

# Tigers leave it late to claw past Bloods

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GLENELG proved it can win ugly, with a 16-point victory over a plucky West Adelaide at Richmond Oval last night.

The Tigers trailed for much of the contest before powering home with a six goals to one final quarter to secure their third win for the season.

As optimism continues to rise at the Bay — the Tigers have climbed to second on the ladder, although South Adelaide can reclaim that spot when it meets Sturt on Sunday.

The Bloods opened in stunning fashion, with two goals in the opening three minutes, both reward for hard work securing possession in the middle of the ground.

Murray Waite snapped truly just 30 seconds into the contest, while vastly improved John Noble nailed the second goal for the home side to put

the Tigers on notice this would be a serious fight for the premiership points.

The Bloods had six visits inside their attacking 50 before the Tigers had an entry, and it resulted in a mark and goal to Cory Gregson.

That settled the Tigers and they were soon fully engaged in a testing struggle for the ascendancy.

The Bloods took the game on with a desire to move the ball with pace and they challenged the Tigers with authority in their transition.

On-ballers Kaine Stevens and Willing Snelling did what they do best for the Bloods and that was rack up the disposals.

As the opening quarter lengthened, so too did the mistakes from the Tigers, as they coughed up fumbly actions and appeared unsure.

However, a chat from coach

Mark Stone at the quarter-time break had the Tigers in a more aggressive mindset as they lifted the intensity around the ball.

Captain Chris Curran was his usual reliable self in defence for the Tigers, while Max Proud shut dangerous Bloods forward Mason Middleton out of the game.

The Bloods were put under much more pressure and were pinned in defence for lengthy periods. This was reflected in the lack of a Bloods' goal for the term until the 24th minute.

After the game promised plenty in the first term, the battle became a scrappy affair in the second quarter and that flowed into the third as players had issues with the skills in the heat of action.

Both sides wasted prime scoring opportunities and even Tigers' Lachlan Hosie, usually



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**WEST ADEL.**  
4.2 5.4 7.7 8.10

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**58**

### BEST

**Glenelg:** Curran, Proud, Motlop, Agnew, Nicholson, Reynolds.

**West Adelaide:** Keough, Snelling, Ryan, Waite, Parrella.

### GOALS

**Glenelg:** Reynolds, Hosie 3, Gregson 2, Motlop, Bailey.

**West Adelaide:** Beech, Middleton, G. Turner 2, Waite, Noble.

### INJURIES

**West:** Fairlie (concussion).

### UMPIRES

Lewis, Bryce, Broadbent.

### CROWD

2,217 at City Mazda Stadium, Richmond.

a reliable kick, struggled in front of goal.

## Tigers Hosie down the Bloods

By ZAC MILBANK

**It might not be your night but it can be your moment.**

And it's fair to say Glenelg's livewire forward Lachie Hosie lived this theme to full extent as the Bays produced a stirring 16-point win against West Adelaide at City Mazda Stadium on Wednesday night.

Hosie's personal game was a microcosm of his team's as he threatened to break the contest open in the third before helping burst the dam open in a rampant final quarter which yielded six goals for the visitors while keeping West to just one.

With outstanding captain Chris Curran and his deputy Max Proud keeping the Tigers in the game with their stunning defence and intercept marking, Hosie was set to rue a string of three consecutive behinds as his team tried to claw back into the contest.

In the space of three minutes during the third term, Hosie missed from 10m at the top of the goal square and twice from kickable angles inside 50m as the Bays limped to 4.11 at the final change.

But everything changed as Mark Stone's men produced a final quarter flurry and it was the Tigers' No.20 right in the thick of it.

Marlon Motlop — who worked incredibly hard both ways for the Bays to collect a team high 25 disposals — snapped truly from 20m to cut the margin to eight points.

Then, within 120 seconds, Hosie put his side in front as he got on the end of two pieces of neat team play to run into two open goals. The first was a deep ball inside 50m which he won the race for ahead of fellow forward Luke Reynolds, who also booted two final term majors to help seal the deal. The second came from an outstanding handpass from Geelong recruit Cory Gregson, who cleared the congestion to put Hosie into a position of advantage.

By the time Darcy Bailey threw the ball into his boot in traffic to put Glenelg in front by 9 points nearing time-on, the game's complexion had completely changed.

The Tigers put another on the board from Reynolds before controlling the

clock as Westies tried valiantly to put themselves back in front.

West's midfield, led by Will Snelling with 27 touches, had been winning the arm wrestle for the majority of the night.

But ultimately, those like captain Tom Keough who battled hard for 21 disposals and eight clearances, former skipper Chris Schmidt and star on-baller Kaine Stevens, faded in the final term after previously doing the bulk of the grunt work for the hosts.

It will be a tough result to swallow for the Bloods given they produced their best football of the season in eclipsing the Eagles by 37 points just five days earlier at the same venue.

Suddenly, instead of keeping in touch with the top five at 2-3, the Bloods now remain ninth with a 1-4 win-loss count ahead of a Round 6 engagement with South Adelaide at Flinders University Stadium.

In contrast, Glenelg now sits with a 3-1-1 win-loss-draw record ahead of its next clash in Round 6 against the Eagles at ACH Group Stadium.

<b>GLENELG</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>4.11</b>	<b>10.14 (74)</b>
<b>WEST</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>8.10 (58)</b>

### Leading Disposals

Glenelg: Motlop 25, Curran 24, Proud 19, Nicholson 18, Scharenberg 17, Partington 16, Snook 16.

West: Snelling 27, Schmidt 22, Keough 21, K. Stevens 20, Johnson 19, Noble 19, Waite 18, Willsmore 18.

### Goals

Glenelg: Reynolds 3, Hosie 3, Gregson 2, Bailey, Motlop.

West: Beech 2, Middleton 2, G. Turner 2, Noble, Waite.

**Magarey Medal:** 3 – C.Curran (Glenelg) 2 – W.Snelling (West) 1 – C.Gregson (Glenelg)

### Round 5 Match Results and Premiership Table

Date	Venue	Home	Score	Result	Away	Score
24-Apr-2019	Richmond Oval	Glenelg	10-14 74	d.	West Adel	8-10 58
25-Apr-2019	Prospect Oval	Norwood	15-11 101	d.	North Adel	12-15 87
27-Apr-2019	Elizabeth Oval	Adelaide	14- 6 90	d.	Cent.Dist	8- 7 55
	Woodville Oval	Port Adel	16- 6 102	d.	WW Eagles	9-11 65
28-Apr-2019	Unley Oval	Sturt	14- 8 92	d.	South Adel	11- 4 70

Teams	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst	Pts	%
1 Norwood	5	5	-	-	445	384	10	53.68
2 Glenelg	5	3	1	1	402	329	7	54.99
3 Adelaide	5	3	1	1	418	381	7	52.32
4 South Adel	5	2	1	2	409	336	6	54.90
5 Port Adel	5	3	2	-	446	427	6	51.09
6 Sturt	5	2	3	-	360	377	4	48.85
7 Centrals	5	2	3	-	311	381	4	44.94
8 West Adel	5	1	4	-	328	387	2	45.87
9 WW Eagles	5	1	4	-	388	467	2	45.38
10 North Adel	5	1	4	-	399	437	-2	47.73

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