

League order still the same

By Ray Barber

The leading four maintained their positions in defeating teams in the lower half of the league football premiership ladder today.

Sturt, Port, Norwood, and Torrens remain in that order in the four.

They look like playing in the major round.

In each of the four games today there was a comfortable winning margin.

Port defeated North by 19 points—the smallest margin.

Port full forward Roger Clift, rapidly becoming a threat for the other teams in the major round, kicked five goals against Ian McKay.

Two State men were injured in the game—Ron Hewett, North wingman, with a recurrence of a shoulder injury and Lloyd Zucker, Port ruckman, with a leg injury.

Life member

Glenelg paced it with Torrens for three quarters. Then the Thebarton team

ran away to win by 33 points.

Ray Hank, regaining his place in Torrens for the first time this season, kicked five goals.

Today's game qualified him for a league life membership. He has completed 10 years of league football.

Sturt led all day to win by 30 points against West at Adelaide Oval.

Len Fitzgerald, Sturt captain-coach, returned to the side and kicked three goals.

Ross Garrett, former South player, now with West, left the field in the second quarter after a collision with Doug Thomas, his teammate and State goalkeeper.

Top scorer

Garrett will be X-rayed for a suspected broken bone under the left eye.

Caust, Sturt goalsneak, kicked four goals to retain his position at the head of the league goalkicking list.

Norwood, after a slow beginning, led throughout to win by 51 points—biggest win of the day—against South at Norwood Oval.

Judd, goalsneak, kicked all of South's five goals.

	W.L.D.		Points		Prem.	
	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.	%
Sturt	9	2	940	745	18	55.7
Port	8	3	1089	800	16	57.6
Norw'd	7	3	895	729	15	55.1
Torrens	6	4	934	804	13	53.7
North	4	7	832	874	8	48.7
Glenelg	4	7	816	910	8	47.2
West	3	8	831	1094	6	43.1
South	2	9	626	1007	4	38.3

TODAY'S FOOTBALL

LEAGUE FOOTBALL

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
STURT	4-3	10-5	13-8	14-10	94
WEST	3-3	5-7	5-11	8-16	64

Best players—STURT: Freundt, Kotaras, Halbert, May, Sims, Hunter, Harris, Beckman. WEST: Wright, Thomas, Cannon, Packham, G. Williams, Faehse, Lee.

Goalkickers—STURT: Caust (4), Fitzgerald (3), Kotaras, Sims, Martin (each 2), Halbert. WEST: Phipps (3), Wright (2), Brown, Faehse, Richardson.

TORREN:	4-3	7-6	12-8	16-12	108
GLENELG	3-2	7-5	10-6	11-9	75

Best players—TORRENS: Roberts, Coverlid, Ray Hank, Bill Hank, Head, Lynch, Coleman. GLENELG: Wilson, Alf Bailey, Edwards, Hewett, Wickham, Laffin.

Goalkickers—TORRENS: Ray Hank (5), Chown (3), Loades, Adams, W. Hank (each 2), Coleman, Daniel, GLENELG: Rundle (4), Laffin (3), Hewett (2), Crabb, Abley.

PORT	2-2	6-3	11-5	13-6	84
NORTH	2-4	3-5	6-9	9-11	65

Best players—PORT: Greer, Clift, Whelan, Zucker, Coldwell, Robinson, F. Williams. NORTH: McCann, Weston, Vaughan, Griffin, Hewett, Blunden.

Goalkickers—PORT: Clift (5), Whelan, Coldwell, Zucker (each 2), Motley, Stevens. NORTH: Vaughan (3), Fuller, McKenzie (each 2), Bunton, Lynch.

NORWOOD	1-3	4-7	8-10	11-20	86
SOUTH	1-1	2-2	5-5	5-5	35

Best players—NORWOOD: Aish, Marriott, Williams, Olds, Fosdike, Reimann. SOUTH: Guy, Panizza, Polden, Haussen, Judd, Linke.

Goalkickers—NORWOOD: Walker, Vivian (each 3), Fosdike, Nicholls (each 2), Taylor. SOUTH: Judd (5).

TORRENS SWAMP BAYS IN FINISH

By VIC JOHNSON

Torrens rose to the occasion and finished much too strongly for Glenelg at Thebarton Oval today. They raced away to a 33-point win.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Final	Pts.
Torrens	4-3	7-6	12-8	16-12	108
Glenelg	3-2	7-5	10-6	11-9	75

Torrens were 14 points ahead at the last change, but then had to kick into the wind.

A striking feature of the game—for the greater part closely contested—was the splendid return to top form of Ray Hank, Torrens rover. He kicked five of his team's goals, and was the leading goalkicker for the game.

Hank today completed his third game in his tenth year of football, and thus qualified for league life membership.

Fast leads

Glenelg had the better of the opening exchanges with the advantage of a fast moving centre line. Laffin quickly posted the first Bay goal from a free.

Lynch, relishing his inclusion in Torrens' team, made his presence felt with some fast leads, and through him Ray Hank and Loades each goaled.

Wilson, roving splendidly, combined well with teammates for goals to Glenelg from Hewett and Laffin again.

Alf Bailey, well on top at centre, repeatedly drove Glenelg into attack, but the sound defence of Graham at centre half-back and Roberts in goal kept the Bays out.

Each team took 13 marks, Torrens received seven frees, Glenelg 11.

Fine football

The second term, when Glenelg had the wind against them, was their best. They were outscored by only one goal—4 goals 3 behinds to 3 goals 3 behinds.

But apart from the scoring—and, of course, that is the main thing—Glenelg did play some really fine football. Their flashing low passes to the man in position one rarely sees these days.

Alf Bailey at centre and Wilson roving each drove in foot-passes to Abley at centre half-forward, which were almost impossible to miss. It is a tribute to Torrens' last line of defence that they were able to keep the scores together at half-time.

Torrens' lead had been reduced to a point at half-time.

Torrens 16 marks, Glenelg 20, Torrens 11 frees, Glenelg 5.

Defence move

Realising that Rundle in the forward pocket was Glenelg's attack spearhead, Torrens for the second half switched Roberts from goal to the back pocket, and rested their followers in goal.

Head, now at his top at centre, did some remarkable things. From Roberts the ball was twice driven to Head, and consequently Chown and Ray Hank goaled.

Wilson put sting into Glenelg's attack for Laffin to goal, but Ray Hank, roving splendidly, gave Chown an answering one. Then Rundle took advantage of Roberts being upfield and goaled.

Finding another effort, Torrens saw Adams and Bill Hank each goal, but Rundle got his fourth, from a free, to leave Torrens 14 points in front at three-quarter time.

Torrens took 16 marks, Glenelg nine, and received six frees to Glenelg's five. Head came right into his own at centre for Torrens in the last term and was the starting point of most of their attacks. They added 4 goals 4 behinds to Glenelg's 1 goal 3 behinds. Chown and Loades each goaled for Torrens before Abley, with a lovely kick, added Glenelg's solitary goal.

Torrens took 22 marks, Glenelg 20; Torrens received seven frees, Glenelg two.

For the game Torrens took 67 marks, Glenelg 62. Torrens received 31 frees, Glenelg 23.

Roberts was Torrens' best. He defended as ably as ever in goal, and was the springboard from which many successful attacks began.

Coverlid's latest untiring exhibition of following, and Ray Hank's splendid return to form, also helped

considerably in the Eagles' victory.

Others to do well were Bill Hank, following, Head, at centre, particularly after half-time, Parham, centre wing, and Coleman in ruck.

Wilson was splendid for Glenelg. His roving and skill in disposing of the ball by foot or hand were most intelligent.

Alf Bailey was always in it at centre and had a fine first half. His disposal in the second quarter could not have been improved upon.

Hewett, at half-forward, has all the attributes of a coming player. Wickham in defence, Laffin in ruck and attack, and Edwards at centre wing, were also prominent.

Best Players—Torrens: Alf Roberts, Coverlid, Ray Hank, Bill Hank, Head, Parham, Coleman. Glenelg: Wilson, Alf Bailey, Hewett, Wickham, Laffin, Edwards.

Scorers—Torrens: Ray Hank 5.1, Chown 3.2, Adams 2.2, Bill Hank, Loades, each 2.1, Coleman 1.1, Daniel 1.0, Lynch 0.1, rushed 0.3, Glenelg: Rundle 4.3, Laffin 3.3, Hewett 2.1, Crabb 1.1, Abley 1.0, rushed 0.1.



TORRENS RUCKMAN JIM COVERLID flies high above his Glenelg opponent, Pat Hall, to take the knock during the match on Thebarton Oval this afternoon.

TOP GOALKICKERS

	Today	Total
Caust (Sturt)	4	40
Rundle (Glenelg)	4	32
Chown (Torrens)	3	29
Lindner (North)	—	26
Clift (Port)	5	24
Fitzgerald (Sturt)	3	24
Nash (Norwood)	—	23

ATTENDANCES

Adelaide Oval	11,000
Prospect	10,500
Thebarton	7,800
Norwood	6,500
Total	35,800