

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	SMO	KE F	REE	CUP	SEASO	ON	
	W	L	D	F	A	P.c.	Pts
Port	6	-	-	554	358	60.75	12
Glenelg	4	2	•	522	409	56.07	8
Eagles	4	2		460	448	50.66	8
Sturt	3	3		543	431	55.75	6
Norwood	3	3		491	536	47.81	6
West	2	4		481	516	48.24	4
Central	2	4		427	473	47.44	4
North	2	4		359	596	37.59	4
South	1	5	-	394	464	45.92	2

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Club	Rd 7	Total
C. O'Brien	(Norwood)		24.8
J. Burton	(Sturt)		20.3
G. Mellor	(West)		17.8
S. Phillipou	(Port)		16.3
M. Pavlich	(Eagles)	1	15.10
R. Nelli	(Norwood)	1	14.4
B. Beinke	(Port)	5	13.5
S. White	(Sturt)	3	12.4
D. Grenvold	(Glenelg)	1	12.4
A. Richardson	(West)	3	11.8

Port	0.3	6.8	12.11	14.13	(97)
Eagles	2.3	4.7	6.10	9.13	(67)

BEST - Port: Wait, David Brown, Vines, Beinke, McGuinness, Fraser, Hahn. Eagles: Pearce, Cicolella, Pavlich, Colville, Phillipou, Dylan, Barker.

SCORERS - Port: Beinke 5.2, Hahn 3.1, David Brown 2.2, Obst, Brosnan 1.1, Fraser, Damien Brown 1.0, Ashley, Wait, McGuinness 0.1, rushed 0.3. Eagles: Phillipou 5.3, Colville 2.0, Pavlich 1.2, Pearce 1.0, Barker 0.2, McGregor, McCarthy 0.1, rushed 0.4

INJURIES - Port: Stenglein (thigh, replaced in selected side by Brosnan), Poole (hamstring), Ormond-Allen (hamstring), Morgan (ribs). Eagles: Rogers (calf, replaced in selected side by Harvey), Holland (hip), McGregor (arm), Mathews (thigh). CROWD - 4354 at Alberton Oval.

UMPIRES - D. Woodcock, M. Avon, T. Pfeiffer. BEST ON GROUND - A. Pearce (Eagles). TOP TEAM MAN - David Brown (Port).

Central	1.5	3.5	6.7	8.9	(57)
West	1.2	3.3	5.4	6.7	(43)

BEST - Central: Steinberner, Stevens, Macgowan, Hulm, Bello, Arnold, Cook, West: Myles, Symes, A. Richardson, DiRosa, Eagleton.

SCORERS - Central: Chambers 1.2, Lillico, McArdle 1.1, Stevens, Daniel, Chambers, Bello, Hulme 1.0, Wakelin 0.2, Conway, Casserly, D. Hicks 0.1. West: A. Richardson 3.3. Bruhn 1.1, McMahon, Barrett 1.0, Myles 0.2, Mellor 0.1.

INJURIES - Central: Wakelin (knee). CROWD - 1795 at Richmond Oval. UMPIRES - C. Rowston, D. Joyce, T. Slaven. BEST ON GROUND - N. Steinberner (Central). TOP TEAM MAN - D. Hulm (Central).

Glenelg	3.3	5.5	8.7	13.11	(00)
Norwood	2.1	3.1	4.4	6.4	(89) (40)

BEST - Glenelg: Byrne, Bode, Kelly, Cook, Higgins, Sherwood, Jameson, Hele, Rouvray, Raidis, Norwood: Bassett, Harvey, Davey, Pitt, Clements, Bowman.

SCORERS - Glenelg: Bode 5.0, Feddema, McEntee 2.0, Liptak, Rouvray 1.2, Grenvold, Raidis 1.0, Chigwidden 0.3, Burke 0.2, Byrne 0.1, rushed 0.1. Norwood: Bown 1.1, Dowsborough, Neill, Harvey, Bassett, Gallagher 1.0, rushed

INJURIES - Glenelg: Liptak (catf). Norwood: D'Antiochia (dislocated shoulder), Bowman (concussion).

CROWD - 4046 at Glenelg Oval. UMPIRES - C. Doddridge, M. Humphreys, K. Chambers. BEST ON GROUND - J. Byrne (Glenelg).

TOP TEAM MAN - R. Kelly (Glenelg).

North 10.12 3.3 4.8 7.9 (72)South 3.6 3.7 3.9 (27)

BEST - North: Naish, Setchell, Herbert, Edwards, Morton, Nichol, Parker. South: Nicks, Talbot, Webb, Murton, Ellen, Tumes.

SCORERS - North: Edwards 3.1, Setchell 2.2, Parker 2.0, Naish 1.2, Herbert 1.1, King 1.0, Morton, Reynolds, Robertson, Viney, White 0.1, rushed 0.1. South: Crawshay 1.1, Nicks, Pyman 1.0. Smart 0.2, Perrie, Draper, Ellen, Johnson 0.1, rushed 0.2.

REPORT - South: Ellen, for allegedly striking North's Chris Robertson in the 15th minute of the third quarter.

CROWD - 1704 at Prospect Oval.

UMPIRES - G. Inge. G. Thomson, R. Betteridge. BEST ON GROUND - C. Naish (North). TOP TEAM MAN - B. Setchell (North).

THIS WEEK'S DRAW

Saturday: Eagles v North (Woodville Oval, 2.20pm), West v Port (Richmond Oval, 2.20pm), Glenetg v South (Glenetg Oval, 2.20pm), Sturt v Central (Unley Oval, 2.20pm). Bye: Norwood.

RESERVES

Eagles 19.16 (130) d Port 8.4 (52); West 14.9 (93) d Central 13.13 (91); Norwood 22.13 (145) d Glenelg 13.12 (90); South 12.6 (78) d North 8.7 (55). Premiership table: Sturt 10, Central 8, Eagles, Norwood, South, Port 6, West, Glenelg, North 4.

UNDER-19

Port 17.16 (118) d Eagles 9.12 (66); Central 24.15 (159) d West 2.6 (18); Norwood 15.8 (98) d Glenelg 9.12 (66); South 18.20 (128) d North 7.8 (50). Premiership table: Port 12, Central, Eagles, Sturt 8, South 6, Norwood, North 4, Glenelg, West 2.

UNDER-17

Eagles 13.26 (104) d Port 2.3 (15); Central 11.5 (71) d West 10.8 (68); Norwood 15.12 (102) d Glenelg 3.3 (21); South 10.10 (70) d North 9.12 (66). Premiership table: Eagles 12, Norwood 10. Central 8. North, Glenelg 6, South, Sturt 4, Port, West 2.

They killed us around the packs, says Rohde

Bode, Bays step

Glenelg 13.11 (89) d Norwood 6.4 (40)

By PAUL KERMODE

ATTHEW Bode again stated his case for an extended call-up to Port Adelaide's AFL side with a powerful display against Norwood at Glenelg Oval on Saturday.

Reacting to the disappointment of being dropped from the Power side after the Showdown loss, Bode burst out of the blocks with a stunning three-goal first half.

Despite the close attention of Todd Davey after half-time, Bode finished with 20 possessions and five straight goals in a performance that went a long way towards securing the Tigers' third straight victory.

Glenelg coach Tony McGuinness admitted after the game he was surprised, but delighted, to have Bode back in his side and said the pacy left-footed rover's form warranted a call back to the Power line-up.

"We made a highlight of that after the game that we're disappointed he hasn't got a better chance to show how good he is AFL level." McGuinness said.

"He's a quality young lad, both character-wise and ability on the ground. Every time he's come back here he bobs up in our top three and sooner or later that's going to be rewarded. We're not fussed about it - from our point of view we'd rather have him every week - but I'm surprised he hasn't had a better go.

"I'm not sure what more he has to do at this level to show he's good enough for that level."

Bode was part of an awesome band of runners for the Tigers, which was the driving force of their 49-point victory.

Former Sydney reserves player James Byrne racked up 35 quality possessions and Richard Kelly set up countless Glenelg attacks with his tough approach on the ball. With the Tigers dominating centre clearances, Norwood was denied a chance to exploit its height advantage. So much did the Glenelg side harass and pressure the Norwood midfielders the Legs took just four marks in the second quarter.

"I thought our forwards early on in the game looked a bit threatening, but we couldn't get the ball down there quickly enough," Norwood coach Peter Rohde said.

"We never got the ball to our marking players regularly enough.

That Glenelg's midfielders could so completely dominate the game - only Anthony Harvey and Davey in a tagging role after halftime had any impact was great testament to the quality group McGuinness has to work with.

With Harvey, John Cunningham, Adam Crouch and Damian Obst, the Redlegs have one of the best on-ball brigades in the league, but Rohde conceded they were "flogged" on Saturday. "They killed us around the packs, no doubt," he said.

"In terms of clearances away from the packs and efficiency of their onballers, they were miles in front of us and we pride ourselves on being hard at it and strong around the footy. Not only did they win it so many times, they won it so easily and so creatively we never looked like getting it."

Norwood now has the bye before taking on 1998 grand finalist Sturt at The Parade. With the State game to follow, the game against the Double Blues takes on enormous significance, as Norwood could go a month without a win if it drops that one.

"It's going to be a pretty hard week at training," Rohde said. "We certainly got exposed for a lack of intensity around the ball, so we'll have to

work on that.' Glenelg goes into Saturday's match against South full of confidence and the belief its style of game can challenge any

team in the competition. "I think one of the good things about the side is they're learning how to be able to hustle really hard and they're really hard around the ball," McGuinness said. "While we can maintain that kind of intensity around the footy and continue to improve the way we use it and our efficiency, we'll be a dangerous side."

The victory was soured by the latest in a long line of injuries to rover Matthew Liptak, who did not reappear after half-time and was nursing a calf strain after the game.

Liptak had been a strong contributor before the break, with 13 possessions, and looked to be working back to his best form. But he now faces another frustrating stretch on the sidelines.



EYES ON THE BALL: Glenelg rover Matthew Bode juggles the ball in his five-goal performance against Norwood at the Bay. Picture: SARAH REED.

SANFL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Eagles midfielder Adam Pearce has earnt his second best-on-ground honor of the season with a great performance against Port Adelaide at Alberton. Pearce racked up 39 possessions in a wonderful display but the Eagles could not stop Port winning its sixth straight game.

LEADERS - B: Adam Pearce (Eagles). 6: Stephen White (Sturt). 5: Julian Wait (Port), Matthew Bode (Glenelg), Adam Crouch (Norwood), Daniel Hulm (Central), Matthew Golding (Glenelg), Gavin Colville (Eagles), Simon Crawshay (South), Darryl Poole (Port), Bruce Lennon (Sturt). 4: Nathan Steinberner (Central), Justin Cicolella (Eagles). 3: Chris Nalsh (North), Nick Chigwidden (Glenelg), James Byrne (Glenelg), Robert Neill (Norwood), Chad Cornes (Glenelg), Rick Macgowan (Central), Andrew Rogers (Eagles), Sam Phillipou (Port), Matthew Bruhn (West), Scott Sutherland (North).

PORT v EAGLES

Adam Pearce (Eagles)3 Julian Wait (Port Adelaide) ... 2 David Brown (Port Adelaide) 1

WEST v CENTRAL

Nathan Steinberner (Central).3 Michael Stevens (Central).....2 Dion Myles (West Adelaide) ... 1

GLENELG v NORWOOD James Byrne (Glenelg)......3

Matthew Bode (Glenelg)2 Richard Kelly (Glenelg).....1

NORTH v SOUTH

Chris Naish (North Adelaide)...3 Ben Setchell (North Adelaide).2 Danny Morton (North Adelaide) 1