

Chambers, White show

By Doug Robertson
at Adelaide Oval

STURT'S inspired key forwards Stephen White and Brant Chambers almost single handedly crushed a workman-like Glenelg to give the Blues a wearisome 32-point win — but little else — at Adelaide Oval yesterday.

Together White (2.3) and Chambers (6.4) took 18 strong marks and kicked eight of the Blues 17 goals to be probably the only highlights of a lack-lustre contest which frustrated onlookers.

They were the important difference between the two combatants and the principal reason Sturt never was truly threatened.

Sturt could afford to kick long and direct and be certain the big men would give a strong contest.

Glenelg, which did not have that luxury, had to attempt to infiltrate the attacking 50 metres almost by stealth.

White and Chambers could have killed off the contest in the first term but for inaccuracy. Glenelg, which lost creative centremen Steven Salopek to the Power before the game, deliberately and unashamedly set out to block Sturt's trademark run — and it worked.

Apart from a 10-minute burst late in the second term when Sturt added 5.0 to the Tigers solitary goal — which virtually decided the final margin — the Blues showed little of its slick teamwork and clean skills.

Sturt, which went in without Ben Nelson (hamstring), became unbalanced in the

●	Third on the ladder	118 points			
	Sturt	5.5	12.9	14.13	17.16
●	Eighth on the ladder	86 points			
	Glenelg	2.3	7.3	10.6	13.8

middle with Tim Weatherald (hip) and Marty Mattner (back) off by the first minute of the second quarter.

It was not a win for football purists.

"They (Glenelg) just played a negative style of game and we didn't cope particularly well. In the first quarter we were particularly good at it but then we just didn't cope with it," coach Brenton Phillips said.

"We just didn't have enough running through our half-forward line (but) the most pleasing part was that we could have turned it up quite easily but we toughed it out."

The day became even bleaker for Glenelg's reliable Paul Sherwood who fractured his left ankle while successfully spoiling Chambers dur-

ing the second quarter.

Positively, Glenelg kicked a goal first in every quarter and Billy Neely, Heath Culpitt, Ben Moore and Brett Higgins niggled and annoyed their more heralded opponents through the day.

Yet, Sturt always was able to cause critical turnovers, and make them hurt, because Glenelg kept missing targets.

"We didn't seem to release it (ball) quick enough to break (the play) open," Tigers coach David Noble said.

"They (Sturt) knew we'd try to shut it down to a point (but) the quality in our ball use is not as good as the top-enders. Given another pre-season I think we won't be far away."



Jamie Vlatko takes a mark for Glenelg Picture: James Elsby

Port v Norwood

Adelaide Oval — Friday

NORWOOD	3.1	7.5	14.6	17.7 (109)
Port	3.4	6.7	10.8	14.9 (93)

BEST — Norwood: McEntee, Knights, Borlace, James, Crouch, Daniels, AhMatt, Neill, Carslake. **Port:** Parry, Brown, Lyle, M. Wilson, Bamford, McDowall.

SCORERS — Norwood: McEntee 5.3, Patfull, Carslake, Gallagher, Thiessen 2.0, Bartemucci, Bratton 1.1, Neill, Key 1.0, Knights 0.1, rushed 0.1. **Port:** McDowall 3.4, Evans 2.1, Plapp, Francis 2.0, Miller 1.1, Burdett, Fitzgerald, M. Wilson, Cooke 1.0, Brown 0.1, rushed 0.2.

INJURIES — Port: Beinke (hamstring) replaced in selected side by Cooke, Brown (foot).

UMPIRES — C. Doddridge, S. Scriven, P. Williams.

CROWD — 6132.

Eagles v South

Woodville Oval

EAGLES	2.1	6.3	10.9	18.9 (117)
South	7.2	8.6	10.6	15.9 (99)

BEST — Eagles: Skipworth, Cicolella, Inkster, Pesch, Phillipou, Floreani, Lindsay. **South:** Davis, Tregenza, Sampson, Manhood, Doughty, Jackman, Bradley.

SCORERS — Eagles: Inkster 5.0, Passador 3.0, Skipworth, Hentschel 2.0, Pesch, Phillipou, Stokes 1.1, Lindsay, Leal, Cicolella 1.0, Allison, McLoughlan, Bock, Rugolo 0.1, rushed 0.2. **South:** Tregenza 6.1, Jackman 2.1, Berry, Davis 2.0, Clonan, Cotton, Warren 1.1, Bennett, Kruger, Sampson, Doughty 0.1.

INJURIES — Nil.

UMPIRES — D. Joyce, R. Fox, C. Rowston.

CROWD — 1813.

North v Central

Prospect Oval

CENTRAL	2.3	10.7	16.12	22.15 (147)
North	3.6	5.8	9.10	10.12 (72)

BEST — Central: Bello, Hopwood, Cowan, C. Gowans, Healy, Slade, Switala, Hay, Brooks. **North:** Bamford, Davis, Hargraves, O'Connor, Wintle.

SCORERS — Central: Cowan 8.2, Schell 5.1, Hay, C. Gowans, Sansbury 2.1, Switala 1.2, Healy 1.1, Bello 1.0, Coulter 0.3, J. Gowans 0.2, rushed 0.1. **North:** Hargraves 5.1, D. White 2.1, Bamford 1.1, O'Connor, Burford 1.0, Davis, Wintle, Burton, Leal 0.1, rushed 0.5.

INJURIES — Central: Schell (calf), J. Gowans (knock to head), Aufderheide (stomach). **North:** Gluschenko (hamstring).

REPORT — Central: Thomas by field umpire Pfeiffer for tripping Bamford in the first quarter.

UMPIRES — M. Johnston, T. Pfeiffer, S. Przibilla.

CROWD — 2251.

Glenelg v Sturt

Adelaide Oval

STURT	5.5	12.9	14.13	17.16 (118)
Glenelg	2.3	7.3	10.6	13.8 (86)

BEST — Sturt: White, Chambers, Klun, Sheedy, Graham, Smith, Wicks, Schulz. **Glenelg:** Higgins, Culpitt, Moore, D. Raidis, Smyth, Mules, Schuback.

SCORERS — Sturt: Chambers 6.4, White, Beveridge 2.3, Cooper 2.1, Klun, Graham 1.1, Wicks, Dent, Smith 1.0, rushed 0.3. **Glenelg:** Smyth, Schuback 3.1, Moore 2.0, Higgins, Jamie Vlatko, Cranston, Backwell, Brockman 1.0, Sherwood, Cook 0.1, rushed 0.4.

INJURIES — Sturt: Nelson (hamstring) withdrew from selected squad, Weatherald (hip strain), Mattner (bruised back). **Glenelg:** Sherwood (broken ankle).

UMPIRES — D. Kowal, A. Meade, G. Symons.

CROWD — 3143.

Reserves

STURT 13.18 (96) d Glenelg 8.12 (60). **BEST — Sturt:** Bowen, Sumner, Kennedy, Powell, Braun, Vertudaches, Coad. **Glenelg:** Harkness, Panozzo, Bennett, Duldig, Yeomans, Hare, Reavill. **GOALS — Sturt:** Roberts-Thomson 4, Coad, Lavender 3, Kennedy, Vanderloo, Berts. **Glenelg:** Harkness 3, Panozzo, Duldig, Hare, McEntee, Reavill.

Under 19

STURT 17.13 (115) d Glenelg 12.14 (86). **BEST — Sturt:** Twelftree, Goodwin, Masters, Roberts. **Glenelg:** Kilsby, Tyler, Reavill, Potts. **GOALS — Sturt:** Goodwin, Konopka 5, McGregor 2, Broderick, Kells, Millar, O'Neil, Roberts. **Glenelg:** Kilsby, Tyler 3, Reavill 2, Potts, Reeves, Young, Lohmann.

Under 17

STURT 18.9 (117) d Glenelg 12.8 (80). **BEST — Sturt:** T. Watkins, Dubois, Thomson, Cramey, Harper, Evans, Loukes, Hill. **Glenelg:** Lally, Miegel, Humphries, Pannell, Kirkland, Bastian. **GOALS — Sturt:** Button 5, Haskett 4, Watkins 3, Dempsey 2, Langley, Evans, Bruce, Cuthbertson. **Glenelg:** Elliott, Lally, Graham, Kirkland 2, Humphries, Eldridge, Morris, Harvey.

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
CENTRAL	16	13	3	0	1911	1041	64.74	26
WEST	15	12	3	0	1578	1246	55.88	24
STURT	16	10	6	0	1577	1221	56.36	20
EAGLES	16	10	6	0	1464	1358	51.88	20
Norwood	15	7	7	1	1294	1432	47.47	15
Port	16	7	9	0	1608	1556	50.82	14
South	16	5	10	1	1480	1876	44.10	11
Glenelg	16	4	12	0	1246	1569	44.26	8
North	16	1	13	2	1219	2078	36.97	4