# **ligers** run riot

#### DOUG ROBERTSON

GLENELG continued its climb from the bottom of the ladder with its second 20-goals plus score of the season to cast woeful West Adelaide into wooden-spoon favouritism with a 132-point belting at Brighton Rd yesterday.

The running Tigers were totally dominant, holding West goalless in the first half, but it's difficult to assess just how much Glenelg generated itself against an outfit that was dispirited, disorganised and well below the standard expected at SANFL league level.

The only time West showed any fight came five minutes into the final quarter after Ryan Willits - who left Glenelg earlier this season - floored Bays' teenage ruckman Lachlan Button with what appeared a legitimate hip-and-shoulder bump in the centre circle.

Jeff Smith, Willits' direct opponent, showed his displeasure as the two big men scuffled which ignited an all-in melee with some genuine punches landing on players from both teams - which must interest the video review panel this morning.

It was the only truly exciting moment for West fans in a dismal day. The Bloods are battered, bruised, regularly soft in its approach to the ball and close to totally defeated. It will take a near miracle for West to salvage the season when it restarts after next week's timely bye.

Yesterday was Glenelg's second successive win - with its' highest score - but just its third victory this season. It is one win clear of West but showing far more promise and system than Bloods' fans could wish for.

Brett Backwell, Adam Fisher, Byron Murphy - who was reported in the third term for alleged high contact on Daniel Caire - Ben Moore and Ty Allen thrashed West in the midfield while Tom Logan, Richard Douglas, John Hinge and Ben Kane ran hard down the corridor and ripped though West's paper-thin defences.

Glenelg, now one win outside the five, faces a hurting Port Adelaide – after four consecutive losses - at Alberton on Saturday and Tigers coach Mark Mickan can't wait.

"It's always exciting to take Port on but I reckon we've just got to keep bringing it back to what we can control and getting the attitude right," he said.

After 10 games the Bloods' season is in tatters and it copped a bollocking from its president, Paul Sperling, after the game. West kicked its first goal for the day almost 10 minutes into the third quarter via Dean Galea (3.0), who came off the bench. Even though he can't hold a regular spot in West's parlous attack, he looked the only Bloods forward likely to cause Glenelg problems.

Damian Cupido (2.1) was lost, Willits (1.1) was starved of opportunities but at least had a crack when the ball came near but no other West forward seemed the least bit threatening. It had three goalscorers while Glenelg had 13:

West also had a dozen players who tallied 10 or fewer possessions and collectively had 101 fewer disposals than Glenelg. Coach Wayne Weidemann is stuck for answers.

"In the last two weeks we've asked them to play instinctive play-on footy and you wonder why, when the message is there and the freedom to do it, they can't react to it," he said.

# SANFL

#### SATURDAY

STURT 9.2 15.8 PORT

J. Clayton, Summerton, Perkins, De Pasquale, Wait.

6.3 6.6 8.10 10.11 BEST - Sturt: Bentley, Gum, Sheedy, Feast, Evans, Nelson. Port:

SCORERS - Sturt: Chambers, Gum 3.1, Nelson 2.1, Bentley Crane, Weatherald, Sheedy, Feast, Thomson, McDonald 1.0. Bratton, Herring, Evans 0.1. Port: LeCras 2.2, Clayton 2.1, Jenner, Slattery 1.2, De Pasquale 1.1, Maric, Murray, Summerton 1.0, Meiklejohn 0.2, Perkins 0.1. UMPIRES - D. Woodcock, T. Dey. S. Hay. CROWD - 4774 at Unley Oval.

#### YESTERDAY

GLENELG 12.10 16.15 26.18 (174)WEST 0.2 0.5 4.5 6.6 (42)

BEST - Gleneig: Backwell, Moore, McConnell, Allen, Fisher,

Douglas, Murphy, Logan, Hinge, Mules. West: Grieger, Caire.
SCORERS - Glenelg: McConnell 6.4, Moore 4.1, Sellar 3.1,
Backwell 3.0, Ruwoldt, Logan 2.2, Douglas 1.2, Kane 1.1, Hinge,
Mitchell, Allen, Graham 1.0, Panozzo 0.2, Fisher 0.1, rushed 0.2. West: Galea 3.0, Cupido 2.1, Willits 1.1, Clarke, Smith, Walsh, Braydn Fisher 0.1. INJURIES - Gleneig: Douglas (cut above eye). Murphy (knee strain). West: Barling (hamstring) replaced in selected team by Mensforth, Dragicevic (groin). REPORT - Glenelg: Murphy by umpire Joyce for alleged head-high contact during the third quarter. UMPIRES - T. Philp, D. Joyce, D. Kowal.

CROWD - 2080 at Challenge Recruitement Oval.

NORTH 11.7 17.8 (110)EAGLES 12.10 (82)8.9

BEST - North: Allan, Alleway, Bamford, Krieg, Howard, Ryswyk, Wundke, Grose. Eagles: Schwarze, Cooper, Jarrad, Symmons, Vince. SCORERS - North: Alleway 4.2, Wundke 3.2, Schubert 3.1. Younie, Ladhams 2.0, Allan, Sporn, Wintle 1.0, Bamford 0.2, Howard 0.1. Eagles: Schwarze 3.2, Lindsay, Cooper, Passador 2.0, Treeby. Jarrad, Dabrowski 1.0, Rugolo 0.2, Batsanis, Powell, Pavtich, Lomas 0.1, rushed 0.2. INJURIES - North: Motlop (ankle) replaced by Delvins in selected squad. Eagles: Grocke (corked hip), Klun (thigh) and Salter (thigh) withdrew from selected squad. Inkster (reserves) replaced in selected squad by Vince. REPORT - North: Wintle for alleged rough conduct on Symmons by umpire Mackie in the fourth term. UMPIRES - C. Rowston, C. Bowen, S. Mackie. CROWD - 2728 at Prospect Oval.

CENTRAL 10.9

SOUTH 10.14 3.1 6.6 8.9

BEST - Central: Thomas, Cochrane, MacKenzie, Callinan, Slade. C. Gowans. J. Gowans. South: Smith, Prendergast, Archard. J. Sampson, Maddox, C. Sampson. McGlone.

SCORERS - Central: C. Gowans 3.0, Callinan 2.2, O'Sullivan Lawry, Slade 1.1, Dutschke, MacKenzie, Hayes, J. Gowans. Switala 1.0, Cochrane, Goodrem, Havelberg 0.1, rushed 0.3. South: Archard 2.1, Bennett 1.3, Maddox 1.2, Thewlis, Hunter, Sampson Smith, Ilicesen, Sinkunas 1.0, Kenna 0.2, rushed 0.3.
 UMPIRES - R. Williams, C. Carey, C. Doddridge.

CROWD - 1840 at Noarlunga Oval.

#### PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	Р	w	L	D	-	A	PC	Pts
Central	10	9	1		1127	712	61.3	18
Sturt	10	7	3		905	881	50.1	14
North	9	5	3	1	860	750	53.4	11
Norwood	9	5	4		885	847	51.1	10
Eagles	9	4	5	7	878	898	49.4	8
Port	10	4	6	-	904	952	48.7	8
South	10	3	6	1	819	1009	44.8	7
Glenelg	9	3	6		828	770	51.8	6
West	10	2	A		764	1151	39.9	4

### LEADING GOALKICKERS

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B. Chambers	(Sturt)	3.1	53.19
J. Vlatko	(Norwood)		36.18
C. Waterhouse	(Port)		30.15
M. Passador	(Eagles)	2.0	29.7

RESERVES GLENELG 10.9 11.11 17.15

WEST 0.5 8.8 3.6 BEST - Glenelg: Horan, Plant, Fosdike, Guilhaus, Lewis, Wallent,

West: Bayliss, Honner, Wilson, Commane, Wood.

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## SANFL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Sturt v Port Adelaide					
Jeremy Clayton (Port Adelaide)			 ď		
Greg Bentley (Sturt)			 ٠		
Tristan Gum (Sturt)				 	
Gleneig v West Adelaide					
Brett Backwell (Gleneig)					
Ben Moore (Gleneig)				 ٠.	
Justin McConnell (Glenelg)					
North Adelaide v Woodville-West Tor	re	ns			
James Allan (North Adelaide) Clint Alleway (North Adelaide)					
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Ben Schwarze (Woodville-West Torrens)					
Central District v South Adelaide					
Paul Thomas (Central District)					
Richard Cochrane (Central District)					

Mathew Smith (South Adelaide) LEADERS - 12: J. Allan (North). 9: B. Chambers (Sturt). 8: A. Fisher (Gleneig). B. Nelson (Sturt), C. Alleway (North). 7: M. McKenzie (Eagles), J. Gallagher (Norwood), S. Summerton, J. Clayton (Port), L. Powell (Eagles), B. Symes (Central).

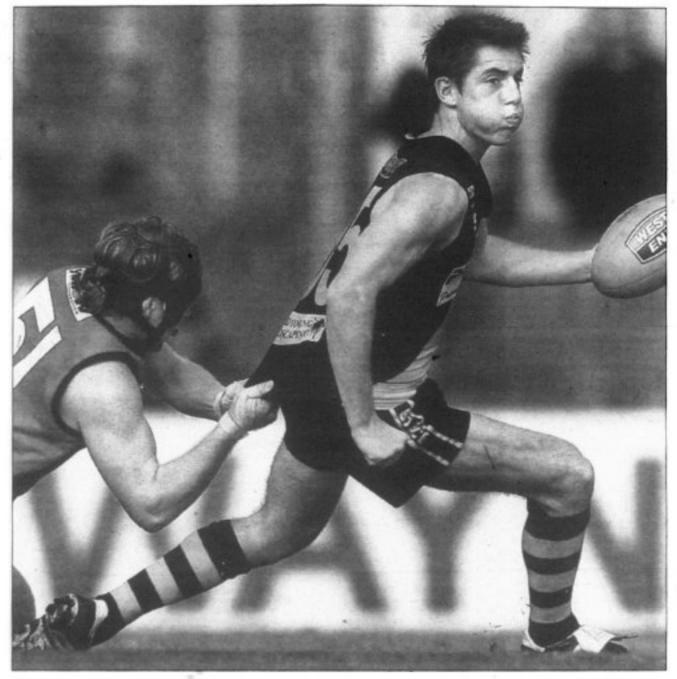
#### GLENELG F/for F/ag Kicks Mks ны Pts H/O Tkl 12 DOUGLAS 0 0 3 PANOZZO McCONNELL 16 MITCHELL 15 10 KIRKBY 13 RUWOLDT MOORE 11 FISHER 2 MURPHY KANE B 16 SMITH HINGE 13 10 MULES SHERWOOD RUDOLPH BUTTON GRAHAM BACKWELL ALLEN LOGAN SELLAR

#### Totals Hbl F/for F/ag Pts H/O Tkl Kicks Mks Gls FISHER Brayden 0 CUPIDO 0 3 ROWE G DONALDSON WILLITS BUCKLEY McCORMICK DRAGICEVIC BRICKNELL 0 0 10 0 0 1 HOLLANDS 0 0 0 MENSFORTH WALSH 0 HUTCHINS 10 GRIEGER 0 0 3 PIASENTE 0 0 CLARK 13 0 3 CAIRE 0 0 3 SMITH 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 EZARD 3 0 GALEA 0 0 0 0 3 JAQUES 0 27

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Totals

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NO HOLDING HIM BACK: Tiger Richard Douglas has Greg Rowe hot on his heels.