

Tigers hit major round running hot

Round 23, 1999

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PREMIERSHIP TABLE

SMOKE FREE CUP SEASON

	W	L	D	F	A	P.c.	Pts
Port	15	5	-	1701	1397	54.91	30
Eagles	14	6	-	1724	1445	54.40	28
Glenelg	13	7	-	1585	1360	53.82	26
Sturt	12	8	-	1715	1482	53.64	24
Norwood	12	8	-	1699	1582	51.78	24
West	10	10	-	1743	1575	52.53	20
Central	10	10	-	1658	1658	50.00	20
South	2	18	-	1475	1991	42.56	4
North	2	18	-	1307	2117	38.17	4

North had the bye.

Eagles	4.0	7.3	12.8	17.11	(113)
Central	2.2	2.3	5.4	10.4	(64)

BEST - Eagles: Whelan, J. Cicolella, Floreani, Pearce, Shirley, Dylan, Wiggins, McCarthy, Rogers. **Central:** Daniel, Switala, Macgowan, Arnold, Stevens, Bello.

SCORERS - Eagles: C. Kluzek 4.2, M. Kluzek 3.1, Pesch, Dylan, Crowell, Pyman 2.0, Floreani, Leal 1.0, Pavlich, Whelan 0.2, J. Cicolella 0.1, rushed 0.3. **Central:** Lee 3.0, Coulter 2.0, Hulm, Bello, Demasi 1.1, Arnold, Casserty 1.0, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES - Eagles: Biglands (back - withdrew before game, replaced by Leal), Pavlich (thigh), Hall (thigh), Dylan (calf), Pesch (calf).

REPORTS - Pyman (Eagles) for allegedly tripping Daniel in the second term. **Lee (Central)** for allegedly striking McCarthy in the second term.

CROWD - 2923 at Adelaide Oval.

UMPIRES - K. Chambers, M. Avon, T. Pfeiffer.

BEST ON GROUND - M. Whelan (Eagles).

TOP TEAM MAN - R. Shirley (Eagles).

Glenelg	1.6	2.9	4.13	7.17	(59)
West	1.5	3.7	4.9	5.11	(41)

BEST - Glenelg: Raidis, Higgins, Carr, Chigwidden, Burke, Rouvray, Viska, McEntee. **West:** Andriske, Chubb, Bruhn, DiRosa, Twomey, Symes, Stewart, Banik.

SCORERS - Glenelg: McEntee 2.4, Scripps 2.1, Higgins 2.0, Chigwidden 1.2, Bode 0.4, Hele 0.2, Bartlett, Nicholas 0.1, rushed 0.2. **West:** A. Richardson 3.5, Patterson, Singh 1.0, Symes 0.3, Myles 0.2 rushed 0.1.

INJURIES - Glenelg: Grenvold (ill - replaced in selected side by Scripps). **West:** Myles (hamstring), Chubb (cut head), Dempsey (bruised hip).

CROWD - 2076 at Richmond Oval.

UMPIRES - G. Inge, C. Rowston, T. Slaven.

BEST ON GROUND - M. Raidis (Glenelg).

TOP TEAM MAN - C. Chubb (West).

Port	4.3	8.7	11.11	11.13	(79)
Sturt	1.3	2.5	3.8	8.9	(57)

BEST - Port: Leys, Poole, Fiegert, O'Loughlin, Damien Brown, Tregenza, David Brown. **Sturt:** Powell, Maloney, Atkinson, Thredgold, Pitura.

SCORERS - Port: Phillipou 3.0, McGuinness 2.2, Morgan 2.0, O'Loughlin 1.3, Bamford 1.2, Poole, Holmes 1.0, Evans 0.2, Fraser, David Brown 0.1, rushed 0.2. **Sturt:** White 2.2, Kennett, Lennon, Woosnam 2.1, Burton, Maloney, Raidis 0.1, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES - Sturt: Burton (broken nose, suspected concussion), Whiteman (bruised shoulder).

CROWD - 3937 at Alberton Oval.

UMPIRES - M. Humphreys, C. Doddridge, R. Fox.

BEST ON GROUND - B. Leys (Port Adelaide).

TOP TEAM MAN - S. Maloney (Sturt).

Norwood	5.2	8.5	17.6	19.8	(122)
South	5.1	10.2	11.4	15.8	(98)

BEST - Norwood: Pascoe, Kemp, Yerbury, Clements, Bassett, Tamlin, Warrior. **South:** Doughty, Morgan, Talbot, Doyle, Genovese, Crawshay.

SCORERS - Norwood: Pascoe 7.1, Bassett 4.2, Warrior 4.1, Dreen 3.0, Bowman 1.0, Dawes 0.1, Gallagher 0.1, rushed 0.2. **South:** Talbot 4.0, Crawshay 2.2, Draper 2.1, Hams 2.0, Mills 1.1, Manuel, Cobb, Doughty, Meekins 1.0, rushed 0.4.

INJURIES - South: Brogan (groin).

CROWD - 1542 at Noarlunga Oval.

UMPIRES - R. Bettridge, A. Vickers, G. Symons.

BEST ON GROUND - A. Pascoe (Norwood).

TOP TEAM MAN - B. Kemp (Norwood).

THIS WEEK'S DRAW

Elimination and Qualifying finals to be played this weekend. Dates and times to be confirmed today.

By DOUG ROBERTSON

BORN-AGAIN Glenelg goes into the qualifying final in the best form of its season after capping off the minor round with its seventh win from eight outings with a hard-fought 18-point win over West Adelaide on Saturday.

To add even more confidence to a side displaying amazing self-belief, the Tigers will have available their AFL contingent of Rod Jameson, Chad Cornes and, most importantly, ruckman Mathew Golding, who will fix what seems to be Glenelg's only weakness. Mathew Liptak (Achilles) is thought to be a week away from resuming.

The Tigers need for Golding was evident on Saturday. Bloods big man Mark Stewart (22 hit-outs) dominated the ball-ups against usual half-forward Simon Nicholas and occasionally Damien Gigney.

West had the better of the midfield for most of the scrappy contest, marred by bewildering umpiring which had fans from both sides screaming constant disapproval.

Glenelg won because Nick Chigwidden, Michael Raidis, Josh Carr, Brett Higgins, Paul Rouvray and others used the ball more neatly after the Tigers squeezed out West's run. West occasionally helped out by going wide and overusing the pill in the near gale-force crosswind, which accounted for the unusually high number of points scored.

Glenelg has slowly pieced together an even unit with enough fight, skill and arrogance to match the heavyweights. But now it faces a fresh challenge of fitting in the cream



DESPERATE DEFENCE: Glenelg's Josh Carr fires away a handball towards West ruckman Mark Stewart and team-mate Mark Viska at Richmond Oval on Saturday. Picture: BARRY O'BRIEN.

Glenelg 7.17 (59) d West 5.11 (41)

among the hard workers.

Selecting its side to tackle the Eagles will be specific. All season the match committee has handpicked teams to counter opposition strengths and expose weaknesses - and Glenelg has beaten them all. Now it faces the added pressure which finals bring. Pressure that comes more from the seriousness of the occasion than from any conscious effort.

"The bottom line is you play your best 21," coach Tony McGuinness said.

"(In selection) there are casualties and obviously there will be casualties next week. But we'll pick our best team and if that means an AFL player misses out, so be it.

"There's a whole new pressure about to start. We've been playing mini-finals for a while now - but I do believe the next finals will be a step up again."

McGuinness said Glenelg's third term in its loss to Sturt two

rounds ago was the only "bad quarter" it had played for at least two months.

He knows the Tigers can't afford a similar wayward effort or its finals run will be short.

"I told the boys I wasn't so much critical of the result, I was critical of the lack of intensity and effort in the third quarter," he said.

That "intensity" was back on Saturday. Now having the double chance - and the ability to stay positive regardless of how awkward the situation appears - will make Glenelg a danger in the next month. Its only challenge is keeping the balance right.

West has no such problems. It showed again on Saturday it has the talent and key players to be a premiership threat but it won't be able to prove it because it fell short - again. Ten wins from 20 games portrays an ordinary season.

Paul Patterson, who played his 200th game on Saturday, and

hundred-gamer Anthony Banik will not be at Richmond next season and it's rumored Adam Richardson possibly will also be missing.

With out-of-contract coach Michael Taylor undecided about his future, West is heading for a transformation.

"I thought the incentive was there for them to win," Taylor said.

"Patto's 200th and Banik's 100th and the chance to play in finals.

"A lot of these guys haven't played in too many finals, so it's disappointing. I'll have a rest then I'll be talking to the officials in the next couple of weeks.

"Going from third last year to where we are... you can make a lot of excuses but the facts are we won 10 and lost 10. That's disappointing.

"I've got plenty of ideas why. The engine room wasn't as quick as last year - but that's just the start of it."

LEADING GOALKICKERS

A.	Club	Rd 23	Total
A. Richardson	(West)	3	66.39
J. Burton	(Sturt)	-	62.34
D. Hams	(South)	2	43.07
G. Mellor	(West)	-	42.16
M. Pavlich	(Eagles)	-	37.24
R. Neill	(Norwood)	-	36.19
P. Evans	(Port)	-	32.23
D. Myles	(West)	-	31.22

RESERVES

Central 13.8 (86) d Eagles 9.13 (67); Glenelg 11.17 (83) West 11.7 (73); Sturt 10.15 (75) d Port 10.12 (72); South 16.14 (110) d Norwood 7.9 (51). **Premiership Table:** Sturt 32, South 26, Central 24, Eagles, Port 21, Norwood 16, West 13, North 12, Glenelg 11.

UNDER-19

Eagles 7.11 (53) d Central 9.13 (67); Glenelg 15.11 (101) d West 10.6 (66); Port 20.15 (135) d Sturt 5.8 (38); South 18.18 (126) d Norwood 2.5 (17). **Premiership Table:** Port 34, Central, South 30, Eagles 28, Sturt 26, Glenelg 12, North 8, Norwood, West 6.

UNDER-17

Central 14.16 (100) d Eagles 6.9 (45); Glenelg 9.8 (62) d West 5.13 (43); Sturt 13.6 (84) d Port 11.11 (77); Norwood 11.17 (83) d South 6.11 (47). **Premiership Table:** Eagles 32, Norwood 30, Central 28, North 22, South 20, Port 16, Sturt 14, Glenelg 10, West 8.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

West Perth 22.15 (147) d Swan District 7.7 (49); East Perth 13.9 (87) d Claremont 8.8 (56); South Fremantle 20.10 (130) d Perth 5.9 (39); Subiaco 23.7 (145) d Peel Thunder 7.5 (47).

AMATEUR LEAGUE

First Semi-final: Port District 10.12 (72) d Kilburn 8.10 (58); Second Semi-final: Goodwood Saints 8.12 (60) d Adelaide Uni 7.4 (46).

SANFL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

EAGLES v CENTRAL

Matthew Whelan (Eagles)	3
Justin Cicolella (Eagles)	2
Jon Floreani (Eagles)	1

WEST v GLENELG

Michael Raidis (Glenelg)	3
Jamie Andriske (West Adelaide)	2
Brett Higgins (Glenelg)	1

PORT v STURT

Brian Leys (Port Adelaide)	3
Matthew Powell (Sturt)	2
Darryl Poole (Port Adelaide)	1

SOUTH v NORWOOD

Andrew Pascoe (Norwood)	3
Michael Doughty (South Adelaide)	2
Ben Kemp (Norwood)	1

FINAL STANDINGS - 17: Damien Squire (Sturt). **16:** Cicolella (Eagles). **15:** Tim Weatherald (Sturt). **14:** Damien Arnold (Central). **13:** Adam Pearce (Eagles). **12:** Rick MacGowan (Central). **11:** Nick Chigwidden (Glenelg). **10:** Daniel Hulm (Central). **9:** Gavin Colville (Eagles), Richard Kelly (Glenelg). **8:** Phil McGuinness (Port). **7:** Brett Higgins (Glenelg), David Brown (Port), Bruce Lennon (Sturt), Ed Richardson (West). **6:** Rhett Biglands (Eagles), James Byrne (Glenelg), Adam Crouch (Norwood), Julian Wait (Port), Powell (Sturt), Tim Symes (West). **5:** Matthew Pavlich (Eagles), Chris Naish (North), John Cunningham (Norwood), Steven Pitt (Norwood), Aaron Fiora (Port), Darryl Poole (Port), Mark Pitura (Sturt), Stephen White (Sturt), Matthew Twomey (West), Adam Fiora (Port), Stephen White (Sturt), Mark Pitura (Sturt), Matthew Bruhn (West), Matthew Twomey (West). **4:** Matthew Bode (Glenelg), Matthew Golding (Glenelg), Lachlan Bowman (Norwood), Jarrod Cotton (Norwood), Anthony Harvey (Norwood), Roger James (Norwood), Simon Crawshay (South), Seamus Maloney (Sturt), Mark Stewart (West).