# Now that's the Warrior spirit

#### **ZAC MILBANK**

WARRIOR in name, warrior in character.

Sporting the 1980s Woodville Warriors heritage jumper. Woodville-West Torrens played to this theme in claiming its third top three scalp this season - Glenelg, by 12 points at Woodville Oval yesterday.

Five goals down deep into the second term, the Eagles responded like their season was on the line to scrap their way back into the contest.

They were much hungrier than the Tigers and it showed - after all, they have never missed the finals under Ron Fuller's eightyear reign and have not sat out in September since 1998.

"To find a way not only to get back into the game but find enough energy to score goals certainly showed some real resilience," said Fuller, whose charges laid 20 more tackles than Glenelg.

"It wasn't sparkling, it wasn't pristine stuff but we just found a way to win and I think that's the most important thing.

"I think you play to be in finals so it's good that door's still open. That's certainly the primary objective but it's not the sole objective it's about us getting better."

By restricting Mark Mickan's men to just two goals in more than a half proved that only a brave fan should rule a line through the lionhearted Eagles.

Top-line players Mark McKenzie, Leigh Treeby, Luke Jarrad and Luke Powell did their bit but it was the rise of lesser-lights that pleased Fuller.

Rejuvenated midfielder

Adam Klun played his finest game for the club, Denis Redden and Zack Hier were desperate in defence while Tom Corbett showed plenty of courage.

But there was even more to like about the promise shown by the host of Eagle rookies who remained composed when the heat was on during a tense final term.

Draft prospects Matthew Broadbent and Chris Hall made their possessions count while upgraded Crow Jared Petrenko streamed off half-back. "In that last quarter they all stayed in line, they all kept their feet in the contest and took the ball cleanly," Fuller said. "And they used the ball as well as anyone." The Tigers seemed to switch off when raw ruckman Seb Guilhaus marked and goaled less than 10 minutes before half-time. The Eagles, who have not lost to Glenelg in their past 10 meetings at Oval Avenue, kicked the next three during time-on of the second quarter to take the momentum into the main change. Hardrunning Tiger Ben Kane appeared to tie the scores at the 20-minute mark of the final term before learning teammate Ruory Kirkby had been penalised for a throw.

The Eagles then moved the ball the length of the ground to goal through Dale Symmons. Game over.

"I think you have to question that certainly after halftime," Mickan said when asked if his men were hungry enough.

"It looked like there was a

**EAGLES** 

## **SCOREBOARD**

**EAGLES V GLENELG WOODVILLE OVAL - 2043** 



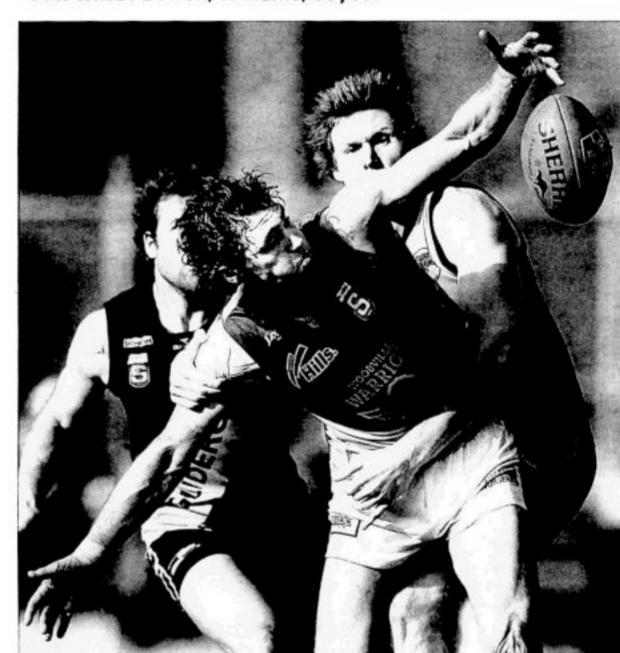
**EAGLES** GLENELG

0.5 5.6 4.3 7.7

9.10 11.12 8.9

78 9.12 66

BEST PLAYERS: EAGLES - Klun, McKenzie, Broadbent, Dabrowski, McGregor, Petrenko, Hier. GLENELG - Block, Bode, Sherwood, Mules, Kane. GOALS: EAGLES - Treeby 3; Symmons, Grocke 2; Klun, Geddes, Jarrad, Dabrowski. GLENELG - Grima 2; Duldig, Panozzo, Kane, Willoughby, Hinge, Guilhaus, Kirkby. INJURIES: Nil. REPORTS: Nil. UMPIRES: Bowen, Williams, Joyce.



SPREAD-EAGLED: Eagles' Luke Powell tries to break free yesterday. Picture: Tait Schmaal

comfort zone which went through the team which I couldn't understand given what the game meant to us.

**GLENELG** 

"We didn't show enough composure to execute the opportunities that we provided ourselves."

REDDEN D

MCKENZIE

COLVILLE

KLUN

Totals

LEE HALL

DABROWSKI

#### GOLDSWORTHY **PASSADOR** DANIEL SYMMONS GROCKE GEDDES TREEBY POWELL JARRAD 12 CORBETT MCGREGOR PETRENKO BROADBENT HIER

Kicks Mks MCCONNELL DULDIG BODE HINGE **GRIMA** KIRKBY HOLMES BLOCK KANE B MULES SHERWOOD PANOZZO MURPHY RUDOLPH SUGARS CRANSTON ALLEN FISHER **GUILHAUS** WILLOUGHBY LALLY Totals

## **NEXT WEEK**

Saturday, August 30

• Eagles v Norwood (Woodville Oval)

Sunday, August 31

- Sturt v South Adelaide (House Brothers Oval, Unley)
- West Adelaide v Central District (Broadspectrum Oval, Richmond)
- Port Adelaide v Gleneig (Alberton Oval)
- Bye: North Adelaide LOW SWAY

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### SANFL ROUND 21

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Eagles	0.5	5.6	9.10	11.12	78
Glenelg	4.3	7.7	8.9	9.12	66
Injuries: Nil. Oval.	Reports: Ni	Cro	wd: 204	3 at Wo	odville
Norwood	3.5	5.10	7.16	9 22	76

3.2 7.7 9.10 West 6.4 64 Injuries: Duigan (Norwood). Reports: Nil. Crowd: 2079 at Coopers Stadium.

Central 13.10 14.13 5.5 7.7 97 4.1 South 7.5 7.9 9.9 63 Injuries: Nil. Reports: Nil. Crowd: 1288 at Hickinbotham Oval.

Today North v Port

**SCOREBOARD** 

(Prospect Oval)

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\*Yet to play this round \*\*Bye

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## **SCOREBOARD**

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## CENTRAL

SOUTH

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CENTRAL DISTRICT V SOUTH ADELAIDE HICKINBOTHAM OVAL - 1288

7.7

7.5

13.10

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BEST PLAYERS: CENTRAL - Cochrane, Williams, Thomas, McCabe, Hayes, Dutschke. SQUTH - Boyd, Hateley, Rolfe, King, Ellis, Handby. GOALS: CENTRAL - Cowan 4; McCabe, J. Gowans 2; O'Sullivan, Callinan, Slade, Williams, Lawry,

Dutschke, SOUTH - Ellis 4; Turner 3; Boyd, Carroll. INJURIES: Nil. REPORTS: Nil. UMPIRES: Philp, Hay, Raiston.

97

63

West

14.13

9.9

NORWOOD

NORWOOD v WEST ADELAIDE

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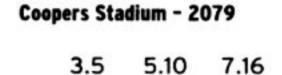
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WEST 3.2 6.4

BEST PLAYERS: NORWOOD - Gallagher, Donohue, Trotter, Dawes, Phillips, Weatherald, Zorzi. WEST - Cupido,

7.9

McCormick, Bailey, Piasente, Ferguson. GOALS: NORWOOD Donohue 3; Vlatko 2; Bartemucci, Phillips, Gallagher, Doyle. WEST - Tippett 4; Ezard 2; Piasente, Morris, Cupido. INJURIES: NORWOOD: Duigan (hamstring). REPORTS: Nil. UMPIRES: Dey, Crosby, Hardham.