

Magpie-mauling Tigers make point

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GLENELG might just be starting to believe that 2019 is the year of the Tigers, after a statement-sending win over Port Adelaide at Alberton.

The Magpies had been red-hot, winning five in a row to burst into the SANFL top three but were kept goal-less in the first half by the impressive Tigers. The ensuing 12.9 (81) to 8.9 (57) win pushed Glenelg a game clear of Adelaide on top of the ladder.

Magpies coach Matthew Lokan was brutally honest post-game, saying his side had been shown how it was done.

"They were far too good for us ... they dominated the game," he said. "They are by far the best team we have played this year, so credit to Glenelg."

Glenelg coach Mark Stone said the win may well have been the Tigers best performance this season.

"I thought they were the in-form team (before the game)," he said. "If you said to me before the game you would win ...

SANFL PREMIERSHIP ROUND 14



	Ply	Won	Lost	Drw	For	Agnt	Pts	%
Glenelg	14	11	2	1	1339	925	23	59.14
Adelaide	14	10	3	1	1153	988	21	53.85
Sturt	14	9	5	-	1074	917	18	53.94
Port Adel	14	9	5	-	1265	1087	18	53.78
Norwood	14	8	6	-	1161	1211	16	48.95
South Adel	14	6	6	2	1094	1063	14	50.72
WW Eagles	14	7	7	-	1222	1190	14	50.66
Centrals	14	3	11	-	944	1299	6	42.09
West Adel	14	2	12	-	790	1184	4	40.02
North Adel	14	3	11	-	990	1168	2	45.88

I would take that every day, I thought it was a strong game, I thought we tackled and pressured hard."

Luke Partington continued his red-hot form, with four goals and 33 disposals, while Marlon Motlop also impressed with two goals and 24 touches.

Just the five goals were kicked in the first half, all by Glenelg, as a Magpies side with plenty of speed was outdone by skill errors, outgunned and outclassed by the Tigers.

Sam Hayes kicked the

home side's first just before the five-minute mark of the third quarter and finished with two goals, as did Peter Ladhams. Willem Drew had 30 touches but Lokan was more impressed with Paddy Ryder, who had 15 disposals, six marks, 24 hit-outs and a goal.

"Paddy Ryder was good in the ruck especially late in the game when he was able to get his hands on it, outside of that we didn't have too many guys who contributed the way we would like," he said.

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Glenelg kept Port Adelaide goalless for a half as it again flexed its defensive muscle with a 24-point win at Alberton Oval.

Now sitting outright top on the Statewide Super League ladder, the Bays ensured the Magpies would have a goalless first half for the first time since 2013.

Restricting the hosts to just four behinds before half-time, the Tigers set up the win with 5.5 for themselves as star midfielder Luke Partington continued his red-hot touch with 33 disposals and four goals.

Glenelg has only conceded 925 points for the season, second to Sturt with 917 as leadership duo Chris Curran and Max Proud continue to lead the way with their composed back six.

Tackling pressure was another key feature for the Tigers, who, despite leading all afternoon, still laid 23 more

tackles than their rivals to illustrate their hunger for the contest.

The visitors stretched the margin to as much as 49 points when ruckman Jesse White's behind followed a goal from former Bays skipper Andrew Bradley early in the fourth term.

But the Magpies restored some respect into the scoreboard by booting five of the next six majors before the final siren.

Tireless Tigers Matthew Snook and classy Marlon Motlop also provided excellent assistance to Partington while youngster Brad McCarthy continues to evolve as a versatile player with 21 disposals and eight tackles.

Amid controlling the play against the finals-bound Magpies, Tigers coach Mark Stone was still able to keep one eye on the long term by handing Darcy Le Cornu his Statewide Super

League debut as well as recalling first-year midfielder Finn Betterman for late withdrawals Cory Gregson and Elliott Chalmers.

Port's first goal came from ruckman Sam Hayes nearly five minutes into the third quarter with fellow bigman Peter Ladhams ensuring the hosts would have two before the final change.

The last quarter fightback came too late for Magpies coach Matt Lokan, who had few players put in a four-quarter performance as they slipped out of the top-three.

Port will now be looking to respond against South Adelaide at Flinders University Stadium next Sunday while Glenelg will host Adelaide in a top-of-the-table clash against Adelaide on Saturday.

GLENELG	3.2	5.5	9.6	12.9 (81)
PORT	0.1	0.4	2.6	8.9 (57)

Leading Disposals

Glenelg: Partington 33, Snook 32, Motlop 26, Curran 24, McCarthy 21, Proud 20, Scharenberg 20, Gould 19, White 19, Agnew 17.

Port: Drew 30, Pudney 29, McKenzie 27, Hewett 24, Mayes 23, Trengove 23, Atley 22, Frederick 22, Woodcock 19, Ladhams 18.

Goals

Glenelg: Partington 4, Motlop 2, Bailey, Bradley, McBean, Reynolds, Schott, Uebergang.

Port: Hayes 2, Ladhams 2, Woodcock 2, McKenzie, Ryder.

Round 14 Match Results

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Prospect Oval **North Adel** 12-13 85 **d.** **Adelaide** 7-17 59
Norwood Oval **Norwood** 15-13 103 **d.** **South Adel** 7-16 58

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Woodville Oval **Cent.Dist** 15- 8 98 **d.** **WW Eagles** 11- 9 75
Alberton Oval **Glenelg** 12- 9 81 **d.** **Port Adel** 8- 9 57
Unley Oval **Sturt** 17-10 112 **d.** **West Adel** 8- 2 50

Next Round: West Adel v Central, Glenelg v Adelaide, Norwood v North Adel, South Adel v Port Adel, WW Eagles v Sturt

Magarey Medal:

- 3 – L.Partington (Glenelg)
- 2 – M.Motlop (Glenelg)
- 1 – M.Snook (Glenelg)