

TODAY'S FOOTBALL

# TORRENS RECOVER TO BEAT SOUTH

## Premiership Table

	P.	W.	L.	For	Ag.	Pts.
Torrens	2	2	—	232	160	4
Port	2	2	—	204	182	4
North	2	1	1	196	167	2
Norwood	2	1	1	192	178	2
West	2	1	1	184	207	2
South	2	1	1	164	224	2
Sturt	2	—	2	197	212	—
Glenelg	2	—	2	159	230	—

## Leading Goalkickers

	Today	Total
A. B. McLean (Port)	5	10
W. Hank (Torrens)	4	10
Pryor (South)	7	9
Lehmann (North)	5	8
Zeuner (West)	3	8
Pedlar (North)	5	7
Wood (Torrens)	5	7

## Port Hold Lead In Keen Duel

By Amos Bottroff

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Port	4-2	8-3	13-5	16-7	103
Sturt	4-6	5-12	9-14	13-18	96

IN an exciting game Port retained the lead they had gained in the second quarter to beat Sturt by seven points at Unley today.

Their success was the result of more accurate shooting than the double-blues.

Sturt's following division functioned better than Port in the early stages and they had 22 points on the board to a solitary single before Port replied with three goals in a row.

Goalkickers—Torrens: W. Hank (8), Wood (5), Hutchinson (3), Mehaffey (2), Glastonbury, R. Roberts. South: Pryor (7), Templeton (3), Laphorne, Deane.

Best Players—Torrens: Edwards, Kinter, R. Hank, W. Hank, Pyatt, Wood, Hutchinson. South—Pryor, Veitch, Ryan, Hickinbotham, Laphorne, Templeton, Smith.

## Next Week's Games

### LEAGUE

West v. Port, Adelaide Oval.  
Norwood v. Sturt, Norwood Oval.  
Torrens v. Glenelg, Thebarton Oval.  
North v. South, Prospect Oval.



F. WILLIAMS, West rover with a mop of long, fuzzy black hair, was one of the stars of the match at Norwood Oval this afternoon. When he was making a characteristic dash with the ball, a Norwood supporter screamed, "Get out of the way, Chopin!"

EVIDENCE of keen following this season was given by the crowds in the dressing rooms at Adelaide Oval before the start of the game. When visitors were ordered out before the coaches addressed the players, streams of people poured out of South and Torrens rooms.

HUTCHINSON, Murray Bridge rover, has plenty of enthusiasm to spur him on in league football. He starts work at 4 a.m. each Saturday in order to come to Adelaide to play for Torrens.

NORTH and Glenelg players were not the only men to receive minor injuries at Glenelg Oval today. During the last quarter a glass window of the press box fell on two football writers of "The News" and "The Mail." The window hit one across the shoulder blades and went on to strike the other on the forehead. The men received attention from a trainer for an abrasion and lump on the forehead.

AFTER trailing by a goal at half-time, Torrens defeated South by 53 points in the main league football match at Adelaide Oval this afternoon.

Port, the only other unbeaten team, were hard pressed by Sturt but won by seven points. Norwood opened their winning account at the expense of West, and North won from Glenelg.

## Simple Ruck Move

By Roy Colmer

A SIMPLE move gave Torrens a grip on the game against South at Adelaide Oval. For half the game South called the tune in the ruck, but then Torrens took command in the packs and raced away to an easy win.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	5-5	8-8	15-13	20-18	138
South	3-3	9-8	11-9	12-13	85

VEITCH dominated the crushes from the first bounce. His fine work, particularly at the centre bounces, kept South well in the picture until half-time.

Up to that stage of the game Smith had been leaping for the ball from the opposite side of the ring from the South man. When the third term opened, he flew with Veitch. Keeping in front, he negated the work of the South follower, preventing him from getting the clean knockouts which marked his play in the early part. From that stage South were beaten.

The game was one of the most open seen for years. There were few scrimmages and for the most part the spectators were treated to man-to-man tussles for the ball.

Torrens have a mosquito fleet that will worry most teams this season. They need another follower to make them into a really good side. Much the same applies to South, who need a ruckman to provide support for Veitch.

Goalkickers—Port: A. R. McLean (5), Quinn (4), Gates (3), Mann (2), Hall, Hoffman. Sturt: Pynor (6), Merchant (3), Black, Langley (2).

Best Players—Port: Roberts, Quinn, Mann, Hull, A. R. McLean, Marrett, Jolly. Sturt—Schober, Langley, Merchant, Black, Headon, Ingham, Pynor.

## NORTH BEAT GLENELG BY 48 POINTS

By Ray Barber

A productive two-man attack was a big factor in North's 48-point win over Glenelg at Glenelg Oval.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
North	4-5	8-16	12-25	16-25	121
Glenelg	4-8	5-11	9-13	9-19	73

Lehmann, North's full forward, did the main damage.

He lured Hunt far afield, and nullified Hunt's defensive power. When North saw early that Lehmann would have to earn his kicks they went through Pedlar, resting in the forward pocket. Each kicked five goals.

Glenelg started brilliantly, and in the first term punctured the North defence like a sieve. But instead of being three goals ahead they were only three points up after kicking 4-8.

Only for Bolton and Kennedy, they would have been much more.

Then North emulated the Bays and won the game in the second term by kicking 4-11 to 1-3.

With Hoskins dominant at centre half-forward and supported by two fliers in Aasmot and Cox on the flanks, Glenelg had no answer. Hoskins exerted such an influence on the game at this stage that he kicked 1-4 himself, and was re-

sponsible for at least three more goals by precision footpassing and safe marking.

Glenelg's half-forward line by comparison made heavy weather of the game all day.

### Settled Issue

There was not much in the ruck work in the first half, but Betson's intelligent play shone like a beacon.

When North went to a 36-point lead in the third quarter, Glenelg dropped into systematic work in front of centre, and challenged with three quick goals.

But their brilliance was short lived, and North's centre-line, coming into the game, provided what was necessary to settle the issue.

Whereas the Prospect side played evenly, the Bays carried far too many passengers. Men who had given them good service before half-time faded out of the picture.

In the last term North rubbed salt into the tigers' wounds by kicking four goals from four shots.

Best Players—North: Lehmann, Hoskins, Bolton, Kennedy, Arbon, Pedlar, Coulls. Glenelg: Haussen, Crabb, Betson, Chambers, Link, Hunt, Masters.

Goalkickers—North: Lehmann, Pedlar (each 5), Arbon, Hoskins (each 2), Aasmot, Cox. Glenelg: Crabb (3), Haussen (2), Betson, White, Woollard, and Morphett.

## Norwood Always Had Call Over West

By Lawrie Jervis, Jun.

Norwood were too good for West at Norwood today. The redlegs showed better system, more intelligent work in the field, and marked and kicked better than the red-and-blacks. They won by 31 points.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Norwood	6-6	11-9	15-9	16-10	106
West	3-0	6-3	8-7	11-9	75

Establishing a ruck supremacy from the first bounce, Norwood quickly set about bombarding their goals. The first quarter went 15 minutes before West pushed home their first attack, when Cannon goaled.

For the Redlegs Bell was outstanding, but, given many opportunities, he could get only three goals from 10 shots. Norwood were superior in almost every position.

Giles, at centre half-back, was the most powerful link in the redlegs' defence, not giving Cannon much chance to sight the ball. Norwood rattled on six goals to West's three, and at no stage of the game did the city team appear likely to match the redlegs.

Goalkickers—Norwood: Williams (5), Drage, Bell (each 3), Way, Marriott (each 2), Whitford. West: Zeuner (3), Lee, Azars (each 2), Atkins, Cannon, Coad, Hill.

Best Players—Norwood: Way, Holmesby, Gallagher, Giles (until hurt), Burke, Oatey, Williams. West: Taylor, Williams, Smith, Semmier, Lee, Faense, Zeuner.

## 30,100 at Games

LEAGUE football attendances were up again today on the corresponding figures for last year. Total attendance at the four games was 30,100, an increase of nearly 3,000 on the 1946 crowds.