

SANFL DETAILS



SATURDAY

**WEST** 1.4 5.11 8.13 12.18 (90)  
**SOUTH** 2.4 2.5 2.7 3.8 (26)  
**BEST - West:** Cupido, Ferguson, Munn, Piasente, Ezard, J. Rowe. **South:** Boyd, Ellis, Torney, Hately, Parry, Handby.  
**SCORERS - West:** Piasente 3.2, Tippett 2.2, Martin 2.0, Morris, Silverlock 1.1, Fisher, Clark, Thompson 1.0, J. Rowe 0.2, Willits, Slattery, Anderson, Bailey 0.1, rushed 0.6. **South:** Ellis 1.1, Crabb, Honner 1.0, Williams, Handby, Neagle, Sampson, Parry, Boyd, Otten 0.1.  
**INJURIES - West:** G. Rowe (knee).  
**UMPIRES -** M. Avon, D. Woodcock, M. Hardham.  
**CROWD -** 1404 at Hickinbotham Oval.

YESTERDAY

**STURT** 4.4 5.5 11.7 13.13 (91)  
**PORT** 0.2 1.6 5.8 9.9 (63)  
**BEST - Sturt:** McGlone, Wicks, Crane, Thomson, Thring, Plant.  
**Port:** Perkins, Elstone, J. Clayton, Dolling, Meiklejohn.  
**SCORERS - Sturt:** Chambers 4.4, Perrie 2.0, Eckermann, Deluca, Thring, Wicks 1.1, Nelson, Gum, Bentley 1.0, Crane 0.2, Feast 0.1, rushed 0.2. **Port:** J. Clayton, Thurgood 2.0, Waterhouse 1.2, Murray, M. Clayton, Dolling, Summerton 1.0, AhChee 0.2, T. Carr, Hargraves, Hall 0.1, rushed 0.2.  
**INJURIES - Sturt:** Whiteman (knee), withdrew from selected side. **Port:** Mercer (knee).  
**UMPIRES -** J. Falston, S. Hay, C. Rowston.  
**CROWD -** 3973 at Alberton Oval.

**GLENELG** 3.3 7.3 10.8 16.12 (108)  
**NORTH** 3.2 5.5 8.7 12.7 (79)  
**BEST - Glenelg:** Fisher, McConnell, B. Kane, Rudolph, Murphy, Panozzo, Allen, Cranston, Kirkby. **North:** Archard, Allan, Stewart, Ivens, Gallman, Wright, McIntyre.  
**SCORERS - Glenelg:** McConnell 5.1, Grima 3.3, Kirkby 3.0, Block 2.1, Duldig 1.2, Fisher, Holmes 1.0, B. Kane 0.2, Bode, Mules 0.1, rushed 0.1. **North:** Younie 3.0, Dodman, Pfeiffer 2.2, Archard 2.0, Stewart, R. Ebert, Wright 1.0, rushed 0.3.  
**INJURIES - Glenelg:** Backwell (knee). **North:** O'Hara (knee), McIntyre (knee).  
**REPORT - Glenelg:** Allen, by umpire Joyce, for alleged forceful contact against Scribbling in the final term.  
**UMPIRES -** D. Joyce, T. Dey, T. Medlin.  
**CROWD -** 3679 at Challenge Recruitment Oval.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pc	Pts
Sturt	18	14	4	-	1847	1184	60.9	28
Glenelg	17	14	3	-	1741	1285	57.5	28
Central	17	11	6	-	1473	1327	52.6	22
Norwood	17	8	8	1	1392	1435	49.2	17
Port	17	8	9	-	1411	1396	50.2	16
North	18	8	10	-	1587	1695	48.3	16
Eagles	17	7	10	-	1520	1560	49.3	14
South	18	5	12	1	1196	1738	40.7	11
West	17	2	15	-	1057	1604	39.7	4

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Rd20	Total
B. Chambers (Sturt)	4.4	89.46
D. Hargraves (Port)	0.1	49.32
T. Grima (Glenelg)	3.3	46.12
T. Walker (Norwood)	-	45.24

RESERVES

	2.2	6.6	11.7	20.10	(130)
Glenelg	4.3	8.4	8.8	12.11	(83)

**BEST - Glenelg:** Curnow, Day, Robinson, Plant, Lally, Lewis.  
**North:** Thiele, Brown, K. Thompson, McGahey, D. Ebert, Walton.  
**GOALS - Glenelg:** Kirk 5, Carey, Fosdike, Liebelt 3, Lally 2, Curnow, Graham, C. Kane, Vallance. **North:** M. Motlop, Armstrong, Ryswyk, Mallard, Thiele 2, Delvins, Grose.  
**West 12.11 (83) d South 4.10 (34). Premiership table:** Sturt 32, Glenelg 26, North 24, Port, Eagles, Central 16, Norwood 14, West 10, South 2.

UNDER-19

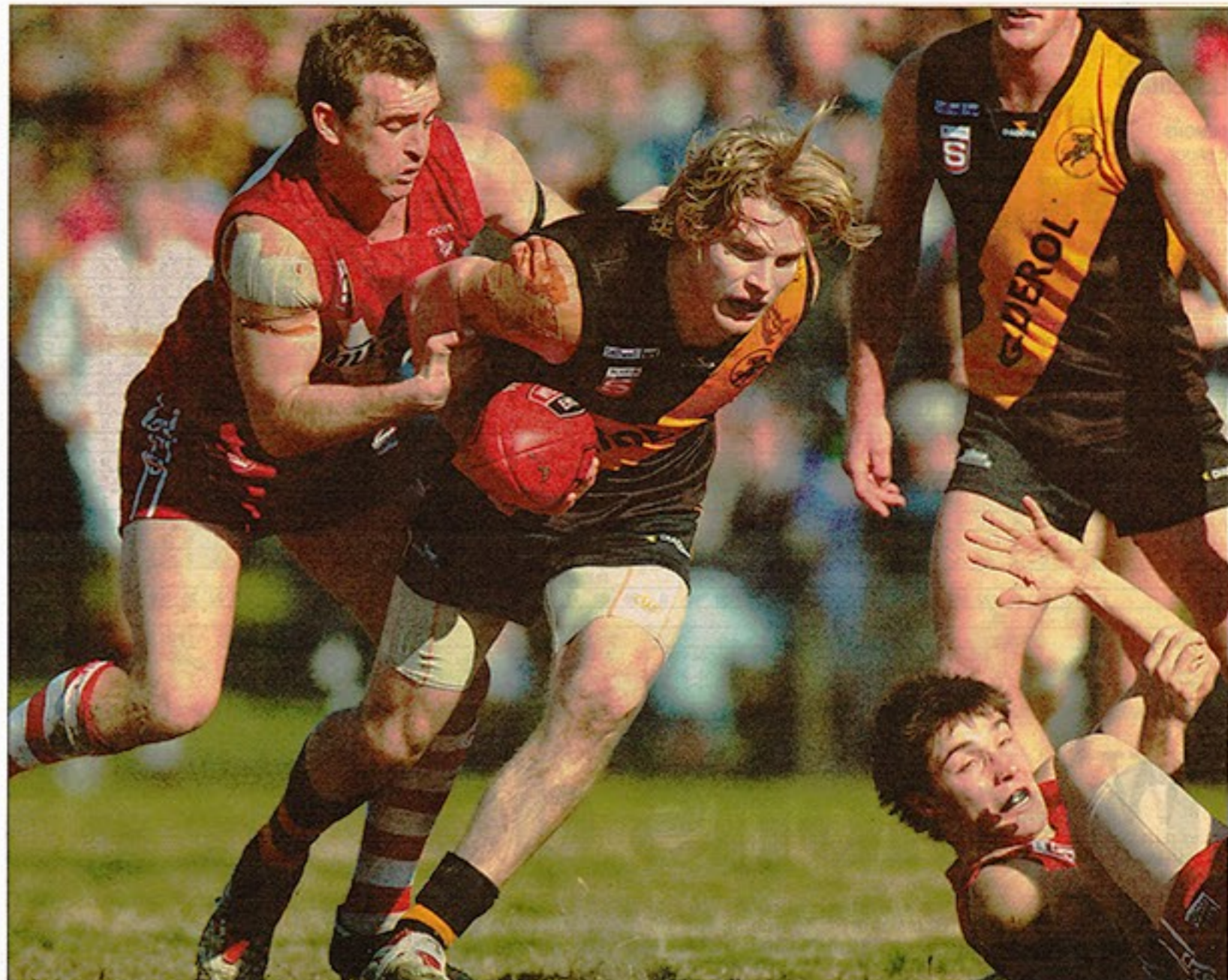
Glenelg 17.7 (109) d North 5.9 (39). West 22.16 (148) d South 7.7 (49). Sturt 11.19 (85) d Port 3.13 (31). **Premiership table:** Glenelg, Sturt, Eagles, Port 24, Norwood 20, West 16, North 12, South, Central 6.

UNDER-17

Port 8.10 (58) d Sturt 7.15 (57). South 12.16 (88) d West 12.7 (79). North 14.17 (101) d Glenelg 11.10 (76). **Premiership table:** Sturt 38, Port 28, North 22, Glenelg 21, South 20, Eagles, West 16, Norwood 8, Central 3.

SANFL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

**West Adelaide v South Adelaide**  
 Damian Cupido (West Adelaide) ..... 3  
 Ryan Ferguson (West Adelaide) ..... 2  
 Simon Munn (West Adelaide) ..... 1  
**Sturt v Port Adelaide**  
 Scott McGlone (Sturt) ..... 3  
 Justin Perkins (Port Adelaide) ..... 2  
 Daniel Wicks (Sturt) ..... 1  
**Glenelg v North Adelaide**  
 Adam Fisher (Glenelg) ..... 3  
 Rhys Archard (North Adelaide) ..... 2  
 Justin McConnell (Glenelg) ..... 1  
**Leaders - 17:** Jeremy Clayton (Port). 15: Jade Sheedy (Sturt), Adam Fisher (Glenelg). 14: Paul Thomas (Central), James Allan (North). 12: Luke Crane (Sturt), Mark McKenzie (Eagles), James Boyd (South). 10: Ty Allen, Trevor Cranston (Glenelg). 9: Brett Backwell (Glenelg), Nick Duigan (Norwood). 8: Adam Cockshell (Norwood), Luke Jarrad (Eagles), Tom Holmes (Glenelg). 7: Leigh Treeby, Luke Powell (Eagles), Ian Callinan (Central), David Trotter (Norwood), Damian Cupido (West Adelaide). 6: Ian Perrie, Tristan Gum, Brant Chambers, Scott McGlone (Sturt), Clint Alloway, Chris Ladhams, Rhys Archard (North), Matthew Slade (Central), Bryce Campbell, James Gallagher (Norwood), Daniel Elstone (Port). 5: Adam Thomson, Michael Coad (Sturt), Matthew Bode (Glenelg), Simon McCormick (West), Craig Parry (South), Chad O'Sullivan (Central).



ANOTHER TOUCH: Glenelg's inspirational best-a-field Adam Fisher beats Rooster Heath Younie to the ball yesterday at the Bay. Picture: RAY TITUS

# Mickan praises Tigers' courage

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**G**LENELG coach Mark Mickan has hailed his side's fighting qualities after its dogged come-from-behind win against North Adelaide at the Bay yesterday.

The Tigers were in danger of conceding the minor premiership to Sturt when they were headed by a spirited Roosters outfit midway through the final term. But - after being kept goalless for 28 minutes - Glenelg responded like a premiership contender, producing a blistering six-goal burst in 10 minutes which has left North's finals hopes hanging by a thread.

"I thought it was a really courageous performance," Mickan said of the 29-point win - the Tigers' 14th from 17 matches. "North had real momentum with 15 minutes to go and for us to get it back and then score quickly was very encouraging. It gives us another thing to refer to, knowing that if we're in this position again and in trouble then we know what's required, that we've done it before."

The Roosters - who trailed by 25 points midway through the third quarter - appeared to be on the verge of a massive upset when former Adelaide 36er Jordan Dodman goaled from 40m 12 minutes into the final

term to give Andrew Jarman's side a four-point lead.

North - brilliantly led by Rhys Archard (26 disposals, two goals) - had kicked five unanswered goals, including three in the third term to Heath Younie and was kicking with the aid of a two-goal wind.

But Glenelg - taking advantage of young Rooster ruck pair Daniel Stewart and impressive debutant Dodman after the first-quarter loss through injury of lead ruckman Brett O'Hara - took control of the centre square to kick six goals in 10 minutes to blow North away.

"We had some kids in the centre square, they put their big guns in there in (Matthew) Bode, (Adam) Fisher and (Ty) Allen and they took it to another level," a disappointed but proud Jarman said.

"We were down a ruckman, made a couple of crucial errors and they just went bang, bang, bang. In the end they were too good but I couldn't be prouder of our guys - we had a real crack but were just beaten by a top-two side."

Jarman lamented the third-quarter loss of key defender Andrew McIntyre, who had kept star Glenelg full forward Todd Grima goalless.

With McIntyre sitting on the sidelines in the final stanza, Grima went on a goalscoring blitz, booting three in five minutes.

In a sign of a maturing side which has the club on track for a first grand final appearance since 1992, Glenelg simply lifted when it needed to after what would best be described as a rusty first three quarters.

Fisher was outstanding at half-back with 29 disposals, goalsneak Justin McConnell returned to form with five match-defining goals after booting just two in his previous six matches, Sam Rudolph shut down North dangerman Clint Alloway and Ben Kane and Byron Murphy provided plenty of run.

Archard was North's standout, while last year's Magarey Medallist James Allan worked hard for his 26 disposals.

The Roosters' defeat has left last year's grand finalist facing an early grand final this year - against fellow top-five contender Port Adelaide Magpies.

"Next week's a grand final for us - that's the bottom line," Jarman declared.

"We just have to win." Anything less and North will almost certainly miss the finals for the first time since 2003.

**GLENELG**

	Kicks	Mks	Hbl	F/for	F/og	Gls	Pts	H/O	Tkl
BACKWELL	4	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
DULDIG	10	5	7	0	1	1	2	2	3
WILLOUGHBY	9	7	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
HINGE	7	2	8	0	0	0	0	1	3
GRIMA	10	7	3	2	0	3	3	0	0
KIRKBY	8	7	3	3	0	3	0	2	5
MCCONNELL	8	4	3	0	3	5	1	0	0
HOLMES	9	4	9	0	2	1	0	1	1
B. KANE	13	5	11	1	1	0	2	0	3
MULES	4	4	8	0	0	0	0	1	0
SHERWOOD	5	2	5	0	1	0	0	0	0
PANOZZO	11	3	13	0	1	0	0	0	0
MURPHY	11	5	8	0	1	0	0	0	3
RUDOLPH	5	2	7	1	0	0	0	0	4
SUGARS	6	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
CRANSTON	3	1	7	0	3	0	0	33	1
ALLEN	7	1	14	1	4	0	0	0	3
FISHER	21	2	8	3	3	1	0	0	5
GUILHAUS	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
BLOCK	11	2	2	1	0	2	1	0	1
BODE	8	0	10	1	5	0	1	0	5
Totals	170	65	143	13	25	16	12	45	40

**NORTH**

	Kicks	Mks	Hbl	F/for	F/og	Gls	Pts	H/O	Tkl
YOUNIE	6	3	2	1	1	3	0	0	2
STEWART	9	5	3	2	1	1	0	17	1
R. EBERT	5	4	3	0	0	1	0	0	0
ARCHARD	18	11	8	1	0	2	0	0	1
ALLOWAY	6	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	3
B. WHITE	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
LONIE	8	5	7	0	1	0	0	0	2
ALLAN	16	1	10	2	1	0	0	1	4
STRIBLING	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
WINTLE	4	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	1
IVENS	11	6	5	2	3	0	0	1	5
WARD	5	4	7	1	0	0	0	0	3
MCCINTYRE	1	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	0
GALLMAN	7	4	9	1	0	0	0	0	0
CUNNINGHAM	5	1	6	1	2	0	0	0	5
O'HARA	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
OBRIEN	6	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	3
WRIGHT	8	6	9	4	1	1	0	0	4
DODMAN	6	4	0	1	0	2	2	7	0
MILLAR	7	1	4	3	2	0	0	0	4
PFEIFFER	11	3	0	2	0	2	2	0	2
Totals	145	68	96	25	13	12	7	32	43

## Bays relief on Backwell

GLENELG was breathing a sigh of relief last night after 2006 Magarey Medallist Brett Backwell appeared to have escaped serious damage to his right knee.

Scans today will determine the full extent of the injury which saw Backwell writhing in pain holding his knee in the opening minute of the second quarter.

He was helped from the field after being hurt in a tackle and looked to have sustained a serious injury before returning to the field briefly in the second half.

"It doesn't look too bad," Glenelg coach Mark Mickan said. "Obviously we were

concerned for a while but he came back onto the ground and while he was still limited we're hopeful it was just a minor twist and that he might even play next week (against the Eagles)." A serious injury to playmaker Backwell would have jeopardised Glenelg's flag hopes. Tough on-baller Ty Allen - a catalyst in the Bays' comeback win - will have to front the SANFL tribunal after being reported for alleged forceful contact against Rooster Toby Stribling in the final term.

North has its own injury concerns with No. 1 ruckman Brett O'Hara and key defender Andrew McIntyre suffering strained knees.