

Tigers keep finals hopes alive

By Warren Partland
at Noarlunga Oval

GLENELG has leap-frogged South Adelaide on the premiership table after claiming a 22-point victory over the Panthers at Noarlunga Oval yesterday.

A dominant third quarter enabled the Tigers to grab their fourth win of the season and maintain its hope of a finals berth.

South coach Greg Anderson lamented some undisciplined football which he said cost the side a win.

"We certainly had enough of the ball but we cost ourselves dearly with some undisciplined acts," he said.

"In the third quarter we gave away four free kicks in front of goal and lost by three and a half goals."

Glenelg opened with a strong breeze at its back but was constantly denied by a resolute South defence, led by Kym Cobb, Ben Newberry and Aidan Parker.

The Panther defensive line stuck to a disciplined game plan, punching the ball rather than chance the odds and mark.

With the slippery conditions making ball handling difficult, the South backmen were prepared to kick the ball off the ground to get it moving forward.

The fact it took Glenelg 26



Seventh on the ladder **74 points**

Glenelg	2.5	3.7	8.11	10.14
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South Adelaide	1.2	3.2	4.4	7.10
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Eighth on the ladder **52 points**

minutes to kick its first goal — via a 70m effort from Michael Raidis which skidded through — was testimony of the committed South defensive work.

Former Central District and Norwood forward Jarred Cotton made his debut for the Panthers as a late inclusion for the injured Greg Chapman.

He made an immediate impact, kicking a vital goal against the wind after nine minutes.

If Glenelg was guilty of not using the ball efficiently with the wind advantage then South repeated the effort in the second quarter.

The Panthers rarely took the direct passage to goal and often took the wrong option.

The Tigers midfield, which included Adelaide Crow Matthew Bode, William Neely and Brett Backwell, a star for South Australia against Western Australia last week, started to get heavily involved and take control of proceedings. Given the conditions, there was always going to be plenty of packs and scrappy football.

Glenelg, however, was able to put together some more cohesive passages of play and

that proved the difference.

Despite having five fewer scoring shots, the home side was just five points down at half-time and still very much in the match.

However, two undisciplined acts which coughed up goals within minutes to open the third quarter would have been disheartening for the Panthers.

Firstly Neely goaled after two 25m penalties and then Jacob Schuback benefited from a poor kick across goal from experienced Panther Trent Mills.

That put Glenelg 17 points in front and gave it the momentum and confidence.

Ruckman Trevor Crankston and Brad Smith took control, giving the Tigers' running players first use of the ball and enabling the visitors to apply plenty of pressure.

When the ball did go into the Panthers' forward line, it was with very little method and there was no strong focal point able to make a stand.

With the aid of the wind, the Tigers surged to a commanding 31-point advantage at the last change and had the premiership points well under control.

Port v Sturt

Adelaide Oval - Friday

STURT	2.1	4.4	5.5	8.8	(56)
Port	4.3	5.6	6.8	6.10	(46)

BEST — Sturt: Wicks, Begley, Squire, Klun, Graham, Whiteman
Port: Parry, Ebert, AhChee, Fiegert, O'Loughlin, White

SCORERS — Sturt: Beveridge 2.1, Graham, Squire 1.1, Feast, Smith, Nelson, Wicks 1.0, Klun 0.2, Mattner 0.1, rushed 0.2
Port: Beinke, McDowall 1.2, Plapp, Fitzgerald, O'Loughlin, Ashley 1.0, Parry, Ebert, Funcke 0.1, rushed 0.3

INJURIES — Sturt: Graham (leg) Port: Evans (knee) replaced in selected team by T. Brown

UMPIRES — R. Williams, T. Pfeiffer, D. Woodcock

CROWD — 3630

Eagles v Norwood

Woodville Oval

EAGLES	5.3	5.5	9.6	9.8	(62)
Norwood	0.2	1.5	3.7	6.12	(48)

BEST — Eagles: Skipworth, Cicolella, Powell, Pesch, McLoughlan, Floreani, Hentschel
Norwood: Robran, Thiessen, Cunningham, Neill, Daniels, Knights

SCORERS — Eagles: Passador 3.1, Phillipou, Skipworth, Ellis, Inkster, Stokes, Jeffries 1.0, Pesch 0.3, Rugolo 0.1, rushed 0.3
Norwood: Thiessen 1.3, Bartemucci 1.2, McEntee, Cunningham 1.1, Neill, McLean 1.0, Turner, Gunning 0.1, rushed 0.3

INJURIES — Norwood: James (cut eye)

UMPIRES — D. Kowal, R. Fox, M. Johnston

CROWD — 1665

West v Central

Richmond Oval

WEST	2.3	4.4	9.5	11.6	(72)
Central	4.3	8.5	8.5	10.8	(68)

BEST — West: Pisante, Tuck, Howard, Marsh, Ablett, Glover, Norman, Porpyzia
Central: Hopwood, Thomas, Healy, Arnott, Bello, Hay, Coulter, Slade

SCORERS — West: Bradshaw 4.0, Ablett 3.0, Dabrowski 1.1, Marsh, Glover, Myles 1.0, Hassan, Rutten, Norman, Howard 0.1, rushed 0.1
Central: Coulter 3.1, Guerra 2.1, Arnott 2.0, C. Gowans, Healy, Graham 1.0, J. Gowans, Hay, Steinberner 0.1, rushed 0.3

INJURIES — West: Donaldson (mild concussion)

UMPIRES — C. Doddridge, K. Broadridge, P. Williams

CROWD — 2438

South v Glenelg

Noarlunga Oval

GLENELG	2.5	3.7	8.11	10.14	(74)
South	1.2	3.2	4.4	7.10	(52)

BEST — Glenelg: Bode, Culpitt, Smith, Neely, Salopek, Stratham, Sherwood
South: Hall, Sampson, Parker, Genovese, Webb, Cobb

SCORERS — Glenelg: Schuback 2.3, Smith 2.1, Salopek 1.2, Culpitt 1.1, Raidis, Bode, Neely, Ah Mat 1.0, Backwell, Cook 0.1, rushed 0.5
South: Cotton 3.1, Demasi 1.3, Bradley, Hall, Berry 1.0, Genovese, Tregenza, Sampson, Doughty 0.1, rushed 0.2

REPORT — South: Davis, by field umpire Joyce, for allegedly striking Backwell (West) in the last quarter.

UMPIRES — S. Scriven, J. Brown, D. Joyce

CROWD — 1209

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	P	R12	Total
D. Bradshaw (WA)	10	4	49
D. Hargraves (NA)	11	5	34
R. Tregenza (SA)	11	2	32
P. Evans (PA)	11	4	29
B. Chambers (St)	8	3	27
S. Hahn (WA)	10	3	26
R. Neill (Nwd)	9	0	26
B. Beinke (PA)	10	3	25
J. Gowans (CD)	10	0	23
M. Passador (E)	10	1	22

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
1 WEST	11	10	1	0	1218	826	59.59	20
2 CENTRAL	11	8	3	0	1307	715	64.64	16
3 EAGLES	11	7	4	0	996	922	51.93	14
4 STURT	11	6	5	0	1020	807	55.83	12
5 Norwood	11	5	5	1	935	983	48.75	11
6 Port	12	5	7	0	1218	1232	49.71	10
7 Glenelg	12	4	8	0	943	1151	45.03	8
8 South	12	3	8	1	1013	1482	40.60	7
9 North	11	1	8	2	858	1390	38.17	4