

Glenelg sends off Ty in style

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GLENELG gave retiring star Ty Allen a fitting send-off, producing the upset of the SANFL season at the Bay yesterday.

In a David and Goliath battle, bottom beat top as the Tigers defied the massive odds to defeat minor premier and flag favourite Port Adelaide. Glenelg's 32-point victory was just its fourth of the year and let triple club champion and popular club man Allen finish his 160-game career on a high.

The Tigers performance showed just what their on-field warrior, who had a modest personal day with just seven disposals, meant to them.

"Ty has been an absolute champion of the club, a war-horse and a battering ram," Glenelg coach Nick Stevens, after Allen was chaired from the field by team-mates.

"The boys really respect him and wanted to really get up for him and it's just great to see a champion of the club go out like that after a couple of lean years."

The Tigers finished bottom for the second consecutive season but will take some heart from the courageous victory - their second in the past four rounds. Fielding a team whose average age was 21, they beat a Magpies side which fielded 17 AFL-listed players.

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GOALS

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Port: Shaw, Butcher 2, Hitchcock, Amon, Mitchell, Harvey.

INJURIES

Glenelg: Nil.

Port: Young (foot), Byrne-Jones (concussion).

UMPIRES

Bowen, Schramm, Scott.

CROWD

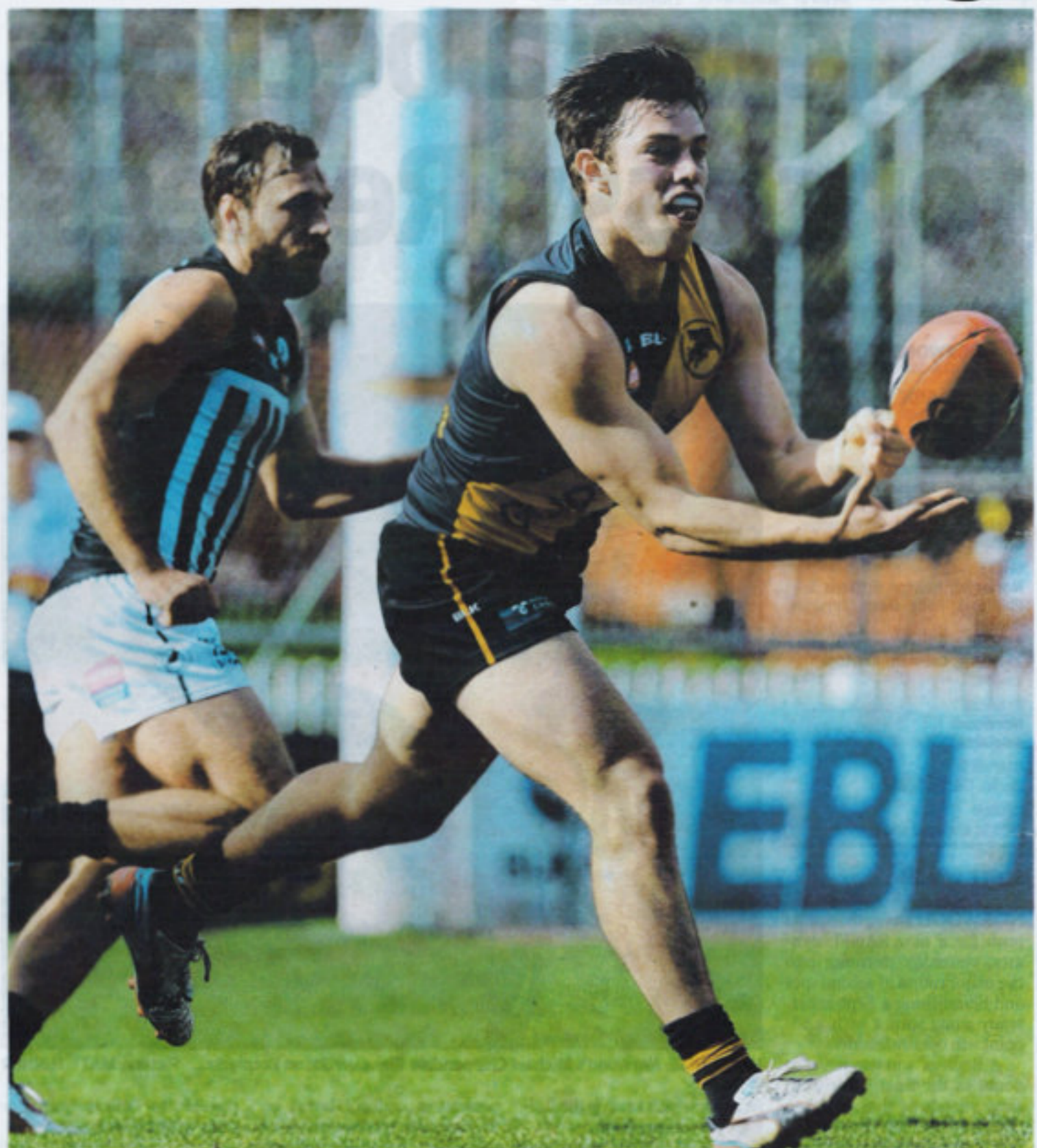
2416 at Glenelg Oval.

"That's a huge result for us," Stevens said, noting that Port had demolished his side by a record 152 points in round two.

"I've said it all year, that we've improved, and people have probably doubted me at stages but this win gives the players a result they've deserved.

"To beat Port Adelaide, with the side it had in, was a great effort. We stuck to a plan which we haven't deviated from all year and I thought our run and ball movement was fantastic."

Veteran Clint Alleway



YOUNG GUN: Glenelg's Jacob Carger handballs yesterday as Port's Tom Logan gives chase. Picture: NAOMI JELICOE

starred for Glenelg at full forward with 5.4 and nine marks while Matthew Snook (33 disposals and 11 clearances), AFL-bound Billy Stretch (28) and Alex Neal-Bullen (22), Andrew Bradley and Lachie Earl (26) and Sam Lonergan (21) led a winning midfield brigade.

Patrick McCarthy was a tower of strength in defence. The Magpies, who still fin-

ished minor premier and get the all-important week off in the finals, were poor.

They kicked only eight goals and had a host of players down. They also lost midfielder Aaron Young, who would have been in line for Power selection next week, with a recurrence of his foot injury.

Coach Garry Hocking,

however, remained upbeat about their flag hopes.



"It was a disappointing result but they have worked really hard all year to get the minor premiership and we'd like to finish on a great note," Hocking said.

"There's some great teams out there but securing top position gives us the best chance to have a crack at it."

SANFL DETAILS

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 NORTH ADELAIDE	2.2 6.3 12.6 18.6	114	
CENTRAL DISTRICT	3.2 7.4 7.4 11.7	73	

BEST North Shillabeer, G. Thring, Kulikowski, Gregg, Motlop, O'Brien. **Central** T. Schiller, J. Schiller, Goodrem, Williams, Potter. **GOALS North** Shillabeer 7, Williams, Schulz 2, Amato, Anderson, Gregg, Miles, Shannon, G. Thring, M. Thring. **Central** Goodrem 4, Retzlaff 3, Gillbee 2, Jenner, J. Schiller. **REPORT Central** Hosking (striking). **UMPIRES** Avon, Sboro, Cook. **CROWD** 2565 at Prospect Oval.

 SOUTH ADELAIDE	1.1 3.1 11.3 14.3	87	
STURT	2.3 4.5 5.8 9.9	63	

BEST South Macleod, Thewlis, Cross, Gulden, Dale, Liddle, Veide. **Sturt** Stephens, Tambling, Harms, Kirkwood, Watt, Calabrese. **GOALS South** Macleod, Cross, Rolfe, Gulden, Veide 2, Seccull, Brooksby, Overall, C. Daniel. **Sturt** Duldig 3, Coad 2, **BEST South** Macleod, Thewlis, Cross, Gulden, Dale, Liddle, Veide. **Sturt** Stephens, Tambling, Harms, Kirkwood, Watt, Calabrese. **GOALS South** Macleod, Cross, Rolfe, Gulden, Veide 2, Seccull, Brooksby, Overall, C. Daniel. **Sturt** Duldig 3, Coad 2, Hansen, Kirkwood, Evans, Watt. **UMPIRES** Hassen, Deboy, Hosking. **CROWD** 2354 at Noarlunga Oval.

 EAGLES	5.1 9.2 15.2 21.5	131	
WEST ADELAIDE	1.3 3.5 6.6 10.8	68	

BEST Eagles Wundke, Lewis, Goldsworthy, Jarrad, Batley, Ainger. **West** Green, Tuck, Schmidt, Jennings, Hayes. **GOALS Eagles** Wundke 8, Goldsworthy 4, Ainger 3, McGregor 2, Lewis, Borholm, Whittlesea, Jarrad. **West** Green 3, Hayes, Jennings 2, Fisher, Nelson, Durdin. **UMPIRES** Philp, Sobieraj, Hundertmark. **CROWD** 1684 at Woodville Oval.

 NORWOOD	5.2 12.6 15.9 18.12	120	
ADELAIDE	0.3 3.6 6.10 8.17	65	

BEST Norwood Bartlett, Roocke, Davis, McGuinness, Newton, Kirwan, Chippendale, Phillips. **Adelaide** M. Crouch, Kerridge, Graham. **GOALS Norwood** Newton 6, Davis 5, Phillips 3, Bode, Dawe, Persinos, Roocke. **Adelaide** Ellis-Yolmen, Osborn 2, Atkins, Callinan, Kerridge, Knight. **UMPIRES** Medlin, Crosby, Lowe. **CROWD** 2728 at The Parade.

SANFL LADDER

	P	W	D	L	For	Agst	Stk	Chg	%	Pts
Port Adelaide	18	12	-	6	1810	1334	L1	-	57.57	24
Norwood	18	11	-	7	1446	1134	W1	U1	56.05	22
Sturt	18	11	-	7	1523	1276	L1	D1	54.41	22
South Adelaide	18	11	-	7	1517	1315	W4	U1	53.57	22
Eagles	18	10	-	8	1510	1499	W1	-	50.18	20
North Adelaide	18	9	-	9	1581	1590	W2	U1	49.86	18
Central District	18	9	-	9	1277	1386	L1	D1	47.95	18
Adelaide	18	7	-	11	1479	1584	L2	-	48.29	14
West Adelaide	18	6	-	12	1219	1528	L4	-	44.38	12
Glenelg	18	4	-	14	1161	1877	W1	-	38.22	8

RESERVES

Central District 13.4 (82) d North Adelaide 11.6 (72), Eagles 21.8 (134) d West Adelaide 6.6 (42), Port Adelaide 20.20 (140) d Glenelg 7.12 (54), Sturt 10.9 (69) d South Adelaide 8.7 (55). **Ladder** Eagles 30, North Adelaide 27, Sturt 22, Norwood 20, Glenelg 16, South Adelaide 14, Port Adelaide, Central District, West Adelaide 11.

UNDER-18

North Adelaide 16.21 (117) d Central District 7.3 (45), Eagles 20.10 (130) d West Adelaide 11.6 (72), Port Adelaide 19.9 (123) d Glenelg 10.14 (74), Sturt 24.10 (154) d South Adelaide 6.10 (46). **Ladder** North Adelaide 32, Norwood 26, Eagles 24, Sturt 22, West Adelaide 16, Central District 16, Port Adelaide 14, Glenelg 10, South Adelaide 2.

LEADING GOALKICKERS

Michael Wundke (Eagles) 60, Brett Eddy (South) 58, Michael Newton (Norwood) 50, Michael Coad (Sturt) 48, Matthew Duldig (Sturt) 43, Bryce Retzlaff (Central) 40, Andrew Ainger (Eagles) 33, John Butcher (Port) 32, Andrew Hooper (Glenelg), Ben Hansen (Sturt) 29, Clint Alleway (North) 28, Ian Callinan (Adelaide) 27, Lachlan McGregor (Eagles) 26.

It's end of the line for Magpie juniors

WARREN PARTLAND

IT WAS the end of an era at Alberton on Saturday when the Port Adelaide under-18 side walked from the ground for the final time.

The season - and existence of the team - came to end after the 49-point win over Glenelg. The Magpies finished seventh on the ladder and failed to qualify for the finals.

Under-age sides have long

been a vital cog in the Magpies machine but they are no more. Port Adelaide has lost its under-age teams and recruiting zones as part of the agreement to allow the Power to use the Magpies as its reserves team in the SANFL.

It was also something of an end of an era at Prospect Oval on Saturday when Central District lost to North Adelaide by 41 points in the final round to finish seventh on the ladder.

The Bulldogs have not missed the finals since 1999 and since then have claimed an incredible nine premierships, their first flag glory being in 2000. "It is a very empty feeling - it is only the 24th of August and we are finished for the season already," Bulldogs general manager Kris Grant said. "It is earlier than normal anyway because we play only 18 games now - it is a very strange feeling.

"To play the way we did against North after such a great second half of the season ... from an overall club point of view you get remembered for the final game, so that is certainly disappointing.

"There are some positives we can take into the off-season but there are some home truths which will have to be told to a few people."

As is the situation each

year, long-serving Bulldogs coach Roy Laird will meet with the players as a group on Wednesday before the match committee reviews the season.

The Dogs' nightmare start to the season - they won just two of their first nine games - came back to haunt them. Constant injury problems highlighted a lack of depth at the club and Grant said recruiting would be important.