Magpies hand point to Tigers

Doug Robertson

PORT Adelaide Magpies and Glenelg yesterday slogged it out in a dour struggle which ended in a deflating draw at 80 points each.

Glenelg, which has not won at Alberton in 14 years, wasted the golden final 60 seconds with the ball just centimetres from the goal line when a rushed behind would have pinched the premiership points.

Up by 15 points at the first change and two points just before half-time, the Tigers trailed from 50 seconds into the second half - when Magpie Brad Murray kicked the first of his four goals for the day - until a minute before the final siren.

Port led by eight points going into time-on but then Glenelg defender Sam Rudolph broke down the corridor and slammed home a goal from 50m to level the scores.

Glenelg won the resulting centre clearance – a rare occurrence yesterday - and charged back into attack for a frantic scramble on the goal line before Port's Corey

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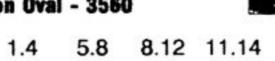


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PORT ADELAIDE V GLENELG Alberton Oval - 3560

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BEST PLAYERS: PORT - Elstone, DePasquale, J Clayton, Murray, Biacsi, LeCras, Carr, Maric. GLENELG - Douglas, Sherwood, Mitchell, Fisher, Allen, Mules, Moore. **60ALS**: PORT - Murray 4; Waterhouse, Biacsi, LeCras, Slattery, M Clayton, Batson, Summerton. 6LENELG -Mitchell 3; Douglas, Sellar 2; Rudolph, Moore, Plant, Fisher, Backwell. INJURIES/REPORTS - Port: Waterhouse (knee). Gleneig: Panozzo (hamstring); Hinge (hit to throat). UMPIRES: S Hay, C Carey, G Fila.

AhChee cleared the ball towards the boundary.

It ended up with David Mitchell, the longest kick in the Tigers' line-up, who marked 55m from goal with 20 seconds remaining.

His kick fell 2m short and the desperate Maggies defence hustled the ball sideways away from the goal line as the final siren sounded, bringing a feeling of disappointment over Alberton.

The crowd hardly reacted and officials were stuck without a victory tune to play

over the loudspeakers in an unwelcome end to a critical encounter between teams desperate for full premiership points to stay in touch with the top five.

Both have legitimate a claim on the points but Port will definitely lament its poor kicking, dropped marks and other fumbles.

It had 52 more possessions which had coach Tim Ginever fuming. "Our hand and foot work was disgraceful," he said. "In those last dying minutes I saw some experienced blokes make some very bad blues."

Dogged Daniel Elstone, sensational with 11 tackles and 15 disposals, and Kristian DePasquale stuck close to Tigers generators Adam Fisher and Brett Backwell, and Murray provided the spark in attack that was missing early.

While Ginever can rightfully claim that apart from the opening 15 minutes "we thought we had the game", Glenelg coach Mark Mickan would have similar thoughts about the last few minutes.

Richard Douglas (19 disposals) and Paul Sherwood were good all day and Mitchell, Fisher, Backwell, Ben Moore and James Sellar lifted when it was needed in the second half.

"After the first quarter, when we did have a bit of spark, we struggled to get our hands on the ball," Mickan said. "But I was proud of the boys for hanging in to the point that in the last two minutes, the game was ours to win."



	Kicks	Mks	ны	F/for	F/ag	Gls	Pts	H/O	Tki
SELLAR	6	3	1	2	2	2	1	3	1
ALLEN	3	1	4	0	4	0	0	0	2
MCCONNELL	8	1	3	2	1	0	1	0	2
DOUGLAS	12	3	7	3	1	2	1	2	1
KIRKBY	8	4	2	0	2	0	0	0	1
MITCHELL	11	6	2	2	0	3	2	0	1
GRAHAM	4	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	2
BACKWELL	10	3	6	3	- 1-	1	0	0	0
MOORE	11	5	7	0	0	1	0	0	1
KANEB	13	5	5	1	0	0	0	0	0
SMITH	5	1	6	2	2	0	0	1	0
MULES	10	5	8	2	1	0	0	0	0
HINGE	2	3	6	0	3	0	1	0	1
SHERWOOD	8	5	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
RUDOLPH	6	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
BUTTON	2	3	8	1	0	. 0	0	7	2
FISHER	15	6	4	1	0	1	0	0	4
LALLY	3	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	1
RUWOLDT	7	3	3	0	1	0	1	0	2
PLANT	4	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
FOSDIKE	8	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	156	65	84	22	20	12	8	13	22



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WATERHOUSE	6	3	5	1	0	1	3	0	0
BATSON	3	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
CLAYTON.J	14	4	9	3	2	0	1	0	6
DOLLING	10	5	3	0	2	0	1	2	1
LECRAS	8	4	7	2	4	1	1	0	0
CLINCH	6	3	5	0	1	0	1	0	0
BIASCI	22	5	2	0	0	1	2	0	1
SUMMERTON	12	5	4	. 1	1	1	0	0	1
WAIT.J	3	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
CARR	15	6	2	4	2	0	0	0	0
PERKINS	8	6	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
CLAYTON.M	8	6	3	0	1	1	1	0	0
LEES	8	6	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
AHCHEE	8	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
PERRY	10	7	6	1	0	0	0	0	2
MARIC	7	4	4	2	0	0	0	26	3
ELSTONE	10	8	5	1	1	0	1	0	11
DEPASQUALE	14	7	10	1	1	0	0	0	2
MEIKLEJOHN	6	4	3	1	1	0	1	10	1
MURRAY	14	8	7	1	3	4	0	0	0
SLATTERY	7	2	6	1	1	1	1	0	0
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HUMAN HIGHLIGHT REEL: Magpies' Clive Waterhouse takes a trademark ride at Alberton yesterday. Picture: Dylan Coker

SANF	L LADDER -	ROU	ND	12						
	TEAM	P	W	L	D	FOR	AGST	STR	PTS	%
	🔁 Central*	10	8	2	-	1127	712	W1		61.28
2 (Sturt Sturt	11	8	3	-	1010	926	W4	10	52.17
3	North*	9	5	3	1	860	750	W1		53.42
4	Norwood	10	5	5	-	930	952	L1	10	49.42
5 0	Port	11	4	6	1	984	1032	D1	9	48.81
	€ Eagles*	9	4	5	-	878	898	L2	8	49.44
計畫	Glenelg	10	3	6	1	908	850	D1	7	51.65
题:道	South*	10	3	6	1	819	1009	L1	7	44.80
聚二层	West**	10	2	8	-	764	1151	L5	4	39.90

STATS LEADERS						
Brant Chambers (Sturt)	(3)	56				
Jamie Vlatko (Norwood)	(0)	36				
Clive Waterhouse (Port)	(1)	31				
Mark Passador (Eagles)	(*)	29				
lan Callinan (Central)	(*)	28				

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turt 7.5 10.11 15.15 0.3 3.13 5.15 lorwood 2.7 EST PLAYERS: STURT - Feast, Sheedy, Gum, Nelson, Crane,

ratton, Whiteman, Evans. HORWOOD - Gallagher, McGuinness, ish, Bartemucci, Duigan, Lower, GOALS; STURY - Chambers 3; um, Feast, Crane, O'Keefe 2; Evans, Herring, Deluca, /eatherald. NORWOOD - Aish, Gallagher 2; Bartemucci. JURIES/REPORTS - Campbell (Norwood) back, withdrew from selected squad. UMPIRES: T Pfeiffer, C Bowen, D Kowal