

SANFLresults

Port v Sturt

Adelaide — Friday

STURT	5.2	6.7	9.8	11.11	(77)
Port Adelaide	0.3	3.4	8.5	9.8	(62)

BEST — Sturt: Wicks, Powell, Thurstans, Nelson, Mattner, Reilly, Squire. Port Adelaide: Lyle, Fiegert, Smith, J. Ilett, Steed, Clayton, Mead.

SCORERS — Sturt: Chambers 3.4, Squire 3.0, Nelson 2.2, White 1.1, Cooper, Reilly 1.0, Howman, Feast 0.1, rushed 0.2. Port Adelaide: Warrior 3.3, Mead 2.1, J. Ilett 2.0, Burdett, Steed 1.0, Lyle, AhChee 0.1, rushed 0.2.

INJURIES — Sturt: Squire (sprained wrist).

UMPIRES — K. Chambers, C. Doddridge, R. Williams.

CROWD — 4002.

South v West

Adelaide Oval

WEST	7.6	12.7	15.14	20.20	(140)
South	4.1	8.2	11.4	14.7	(91)

BEST — West: Howard, Hollands, Norman, Backwell, Taylor, A. Richardson, Schuback, Piasente. South: Brogan, Genovese, Perrie, Demasi, Sampson, Bachmann, Warren.

SCORERS — West: A. Richardson 6.2, Hollands 4.4, Howard 4.1, Schuback 2.4, Dabrowski 1.2, Mellor, E. Richardson, Donaldson 1.1, Norman 0.3, Stewart 0.1. South: Brogan 3.0, Demasi 2.2, Steele 2.1, Sampson, Warren 2.0, Lade, Stephenson, Jackman 1.0, Hutchinson, Mills, Woodhouse 0.1, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES — West: Lowther (ankle) and Chubb (general soreness) withdrew before game.

UMPIRES — A. Meade, D. Wright, R. Fox.

CROWD — 1153.

Norwood v North

Norwood Oval

NORWOOD	0.2	4.9	11.13	17.20	(122)
North	3.4	6.5	9.12	9.14	(68)

BEST — Norwood: B. James, Bown, Clements, Dreen, Daniels, Carslake, J. Robran, Cotton, Yerbury. North: P. James, Knowles, Ebert, Bamford, Younie, Tyrell, Leal.

SCORERS — Norwood: Cotton 5.0, Patterson 3.1, Thiessen 2.2, Hewitt 2.1, Carslake 2.0, Gallagher, Clements 1.1, J. Robran 1.0, Dreen 0.4, Borlace, Morton, James, McEntee, Crouch, Hobby, Yerbury 0.1, rushed 0.3. North: Hargraves 3.1, Younie 2.2, James, Bamford, Broad 1.1, Cook 1.0, Herbert, Leal, Ebert, Knowles, Wintle, Gluschenko 0.1, rushed 0.2.

INJURIES — Norwood: Morton (shin), Dawes (hamstring), Patterson (broken nose), Gallagher (jarred knee).

UMPIRES — S. Scriven, D. Kowal, T. Pfeiffer.

CROWD — 3621.

Central v Glenelg

Glenelg Oval

CENTRAL	0.0	3.4	4.6	8.9	(57)
Glenelg	6.5	6.5	8.6	8.7	(55)

BEST — Central: Hopwood, Steinberner, Arnott, Healy, Slade, Macgowan, Switala. Glenelg: Smith, Moore, Byrne, Sherwood, Manfield, Koster.

SCORERS — Central: Healy 3.0, Ford, Arnott 1.1, Macgowan, Slade, Hamblin 1.0, Schell 0.2, J. Gowans 0.2, D. Stevens 0.2, Cochrane 0.1. Glenelg: Sherwood 2.1, Baldwin 2.0, Hanby 1.2, K. Maher 1.1, Byrne, Cook 1, Logan 0.2, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES — Central: C. Gowans (elbow), Hicks (knee) and D. Arnold (back) withdrew from selected squad. Glenelg: Logan (cut eye), Sherwood (knock to head).

UMPIRES — S. Przibilla, T. Dey, T. Philp.

CROWD — 2177.

Bays gallant but come-from-behind premier wins heart-stopper

Macgowan steals it for Dogs

By Zac Millbank

at Glenelg Oval

Central 8.9 (57)
Glenelg 8.7 (55)

DESPITE trailing until the 24-minute mark of the last term, Central District came away with a heart-stopping two-point win over an unlucky Glenelg at Glenelg Oval yesterday.

A quick snap out of traffic 30m from goal by Rick Macgowan put the Dogs in front, simultaneously ripping out the heart of the Tiger faithful who were excited at the prospect of their team pulling off the upset of the season.

This came soon after a skilful goal on the boundary from captain Danny Healy, who had a fine last term, and finished as the Bulldogs leading scorer with three goals.

Prior to this the Bays made full use of a strong breeze in the opening stanza, slamming on six goals while keeping the two-time premier scoreless.

Unlike on previous occasions this season, Glenelg used the ball well and ran in numbers, proving that its decision making was on the improve.

Lion-hearted Brad Smith took control of the ruck all day and it was his first touch of the footy that enabled the likes of James Byrne, Ben Moore and Simon Hele to capitalise.

Marcus Baldwin looked dangerous early on with two goals while dour defender Paul Sherwood ran hard into the forward lines to create an extra option, enjoying a rare goal.

The Bays learnt from Central's mistake of using the blustery outer side of the

oval in the first quarter and as a consequence managed to bottle the ball up on the grandstand side in the second term.

Resolute in defence, Heath Hopwood — along with Nathan Steinberner and Simon Arnott — kept his team in the game throughout the first half by breaking up the play with long kicks which found their targets.

Coming into the side after a hamstring injury, James Gowans struggled to find his fitness and didn't pick up his first touch until the third quarter, as the Dogs slowly worked their way back into the contest.

Conditions did not suit Bulldog forwards Daniel Schell, Luke Cowan and Kynan Ford, all of whom failed to have an impact on the game.

It was up to the wise heads of Magowan, Marco Bello, Matthew Slade and James Gowans to drag their team back into a game which was not a pretty spectacle right from the first bounce.

Failing to score into the wind eventually cost the Bays, who tried admirably to cling to a lead for just the

club's third victory of the season.

A goal to Danny Healy, following a slick Matthew Slade handball at the 26-minute mark of the third quarter, enabled the Dogs to do exactly that and could have proved to be the only difference between the two sides on the day.

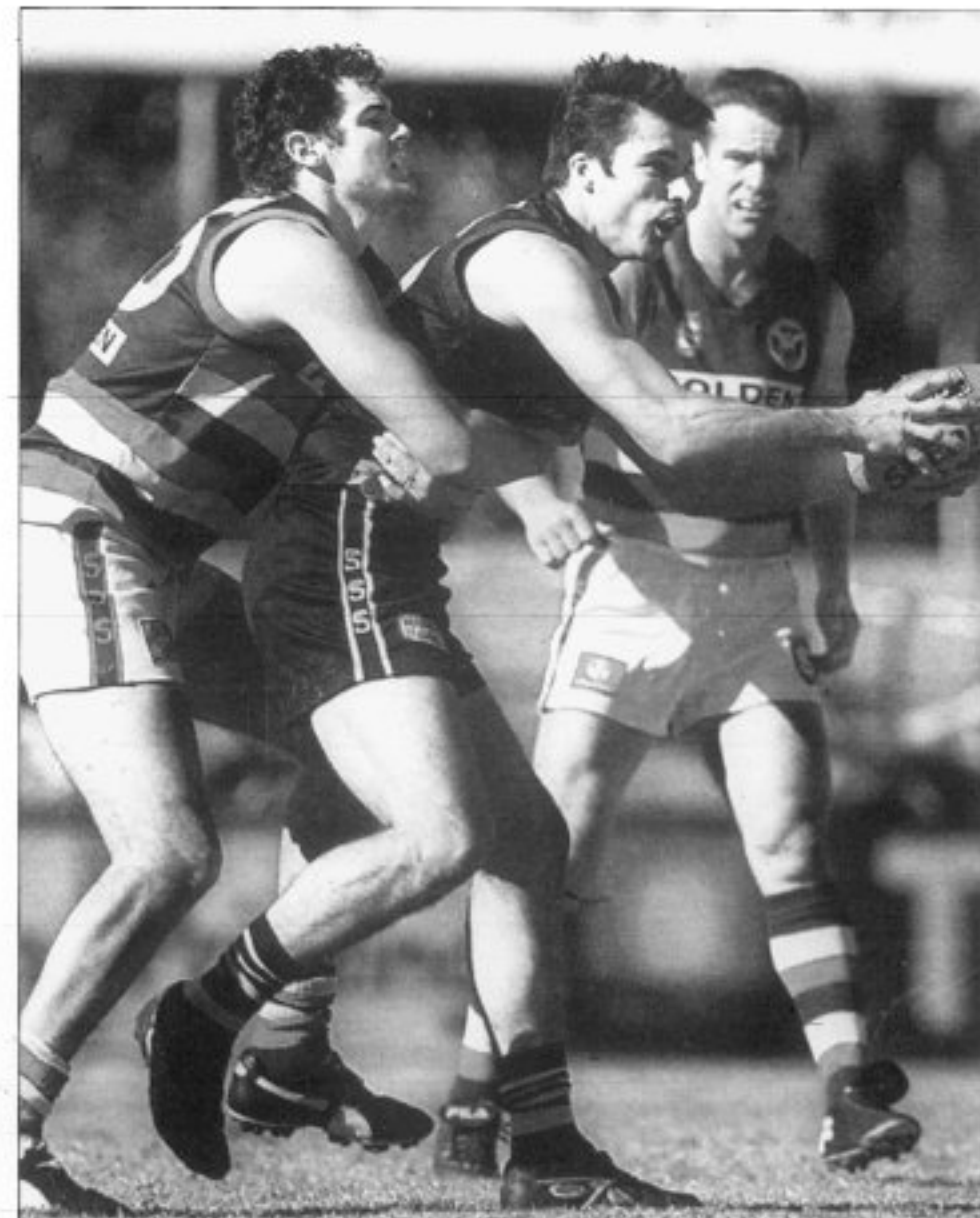
"We weren't in front for any stage of the game except for the last two minutes of play, so in that regard Glenelg are pretty stiff that they didn't win the game," Central coach Alastair Clarkson said.

"But to the credit of our blokes, to get a win in those sorts of conditions was terrific for the boys."

Unable to conjure what would have been a morale-building win for the Tigers, coach Brenton Honor was left lamenting what could have been.

"We were probably beaten by two freak goals and that hurts," Honor said.

"I thought our boys were fantastic and if ever there were a group of blokes who deserved a win it was today."



Tiger Paul Sherwood attempts to handball as Bulldog Luke Cowan lays a tackle

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
1 CENTRAL	17	15	2	0	2065	1149	64.25	30
2 NORWOOD	17	15	2	0	1848	1316	58.41	30
3 STURT	17	14	3	0	1712	1180	59.20	28
4 EAGLES	16	8	8	0	1332	1216	52.28	16
5 WEST	17	8	9	0	1602	1660	49.11	16
6 Port	17	5	12	0	1257	1434	46.71	10
7 South	17	4	13	0	1192	1772	40.22	8
8 North	16	4	12	0	1238	1850	40.09	8
9 Glenelg	16	2	14	0	1112	1781	38.44	4