

AISH TO MISS 6 Stringer, too

Devastating injuries to Norwood captain Michael Aish and Glenelg utility Alan Stringer will put them out of action for at least six weeks.

Aish has a broken left arm while Stringer has a dislocated bone in his left wrist.

The injuries come as a severe blow as the build-up to the finals gains increased momentum.

The only good news for both players is they should be right to play in time for the finals.

Even though they are in plaster, they still can run and maintain fitness.

Stringer suffered his injury in the opening minutes against Central District and was unable to help prevent the Bulldogs maintain their two-year, unblemished record against the reigning premier.

Central scored the upset of the round with its 11.10 to 9.4 victory at Elizabeth.

It was the Bulldogs' first win in nine weeks and

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Glenelg's first loss in seven weeks, with Central reaping the rewards of being able to shut out Chris McDermott, David Marshall, Tony MacTavish and to a lesser extent Peter Maynard.

The Bays fell from second to fourth on the premiership table.

Port Adelaide was the big winner of round 15 — even though it only just held on for a five-point win against West at Football Park.

A goal to young Mark Tylor in the dying stages was enough to push the Magpies into fifth place, at the expense of West, which now has a titanic battle to reclaim a finals berth.

West Torrens has fallen two games behind Port after suffering a 27-point loss to league leader North.

The Roosters booted 5.3 to 0.1 in the first term and Torrens was unable to recover.

North rover Steven Sims is expected to miss two matches with a twisted ankle.

Full forward John Roberts booted six goals.

Woodville was lucky to escape with an eight-point win against Sturt at Adelaide Oval — with Sturt finishing the game with just 17 fit men.

Tim Paech (left knee), Jay Viney (right knee) and Andrew Underwood (ankle) were unable to see out the match.

Norwood's huge 18.8 to 6.1 win against South came at a dreadful cost with Aish, John Hall and Tom Warhurst all suffering injury.

Hall twisted a knee while Warhurst was kicked in the hip.

Hall should resume next week but Warhurst may miss one game.

Dogs burst Tigers' bubble

The Central District nightmare — filled with hurt and disappointment for the past eight weeks — is finally over.

And the Glenelg fire that has raged out of control for most of the past six weeks also is finished — doused by a superbly executed game plan at Elizabeth Oval yesterday.

The Bulldogs woke this morning with clear heads and justifiable claims to being the "pride of the plains" after their shock win.

They had at last stood up to be counted after an exile in football's Siberia and expertly burst the Bay bubble by 18 points.

And they did it with an unrelenting discipline — a normal Glenelg characteristic — from 20 committed men.

Celebrated

But there was a core of four hard working minders who effectively tore the heart out of the Tigers' game.

Central captain Rene van Dommele led the defensive assault and celebrated his 200th senior match with a fine nullifying game on Glenelg champion rover Chris McDermott.

Van Dommele also attacked strongly, particularly in the first term, when not restricting one of Glenelg's all-time great players to a stunningly low 21 possessions.

Then there was shadow number two, Roger Girdham.

He frustrated another top playmaker, Peter Maynard, and trapped many opponents with vice-like tackles.

Girdham was so exhausted after a staggering 19 handballs and immense concentration that he had to be replaced in the final term.

The Bulldogs best credentialled tagger, Trevor Roe, manned the dangerous Tony MacTavish and quelled his in-

I knew we could win: Neale

■ KEVIN NEALE (Central): Every player stuck at his game and those with special jobs worked very hard. Rene van Dommele played a marvellous captain's game on McDermott. I knew we could win after training Thursday — probably our best in two years.

■ GRAHAM CORNES (Glenelg): They controlled our playmakers and their taggers got important kicks. We didn't play badly but they played extremely well.

fluence in workmanlike fashion.

MacTavish won important kicks in defence early in the game and later copped a minor ankle injury.

The fourth and most unlikely of Central's minders was Greg Thomas, who proved nuisance value to Tigers' centremen David Marshall and Scott Salisbury.

Thomas covered them and allowed teammate Peter Krieg the freedom to focus on his attacking game from centre.

And focus he did. His spectacularly consistent drive, run, and 30 possessions inspired the Bulldogs.

Krieg's opponent was David Grenvold, a mismatch because of coach Kevin Neale's clever plan to man-up.

Neale dropped a clue last week when he talked publicly about the importance of "manning-up" with opposition run-on and centreline players to prevent a side such as Glenelg storming to its customary massive lead.

The only Tiger who warranted a "tag" was wingman David Kernahan.

His poise and outstanding kickwinning deeds in the heavy conditions made him Glenelg's most damaging player.

Alan Stringer suffered a dislocated wrist in the opening minutes and was replaced in a forward pocket by Ross Gibbs.

And while Gibbs booted three goals for the Tigers, his opponent Scott Lee continued his season's good form with an uncom-



Gordon Campbell

promising attack on the ball.

Glenelg's Scott Salisbury had a downer in a back pocket and centre, and early opponent Stephen Anderson had three goals by half-time.

Michael Murphy was a powerhouse at centre half back for Glenelg in the second term, but his opponent, Keith Allan, snared his first league goal just before half-time to steal a commanding 22-point break for the Bulldogs.

Impact

Interchange Robin Kidney sparked the Tigers in the second half and Marshall finally came good with two goals in the final term.

Central ruckman Richard Louder had a big impact on victory and made Peter Carey aware he would not be intimidated by the champ.

Louder marked strongly and snapped a marvellous left foot goal in the third quarter.

The Bulldogs' last win was against the Bays in round six and the triumph continued their inexplicable dominance over the reigning premier during the past two years.

Premiership table

	W	L	F	A	%	Pts
NORTH	13	2	1686	1291	56.63	26
NORWOOD	10	5	1731	1416	55.00	20
WOODVILLE	10	5	1637	1668	49.53	20
GLENELG	9	6	1907	1526	55.55	18
PORT	8	7	1480	1545	48.93	16
West	7	8	1686	1763	48.88	14
Torrens	6	9	1449	1449	50.00	12
Central	5	10	1534	1765	46.50	10
South	4	11	1333	1694	44.04	8
Sturt	3	12	1424	1750	44.86	6

Leading Goalkickers

	Games	Y'day	Total
J. Roberts (North)	15	6.3	76.32
S. Nichols (Woodville)	15	1.1	75.32
R. Mandemaker (Central)	15	0.3	69.31
J. Seebohm (Glenelg)	15	1.0	51.29
D. Smith (Port)	15	0.1	49.25
I. Willmott (Sturt)	12	—	47.23
C. Stasinowsky (South)	13	—	39.25
D. Stoeckel (South)	10	—	37.14

Football Park

PORT	3.3	6.7	8.9	10.9	(69)
WEST	1.3	3.5	5.7	9.10	(64)

BEST— Port: Johnston, Ginever, Bald, Abernethy, Boyd, Delaney, Simpson, Curtis. West: Malcolm, Shaw, Lamb, Sporn, Herbert, Harbinson.

GOALS— Port: Borlase 3.0, Tylor 2.1, Fiacchi 2.0, O'Brien 1.2, Ginever 1.1, Phillips 1.0, D. Smith 0.1, Harrison 0.1, Simpson 0.1, Johnston 0.1, Abernethy 0.1. West: Lamb 5.1, Sporn 3.1, Patterson 1.0, Shaw 0.1, Forster 0.1, Herbert 0.1, Harbinson 0.1, Grosser 0.1, rushed 0.3.

UMPIRES — Neville Thorp and David Trembath.

Adelaide Oval

WOODVILLE	5.3	6.8	7.12	8.16	(64)
STURT	3.2	6.4	7.7	8.8	(56)

BEST— Woodville: Templeton, Haylock, Negri, Parker, Harris, Schwarz. Sturt: Paynter, Whittlesea, Smith, Paech, Russell, Moscheni.

GOALS— Woodville: Templeton 2.3, Nichols 1.1, Haylock 1.1, Champion 1.1, Panizza 1.0, Jackson 1.0, Harris 1.2, Sewer 0.2, Taylor 0.1, Dettmann 0.1, rushed 0.4. Sturt: Moscheni 2.2, Whittlesea 1.1, Daish 1.0, Smith 1.0, Reynolds 1.0, Paynter 1.0, Kitschke 1.0, Field 0.1, rushed 0.4.

INJURIES — Sturt: Underwood (ankle) first term, Paech (left knee ligaments) third term, Viney (right knee ligaments) third term.

UMPIRES — Stephen Semmler and Ross Campbell.

Elizabeth Oval

CENTRAL	3.3	6.7	10.8	11.10	(76)
GLENELG	3.2	3.3	6.4	9.4	(58)

BEST— Central: Krieg, Girdham, S. Anderson, Lee, Louder, van Dommele, Thomas, Roe, Allan. Glenelg: Kernahan, Murphy, Maynard, Winton, Kidney, West.

GOALS— Central: S. Anderson 4.1, Little 2.1, Allan 2.0, Thomas 1.1, Graham 1.0, Louder 1.0, Mandemaker 0.3, van Dommele 0.1, rushed 0.3. Glenelg: Gibbs 3.1, Marshall 2.0, Budarick 2.0, Kidney 1.0, Seebohm 1.0, MacTavish 0.1, Winton 0.1, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES — Central: Lawton (bruised shoulder). Glenelg: A. Stringer (dislocated left wrist), MacTavish (twisted ankle).

UMPIRES — Laurie Argent and Kevin Chambers.

Norwood Oval

NORWOOD	4.2	9.2	14.4	18.8	(116)
SOUTH	2.0	5.0	6.0	6.1	(37)

BEST— Norwood: Rowe, Payne, Fosdike, Maynard, Taylor, Pyke, Aish (until he broke his arm). South: Hewitt, Schneebichler, Taylor, Dewhurst, Christie, Eddy, Koppler.

GOALS— Norwood: Ducker 6.1, Payne 3.2, McNeil 2.1, Richardson 2.1, Rowe 1.0, Aish 1.0, McIntosh 1.0, Fosdike 1.0, Kelly 1.0, Pyke 0.2, rushed 0.1. South: Menzel 2.1, Eddy 2.0, Taylor 1.0, Christie 1.0.

INJURIES — Norwood: Warhurst (bruised hip) first term, Hall (knee) second term, Aish (broken arm) third term. South: Jarvis (ankle) second term.

UMPIRES — Rick Kinnear and Mark Mackie.

Prospect Oval

NORTH	5.3	6.4	6.7	9.10	(64)
TORRENS	0.1	1.4	2.6	5.7	(37)

BEST— North: Wildy, A. Jarman, Hart, Tiller, J. Riley, D. Jarman, Arnold, Roberts, Carlaw. Torrens: Hanna, Weston, Payze, Fotia, Pisani, Enright.

GOALS— North: Roberts 6.3, Carlaw 2.0, Hart 1.1, Burton 0.2, Bennett 0.1, Redden 0.1, D. Jarman 0.1, rushed 0.1. Torrens: Dietrich 1.2, Morphett 1.1, Foote 1.1, Edmonds 1.1, Smith 1.0, Hanna 0.1, rushed 0.1. **INJURIES** — North: Sims (twisted ankle), Clisby (hamstring). Torrens: K. Taylor (finger).

UMPIRES — John Hylton and David Elliott.

Crowds

Football Park	8157
Adelaide	2823
Elizabeth	2515
Norwood	3739
Prospect	3969
Total	21,203

Next round

North v Sturt (Football Park).
South v Port (Adelaide).
Torrens v Glenelg (Thebarton).
West v Central (Richmond).
Woodville v Norwood (Woodville).