

Eagles throw it away

SANFL SCOREBOARD

SANFL ladder

Table with columns P, W, L, D, F, A, %, Pts for various teams including CENTRAL, WEST, GLENELG, PORT, SOUTH, Norwood, Eagles, North, Sturt.

SA goalkickers

Table listing SA goalkickers with columns Games, Rd 3, Total for players like D. Woosnam, D. Caldwell, G. Coffee, etc.

Glenelg Oval

GLENELG 4.2 8.4 10.9 15.13 (103)
Eagles 2.5 6.11 9.12 11.15 (81)
BEST - GLENELG: Reubenicht, McGuinness, Symonds, Hallahan, Bailey, West, Hele, Hocking, Viska.
EAGLES: Weidemann, Nicol, Rogers, Robins, Thorne, Morphett.

Alberton Oval

PORT 2.2 9.3 12.4 19.8 (122)
Norwood 1.4 3.6 7.10 9.10 (64)
BEST - PORT: Carter, Leys, Mead, Delaney, West, Malakellis, McLeod, D. Smith, Wade, Northeast, Ginever.
NORWOOD: D'Antiochia, Cowham, Kelly.

Richmond Oval

WEST 9.3 15.3 17.6 24.9 (153)
South 2.2 3.3 6.6 8.9 (57)
BEST - WEST: Woosnam, Kilpatrick, Sporn, Andriske, Symes, Simister.
SOUTH: Lade, Lamb, Sholl, Stoeckel, Jackson, Travena.

Prospect Oval

CENTRAL 4.2 5.3 9.4 13.8 (86)
North 2.4 6.6 8.6 9.7 (61)
BEST - CENTRAL: Schwerdt, Ingerson, Haraida, Stevens, Arnold, Wynd, Girdham.
NORTH: Gerke, Saunders, Squire, Perkins, Atkinson, Phillips.

SA draw

ROUND 4 - Saturday: Norwood v West (Football Park), South v North (Adelaide), Central v Glenelg (Elizabeth), Eagles v Sturt (Woodville). Bye - Port.

GLENELG 15.13 (103) EAGLES 11.15 (81)

By ANDREW CAPEL

GLENELG celebrated its first home game in its 75th year with a scrappy 22-point win against the Eagles yesterday. The Tigers, leading by three points at three-quarter time, booted three goals in the opening 10 minutes of the final term to put the game beyond the Eagles, who threw the game away with poor disposal.

Glenelg led at every change - by nine, five and three points respectively - but was unable to shake off a determined Eagles outfit.

Both sides were well served in midfield but it was Glenelg's better disposal to key forwards Jim West, who celebrated his 150th game with three goals and 11 marks, and Dean Caldwell (three goals) which proved the difference.

At the other end of the ground, key Eagle forwards Andrew Taylor and David Niemann suffered from poor delivery, managing just one goal each.

Skilful back pocket Grant Reubenicht helped set up Glenelg's victory with some brilliant play from defence, while other fine contributors were on-ballers Phil McGuinness (33 possessions), Jon Symonds, Dean Bailey, Paul Hallahan and Simon Hele.

Glenelg's victory was meritorious after losing inspirational captain Nick Chigwidden in the first quarter with a strained shoulder. A strong hip and shoulder from Eagles ruckman Stuart Nicol did the damage.

The Tigers went into the game with a tall team and the loss of Chigwidden placed more pressure on their runners, but they responded well. Adelaide Crow Mark Viska was a handy player

for the Tigers, winning plenty of the ball, but he had his colors lowered in the first half by fellow Crow Wayne Weidemann, who set up much of the Eagles' play from midfield.

Jarrold Hocking was another good contributor in defence for Glenelg and at half-forward in the final term.

Weidemann was the Eagles' best before leaving the field with a scratched eye in the final term, while ruckman Stuart Nicol won the aerial contests, captain Andrew Rogers shut Tiger recruit David Strooper (three possessions) out of the game at half-back, centreman Haydn Robins helped himself to 35 possessions and rover Rowan Thorne was lively and capped his play with three goals.

Neither coach was pleased, but Glenelg's Tony Symonds was content with the result and the fact that his side had beaten last year's grand finalists, Port Adelaide and the Eagles, in their opening three games.

"It was a struggle. We didn't look sharp at all, but to the players' credit they hung in there and won the game when it was there to be won," Symonds said.

"I think our will to win proved the difference because both sides struggled to produce flow-on football."

Eagles coach Bruce Winter blamed poor disposal and said his team's workrate when the pressure was applied was not up to scratch.

"We had the possessions (to win) but our delivery into the forward line and our forwards' ability to hold the ball in the area wasn't what it should have been."



Glenelg's Darren Mansell kicks goalwards as the Eagles Wayne Weidemann charges in

Reserves

GLENELG 3.4 7.9 15.12 19.13 (127)
Eagles 5.1 8.4 11.8 13.11 (89)

BEST - GLENELG: Spivey, Flesfader, Ridgeway, Barnett, Moore, Whittesea. EAGLES: Dunne, Phillipou, Chapman, Shalders, Walker, Bigland.

GOALS - GLENELG: Barnett 7, Flesfader 3, Smith, Moore 2, Dryden, Scripps, Snowden, Wilkinson, Hawkins. EAGLES: Cichowski 3, Shalders, Walker, Bussenschutt 2, Phillipou, Floreani, Axon, Hasting.

SA crowds

Table showing SA crowds for various ovals: Glenelg Oval (3474), Alberton Oval (8352), Richmond Oval (2320), Prospect Oval (2861), Total (17,007).

Player statistics for Glenelg: D. Strooper, D. Caldwell, P. Hallahan, A. Bartlett, J. West, D. Mansell, S. Hele, P. McGuinness, J. Symonds, M. Viska, P. Rouvray, R. Waugh, G. Reubenicht, J. Hocking, P. Hamilton, S. McCully, D. Bailey, N. Chigwidden, T. Redshaw, S. Angove. Columns include Kicks, Marks, Handballs, Frees, Scores, Hit, Tackles.

Player statistics for Eagles: R. Lukosius, A. Taylor, R. Thorne, N. Pesch, D. Niemann, S. Morphett, M. Hannam, H. Robins, A. Payze, M. Devine, B. Sheldrick, A. Rogers, J. King, J. Spehr, G. Woods, S. Nicol, W. Weidemann, J. Sziller, R. Negri, G. Colville. Columns include Kicks, Marks, Handballs, Frees, Scores, Hit, Tackles.