

SANFL DETAILS

Bays message is loud and clear

SATURDAY

Table with 5 columns: Team, Goals, Behind, Points, Margin. Rows: EAGLES (117), STURT (82).

BEST - Eagles: McKenzie, Powell, Treeby, Salter, Passador, Grocke, Dabrowski, Fitzgerald, Schwarze. Sturt: Gum, Bentley, Sharples, Sheedy, Wicks. SCORERS - Eagles: Passador 6.1, Fitzgerald 4.2, Salter 3.0, McKenzie, Grocke 2.0, Treeby 1.1, Daveron, Cicoiella, Hicks, Dabrowski, Jarrad 0.1. Sturt: Perrie 4.0, Chambers 3.3, Wicks 3.0, Sharples 1.1, Gum 1.0, Nelson, Evans, Bentley, Sheedy 0.1, rushed 0.2. INJURIES - Eagles: Salter (cut arm), Jacky (Crows) replaced by P. Stewart (Power). Sturt: Sharples (leg cramp). UMPIRES - T. Dey, C. Bowen, R. Williams. CROWD - 2788 at Thebarton Oval.

Table with 5 columns: Team, Goals, Behind, Points, Margin. Rows: NORTH (158), SOUTH (59).

BEST - North: D. White, Ivens, McIntyre, Ryswyk, Sporn, Younie, Archard, Lonie. South: Boyd, Prendergast, Ellis, Parry. SCORERS - North: D. White 5.1, Aliey, Younie 3.1, Ryswyk 2.2, Stewart 2.1, Archard, Motlop 2.0, Pfeiffer 1.2, Walker 1.1, O'Brien, Allan, Lonie 1.0, Wright 0.2, rushed 0.3. South: Ellis 3.3, Boyd 2.0, Warren 1.1, Norsworthy, Williams 1.0, Burdett 0.2, Bachmann, Handby 0.1, rushed 0.3. UMPIRES - J. Ralston, D. Joyce, S. Grun. CROWD - 1994 at Prospect Oval.

Table with 5 columns: Team, Goals, Behind, Points, Margin. Rows: PORT (114), WEST (90).

BEST - Port: J. Clayton, Krakouer, Summerton, Dolling, Hargraves, Elstone. West: Brown, Willits, Rowe, Hartlett, Hassan, Cupido, Bailey. SCORERS - Port: Hargraves 7.2, Clayton 4.0, Waterhouse 2.1, Perry 1.1, Rugolo, Krakouer, AhChee 1.0, J. Clayton 0.2, Dolling, Looby, Maric 0.1, rushed 0.3. West: Hassan 3.4, Hartlett 3.3, Fisher 2.1, Ezard, Bailey, Munn, Willits, Martin 1.0, Bricknell, Morris 0.1, rushed 0.2. INJURIES - Port: Carr, M. Clayton, Rugolo (hamstring). West: Moran (back). UMPIRES - M. Cousins, G. Fila, D. Kowal. CROWD - 2675 at Alberton Oval.

YESTERDAY

Table with 5 columns: Team, Goals, Behind, Points, Margin. Rows: GLENELG (93), CENTRAL (90).

BEST - Glenelg: Fisher, Backwell, Cranston, McConnell, Murphy, Grima, Hinge. Central: Dutschke, McCabe, O'Sullivan, Williams, Schell, L. Westhoff, Ware. SCORERS - Glenelg: McConnell 5.0, Grima 4.1, Fisher 1.2, Backwell, Holmes, Duldig 1.0, Hinge 0.3, Bode, Murphy 0.2, Ruwoldt, McGregor 0.1, rushed 0.3. Central: Schell 4.0, McCabe 2.0, Ware 1.3, Cowan, O'Sullivan, Lawry, Dutschke 1.1, J. Gowans, Williams 1.0, Goodrem, Switala 0.1, rushed 0.3. INJURIES - Central: Slattery (knee), Callinan and C. Gowans (replaced in selected side). UMPIRES - T. Pfeiffer, D. Woodcock, T. Medlin. CROWD - 4958 at Challenge Recruitment Oval.

DRAW

ROUND SEVEN - Friday May 9: Norwood v Port (Coopers Stadium, 7.40pm). Saturday May 10: Sturt v West (House Brothers Oval, 2pm), Glenelg v North (Challenge Recruitment Oval, 2pm), Central v Eagles (Hamra Homes Oval, 6.30pm). Bye: South.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

Table with 9 columns: Team, P, W, L, D, F, A, Pc, Pts. Rows: Sturt, Glenelg, South, Central, North, Eagles, Port, Norwood, West.

LEADING GOALKICKERS

Table with 4 columns: Player, Team, Rd6, Total. Rows: B. Chambers (Sturt), D. Hargraves (Port), J. McConnell (Glenelg), M. Passador (Eagles), B. Warren (South).

RESERVES

Table with 5 columns: Team, Goals, Behind, Points, Margin. Rows: Glenelg (108), Central (87).

Best - Glenelg: Adlington, Liebelt, Lewis, Horan, Willoughby, Block. Central: O'Hara, Brading, Giles, Moss, Spurr, Woods, White, Stengle, Boyle. Goals - Glenelg: Clayfield 4, Grosse 3, Adlington, Willoughby 2, Basir, Lewis, Liebelt, Graham. Central: Brading 4, Cole 3, Lee, Steinberner, Musolino, McShane, Porter, O'Hara. Sturt 18.15 (123) d Eagles 7.2 (44), North 13.15 (93) d South 13.6 (84), Port 16.15 (111) d West 9.6 (60). Premiership table: Sturt 10, North 8, Glenelg, Eagles, Norwood 6, Port, West, Central 4, South 0.

UNDER-19

Eagles 17.7 (109) d Sturt 15.11 (101), South 21.16 (144) d North 14.16 (98), Port 15.9 (99) d West 13.18 (96), Glenelg 14.14 (98) d Central 12.9 (81). Premiership table: Sturt, Port, Eagles 10, West 6, Norwood, Glenelg 4, North, South 2, Central 0.

UNDER-17

Port 13.11 (89) d West 3.9 (27), South 16.16 (112) d North 17.9 (111), Sturt 21.22 (148) d Eagles 20.12 (132), Central 13.10 (88) drew with Glenelg 13.10 (88). Premiership table: Sturt 14, Eagles 12, Port 8, Glenelg 7, North 6, West, South 4, Norwood 2, Central 1.

SANFL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Table with 2 columns: Player/Team, Points. Rows: Adam Fisher (Glenelg), Brett Backwell (Glenelg), Scott Dutschke (Central District), Damon White (North Adelaide), Luke Ivens (North Adelaide), Andrew McIntyre (North Adelaide), Mark McKenzie (Woodville-West Torrens), Luke Powell (Woodville-West Torrens), Leigh Treeby (Woodville-West Torrens), Jeremy Clayton (Port Adelaide), Nathan Brown (West Adelaide), Nathan Krakouer (Port Adelaide), Adam Thomas (Sturt), Chris Ladhams (North), Paul Thomas (Central), Adam Fisher, Tom Holmes, Ty Allen (Glenelg), Jeremy Clayton (Port), Ian Perrie (Sturt), Matthew Slade, Ian Callinan (Central), James Boyd (South).

CANDICE KELLER

GLENELG gave Central District a healthy dose of its own medicine at Challenge Recruitment Oval yesterday, defeating the Dogs by three points in a hard-fought battle.

The Tigers claimed victory through tackling hard and locking up play in their forward 50 metre arc, both distinctive tactics characteristic of a firing Bulldogs side.

With three of its key players sidelined - captain Paul Thomas, Ian Callinan and Chris Gowans - Central had little zing left in its midfield.

However, Glenelg did not always take full grasp of its opportunities and in particular failed to close the game much earlier than it could have, kicking six points in the final 10 minutes of the game.

Tigers coach Mark Mickan applauded the team's determination and intensity that has pushed it quickly up the SANFL ladder with four consecutive wins.

"We've certainly worked on that aspect (intensity) ... but we're still aspiring to play a tough four quarters," he said.

"If there's a drop off in our intensity, you certainly notice it. But our strength

today was through our clearances."

Glenelg's Trevor Cranston continued to set a very high benchmark for the league in hit-outs and claimed 30 alone compared to the Bulldogs' total of 22.

This, teamed with the ferocity offered by allrounder Brett Backwell and gutsy rover Adam Fisher proved to be nearly unstoppable in the centre square.

Former Crow Matthew Bode was unseasonably quiet, although he still managed 23 touches.

He added depth to the Glenelg midfield and helped the Tigers to 62 inside 50s compared to the Bulldogs' 42 (20 of which were in the third quarter).

Feeding to forward Justin McConnell was a dream, the 26-year-old taking a couple of spectacular contested marks and kicking with 100 per cent accuracy.

Mickan said the squad was starting to "execute our structure and style of play".

However, after losing only its first game of the season against South Adelaide, Mickan also refused to admit Glenelg was on a roll.

"I don't worry about that. If we were running last at this stage we wouldn't be upset, so we don't take too

much from being in front this early either."

Glenelg has arguably replaced Central District, and even Sturt, as frontrunner of the league, with momentum working in its favour.

Bulldogs coach Roy Laird said it was a testament to the competition that there were currently so many evenly-ranked sides.

"I'd consider us middle of the table now," Laird said, a position he clearly isn't content with.

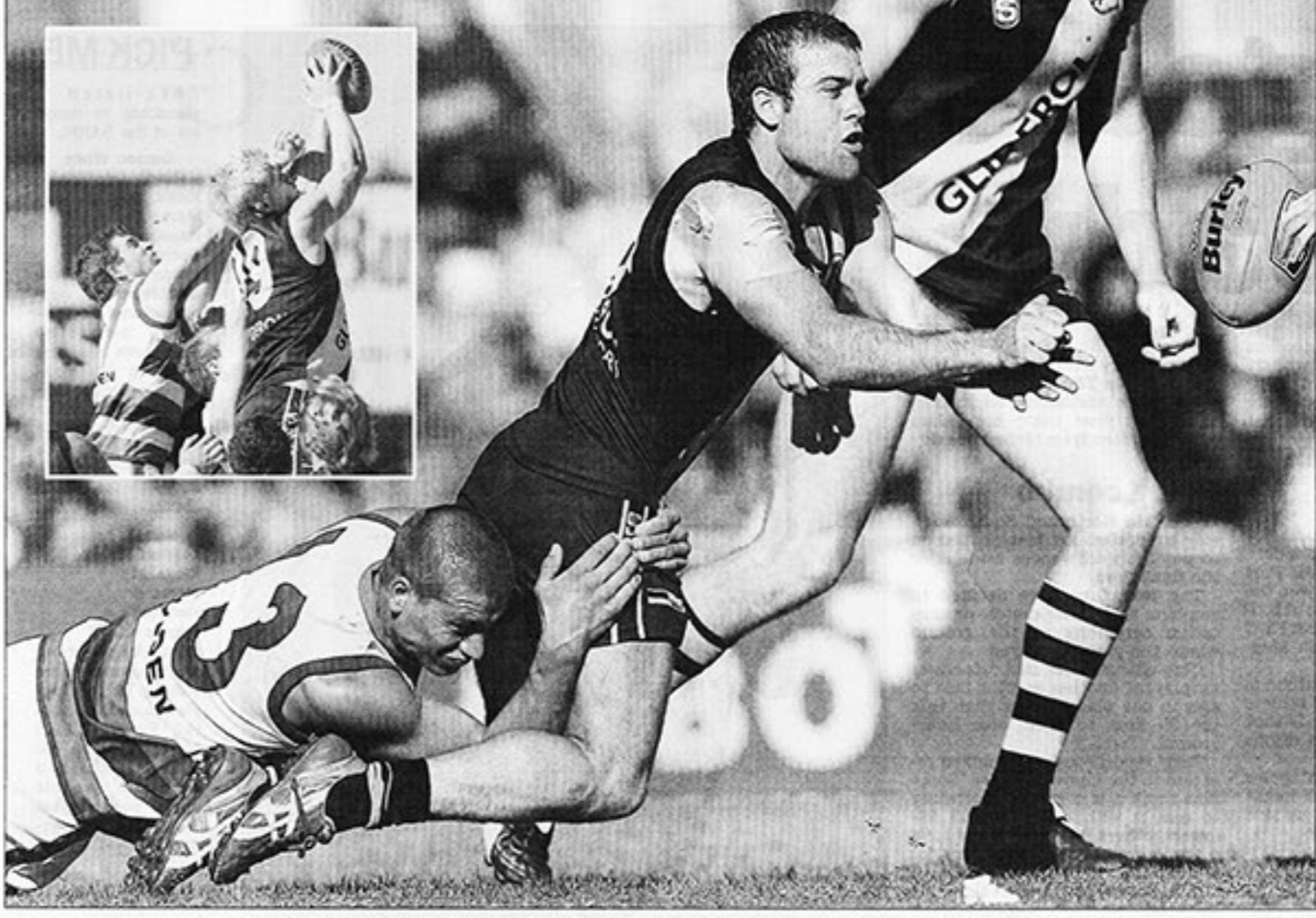
"Physically, I didn't think we were in the game at all, especially in the first half. Glenelg were also a bit flattering to us - there were a lot of times we should have been further down."

Luke McCabe, playing his first league game since retiring in 2006, was one of the hardest workers for Central, fighting for the hard-ball gets and kicking two late goals.

However, Laird said coming ready to play a full four quarters was a battle for his side.

"We don't look at the opposition," he said.

"We're looking at our mentality and that's got to change. There are no easy games."



SLIPPERY CUSTOMER: Glenelg's Ty Allen gets a handball away as Scott Dutschke brings him down while, inset, the Tigers' John Hinge takes a big mark. Pictures: RAY TITUS

Summary statistics table for Glenelg and Central. Columns: Kicks, Mks, Hbl, F/for, F/og, Gls, Pts, H/O, Tkl. Rows: Individual players and Totals for both teams.