## Football

#### **Alberton Oval**

Port v Eagles

EAGLES 4.5 8.6 9.8 10.12 (72) Port 2.1 4.4 7.8 8.9 (57)

BEST — Eagles: Powell, Skipworth, Inkster, Allison, Cicolella, Floreani, Pedler. Port: Ebert, Ah Chee, Parry, Clayton, Brown.

SCORERS — Eagles: Inkster 3.0, Passador 2.1, Bock 1.3, Ellis 1.1, Skipworth, Harry, Stokes 1.0, Rugolo 0.3, McLoughlan 0.2, rushed 0.2. Port: Evans, O'Loughlin 2.0, Plapp 1.2, Burdett 1.1, McDowall, Lyle 1.0, Beinke 0.2, Ellen, Ebert 0.1, rushed 0.2.

INJURIES - Nil.

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REPORT — Port: Plapp by field umpire Ryan for striking Pedler (Eagles) in the second quarter.

UMPIRES - C. Doddridge, D. Ryan, M. Avon.

CROWD - 3140.

#### **Sturt v West**

#### **Unley Oval**

STURT West

8.5 18.7 20.12 25.16 (166) 0.4 3.4 9.6 13.10 (88)

BEST — Sturt: Maloney, Mattner, Sheedy, Beveridge, Bishop, Weatherald, Squire, White, Smith, Graham, Nelson. West: Charles Slattery, Dabrowski, Howard, Ablett.

SCORERS — Sturt: Beveridge 6.1, White 5.2, Chambers 3.1, Squire, Mattner 2.2, Cooper 2.1, Reilly 2.0, Weatherald 1.3, Smith, Curtis 1.0, Klun 0.2, rushed 0.2. West: Howard 3.0, Ablett 2.2, Bradshaw 2.1, Glover 2.0, Piasente, Chadwick, Rusca, Nathan 1.0, Koulouriotis, Dabrowski 0.2, Hassan 0.1, rushed 0.2.

INJURIES — Sturt: Feast (hamstring). West: Myles (ankle), replaced in selected team by S. Schmidt, Donaldson (hamstring) replaced in selected team by Chadwick, Hassan (hamstring), Hahn (ankle), Chubb (concussion).

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

CROWD - 5442.

### **Gienelg v Central**

#### Glenelg Oval

CENTRAL 5.1 9.4 12.7 17.8 (110) Glenelg 1.4 2.8 5.12 8.15 (63)

BEST — Central: Bello, Thomas, Hay, Hopwood, C. Gowans, Steinberner. Glenelg: Backwell, Mules, Cook, Ahmat, Sherwood.

SCORERS — Central: Cowan, C. Gowans 3.0, Officer 2.2, Coulter 2.1, Sansbury 2.0, Schell, Scoullar 1.1, Krieg, Hopwood, Graham 1.0, Steinberner, Bello 0.1, rushed 0.1. Glenelg: Backwell 2.3, Schuback 2.0, Cook, Ahmat 1.1, Robinson, Panozzo 1.0, Culpitt, Duldig 0.3, Neely, Moore 0.1, rushed 0.2.

INJURIES — Central: Guerra (Power), Haraida (leg), Slade (arm) replaced in selected side by Kellett, Walton and Officer. Glenelg: Krueger (back), Smith (calf), Brockman (knee) replaced in selected side by Bennett, Griffiths and Panozzo, Pearce (hamstring), M. Raidis (hamstring).

UMPIRES — G. Symons, T. Dey, S. Scriven.
CROWD — 2728.

#### North v South

#### Prospect Oval

SOUTH 8.6 12.11 18.13 23.17 (155) North 1.2 4.2 6.3 7.5 (47)

BEST — South: Hall, Webb, Cobb, Tregenza, Davis, Doughty, Lade.
North: Wintle, Herbert, Hargraves, James.

SCORERS — South: Tregenza 5.7, Hall, Lade 3.0, Cotton, Warren 2.1, Sampson 2.0, Clonan 1.2, Davis, Doughty, Kruger 1.1, Cobb, Berry 1.0, rushed 0.3. North: Hargraves 4.2, White 1.1, Wintle, James 1.0, Davis 0.1, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES — North: Sutherland (broken arm), Ebel (harnstring).
UMPIRES — R. Fox, J. Brown, M. Cousins.

CROWD - 1697.

#### Reserves

GLENELG 14.12 (96) d Central 12.16 (88). BEST - Glenelg: Willoughby, Allen, Jamie Vlatko, Tasborski, Smyth, Harkness, McEntee. Central: Ware, D. Arnold, Symes, Nash, Levy. GOALS - Glenelg: Smyth, Reavill 3, Jamie Vlatko, Willoughby, Allen 2, Jones, Tasborski. Central: Moore, Agius 2, Ashby, Nash, B. Pfitzner, S. Butler, Prokopec, R. Butler, Levy, Ware.

# Brave Bulldogs prove their worth

By Zac Milbank at Glenelg Oval

A SUPERIOR level of skill and efficiency displayed by Central District earned the Bulldogs a comfortable 47-point victory against Glenelg at Glenelg Oval yesterday.

Despite the Tigers having 17 more possessions for the first half, it was the Bulldogs long and direct football which took a 38-point break into the main change.

With most of its gun players, including James Gowans (one kick for the match) and captain Daniel Healy, being kept subdued, Central still proved just how difficult it is to defeat a team which uses the ball wisely.

"We went long early in the game and that was the instruction I gave," Central coach Roy Laird said.

"I came here expecting Glenelg to close it (game) down in some areas so we counteracted that by keeping the game alive by using our skill level. I thought we did it well early when it was there to be won."

The skill level was also illustrated perfectly on the scoreboard with Central having only two more shots on goal despite enjoying a victory just shy of eight goals.

"We pride ourselves on our skills," Laird said.

	Second on the	110 points			
	Second on the Central District	5.1	9.4	12.7	17.8
	Glenelg	1.4	2.8	5.12	8.15
	Eighth on the	63 points			

"We know how important that side of our game is and it needs to stand up under pressure and it did today which was good."

Marco Bello continued his good touch as the visitors most consistent and damaging player, particularly at ground level where he swooped on a lot of loose balls and set his team-mates up with creative skills.

With several of Central's big name midfielders under wraps, the Bulldog defenders stepped up to fill the breach, notably Paul Thomas, Heath Hopwood and Nathan Steinberner.

"We just couldn't get it on the scoreboard," Glenelg coach David Noble said.

"They play fantastic footy off half-back and we just couldn't penetrate that half-back line.

"We tried a few different things with our forward line and midfield but in the end when you're coming into that (forward) area and you don't quite hit the right target then you're chasing bums all day."

Tyson Hay also provided useful rebound from defence while keeping the potentially dangerous Jacob Schuback to just two goals.

A late inclusion to make his league debut, 19-year-old Kane Officer grabbed his chance to boot 2.2 including an impressive goal in the third term when he ran with the ball for more than 40 metres and kept his composure to finish truly.

"He looked sharp and has been in the system for three years so he's had to wait his turn," Laird said. "When they wait for their turn for that long they're super keen when they get involved and that's how he looked."

With the tragic loss of under-19 player Chris Buss on Thursday, the Tigers were unable to draw on his passing after one minute silence before the bounce.

"I reckon the club's had one of its most traumatic weeks probably since the war," Noble said. "It effects everyone in a different way, some can cope with it others find that they become lethargic so it's very hard to gauge."

Along with tireless Brett Backwell, two of the Tigers younger players in Ben Mules and Ben Ahmat were their shining lights.

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CENTRAL	14	11	3	0	1655	908	64.57	22	D. Bradshaw (WA)	13	5	64
STURT	14	9	5	0	1398	1026	57.67	18	D. Hargraves (NA)	13	3	38
EAGLES	14	8	6	0	1211	1149	51.31	16	R. Tregenza (SA)	13	2	34
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Port	14	6	8	0	1405	1388	50.30	12	B. Chambers (St)	11	3	31
	13	5	7	1	1073	1261	45.97	11	P. Evans (PA)	12	0	31
Norwood		9337	΄.	:			10.727.53	. 9333	J. Gowans (CD)	13	3	30
South	15	5	9	1	1381	1759	43.98	11	B. Beinke (PA)	12	0	29
Glenelg	14	4	10	0	1082	1339	44.69	8	S. Hahn (WA)	13	0	28
North	14	1	11	2	1037	1795	36.62	4	R. Neill (Nwd)	12	0	28