Tigers feast on South

Glenelg 15.19 (109) South 3.7 (25)

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Glenelg yesterday maintained its mid-season drive for the five by grounding a hopelessly inept South Adelaide into the Bay Oval quagmire and strolling effortlessly to an 84-point win.

Sparked by Stewart McCully's rucking dominance and the uncanny goal sense of Paul Hallahan, Glenelg had the better of a slogging first half before careering away to a percentage boosting victory.

South, vulnerable at the back, impotent up forward and spasmodic in the midfield, now lies firmly entrenched at the bottom of the table. Its only hope of salvaging anything from a rapidly disintegrating season rests with three home matches in the next four weeks.

"We didn't give a yelp. Everyone is bitterly disappointed," South coach Shane Butler said afterwards. "But we have to stay positive and hopefully we can get something out of the rest of the season."

Conversely, Glenelg now carries three wins from its past four outings into next week's Football Park clash with ladder leader Central District.

"That game has already been talked about. The boys just brought it up themselves and we're really looking forward to it," Glenelg coach Tony Symonds said after emerging from the Tigers' post-match discussion.

"It might be hard to judge how well we played today because South is struggling and not playing very good footy at the moment. But you can't do anymore than beat the 21 players who are out there."

Glenelg was too strong, fast and sure in the sticky conditions yesterday. It took control early through the midfield drive of Simon Hele and Dean Bailey, the tough defence of Mark Viska and the powerful marking of full forward James West.

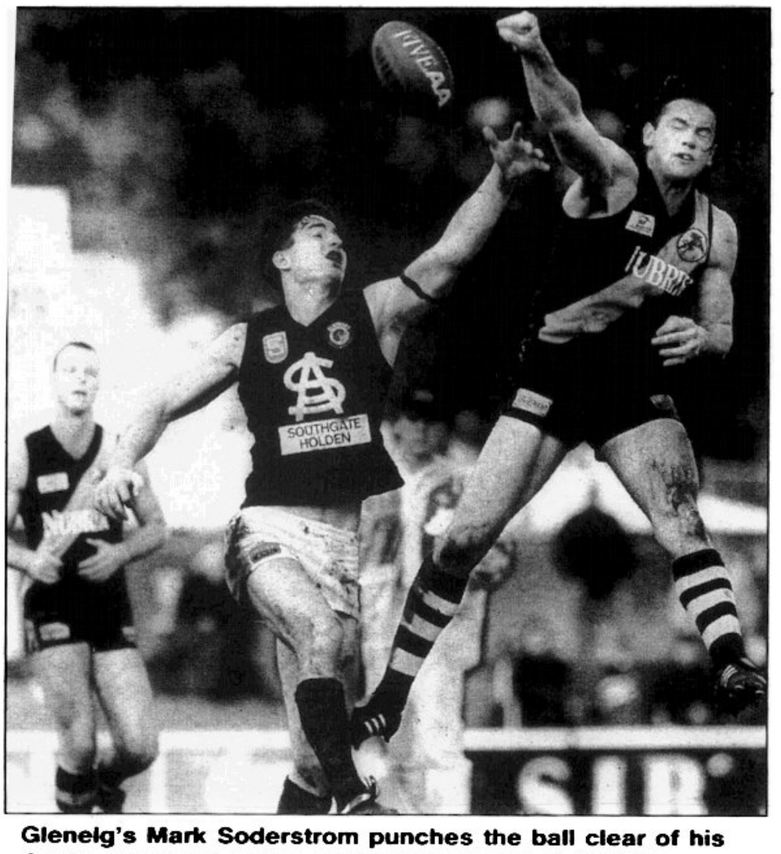
South hit back in the second term when rover Gary Cameron booted all three of the Panthers' goals for the match and the visitors closed to within four points midway through the quarter.

But South lacked the firepower across half-forward to capitalise on some industrious work from its midfield and Glenelg regrouped to sprint to a 25-point lead at the long break.

Glenelg's dominance started in ruck where McCully directed traffic at will. He destroyed Ashley Fernee and later Brendon Lade either finding his rovers with intelligent palming of the ball or earning his team valuable ground by thumping it forward.

South, despite conceding the rucks, was competitive in the midfield in the first half with wingmen Matthew Battams and Michael Johnston winning their share, Scott Webb impressing as a rover and John Polkinghorne having the better of Chris McDermott. But all that changed with McDermott enjoying a superb third quarter.

"He's as honest as the day is long," Butler said of Polkinghorne. "But in the end the numbers just got too much for him."



Glenelg's Mark Soderstrom punches the ball clear of his South opponent during yesterday's game at the Bay.

SANFL SCOREBOARD

Football Park

EAGLES	1.2	4.3	5.5	8.9	(57)
North	0.4	0.5	4.9	6.10	(46)

BEST – EAGLES: Devine, Mclure, Bailey, Colville, Sziller, Payze, Ugrinic, Pearce, Rogers. **NORTH:** Francou, Rosenboom, Viney, Mancini, Phillips, Hodges.
SCORERS – EAGLES: Colville 3.1, Morphett 2.0, S. Phillipou, Sziller, Weetra 1.0, Payze 0.2, Pesch, Ugrinic, Browning 0.1, rushed 0.3. **NORTH:** Logan 2.1, Francou 1.1, Saunders, Robertson, Mancini 1.0, Parker 0.3, Phillips, Tasker 0.2, Sandford 0.1.
INJURIES – EAGLES: Simpson (groin), Devine (dislocated shoulder).
UMPIRES: Darragh Ryan, Kevin Chambers, Tim Slaven.

Elizabeth Oval

CENTRAL	10.3	12.5	14.8	16.12	(108)
Sturt	0.0	3.3	7.4	8.6	(54)

BEST – CENTRAL: Macgowan, Wynd, Lee, Saywell, Girdham, Cotter, Cook, P. Green, Conway. **STURT:** Hicks, Obst, Atkinson, Nelson, Caven, Lennon, May.
SCORERS – CENTRAL: Conway 5.1, Cotton, Flood 3.1, Macgowan 2.0, Cook 1.3, Wynd 1.2, Balkwill 1.0, P. Green 0.3, Saywell 0.1. **STURT:** Weatherald 2.0, Obst, Pitura 1.1, May, Geddes, Hicks, Nelson 1.0, Dennis, Moloney, Wade, DeRon 0.1.
UMPIRES: G. Inge, J. Jeanes, M. Avon.

Glenelg Oval

GLENELG	2.6	5.10	9.16	15.19	(109)
South	0.1	3.3	3.5	3.7	(25)

BEST – GLENELG: McCully, Bailey, West Hallahan, Burke, Viska, Waugh, Soderstrom, McDermott, Chigwidden, Hele. **SOUTH:** Polkinghorne, Cameron, Johnston.
SCORERS – GLENELG: Hallahan 4.3, Soderstrom, Tylor 2.1, Symonds 2.0, West 1.4, Bailey 1.1, Scripps, Bartlett, Waugh 1.0, Hele 0.2, McDonald, Cameron, Read, Chigwidden 0.1, rushed 0.3. **SOUTH:** Cameron 3.1, Lade 0.2, Wittman, Lamb, Stoeckel 0.1, rushed 0.1.
INJURIES – SOUTH: Battams (dislocated finger).
UMPIRES: David Elliott, Colin Rowston, Craig Doddridge.

Richmond Oval

PORT	2.2	9.5	12.11	14.19	(103)
West	2.2	3.4	5.5	7.6	(48)

BEST – PORT: Carter, Poole, McGuinness, Ginever, Leys, T. Malakellis, Wilson, Francis, Anderson, Brown, Fiacchi, Mead. **WEST:** Brebner, Banik, Dempsey, Carlson, Green.
SCORERS – PORT: McGuinness 4.2, Hodges 3.4, Francis 1.4, Ginever 1.1, McKay 1.1, T. Malakellis 1.1, Borlase 1.0, Poole 1.0, Carter 1.0, Brown 0.1, rushed 0.5. **WEST:** Mellor 3.0, Woosnam 2.2, Morris 1.1, Barrett 1.0, Walsh 0.1, Coghill 0.1, rushed 0.1.
UMPIRES: R. Bettridge, G. Wyld, D. Woodcock.

SANFL ladder

	P	W	L	D	F	A	%	Pts
CENTRAL	13	10	3	0	1320	886	59.84	20
PORT	12	8	4	0	1142	843	57.53	16
NORWOOD*	12	8	4	0	1040	938	52.58	16
EAGLES	12	7	5	0	914	905	50.25	14
WEST	13	6	7	0	1050	1015	50.85	12
Glenelg	12	6	6	0	997	985	50.30	12
North	12	5	7	0	942	1002	48.46	10
Sturt	12	3	9	0	842	1304	39.24	6
South	12	2	10	0	933	1302	41.74	4

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	Games	Rd 13	Total
S. Hodges (Port)	11	3	55
S. Smister (West)	13	0	39
A. Reade (Norwood)	12	0	39
D. Flood (Central)	11	3	33
J. West (Glenelg)	12	1	32
D. Woosnam (West)	12	2	31
D. Stoeckel (South)	12	0	29
M. Conway (Central)	9	5	28
J. Cotton (Central)	13	3	22
M. Tylor (Glenelg)	8	2	21
J. Cunningham (Norwood)	12	0	19
S. Morphett (Eagles)	10	0	18
A. Taylor (Eagles)	7	0	18
G. Mellor (West)	13	3	17
J. Thiesson (Norwood)	12	0	17
T. Cook (Central)	13	1	17
P. Mc Guiness (Port)	11	4	16
M. Jeffries (North)	11	0	16
S. Hill (North)	8	0	16
D. Smith (Port)	12	0	15
P. Green (Central)	12	0	15

Glenelg

	Kicks					Marks					Handballs					Frees		Scores		Hit Out	Tackles
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4		F	A	G	B		
J.WEST	5	2	5	4	16	5	1	4	2	12	2	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	4	0	1
M.TYLOR	0	1	0	3	4	0	1	0	3	4	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	2	1	0	1
P.HALLAHAN	4	4	7	1	16	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	3	7	1	0	4	3	0	1
S.MCDONALD	1	2	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	1
M.SODERSTROM	5	3	3	3	14	3	4	3	2	12	0	2	3	1	6	3	1	2	1	0	0
.READ	3	2	3	3	11	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	0	1	0	0
S.HELE	6	5	4	4	19	0	1	1	2	4	0	4	1	2	7	4	0	0	2	0	0
D.BAILEY	2	8	5	2	17	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	2	8	0	1	1	1	0	2
L.BOW	3	1	3	2	9	1	0	1	1	3	2	1	1	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	1
A.BURKE	2	6	4	8	20	0	2	0	4	6	0	0	1	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
A.BARTLETT	2	1	2	1	6	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	0	0	1
M.VISKA	4	0	3	5	12	0	0	0	1	1	2	3	2	3	10	3	1	0	0	0	2
G.REUBENICHT	1	2	3	6	12	0	1	0	1	2	1	1	1	4	7	1	1	0	0	0	0
B.ROEHRICH	2	1	0	2	5	1	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
R.WAUGH	3	4	1	3	11	2	1	0	1	4	1	1	0	2	4	2	0	1	0	0	0
S.MCCULLY	1	2	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	2	2	1	1	0	4	0	1	0	0	26	1
C.MCDERMOTT	4	2	4	0	10	0	0	1	1	2	4	2	4	3	13	2	1	0	1	0	2
N.CHIGWIDDEN	5	2	3	6	16	0	1	0	3	4	2	2	2	1	7	1	2	0	0	0	1
M.CAMERON	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	1
J.SYMONDS	0	3	3	3	9	0	2	1	1	4	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
J.SCRIPPS	0	0	4	4	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
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TOTALS	53	51	59	61	224	12	16	12	26	66	27	20	24	25	96	23	16	15	19	26	20

South

	Kicks					Marks					Handballs					Frees		Scores		Hit Out	Tackles
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4		F	A	G	B		
J.LAMB	0	1	1	1	3	0	1	1	1	3	3	4	1	0	8	0	1	0	1	0	0
D.STOECKEL	1	0	1	1	3	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
D.KNIGHT	4	3	2	4	13	1	1	1	0	3	2	2	4	1	9	1	1	0	0	1	0
S.WEBB	4	5	4	1	14	1	0	1	0	2	1	2	1	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	2
A.FERNEE	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	3	1	1	0	0	5	0
N.SINCLAIR	1	5	0	0	6	1	2	0	0	3	3	2	1	0	6	1	0	0	0	1	0
M.JOHNSTON	2	6	4	1	13	0	2	1	0	3	1	3	0	1	5	0	2	0	0	0	0
C.WITTMAN	1	6	4	3	14	1	2	0	0	3	0	5	1	1	7	0	0	0	1	1	0
P.MURTON	4	6	4	1	15	2	0	2	1	5	2	0	2	0	4	2	2	0	0	0	1
T.MILLS	1	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
P.MCINTYRE	3	4	0	1	8	0	1	0	2	3	0	2	0	3	5	0	1	0	0	1	1
M.BATTAMS	4	7	0	0	11	2	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	1	0
N.GENOVESE	3	1	1	5	10	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	1	3	1	1	0	0	0	1
D.DRAPER	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
S.PORTER	3	1	1	6	11	1	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	1	3	0	2	0	0	0	0
B.LADE	2	0	0	5	7	3	0	0	2	5	2	0	0	0	2	1	2	0	0	13	1
J.POLKINGHORNE	5	6	2	4	17	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	1	0	8	2	0	0	0	0	3
G.CAMERON	1	4	2	1	8	0	2	1	0	3	2	2	0	2	6	2	5	3	0	0	0
S.MCGUINNESS	0	0	7	4	11	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
D.MELLOW	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
G.BYRNE	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
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TOTALS	39	55	36	40	170	15	12	11	8	46	26	29	14	15	84	16	23	3	7	24	11