, presided over by Mr. W O Whitridge of cricket fame, was called for the purpose of considering the necessity of establishing a new football club.*

*It was unanimously decided to form the Norwood Football Club and the first officers were elected including E T Smith Esq M.P. as Patron and W H Bunday Esq M. P. as President. The elected committee was:- C H Warren, T Letchford, J R Osborn (Captain), A McMichael ( Vice-Captain), A J Diamond (Secretary/Treasurer), and H C Burnet.*

*The members numbered 100 and the subscription was 10/- per year.*

*At the meeting the colours chosen for the club were the colours of the recently disbanded Woodville team.*

*Subsequently an adjourned meeting was held and the Norwood Club was successfully launched. At this meeting the question of the club's colours became the subject of serious debate and on the motion of Lou Suhard, a great footballer and one-time player of the Melbourne Club, the Woodville colours were discarded in favour of the red and blue costume.*

*Norwood played their first association match on the Adelaide Oval on Saturday, May 18, 1878, when they met and defeated South Adelaide by one goal to nil. George Giffen kicked the goal with only his right-foot boot on. He had discarded his left boot, as it had been hurting his foot. The attendance at this match numbered about 1,000. The press in its report of the game remarked:- "Instead of football pure and simple the game was reduced at times to a mere rough-and-tumble contest. It was suggested that Mr. A. Abrahams (secretary of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) should be asked to attend the next match between South and Norwood, who seem to be anything but friendly rivals, in the hope that his presence might have a softening influence upon the players to make them behave more like rational beings".*



*Note the contrast:- In May 1878, Adelaide Oval; Norwood versus South; about 1,000 present. Norwood: 1 goal South: nil (behinds did not count in those days). Band in attendance. Gate probably under £25.*

*October the 1<sup>st</sup> 1921. Adelaide Oval: Norwood versus South. 33,000 present. Norwood: 5 goals 12 behinds; South: 4 goals 13 behinds. Band in attendance. Gate £1,471.*

*A span of 43 years between the first and last meetings of those two famous clubs, the Redlegs getting home in each game by a narrow margin.*

*I thoroughly enjoyed both games, in 1878 as one of the Norwood players in the match and in 1921, as a Norwood member and supporter.*

*HARRY BURNET*

*NORWOOD*

*(The Mail, Saturday 8 October, 1921. Page 3)*

Burnet had an incredibly diverse range of interests – whether on the sporting field or off it. played for the Norwood Cricket Club at least between 1879-1885, alongside George Giffen, Arthur Diamond, Topsy Waldron, Edward Woods and AJ Diamond. In 1882, he was secretary of the Norwood Rowing Club. In 1890 he was umpiring baseball and in 1891, he was playing for the Norwood Baseball Club alongside Norwood Footballers Charles and Edward Woods, and Henry Plunkett and Norwood's first Chairman, W.O. Whitridge. In 1893 he was an athletics judge and he played for the Norwood Chess Club. In 1896, he was on the Committee of the Norwood Cycling Club. In 1898, Burnet was appointed Chairman of Junior Football in new East Torrens Electorate.

In 1881, he was a Lawyer's Clerk. In 1891 and 1892, he was a Vice-Arch Druid at the Duke of Leinster Lodge, which met at the Maid and Magpie Hotel. He ran for the East Norwood Ward in council elections in 1892, but was unsuccessful. In 1897, he was the secretary of the Taylor Gold Recovery Company, when the company was awarded a gold medal and certificate of merit at the Melbourne Mining Machinery Exhibition. By 1908, he was a land broker.

Burnet lived at 8 Percival Street, Norwood, in the late 1800s. He was married to Florence Caroline Richardson (1854-1943) in 1891, and he died on 16 August, 1922. At the time, he was the City Valuer for the Federal Taxation Department. He is buried alongside his wife at the West Terrace Cemetery. They had no children.

*C Brown, 2022<sup>54</sup>*

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<sup>54</sup> Redlegs Museum website



## S.C. Robinson



### STATISTICS

Guernsey Number:

Career: 1898 to 1907

NFC Games: 112

NFC Goals: 73

Debut: v Port Adelaide (Adelaide) 20th August 1898

Finale: v South Adelaide (Adelaide) 31st August 1907

Premierships: 1901, 1904

NFC Life Member

South Australian Games: 2

After an inconspicuous, first game playing in a back pocket against Port and enduring an eight goal loss, Stan's fortune changed just one week later. He was placed at half-forward and kicked two goals in a win against West Torrens. It was as a half-forward/wingman that Robinson established an outstanding reputation.

In summarizing the 1901 Season, The Register (7/10/1901) reported, "Robinson developed into a brilliant player with a rare turn of speed, fine marking abilities and a straight shooter."

Stan also gained Premiership honours and had a fine game against Port in the Premiership Decider in September. He gained State selection the same year. Firstly, he played in the loss to Victoria in Melbourne in June but was in the victorious team that defeated them in the return game, in Adelaide, in August. The Evening Journal report of that game (5/8/1901) stated, "Robinson was brilliant on the Wing."

Stan was part of another Premiership in 1904. In a remarkable game, Norwood trailed Port by 35 points at three-quarter time but came home in an amazing last quarter to win by 4 points. At the midway mark of the final term, Stan Robinson kicked two consecutive goals to reduce the margin to less than a goal. In an era of low scores, Robinson's tally of 73 goals from 112 games was most significant.

Stan played in Norwood's first ever game at Norwood Oval against Sturt on May 4th, 1901. The Oval was officially opened earlier on April 27th and to help celebrate the occasion a number of athletic events were staged, including a Long Kick Contest. This was won by Stan. His effort was measured at 63 yards, 2 feet, 6 inches.

Robinson was a fine athlete and entered a number of professional foot races. It was almost his



undoing when he sustained a serious injury competing at Stawell. He was advised not to play football that season but he chose to ignore medical advice and play he did.

As well as playing, Robinson served for a number of years on the General Committee representing the players. This combined with his playing record culminated with the presentation of a Gold Medal and the awarding of Life Membership at the Annual General Meeting on the 26th March, 1907.

*B Ridge Feb 2018*<sup>55</sup>

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<sup>55</sup> Redlegs Museum website



## Ern Wadham wins the 1922 Bay Sheffield

Athletic Events. Sheffield won by E. Wadham.

*The Advertiser (Adelaide), Fri 29 Dec 1922, Page 6*

An interesting programme of athletic events was carried out on Colley Reserve. These sports are gaining in popularity each year. Thursday was the first occasion on which the sports have been held in an enclosed area. Usually Colley Reserve is open to the public free of charge, but the officials decided to make a small charge for admittance, the proceeds to be devoted to the Glenelg war memorial. That this decision in no way restricted public interest was shown by the huge crowd which lined the running field. The programme contained five big events and racing started promptly at 10.30a.m. It says much for the management that so efficient was the control that the last event was run on the tick of schedule time - 5 O'clock. Some of the State's best performers were seen on the track and exciting finishes were witnessed. The biggest event of the day, the Sheffield Handicap, which is worth £100 in prize money, attracted 80 entries. The enthusiasm of the competitors was indicated by the fact that there were only 11 scratchings. As the result of the race, a new name will be added to the list of winners, that of E Wadham, the tall Norwood follower who, after a very fast sprint, managed to win by the close margin of 3 inches from M.J. Roach, who was only six inches ahead of the third man, Wiles. The time, 12 seconds, was only equalled twice during the contests, by Wiles in his first heat, and by Wadham in his second heat. The winner's handicap was 12½ yds. Roach was on 14 yds., and Wiles was on 12 yds. Since the inauguration of the handicap in 1910, this year's time has only been eclipsed once. That was in 1913, when C. H. Gebhardt covered the distance in 11, 4/5 sec. And it has only been equalled twice—by H. D. Smith in 1902, and E.W. Shannon in 1906. The last two years R.E. Fuss (1920) and C. E. Cook (1921) won in 12, 1/5 sec. Thursday's result reflected great credit on the handicapping.



## The Big Sheffield Won by E. Wadham.

*The Daily Herald* (Adelaide), Fri 29 Dec 1922 Page 4

Colley Reserve was enclosed this year and an admission of 1 / charged in order to raise funds for the Glenelg war memorial, and a large crowd watched some very interesting racing. The Commemoration Sheffield Handicap provided an exciting finish, for only a couple of feet separated the first and fourth men. E. Wadham (the Norwood footballer) was first to the tape. Results:— Commemoration Sheffield Handicap.—

First prize, £70; second, £30; third, £7; fourth, £3.

Final—E. Wadham. 12 ½ yards. 1.

J. Roach, 14 yards, 2.

W. Wiles. 12 yards. 3.

E. Morris. 15 yards, 4.

Time —12s. Won by three inches, with inches between the placed men.

## 1922 Historical Items and Ephemera



Norwood Football Club 1922 Premiership Medal, S.A. Football League.

Presented to S. White by supporters of the Norwood Football Club.

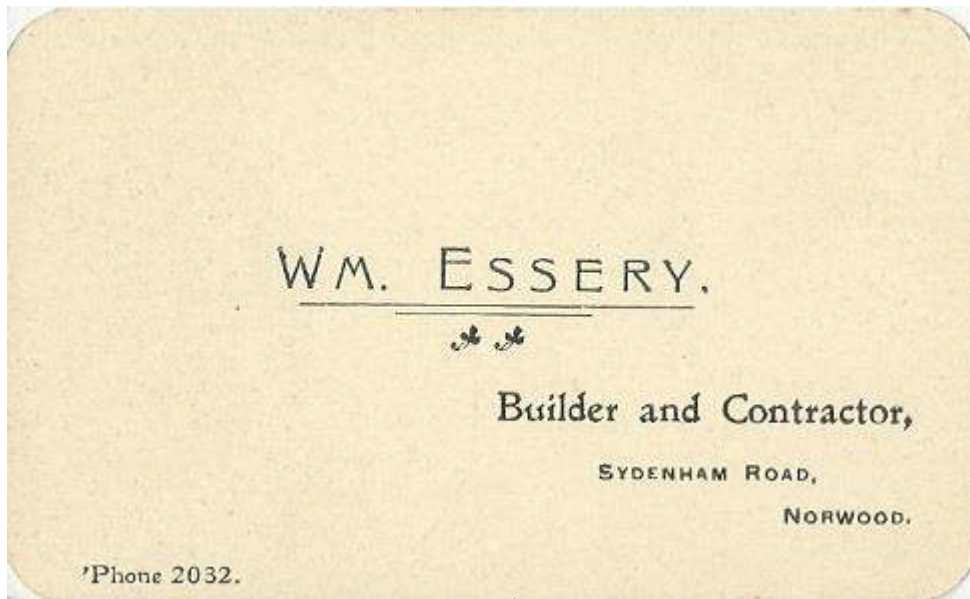


N.F.C. Premiership Medal. Presented by W. Trim. Mounted on board, and the name of recipient voided on the back, scratch marks show name was erased.



Postcard of the NFC B Team c. 1922, showing 22 players and 11 officials, un-named, black & white





A single sided black and white business card with the words "W.M. Essery builder and contractor, Sydenham Rd, Norwood phone 2032". This item was part of a collection of items belonging to W. Essery Jnr.

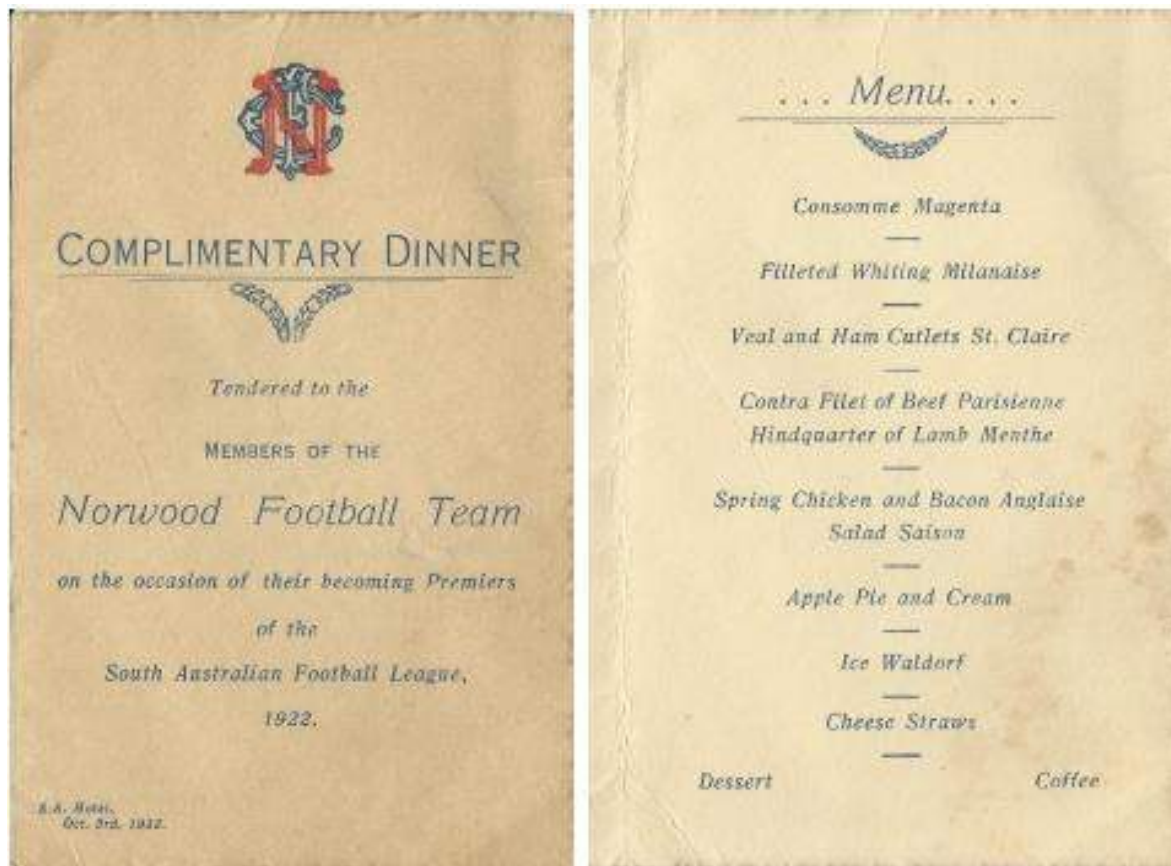


NFC Invitation and Programme for a smoke social at the Norwood Town Hall on Monday, 23 October 1922 at 8.00pm.



Booklet with green cover and red lettering N.B.F.C. 21st.birthday 1901-1922. Red and blue ribbon through two holes in cover. Inside cover blank, cover page Norwood Town Hall banqueting room

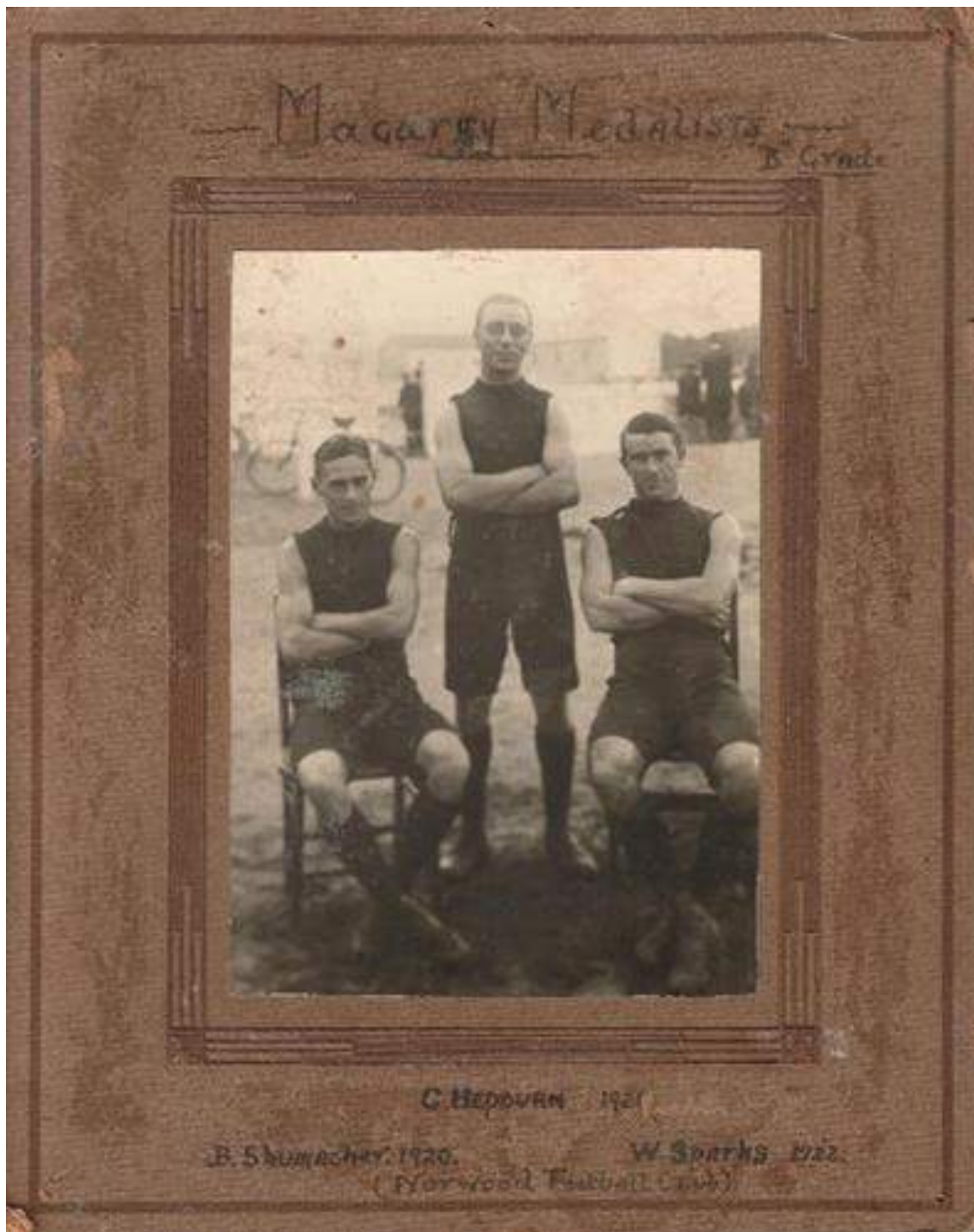
Thursday 2nd. November 1922. Inside two pages of programme, toasts and presentations. 4th inside page, Committee members and record for 1922 season. Inside & back cover blank.



#### Complimentary Dinner Menu & Invitation

Tendered to the members of the Norwood Football team on the occasion of their becoming Premiers of the South Australian Football League 1922.

S.A. Hotel, October 3, 1922



Photograph of three Reserves Magarey Medallists from 1920,1921,1922. Mounted on cardboard.

Item Date 1923

Reserves Magarey Medal; Schumacher, B 1920; Hepburn, C 1921; Sparks, W 1922;

Smith W. S. (Photographer); Norwood Football Club





1922 Oval shaped metal fronted souvenir plaque showing a photograph image of Roy Bent, standing holding a football, and a red & blue flat in the background. R. Bent is printed at the bottom of the plaque. Size 13 X 9.5cm.



A 1922 metal membership badge. Inverted horseshoe type shape. Red edging with the words "Norwood Football Club" from left to right and "19" and "22" on each toe of the badge. In the centre is a round coloured blue area. Inside this is a merged "NFC". Underneath the blue area is the word "member" in gold lettering on a red background. On top of the badge is a gold area with raised gold lines.



