

Tigers tear Dogs apart

ADVERTISER.COM.AU
MONDAY JUNE 24 2019

ROB GREENWOOD

GLENELG has returned to winning ways and stormed back to the top of the SANFL ladder with a thumping victory over hapless Central District.

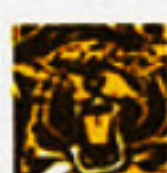
Six-goal Liam McBean led the way for the high-flying Tigers as they blitzed the Bulldogs by 69 points at Glenelg Oval on Sunday. The hosts booted five unanswered majors in the second term and a further four without reply early in the third to set up the commanding triumph.

It was the ideal response to last week's surprise loss to South Adelaide, which halted Glenelg's eight-match unbeaten streak.

Marlon Motlop (35 disposals, two majors), Matthew Snook (30, seven tackles) and Chris Curran (31, 12 marks) were among the Tigers' best in their biggest win of the season.

But it was the all-round team display of desperate defence, rapid ball movement and attacking firepower which again caught the eye.

Glenelg coach Mark Stone praised his players' ruthless streak, as they entered the split-round bye ahead of testing clashes with the Eagles,



**GLENELG
CENTRAL DISTRICT**

3.2 8.3 15.5 19.9 123
3.2 3.8 5.10 7.12 54



BEST Glenelg Motlop, McBean, Snook, Curran, Scott, Partington, Bradley. Central J. Schiller, Habel, Hoskin, Burton.

GOALS Glenelg McBean 6, Scott 4, Reynolds, Bailey, Motlop 2, White, Close, Kerrish. Central Jydon Neagle 2, Barreau, McKenzie, Burton, Menzel, Hoskin.

UMPIRES Bowen, Burke, Sobieraj.

CROWD 2897 at ACH Group Stadium, Glenelg.

Norwood, Port Adelaide and Adelaide.

"Last week we were beaten by a really good team and it was a pretty close contest," he said. "We looked at this game as important to win to stay right at the top and to keep our season in momentum.

"Things aren't always going to go your way, so you've got to fight through sometimes.

"But we were better than we have been in fourth quarters.

"We need a rest, but then we've got a really big month coming up after that. "(We face) four really good teams, so we're looking forward to that."

The heavy loss left Central licking its wounds as it slumped to a seventh-straight defeat for the first time since 1991. But the Bulldogs had showed fight in the opening

term to recover from a slow start and tie the contest up at quarter-time.

Luke Reynolds and McBean, from a tricky angle, converted set shots to get the Bays rolling. But two goals in as many minutes — to youngster Steve Burton (his first at league level) and Isaya McKenzie — sparked the Dogs.

Josh Scott (four goals) crumbed off the pack to put the Tigers back in front, before a classy Marcus Barreau finish with the outside of his boot squared the ledger in time-on.

Glenelg flexed its offensive muscle while keeping Central goal-less, in the second period.

The hosts booted three majors in three minutes through Jesse White and McBean (two). Motlop snapped smartly on the run and Scott notched

his second as the one-way traffic continued and the Tigers pushed out to a 25-point half-time advantage.

The Bays picked up where they left off in the third term, kicking seven goals to two.

McBean added another pair, the second after a towering mark, while Darcy Bailey, from the boundary, and Reynolds got in on the act.

Jydon Neagle registered the Bulldogs' first major since the 25th minute of the opening period. But Bailey, following a smart one-handed grab, Brad Close and livewire Motlop extended the home side's buffer to 55 points.

A Scott long bomb and composed set shot, as well as another major to McBean and a goal on debut for Sebastian Kerrish, added insult to injury for Central in the final stanza.

Bays blitz the Bulldogs

By ZAC MILBANK

Glenelg is continuing to embrace expectation as it brushed aside Central District by 69 points at ACH Group Stadium on Sunday.

Regaining their place at the top of the Statewide Super League ladder, the Tigers are playing a ruthless, yet attractive, brand of football in all sectors of the ground.

After winning their last six matches in succession last season under then new coach Mark Stone, the Bays have kept this momentum rolling in 2019 as they keep one eye on playing in the major round for the first time since 2011.

"Everyone says you should keep a lid on it but we want to dream big and see what happens at the end of the year," Glenelg captain Chris Curran told Channel 7 after the match.

"We will keep taking it one week at a time but at the end of the day you are only here for one thing (to win a premiership)."

Glenelg's defensive game — highlighted by Curran and his deputy Max Proud — has tightened up significantly under the tutelage of Stone and the Round 11 result was no exception.

Each week the goal is to keep the opposition to less than 70 points and despite being on level terms at the

first change, the Bays were able to keep the Dogs goalless in a match-defining second stanza.

Central engineered 17 inside 50s to Glenelg's 10 during the second quarter but could only manage six behinds compared to the hosts' efficient 5.1.

A 25-point lead opened up at the main change as a result, as Glenelg extended the margin to 55 by three-quarter time.

The Tigers' deep midfield rotation took control in the second half, with Marlon Motlop superb for 35 disposals and two goals while Matt Snook, Luke Partington, Andrew Bradley and Jonty Scharenberg all contributed strongly. By the final siren, the Tigers had 20 more inside 50s than the visitors much to the delight of their dangerous forward line which was led by Liam McBean, who booted six classy majors to head the race for the Ken Farmer Medal.

Josh Scott worked hard for his four goals while Luke Reynolds, Darcy Bailey, Cory Gregson and Brad Close all played their role inside 50.

And if things weren't being lapped up by the Bays fans enough, RAA Rookie Seb Kerrish provided plenty to cheer about when he nailed the final goal of the game.

WWW.SANFL.COM.AU

The 20-year-old debutant pounced on an errant Central defensive pass to intercept without breaking stride before kicking his goal on the run at speed from 30m.

Every Tiger on the ground came from all directions to congratulate the lanky left-footer on the opening goal of his League career.

Central coach Roy Laird was left to rue his side's inefficient second term as he continued to receive strong service from his senior players.

Dogs midfielders Jarrod and Travis Schiller, forward Justin Hoskin and defender Luke Habel did their best to lead from the front but their inexperienced team-mates were unable to follow suit.

Second-gamer Steve Burton against showed positive signs in backing up his eye-catching Round 10 debut to finish with 21 disposals, nine tackles and a goal.

Youngster Cooper Dahms got through his first League game since Round 7 last year after ACL surgery, setting up a Jydon Neagle goal which broke the Tigers' run of nine majors in succession from 24 minutes into the first term until the 17th minute of the third.

GLENELG 3.2 8.3 15.5 19.9 (123)
CENTRAL 3.2 3.8 5.10 7.12 (54)

Leading Disposals

Glenelg: Motlop 35, Curran 31, Snook 30, Bradley 27, Partington 26, Scharenberg 23, Chalmers 21, White 21, Proud 20, Gregson 19.

Central: J. Schiller 26, Hoskin 25, Habel 24, T. Schiller 24, Burton 21, Weaver 17.

Goals

Glenelg: McBean 6, Scott 4, Bailey 2, Motlop 2, Reynolds 2, Close, Kerrish, White.

Central: Jydon Neagle 2, Barreau, Burton, Hoskin, McKenzie, Menzel.

Magarey Medal: 3 — M.Motlop (Glenelg) 2 — C.Curran (Glenelg) 1 — L.McBean (Glenelg)

Round 11 Match Results and Premiership Table

	Teams	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst	Pts	%
22-Jun-2019	1 Adelaide	11	9	1	1	937	753	19	55.44
Norwood Oval	2 Glenelg	11	8	2	1	1068	739	17	59.10
23-Jun-2019	3 South Adel	11	6	3	2	885	770	14	53.47
Glenelg Oval	4 Port Adel	11	7	4	-	1010	915	14	52.47
	5 Norwood	11	7	4	-	953	965	14	49.69
29-Jun-2019	6 Sturt	11	6	5	-	780	726	12	51.79
Unley Oval	7 WW Eagles	11	6	5	-	980	913	12	51.77
Prospect Oval	8 Centrals	11	2	9	-	688	1033	4	39.98
30-Jun-2019	9 West Adel	11	1	10	-	672	929	2	41.97
Richmond Oval	10 North Adel	11	1	10	-	754	984	-2	43.38