

# Panthers put bodies on the line for key win

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**S**OUTH Adelaide coach Robert Pyman went to Glenelg Oval on Saturday expecting "a war of attrition".

Despite a slow start, but holding the heavy artillery when it counted, his Panthers showed him exactly that as they built a battling eight-point victory over the Tigers.

Starting into the brutal wind, South showed little sign of the form and strength that was to come while Glenelg started as its hard-running self, dominating possession in the first term, mainly through the likes of Billy Neely, Heath Culpitt and Sudjai Cook mopping up at ground level.

South closed the gap with its first turn with the wind while the home side still looked effective but the real Panther assault was yet to begin. Glenelg made the fatal mistake of playing three solid quarters but being seemingly out to lunch for the other. It was the third on Saturday and South punished it for the fadeout.

South scored more into the strengthening gale than it had with it the previous term and took control of the match - on the scoreboard and, with safe hands and tall timber, in the air with the likes of Rod Tregenza, Tom Tarrant and Matthew Smith taking key grabs.

Glenelg resumed the fight in the last and managed one goal into the breeze courtesy

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	
<b>SOUTH ADELAIDE</b>	0.1	3.3	6.7	6.11	(47)
<b>GLENELG</b>	4.5	4.5	4.8	5.9	(39)

**BEST - South:** Handby, Carey, Smith, Sampson, King. **Glenelg:** Neely, Cook, Manfield, Parker, Hardwick.  
**SCORERS - South:** Carey 2.0, Tarrant 1.1, Warren, Sampson, Handby 1.0, Tregenza 0.3, Manhood, Daly 0.2, Smith, Wright, Torney 0.1. **Glenelg:** Allison 2.0, Duldig 1.1, Moore, Andrews 1.0, Culpitt, Neely 0.2, Panozzo, Golding 0.1, rushed 0.2.  
**INJURIES - South:** Bradley withdrew before game (personal reasons).  
**UMPIRES -** S. Przibilla, T. Pfeiffer, K. Broadbridge. **CROWD** - 1377 at Glenelg Oval.

of Rowan Andrews - its first since late in the first term - which kept the contest alive but South had settled and the defence led by Gerrard Bennett and Clay Sampson was not about to let it slip.

Pyman relished the fighting, persistent nature of South's win.

"In the first half we didn't play to our full capacity but after that the players' attitude was fantastic. We were in a precarious position on the ladder and we needed to get this one badly," Pyman said.

"It was a tough, hard game and it was always going to be a slogfest in these conditions. We knew it wasn't going to be a high-scoring game, that it was just going to be a war of attrition and the blokes who could stand up the longest were going to prevail. "I thought the courage and commitment

from this team today was absolutely fantastic. After half-time there were a lot of players putting their bodies on the line just willy-nilly and it was great to see."

Glenelg's David Noble could only lament an "ordinary" performance in the crucial third term that cost the Bays so dearly.

"We just allowed them to create the play and to their credit they got in first, ran the ball and put us under the pump," Noble said. "After that we just couldn't cope and couldn't get back in front on the board."

"We looked to create too many options on the day that were just too risky." The win sent the Carey-Darley Cup down South, breaking a streak of five straight victories by the Tigers over the Panthers.

## ROUND 12

### PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pc	Pts
Eagles	11	10	1	-	1045	710	59.5	20
Central	11	9	2	-	1147	713	61.7	18
North	10	6	4	-	871	938	48.1	12
Sturt	10	5	5	-	828	762	52.1	10
South	11	5	6	-	801	862	48.2	10
West	10	5	5	-	797	904	46.9	10
Port	10	3	7	-	748	832	47.3	6
Glenelg	11	2	9	-	785	1042	42.9	4
Norwood	10	2	8	-	790	1049	42.9	4

### THIS WEEK'S DRAW

Round 13 - Friday: Sturt v Norwood (Adelaide Oval, 7.40pm). Saturday: Central v Port (NAP Oval, 2.20pm), West v South (Broadpectrum Oval, 2.20pm), North v Glenelg (Prospect Oval, 2.20pm).  
**Bye:** Eagles.

### LEADING GOALKICKERS

		Rd 12	Total
D. Schell	(Central)	1.0	33.12
D. Hargreaves	(North)	-	29.6
B. Chambers	(Sturt)	2.1	28.14
R. Tregenza	(South)	0.3	26.17
R. Neill	(Norwood)	-	23.18
P. Allison	(Glenelg)	2.0	21.11

### SANFL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

**LEADERS - 12:** Matthew Slade (Central). **9:** Paul Thomas (Central). **8:** Hayden Skipworth (Eagles). **7:** Mathew Stokes, Mark McKenzie (Eagles), Tyson Hay, Daniel Schell (Central). **6:** William Neely, Brett Blackwell (Glenelg), Jason Porplyzia (West), Gavin Colville (Eagles), Andrew Beveridge (Sturt), Matthew Bartemucci (Norwood), Salim Hassan (West). **5:** Mark Bradley, Clinton King (South), Dean Howard (West), Adam Heuskes (North), Heath Culpitt (Glenelg), Andrew Whiteman, Damian Squire (Sturt), Mark Passador (Eagles).

#### EAGLES v STURT

Mathew Stokes (Eagles)	3
Mark McKenzie (Eagles)	2
Andrew Whiteman (Sturt)	1

#### NORTH ADELAIDE v PORT ADELAIDE

Chris Ladhams (North Adelaide)	3
Ben Hudson (North Adelaide)	2
Ian Perrie (North Adelaide)	1

#### CENTRAL DISTRICT v WEST ADELAIDE

Paul Thomas (Central District)	3
Tyson Hay (Central District)	2
Matthew Krieg (Central District)	1

#### SOUTH ADELAIDE v GLENELG

Michael Handby (South Adelaide)	3
William Neely (Glenelg)	2
Andrew Carey (South Adelaide)	1



### SOUTH

	Kicks	Mks	Hbl	F/for	F/ag	Gls	Pts	H/O	Tkl
MILLER	4	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
TREGENZA	6	3	4	0	1	0	3	0	5
WARREN	3	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	0
SMITH	12	6	6	0	2	0	1	0	3
TARRANT	9	5	2	2	1	1	1	0	1
COBB	5	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0
RUGER	5	3	7	1	0	0	2	0	0
MANHOOD	3	1	4	1	1	1	0	0	2
HANDBY	15	5	9	2	0	1	0	0	0
SAMPSON	13	5	5	1	1	0	0	0	3
BENNETT	11	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
JACKMAN	11	4	5	1	1	0	0	0	0
CAREY	15	5	2	3	3	2	0	0	3
WILSON	5	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	1
WEBB	11	5	5	1	0	0	0	0	2
TORNEY	11	2	2	4	4	0	1	0	4
WRIGHT	6	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	1
C. KING	17	6	10	1	0	0	0	0	1
B. KING	6	5	3	1	2	0	0	16	1
DEMASI	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
DALY	7	4	3	0	0	0	2	1	2
Totals	175	70	85	23	21	6	11	17	29



### GLENELG

	Kicks	Mks	Hbl	F/for	F/ag	Gls	Pts	H/O	Tkl
BACKWELL	7	3	5	2	0	0	0	0	1
GOLDING	5	3	5	1	0	0	1	1	1
ALLISON	7	5	7	1	0	2	0	0	1
COOK	12	4	12	5	1	0	0	0	3
Jamie VLATKO	4	2	2	1	1	0	0	2	5
ALLEN	4	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	1
MOORE	5	4	10	1	1	1	0	1	1
SALOPEK	7	1	12	0	1	0	0	1	2
STATHAM	5	2	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
HARDWICK	21	5	6	1	3	0	0	0	3
PARKER	8	2	6	3	1	0	0	4	3
McENTEE	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	1
DULDIG	2	1	1	1	3	1	1	0	1
SHERWOOD	8	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
PANOZZO	5	3	7	0	1	0	1	0	0
ANDREWS	5	1	2	1	1	1	0	13	1
CULPITT	8	1	10	2	5	0	2	0	3
NEELY	16	1	6	1	2	0	2	2	1
RAIDIS	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
MORRIS	4	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
MANFIELD	5	6	4	0	1	0	0	0	2
Totals	143	54	110	21	23	5	9	27	33

### SCOREBOARD 1 2 3 4

<b>CENTRAL DISTRICT</b>	3.4	6.7	7.9	12.14	(86)
<b>WEST ADELAIDE</b>	1.1	3.4	4.5	7.5	(47)

**BEST - Central:** Thomas, Hay, Krieg, Switala, Officer, Ware, Bello. **West:** Rusca, Dray, Nathan, Porplyzia, Schmidt.

**SCORERS - Central:** Bello 3.1, Prokopec 2.1, C. Gowans 2.0, Cochrane, Ware, Krieg, Steinberner 1.1, Schell 1.0, Hay, J. Gowans 0.2, Switala, Thomas 0.1, rushed 0.2. **West:** Richardson, Illman 2.0, Kent 1.1, Norman, Rusca 1.0, Malinovski, Nathan 0.1, rushed 0.2.

**INJURIES - Central:** Slade (foot), McKenzie (reserves), replaced in selected side by Ware. **West:** Hassan (hip), Richardson (knee), Kent (elbow), Steinfort (hamstring cramps), Glover (hamstring), replaced in selected side by Malinovski.

**UMPIRES -** R. Williams, P. Williams, J. Brown. **CROWD -** 2076 at NAP Oval.

### SCOREBOARD 1 2 3 4

<b>EAGLES</b>	2.0	3.0	6.3	8.5	(53)
<b>STURT</b>	1.1	3.4	4.4	4.8	(32)

**BEST - Eagles:** Stokes, McKenzie, Cicolella, Hall, Colville, Inkster, Rugolo. **Sturt:** Whiteman, Beveridge, Cooper, Pearce, Sheedy.

**SCORERS - Eagles:** Phillipou 3.1, Inkster, Rugolo 1.1, Toia, Lindsay, Spehr 1.0, Stokes, McKenzie 0.1. **Sturt:** Chambers 2.1, Pearce 1.2, Cooper 1.0, White, Jarvis, Burton 0.1, rushed 0.2.

**INJURIES - Sturt:** Nelson (soreness), replaced in selected side by Coad, Roberts (groin).

**UMPIRES -** R. Fox, S. Hay, C. Doddridge.

**CROWD -** 2100 at Unley Oval.

### SCOREBOARD 1 2 3 4

<b>NORTH</b>	4.3	5.5	12.7	15.8	(98)
<b>PORT</b>	1.2	3.5	6.6	10.8	(68)

**BEST - North:** Ladhams, Hudson, Perrie, Walton, B. White, Gum, Heuskes, Sutherland, Motlop. **Port:** DePasquale, Stevens, Burns, Ackland, Elstone.

**SCORERS - North:** Younie, Perrie 2.1, Motlop, Bamford, Roe, D. White 2.0, Ladhams 1.2, Walton, Wintle 1.1, Oakley 0.2. **Port:** Brown 2.1, Parry, DePasquale 2.0, Clayton, McDowell 1.1, AhChee, Stevens 1.0, Francis 0.2, Fitzgerald, Burns 0.1, rushed 0.1.

**INJURIES - North:** D. White (corked thigh).

**REPORT - North:** Walton, for allegedly tripping King (Port), in the 12th minute of the fourth quarter.

**UMPIRES -** C. Rowston, C. Carey, S. Grun.

**CROWD -** 2021 at Adelaide Oval.