

SANFL DETAILS

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pc	Pts
Central	5	4	1	-	547	342	61.5	8
Eagles	4	3	1	-	337	292	53.6	6
North	4	3	1	-	373	324	53.5	6
West	4	3	1	-	361	374	49.1	6
Sturt	4	2	2	-	348	331	51.3	4
Port	4	1	3	-	312	348	47.3	2
South	4	1	3	-	294	338	46.5	2
Norwood	4	1	3	-	336	416	44.7	2
Glenelg	5	1	4	-	391	534	42.3	3

THIS WEEK'S DRAW

Round 6 - Friday: Port v Norwood (Adelaide Oval 7.40pm). Saturday: West v Eagles (Broadspectrum Oval, 2.20pm), North v Central (Prospect Oval, 2.20pm), South v Sturt (Adelaide Oval, 2.20pm). Bye: Glenelg.

LEADING GOALKICKERS

		Rd 5	Total
R. Neill	(Norwood)	5.0	15.9
D. Schell	(Central)	3.2	13.7
B. Chambers	(Sturt)	1.0	13.5
R. Tregenza	(South)	4.2	13.5
N. Prokopec	(Central)	2.1	13.3
P. Shepherd	(West)	-	11.5

RESERVES

Eagles 13.7 (85) d North 10.12 (72), Glenelg 15.9 (99) d Port 12.10 (82), South 18.18 (126) d Norwood 5.9 (39), Sturt 7.10 (52) d Central 6.5 (41). Premiership table: South 8, Sturt, Central, Eagles 6, Port, Glenelg 4, North, West 2, Norwood 0.

UNDER-19

Eagles 9.13 (67) d North 7.8 (50), Port 11.13 (79) d Glenelg 10.18 (78), South 17.15 (117) d Norwood 14.8 (92), Central 12.13 (85) d Sturt 8.5 (53). Premiership table: South 8, Port 6, Norwood, Glenelg, South, Central 4, Sturt, North 0.

UNDER-17

North 19.12 (126) d Eagles 4.11 (35), Port 14.12 (96) d Glenelg 9.10 (70), Norwood 14.17 (101) d South 12.16 (88), Central 7.12 (54) d Sturt 7.6 (48). Premiership table: Central 10, Sturt, North, South 6, West 4, Norwood, Glenelg, Port 2, Eagles 0.

SANFL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

EAGLES v NORTH ADELAIDE

Mark Passador (Eagles)	3
Mathew Stokes (Eagles)	2
Hayden Skipworth (Eagles)	1

PORT ADELAIDE v GLENELG

Cain Ackland (Port Adelaide)	3
Kristian DePasquale (Port Adelaide)	2
Daniel Elstone (Port Adelaide)	1

NORWOOD v SOUTH ADELAIDE

Scott Borlace (Norwood)	3
Roger James (Norwood)	2
Brett James (Norwood)	1

CENTRAL DISTRICT v STURT

Daniel Schell (Central District)	3
James Gowans (Central District)	2
Paul Thomas (Central District)	1

LEADERS - 7: Matthew Slade (Central), 5: Adam Heuskes (North), Damian Squire (Sturt), 4: Paul Thomas (Central), Darryl Wintle (North), 3: Daniel Schell (Central), Mark Passador (Eagles), Cain Ackland (Port), Heath Culpitt (Glenelg), Jade Sheedy (Sturt), Jason Porplyzia (West), Jason Roe (North), Gerrard Bennett (South), Luke Norman (West), Tyson Hay (Central), Salim Hassan (West), Simon Feast (Sturt), Dean Howard (West), Mathew Stokes (Eagles), Hayden Skipworth (Eagles), Brett James (Norwood), Roger James (Norwood).

Don't mention finals to Knights

SCOREBOARD 1 2 3 4

PORT ADELAIDE	4.6	8.10	15.16	15.19	(109)
GLENELG	2.1	7.6	8.7	14.11	(95)

BEST - Port Adelaide: Ackland, DePasquale, Elstone, O'Loughlin, Francis, AhChee. **Glenelg:** Mahoney, Schuback, Neely, Culpitt.

SCORERS - Port Adelaide: Evans 4.1, Davis 3.2, Cockatoo-Collins 2.3, Ackland 2.0, DePasquale, Elstone, Burdett 1.1, Ilett 1.0, Brown 0.2, AhChee, Francis, Clayton 0.1, rushed 0.5. **Glenelg:** Golding 4.0, Mahoney, Woods 2.1, Allison 2.0, Vlatko, Panozzo 1.2, Culpitt, Backwell 1.0, Schuback, Cranston, Moore, Neely 0.1, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES - Port Adelaide: Sinkunas (corked thigh).

UMPIRES - C. Carey, R. Williams, D. Joyce. CROWD - 2871 at Glenelg Oval.

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IT MAY be a well-worn adage that drives reporters crazy but it suits Port Adelaide Magpies coach Matthew Knights just fine.

Nursing a side whose confidence would be fragile after nearly blowing a 51-point lead against Glenelg on Saturday, Knights was happy to use the old "we're taking it one week at a time" credo when discussing his team's finals chances. In fact, the word "finals" doesn't seem to be part of Knights' vocabulary right now - but neither should it be after his Magpies scraped home by 14 points at Glenelg Oval to gift the former midfielder his first win as club coach after three losses.

Port also broke through for its first win of 2003 against the Bays with an 84-point slaughter after three losses - but with only a top four left its run too late. Does this year's top-five finals system give his side a better chance of making the finals? Knights dodged it like a Tony Libertore tackle.

"The only thing I'm focusing on with the players is us slowly progressing as a group in a lot of areas and we've still got a lot of areas to work on and things we can get better at, on and off the field," Knights said. "Our professionalism, our preparation for games, the players getting used to what I want with game plans and team rules. I'm only focusing on that and I'll let the weekends take care of themselves."

Responding to Knights' constant urgings at every break not to take the foot off the pedal, Port - led by Power-listed ruckman Cain Ackland and Kristian De Pasquale, who shared best-on-ground honours with him - ran itself ragged, dominating until the last break. Knights conceded his men were spent in the last term and remained upbeat despite nearly being denied his first win.

Although Ackland was among Port's best, Tigers Brett Backwell, William Neely, Heath Culpitt and Josh Mahoney still won their fair share of clearances but skill errors let them down. Glenelg coach David Noble said Port has the capability to "do some awful damage" at the business end of the season, while lamenting his own side's disconcerting lack of consistency.

"When you turn up to work you've got to be reliable and diligent in your work and we weren't reliable and diligent in what we did over a full game," Noble said. He was also nonplussed by his side's last-quarter fightback which saw Culpitt, four-goal forward-ruckman Matthew Golding, Glenelg's best on the day Mahoney, former Carlton player Backwell and Jamie Vlatko kick six unanswered goals to nearly steal a game they did not deserve to win.

"Absolutely (it was too little too late)," Noble said. "Our third quarter was very, very poor." But it's not all doom and gloom for the Bays.

"If you've watched our games - apart from the Central one - we've been more around the mark than we have been but again it's just our consistency," said Noble, adding structure and discipline is needed before they can knock over quality teams.



Trapped - Port Adelaide's Chad Davis is caught by Tiger Heath Culpitt.

SCOREBOARD 1 2 3 4

CENTRAL DISTRICT	5.3	8.4	15.8	18.10	(118)
STURT	0.1	1.4	5.4	9.6	(60)

BEST - Central: Schell, J. Gowans, Thomas, Krieg, Slade, Aufderheide, MacKenzie, Sibener. **Sturt:** Sheedy, Mattner, Smith, Curtis, Klun.

SCORERS - Central: Schell 3.2, C. Gowans 3.1, Slade 3.0, Prokopec 2.1, Krieg 2.0, Cowan, J. Gowans 1.1, Hay, Steinberner, Ware 1.0, Bello, Butler 0.1, rushed 0.2. **Sturt:** Weatherald, Sheedy 2.0, Cooper 1.1, Beveridge, Chambers, Oliver, Richardson 1.0, Mattner 0.2, Smith, Feast, Nelson 0.1.

INJURIES - Central: C. Gowans (ankle), B. Haraida (soreness) replaced in selected side by Butler. **Sturt:** Reilly (hip), Howman (hamstring).

UMPIRES - D. Kowal, A. Meade, T. Pfeiffer. CROWD - 3246 at NAP Oval.

SCOREBOARD 1 2 3 4

EAGLES	3.3	6.6	11.12	16.16	(112)
NORTH ADELAIDE	2.3	2.4	6.6	10.8	(68)

BEST - Eagles: Skipworth, Stokes, Passador, O'Hara, Frewen, Ellis. **North:** Heuskes, Ladhams, D. White, Sutherland, B. White, Hargraves.

SCORERS - Eagles: Passador 5.1, Rugolo 3.4, Ellis 3.2, Skipworth 2.2, Watts 1.1, Earl, Lindsay 1.0, Stokes 0.2, Cicolella, O'Hara, Westbrook 0.1, rushed 0.1. **North:** Heuskes 3.0, Hargraves 2.1, D. White 2.0, Ladhams 1.2, Motlop, Cook 1.0, Wintle, Younie, Bamford 0.1, rushed 0.2.

INJURIES - Eagles: Inkster, Phillipou (shoulder), replaced in selected side by Westbrook, Watts. **North:** Ladhams (ankle), Ebel (dislocated finger).

UMPIRES - G. Symons, C. Doddridge, M. Johnston.

CROWD - 3206 at Adelaide Oval.

SCOREBOARD 1 2 3 4

NORWOOD	5.4	7.5	10.10	14.12	(96)
SOUTH	0.0	5.3	7.6	9.8	(62)

BEST - Norwood: Borlace, R. James, B. James, Bown, Direen, Neill, Clements, Bartemucci. **South:** C. King, Bradley, Parker, Smith, Cobb.

SCORERS - Norwood: Neill 5.0, Bartemucci 2.2, R. James 2.1, Haythorpe 1.1, Campbell, P. James, Bown, Dawes 1.0, Borlace 0.2, Verco, Robran, B. James, Thomas, Bratton 0.1, rushed 0.1. **South:** Tregenza 4.2, Warren 2.1, Wright, C. King, Smith 1.0, Griffen 0.2, Smart, B. King, Love 0.1.

UMPIRES - S. Scriven, R. Fox, G. Fila.

CROWD - 1598 at Noarlunga Oval.