

Crow's super 7 ignites revival

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GLENELG has blown fresh wind into its season with a freewheeling upset win against Sturt by 37 points as the SANFL returned to the Adelaide Oval yesterday for the first time this season.

Piloted by seven straight goals from Crows' emergency Richard Douglas, who was only released to the side yesterday morning, the Tigers put on one of their most efficient and ruthless displays to reel in an early deficit and power home.

There was a bit of everything in the win, including Douglas's brilliance and the impressive return of ruckman Trevor Cranston from knee injury.

But what stood out more than anything was Glenelg's ability to turn the taps on and move the ball with dash and daring.

There were no statistics available for this yesterday, but it'd be a fair guess Sturt took twice the amount of possessions for each goal after controlling all of the play in the first quarter.

Once Glenelg began getting first use, it didn't look back. From the five-minute mark in the second quarter the Tigers piled on seven unanswered goals and never surrendered the lead. Cranston was crucial.

The ruckman was up against the experienced

SCOREBOARD



GLENELG V STURT Adelaide Oval - 3360



Glenelg	3.2	10.4	15.6	22.9	141
Sturt	4.6	5.10	10.12	15.14	104

BEST PLAYERS: GLENELG - Douglas, McConnell, Cook, Rudolph, Backwell, Cranston, Sellar, Fosdike. STURT - Nelson, Thomson, Darling, Sheedy, Crane, Chambers. **GOALS:** GLENELG - Douglas 7; McConnell 5; Sellar, Mitchell 3; Mahoney, Fosdike, Moore, Kirkby. STURT - Chambers, Thomson 4; Crane, Gum 2; Sheedy, Darling, Evans. **INJURIES/REPORTS** - Nil. **UMPIRES:** R Williams, M Cousins, D Kowal.

Simon Feast and promising Fabian Deluca, but did a monster job, supplying Brent Backwell, Douglas, Jack Fosdike and Adam Cook with a rich stream of opportunities. Glenelg had originally pencilled him in for 10 minutes a quarter because of his eight-week layoff but once he began putting finger to ball coach Mark Mickan could barely bring himself to give Cranston a break. "He deserves a special mention," Mickan said. "It's a testament to his character as well as the work of our medical staff."

The finishing of McConnell, an enterprising goalkicker, was crucial in the decisive middle part of the match while Douglas was the sealer in the latter stages. Defender Sam Rudolph and the competition's leading goalkicker, Brant Chambers, had a captivating duel. Chambers fin-

ished with four goals and deserved his spot in Sturt's best but most would have jotted down Rudolph as the winner of the contest.

Assessing the match, Mickan was chuffed with the even contribution from his side and the efficiency in both ball movement and in front of goals. He couldn't think of a game this season that matched it. "From watching the game, that was right up there," he said. "I think everyone sets out to play direct like that and sometimes, when you're winning the ball, it can happen like that. But what brings it on is winning the ball."

Sturt coach Rick Macgowan said his players had left too much to too few.

"A fair bit of credit goes to Glenelg, because of the pressure they put on us," he said. "But we were a long way off it today."

SANFL LADDER - ROUND 13

TEAM	P	W	L	D	FOR	AGST	STR	PTS	%
Central	12	11	1	-	1438	814	W3	22	63.85
Sturt	12	8	4	-	1114	1067	L1	16	51.08
North	11	7	3	1	1126	953	W3	15	54.16
Eagles	11	5	6	-	986	1055	W1	10	48.31
Norwood	11	5	6	-	983	1163	L2	10	45.81
Glenelg	11	4	6	1	1049	954	W1	9	52.37
Port	12	4	7	1	1041	1091	L1	9	48.83
South**	11	3	7	1	919	1148	L2	7	44.46
West	11	2	9	-	867	1278	L6	4	40.42

GOALS

Brant Chambers (Sturt)	(4)	60
Jamie Vlatko (Norwood)	(2)	38
Ian Callinan (Central)	(5)	36

SCOREBOARD



EAGLES V PORT ADELAIDE Alberton Oval - 2865



Eagles	1.3	2.4	3.9	8.11	59
Port Adelaide	4.1	4.5	6.7	8.9	57

BEST PLAYERS: EAGLES - Vince, Lomas, Hier, Grocke, Cicolella, Lindsay, Duncan. PORT - AhChee, Summerton, J Clayton, Biacsi, Murray, Perkins. **GOALS:** EAGLES - Fitzgerald 2; Salter, Lomas, Cooper, Grocke, Vince, Lindsay. PORT - Batson 2; LeCras, Hargraves, Hay, Perkins, Murray, J Clayton. **INJURIES/REPORTS** - Eagles: Powell (thigh) withdrew from squad. Port: Carr (ankle). **UMPIRES:** C Rowston, D Joyce, S Mackie.



CENTRAL DISTRICT V NORWOOD Elizabeth Oval - 3423



Central	8.2	15.4	23.6	34.7	211
Norwood	3.1	5.3	6.5	8.5	53

BEST PLAYERS: CENTRAL - Havelberg, Slade, J Gowans, C Gowans, MacKenzie, Callinan, Lawry, Symes, Currie, O'Sullivan. NORWOOD - Nitschke, Lower, Littler. **GOALS:** CENTRAL - Havelberg 14; Callinan 5; Lawry, C Gowans, Ware, Slade 2; Switala, J Gowans, Currie, Thomas, O'Sullivan, Giles, Dutschke. NORWOOD - Borlace 3; Vlatko 2; Gallagher, McGuinness, Brunoli. **INJURIES/REPORTS** - Nil. **UMPIRES:** C Bowen, C Carey, S Hay.



NORTH ADELAIDE V WEST ADELAIDE Broadpectrum Oval - 1683



North Adelaide	3.3	9.4	17.8	19.13	127
West Adelaide	6.2	9.6	11.8	15.13	103

BEST PLAYERS: NORTH - Younie, Ivens, Alloway, Howard, Gill, Krieg, Kaesler. WEST - Piasente, McCormick, Walsh, Clark, Dragicevic, Ezard. **GOALS:** NORTH - Younie, Alloway 4; Howard, Kaesler, D White 2; O'Hara, Motlop, Bamford, Sporn, Ryswyk. WEST - Dragicevic 4; Cupido 3; Ezard, Piasente 2; Smith, Galea, McCormick, Clark. **INJURIES/REPORTS** - North: D White (knee); Wintle (hamstring); Allan (corked buttock). **UMPIRES:** T Pfeiffer, A Crosby, B Duff.



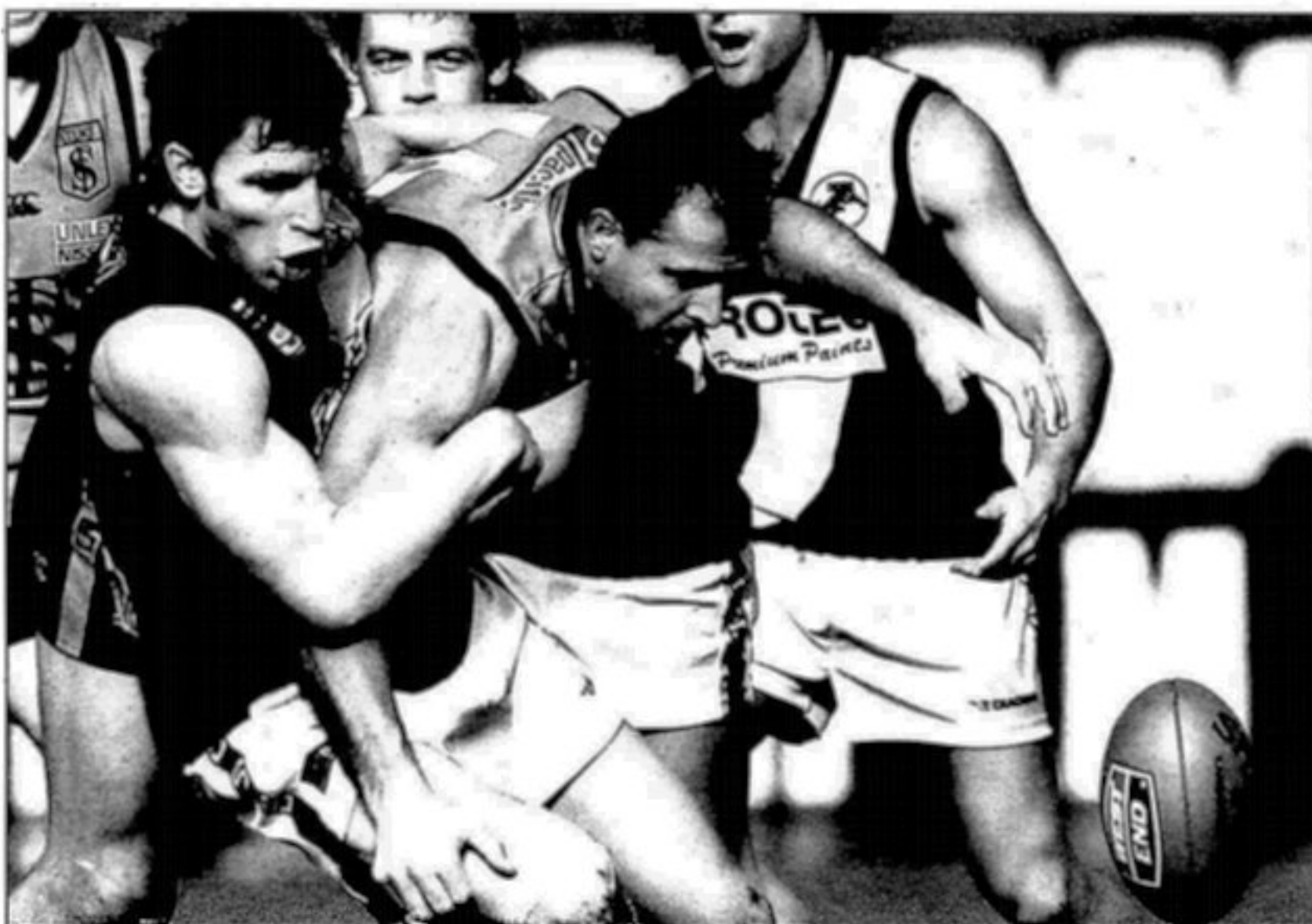
GLENELG

	Kicks	Mks	Hbl	F/for	F/ag	Gls	Pts	H/O	Tld
RUWOLDT	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	1
SELLAR	6	7	3	0	2	3	0	1	0
BUTTON	4	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
MITCHELL	8	2	4	1	1	3	0	0	4
KIRKBY	8	2	2	4	1	1	1	0	2
ALLEN	4	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
FOSDIKE	11	4	5	0	0	1	1	0	2
BACKWELL	21	7	11	1	0	0	2	0	2
MOORE	9	4	6	1	0	1	0	0	1
HINGE	8	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	2
SMITH	5	4	5	0	1	0	0	4	1
KANE B	9	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
MULES	13	9	8	1	1	0	0	0	1
SHERWOOD	9	4	5	2	1	0	0	0	1
RUDOLPH	11	4	3	4	2	0	0	0	0
CRANSTON	2	3	7	2	0	0	0	14	3
FISHER	12	3	6	1	1	0	0	0	3
DOUGLAS	17	6	9	1	1	7	0	0	3
MCCONNELL	11	5	3	2	1	5	1	0	0
MAHONEY	8	2	6	2	0	1	0	0	1
COOK	11	5	6	1	4	0	0	0	1
Totals	188	80	101	23	18	22	9	20	29



STURT

	Kicks	Mks	Hbl	F/for	F/ag	Gls	Pts	H/O	Tld
WEATHERALD	3	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
CHAMBERS	5	4	2	3	4	4	1	0	0
EVANS	11	9	17	1	1	1	1	0	2
THOMSON	14	3	14	1	1	4	1	0	3
BUTTON	8	4	5	2	1	0	0	0	0
OKEEFE	11	9	5	1	0	0	2	1	1
GUM	14	5	3	0	0	2	4	0	1
SHEEDY	22	7	10	2	0	1	0	0	1
HURSE	10	3	8	0	3	0	0	0	2
BRATTON	13	5	3	2	2	0	1	0	2
MCLEAY	4	4	6	1	2	0	1	0	1
WHITEMAN	6	2	5	0	3	0	0	0	0
TOMLINSON	3	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
GREGORY	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	1
CHAPLIN	11	3	11	2	0	0	0	0	0
DELUCA	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	18	1
NELSON	9	7	20	0	1	0	0	0	1
CRANE	20	5	9	1	1	2	0	0	0
FEAST	4	1	9	0	0	0	0	12	2
DARLING	8	5	7	0	1	1	1	0	2
KAY	3	0	7	0	1	0	0	0	2
Totals	179	81	152	18	23	15	14	31	23



LOOSE BALL: Glenelg's Ben Kane tackles Sturt's Ben Nelson without the footy yesterday. Picture: Neon Martin