

## [Archive]: Tampa Touchdown Club

Tampa, Florida: 1948 - 1955

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BY-LAWS of TAMPA TOUCHDOWN CLUB

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WANTS-ADS MARKETS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1950

**THIS ANNUAL TAMPA DERBY Stays In Front Full Distance**

is First Dog To Win Big Race Two Years in a Row

... Tampa Touchdown Club last night named new officers at its meeting at Davis Island Country Club. The officers, left to right, are J. C. [Name], secretary; Dr. R. G. [Name], president; F. O. [Name], vice president; and Ed [Name], treasurer. Other directors were [Name] and [Name].

**ribune Cage Meet Opens tonight**

**Hemphill And Bolesta Upset Favorites**

ORLANDO, Feb. 21. (AP) — One of the most exciting cage meet events of the year will be the Hemphill-Bolesta fight...

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POSTER THIRD ANNUAL TAMPA TOUCHDOWN CLUB SPECIAL MATCH NORTH CAROLINA-CAROLINA FOOTBALL GAME

CAR TT-2 (cont'd.)

- Compartment G - D. F. Taylor, S. E. Brington, J. H. Goss, Sam Flor
- Compartment H - Sam Debie, Chas Pittman - Golf, John Blas - Football, Robt. J. Potter, Frank Hester, H. G. Hester
- Compartment I - Chester Ferguson, Truman Green, Charles Baskerville, Sam Higgins, J. H. Pickard, Don Arries
- Compartment J - W. L. Waring, Jr., Wallace Hall, H. Rogers Adlington, Bolivar Hyde, Jr., Jan. L. Lee, Stewart Foremyr, Carl Soley, W. H. Reynolds, Robt. Rice

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**DETAILED SCHEDULE**

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	Sightseeing 9:30 A.M.
	Lunch - Kenwood Country Club Noon
	Maryland-South Carolina game 2:30 P.M.
	Dinner - Emerson Hotel Baltimore 6:00 P.M.
	Pro Game 7:35 P.M.

De seeing you, **Tom Henderson** October 3rd. Leave Washington at Midnight. Arrive Tampa Sunday 5:00 P. M.

A collection of ephemera for the Tampa Touchdown Club in the late 1940s and early 1950s. Some offsetting, tiny chips, and tears thus very good.

An assortment of mimeographed sheets, broadsides, newspaper clippings, and letters pertaining to the Tampa Touchdown Club in the late 1940s and early 1950s. The club, according to the club's charter seen here, was a non-profit "exclusively for pleasure" club "composed of those interested in sports and especially football with the prime purpose an annual trip or trips to witness college or professional football games." The charter also explains that only "white male citizens shall be qualified as members of this corporation." This archive contains not only the initial charter from 1948 but also by-laws, memos, minutes from meetings, roasters, broadsides advertising trips, and newspaper clippings detailing the club's activities.

An extensive archive documenting nearly a decade of the post-war sports club. [BTC#425777]

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## Tampa Touchdowners Select Reeves As New President

G. L. (Gibbie) Reeves, one of Tampas' most ardent sports enthusiasts, was elected president of the Tampa Touchdown Club last night at the group's annual election dinner at Rubin's Restaurant.

Reeves succeeds G. B. Henderson as head of the football club which is known throughout the country for the annual junket it takes to witness one of the top games of the season.

J. C. (Choo-Choo) Hughey was reelected secretary of the club while E. K. Nelson, Jr., was a unanimous choice to serve another tenure as treasurer.

Leslie Blank and Gus Perdigon were elected to serve on the board of directors, succeeding retiring directors Frank Frankland and P. O. LeBlanc, whose two-year terms have expired. Board members still in office are Mit Hollis and Ernest Atkins.

Members also made an unofficial vote on the selection of the game which they will see this year. The contest will either be the Tennessee-Alabama game at Birmingham, Ala., on Oct. 17, or the Florida-Auburn game on Oct. 31 at Auburn. Club officials will pick the site for the trip when the availability of tickets and travel accommodations are known.

Among the special guests at the gathering were Line Coach John Eibner and Backfield Coach John Rauch of the University of Florida who showed Touchdown Club members the action pictures from the 1953 Gator Bowl game in which Florida defeated Tulsa, 14 to 13.



**TOUCHDOWN PRESIDENT**  
Gibbie Reeves

*R. J. [unclear]*  
a. e.

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of

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CHARTER OF TAMPA TOUCHDOWN CLUB

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This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ROSTER  
THIRD ANNUAL  
TAMPA TOUCHDOWN CLUB  
SPECIAL TRAIN  
NORTH CAROLINA-TENNESSEE  
FOOTBALL GAME  
KNOXVILLE, TENN. 2:30 PM Oct. 30th, 1948

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CAR TT-1

Lower 1 - E. W. Spencer  
Upper 1 - J. C. Huskisson  
Lower 2 - Fred Johnston  
Upper 2 - Wm. L. Alley  
Lower 3 - Ernie Atkins  
Upper 3 - Walter Turpin  
Lower 4 - Ed Ray  
Upper 4 - Dr. W. M. Walters  
Lower 5 - O. J. Coney  
Upper 5 - Lester Collier  
Lower 6 - L. T. Langford  
Upper 6 - Bob Thomas  
Lower 7 - Frank Massey  
Upper 7 - W. F. McLane  
Lower 8 - W. S. Sparkman  
Upper 8 - J. J. Murphy  
Lower 9 - W. V. Buckles  
Upper 9 - W. Y. Duyck  
Lower 10 - J. Arthur Turner  
Upper 10 - Elgin Spence  
Drawingroom A - Cecil B. Smith  
                  C. S. Smith  
                  J. L. Raulerson  
Compartment B - Dr. S. C. Harvard  
                  Geo. Allen  
Compartment C - P. J. Lee  
                  T. J. Miles

CAR TT-2

Drawingroom A - J. R. Boring  
                  Jim Swann, Jr.  
                  Paul Cochran, Jr.  
Compartment D - Robert Hill  
                  Dr. Charles Rodriguez  
Compartment E - Dr. Gus Perdigon  
                  John Hammer  
Drawingroom B - Jim Warren  
                  Curtis Hixon  
                  Tom Henderson  
Compartment F - Jack Smith  
                  W. T. Morgan, Jr.

CAR TT-2 (cont.)

Compartment G - D. F. Taylor  
                  S. B. Brinson  
Compartment H - J. L. Cone  
                  Sam Flom  
Compartment I - Seth Dekle  
                  Chas Pittman - Going  
                  John Diaz - Returning  
Drawingroom C - Robt. J. Potter  
                  Frank Massari  
                  W. C. Pierce

CAR TT-3

Drawingroom A - Chester Ferguson  
                  Truman Green  
                  Charles Baskerville  
Compartment D - Nash Higgins  
                  E. M. Leighton  
Compartment E - Devereux Bacon, Jr.  
                  Calvin Johnson  
Drawingroom B - Sam Bissitt  
                  Ed Rood  
                  Edwin Thomas  
Compartment F - J. B. Pickard  
                  Don Arries  
Compartment G - W. L. Waring, Jr.  
                  Wallace Hall  
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Be seeing you,

*Tom*  
Tom Henderson  
October 3rd.

### DETAILED SCHEDULE SATURDAY

After Pro Game, Bus  
Trip to Washington

Leave Washington at  
Midnight  
Arrive Tampa Sunday  
5:00 P. M.