



**Round 7, 2011**

# Bloods on a high after Bays crash

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WEST Adelaide's highly encouraging early season form continued last night with a 37-point victory over Glenelg at City Mazda Stadium.

The ladder-leading Bloods went on the rampage in the final quarter to earn their fifth victory of the season from six games and inspire more optimism for the club.

Both sides were guilty of an avalanche of mistakes and skill errors and the loss puts further pressure on coach Mark Mickan to find the answers.

The fact it took 23 minutes for a goal to be registered - Glenelg's Cameron Hitchcock kicked truly from a set shot outside the 50m arc - was a reflection of the lack-lustre first quarter when scoring opportunities were rare.

Glenelg had a desire to zig-zag up the field with the ball while the Bloods, struggling against the Tigers zone, were clumsy and lacked method with their movement. It made for some unattractive and frustrating action as both sides lacked authority.

When Power-listed Chad Cornes marked strongly and goalled on the quarter-time siren the visitors led by 15 points and had the momentum.

Too many Tigers found space in the corridor but the desire to constantly switch play enabled the Bloods to retreat players into defence. However, Ruory Kirkby gave the Tigers a 20-point buffer seven minutes into the second quarter and the high ground. The Bloods lacked method with their movement and players crashed into each other attempting to mark more than once. Fortunately Caruso snapped the Bloods' opening goal 11 minutes into the second quarter and a minute later they had their second when Ben Macreadie kicked truly.

The Tigers again blasted clear, only to cough up two goals late in the first half to the home side with shocking errors. If the fans were hoping for a lift in standard in the second half the early minutes offered little encourage-

ment with a swag of turnovers. Poor decision making was also a constant.

What made the game interesting was the close scores because this was not a game for the highlights reel.

Shane Birss cut the gap to only three points early in the third quarter before Cornes replied with his second goal.

The Bloods at least matched the Tigers for desire and Sam Ezard, the younger brother of Magarey Medallist James making his league debut for the club, fueled his side's spirits with his first goal.

Matthew Lobbe then gave the Bloods the lead when he goaled and Aaron Fielke stretched the margin to eight points with a handy major.

Glenelg key forward Todd Grima, who was reported in the third quarter, kicked a goal a minute into the final term before the home side replied with the next three goals.



**OUT IN FRONT:** West Adelaide big man Brad Moran marks in front of Glenelg defender Sam Rudolph in the Bloods' win last night at City Mazda Stadium. **Picture:** SIMON CROSS

## SCOREBOARD

<b>WEST</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>14.7</b>	<b>(91)</b>
<b>GLENELG</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>6.10</b>	<b>7.12</b>	<b>(54)</b>

**BEST - West:** Morris, F. Caruso, Birss, Macreadie, Silvester, Caire.  
**Glenelg:** Cornes, McMahon, B. Kane, Mules.

**SCORERS - West:** Lobbe 2.1, Beech 2.0, F. Caruso, Webb 1.1, J. Ezard, Birss, Fielke, Macreadie, Rankine, N. Caruso, Thompson, S. Ezard 1.0, Moran 0.2, Caire, Willits 0.1. **Glenelg:** Cornes 2.1, Kirkby 2.0, Hitchcock 1.2, Kennedy 1.1, T. Grima 1.0, Lyons 0.2, Kane, Kirk, Panozzo, Agnew 0.1, rushed 0.2.

**REPORTS - West:** Fielke, by umpire Deboy, in the fourth quarter.  
**Glenelg:** T. Grima, by umpire Dey, in the third quarter.

**UMPIRES -** T. Dey, C. Deboy, F. Manikas.

### WEST ADELAIDE

	Kicks	Mks	Hbl	F/for	F/ag	Gls	Pts	H/O	Tkl
BEECH	11	5	5	1	1	2			1
BIRSS	9	5	12	1		1			2
CAIRE	16	4	6	2					
F. CARUSO	13	3	10	2		1			1
N. CARUSO	8	2	5	2	3	1		2	6
DAVENPORT	7	1	1	1	2				
J. EZARD	11	5	9	2		1		1	4
S. EZARD	4	3	5			1			
FERGUSON	5	4	3	1		2			
FIELKE	16	5	3	1	2	1			2
GREEN	7	3	6		1				1
HILL	9	3	5						1
LOBBE	5	3	5			2	1	3	1
MACREADIE	14	6	9		1	1			4
MORAN	9	5	4	1	1		2	2	1
MORRIS	9	1	16	2					1
RANKINE	2	1	3			1			1
SILVESTER	9	4	7		2				
THOMPSON	6	3	9		1	1			1
WEBB	4	2	2	1		1	2	1	1
WILLITS	9	6	4	1			1	19	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>28</b>

### GLENELG

	Kicks	Mks	Hbl	F/for	F/ag	Gls	Pts	H/O	Tkl
AGNEW	6	6	7	1					1
ALLEN	8	4	11		5				4
CANE	9	6	2	1					
CORNES	19	9	8	3		2	1		4
CRANSTON			3		1			20	2
CURRAN	13	5	5	3					
EARL	5	1	4						3
GRIMA	4	3	3		2	1		1	1
HITCHCOCK	15	8	7			1	2		2
KANE	15	9	10	2			1		2
KENNEDY	9	6	4		2	1	1		2
KIRK	12	9	7	1	1		1		
KIRKBY	12	7	4	2	3	2			1
LYONS	9	2	3				2		
MCGINTY			5					6	1
MCMAHON	22	8	8	1					2
MULES	14	7	9					2	2
MURPHY	5	2	13					3	2
PANOZZO	10	4	7		1			1	2
RUDOLPH	9	5	9	1	1				
TENACE	14	3	4	1					3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>34</b>

### FRIDAY

<b>WEST</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>14.7</b>	<b>(91)</b>
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**UMPIRES -** T. Dey, C. Deboy, F. Manikas.

**CROWD -** 2960 at City Mazda Stadium.

### SATURDAY

<b>CENTRAL</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>9.12</b>	<b>12.14</b>	<b>(86)</b>
<b>EAGLES</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>(67)</b>

**BEST - CENTRAL:** Obst, Thomas, Sansbury, Goodrem, Jenner, C. Gowans. **EAGLES:** Jarrad, Rowntree, Lewis, Batley, Parry.

**SCORERS - CENTRAL:** Obst 5.3, Thomas 2.1, Havelberg 2.0, O'Sullivan 1.2, Williams, Dunne 1.0, Nash 0.2, Goodrem, Spurr, Sutherland, Symes 0.1, rushed 0.2. **EAGLES:** Treeby 3.1, Batley 2.0, Grocke, Tiller, Lewis 1.1, Giuffreda, Jarrad 1.0, Goldsworthy 0.2, Powell 0.1, rushed 0.1.

**UMPIRES -** C. Rowston, L. Haussen, A. Crosby.

**CROWD -** 2571 at Playford Alive Oval.

<b>NORWOOD</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>(103)</b>
<b>NORTH</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>11.10</b>	<b>(76)</b>

**BEST - NORWOOD:** Campbell, Walker, Suckling, McGuinness, Webber, Gallagher. **NORTH:** Allan, Bennett, Delvins, Clisby, Ackland.

**SCORERS - NORWOOD:** Walker 7.2, Shenton 3.1, Jonas 2.0, Davis, Suckling 1.1, Eagleton, Rowe 1.0, Campbell, Terlich 0.1. **NORTH:** Delvins 3.0, Thompson 2.0, Teasdale 1.2, Bennett, Gill 1.1, Renshaw, Ryswyk, Thring 1.0, Alleway 0.2, Allan, Ivens, Thiele, White 0.1.

**UMPIRES -** M. Avon, T. Medlin, M. Schramm.

**CROWD -** 2488 at Prospect Oval.

<b>SOUTH</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>6.10</b>	<b>8.13</b>	<b>10.17</b>	<b>(77)</b>
<b>STURT</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>(73)</b>

**BEST - SOUTH:** Cross, Stribling, Liddle, Thewlis, Crabb, Murphy, Daniel. **STURT:** Gum, Crane, Martin, Riley, Anderson, Thomson.

**SCORERS - SOUTH:** Wundke 3.2, Daniel, Stribling, Ainger 1.2, Macleod, Murphy 1.1, Irra, Veide 1.0, Cross 0.2, Brooksby, Carey, Liddle 0.1, rushed 0.2. **STURT:** Martin 3.0, Riley, Crane 2.1, McIntyre 1.2, Evans, Norsworthy, Stokes 1.0, Gum 0.1, rushed 0.2.

**UMPIRES -** C. Fleer, M. Oates, R. Williams.

**CROWD -** 2034 at Hickinbotham Oval.

### DRAW

**ROUND 8 - Friday:** Norwood v Port (Coopers Stadium, Norwood), Sturt v Glenelg (Adelaide Oval). **Saturday:** Eagles v West (Unleash Solar Oval, Woodville), South v Central (Hickinbotham Oval, Noarlunga). **Bye:** North.

### PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pc	Pts
West	6	5	1	-	588	374	61.1	10
Central	6	5	1	-	617	445	58.1	10
Eagles	6	4	2	-	445	449	51.0	8
Norwood	6	3	3	-	450	430	51.1	6
Glenelg	6	3	3	-	459	526	46.6	6
South	6	3	3	-	444	580	43.3	6
Port	6	2	4	-	433	469	47.9	4
Sturt	7	2	5	-	528	636	45.3	4
North	7	1	6	-	612	666	47.8	2

### LEADING GOALKICKERS

		Rd7	Total
M. Duldig	(Sturt)	0.0	21.12
N. Gill	(North)	1.1	17.13
D. Havelberg	(Central)	2.0	17.4
C. Alleway	(North)	0.2	15.10
M. Wundke	(South)	3.2	14.14

### RESERVES

Glenelg 17.16 (118) d West 6.5 (41), North 20.11 (131) d Norwood 11.4 (70), Sturt 13.13 (91) d South 11.12 (78), Central 15.6 (96) d Eagles 7.5 (47).

**Ladder:** Glenelg 12, Port, North, Sturt 8, Norwood 6, Central, Eagles, West 4, South 0.

### UNDER-18

Central 12.11 (83) d Eagles 7.11 (53), Sturt 13.11 (89) d South 13.8 (86), Glenelg 13.13 (91) d West 13.12 (90).

**Ladder:** Glenelg 12, Port, Eagles, Sturt 8, North 6, Norwood, Central 4, West, South 2.

### SANFL PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARD

West Adelaide v Glenelg	
Steven Morris (West Adelaide)	3
Fort Caruso (West Adelaide)	2
Shane Birss (West Adelaide)	1
Central District v Woodville-West Torrens	
Alan Obst (Central District)	3
Paul Thomas (Central District)	2
Eddie Sansbury (Central District)	1
Norwood v North Adelaide	
Bryce Campbell (Norwood)	3
Taylor Walker (Norwood)	2
Mat Suckling (Norwood)	1
South Adelaide v Sturt	
Joel Cross (South Adelaide)	3
Tristan Gum (Sturt)	2
Toby Stribling (South Adelaide)	1

**Leaders - 11:** Paul Thomas (Central), **8:** James Allan (North), Mark McKenzie (Eagles). **6:** James Gallagher (Norwood), Toby Stribling (South), Chris Schmidt (West), James Ezard (West), Ryan Willits (West). **5:** Trent Goodrem (Central), Brayden O'Hara (Central), Joel Cross (South), Tristan Gum (Sturt).