

Tigers give fans hint of happier days ahead

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A SPOT in the upcoming finals is out of reach for Glenelg, but its 57-point victory against Adelaide at home yesterday suggests the team is building towards something special for next year.

The Tigers are two wins and percentage behind fifth-placed South Adelaide ahead of the final minor round, but they performed with heart, intensity and desire to prevail 20.6 (126) to 10.9 (69) over the Crows.

Young gun Lachlan Hosie, Ian Milera and Luke Reynolds were the stars up forward for the hosts with four goals each to help their side to its fifth consecutive victory. Cam Ellis-Yolmen racked up a huge 40 touches for the Crows and retiring veteran Sam Gibson amassed 39 to stake their claim for a potential AFL recall for Adelaide's final game for the year against Carlton next Saturday.

Glenelg coach Mark Stone was pleased with his players' ability to withstand the early pressure the Crows heaped on them.

"I thought we looked a bit flat early coming off the bye," Stone said.

"But to our boys' credit, we were able to find ways of controlling their strength around the contest and we got our-

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BEST

Glenelg: Sawford, Curan, Nicholson, Bradley, White.
Crows: Ellis-Yolmen, Gibson, Wilson, Boyle, Signorello.

GOALS

Glenelg: Hosie, Reynolds, 1 Milera 4, T Milera 2, Motlop, Sawford, White, Nicholson, Close, Uebergang
Crows: Davis 3, Boyle, Ellis-Yolmen, Gibson, Jarman, Signorello, Wilson, Connelly

INJURIES

Glenelg: Jonty Scharenberg (suspected medial ligament).

UMPIRES

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CROWD

1507 at Maughan Thiem Hyandai Oval, Woodville

SANFL PREMIERSHIP ROUND 18



	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
Norwood	17	14	3	0	1737	1241	58.33	28
Sturt	17	12	5	0	1464	1173	55.52	24
Eagles	17	11	5	1	1422	1135	55.61	23
South Adelaide	17	10	7	0	1407	1132	55.42	20
North Adelaide	17	10	7	0	1476	1341	52.4	20
Glenelg	17	8	9	0	1276	1330	48.96	16
West Adelaide	17	7	10	0	1183	1412	45.59	14
Central District	16	6	10	0	1165	1307	47.13	12
Port Adelaide	16	4	11	1	1050	1359	43.59	9
Adelaide	17	1	16	0	1104	1854	37.32	2

NORWOOD	2.5 4.8 7.12 11.13	79
NORTH ADELAIDE	1.4 6.8 8.9 9.10	64

VENUE: at Coopers Stadium, Norwood.

STURT	0.4 3.9 8.12 9.16	70
WEST ADELAIDE	1.4 1.5 4.6 6.8	44

CROWD: 2699 at Peter Motley Oval, Unley.

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SOUTH ADELAIDE	4.3 8.4 10.6 12.7	79
EAGLES	4.2 4.2 8.7 11.7	73

CROWD: 1422 at Maughan Thiem Hyandai Oval, Woodville.

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CROWD: 1507 at Gliderol Stadium, Glenelg.

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selves back on top around the stoppages. I thought as well as our defenders defended, our forwards were really good at creating opportunities when the ball went inside 50." It was goal-for-goal in the first term and scores were locked at 30 apiece at quarter-time.

Patrick Wilson booted the first major of the second quarter for the Crows, but that was their only score for the term. Ben Sawford (39 disposals, including 22 contested, six tackles and a goal) and skipper Chris Curran (24 possessions)

led the way for the hosts as they kicked six unanswered goals to hold a 20-point advantage at the main break.

Glenelg's intensity continued into the second half as it took the game on with confidence.

Crows coach Ryan O'Keefe was pleased with Ellis-Yolmen and Gibson, but said his team had too many passengers.

"The AFL guys played well, but when the bottom half can't contribute, it's just too hard to win," O'Keefe said.



PRESSURE: Adelaide's Aron Asfaha tackles Glenelg's Ian Milera. Picture: TOM HUNTLEY