Eagles pounded as Tigers flex muscles

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GLENELG has powered to the cusp of the SANFL summit, demolishing Woodville-West Torrens to extend its unbeaten streak to five matches.

The Tigers' slick ball movement and hard-running game blew the Eagles away, as they recorded a 50-point triumph at the Bay yesterday to move to second on the ladder. Seven straight second-quarter goals set-up the victory, before a four-major-to-one third term sealed the fourth win of a promising campaign.

Luke Reynolds booted four for Glenelg, while Matthew Snook (25 disposals, 14 tackles) shone to condemn the Eagles to their fifth loss on the bounce.

Tigers coach Mark Stone praised his team's display.

"It was one of the more complete games we've played," he said.

"I was really pleased with the way we moved the footy and the way we defended and our contest work. We knew it was going to be a hard game to win, so I'm really pleased with, not just the margin, but the way we went about it."

The blowout looked unlikely in a low-scoring opening term. Lachlan Hosie kicked the first goal of the contest, but the home side had to wait another 14 minutes before Darcy Bailey extended its advantage with a set shot from 30m.

Jake Von Bertouch (three majors) and Nick Hayes were on target for the visitors either side of the first break to cut Glenelg's lead to one. But the response sparked the Tigers to

life, as they took control.

Brad Agnew booted two, Bailey grabbed his second and Jonty Scharanberg finished off another sweeping team move.

The one-way traffic continued as Andrew Bradley snapped home, Luke Reynolds kicked truly from 50m and Liam McBean converted on the run. Jordan Foote slammed through his maiden league goal for the Eagles, but they trailed by 38 at half-time.

The Bays kept up the scoreboard pressure in the third period as Hosie and Bailey added majors. Tom Schott and Reynolds goaled to push Glenelg out of sight as the teams turned for home. The Eagles showed some fight to limit the damage in the fourth quarter, matching the Tigers' six goals.

But it was another sobering

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BEST

Glenelg: Snook, Chalmers, Bradley, Motlop, Reynolds, Schott, Partington, Agnew. Eagles: Lonergan, Sinor, Toumpas, Foote, Von Bertouch.

GOALS

Glenelg: Reynolds 4, Schott, Bailey 3, Hosie, Agnew, McBean Scharenberg, Bradley, Partington.

Eagles: Von Bertouch 3, N. Hayes 2, Sharrad, Redden, Toumpas, Rowe, Partington. INJURIES

Glenelg: Nicholson (ankle).

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2789 at ACH Group Stadium, Glenelg.

day at the office for first-year Eagles coach Sam Lonergan.

"It was obviously disappointing for the first three quarters," he said. "If you can't get your hands on it (the ball), you can't do anything with it and you're always in defence."

By ZAC MILBANK

Glenelg scratched its seven-year itch against Woodville-West Torrens in emphatic fashion, blitzing the Eagles by 50 points at ACH Group Stadium on Saturday.

The Tigers last tasted victory against the Eagles in Round 11, 2012, losing their last 12 matches - including six at Brighton Road - in succession to the boys from Oval Avenue.

And while the Bays made their patient fans wait for success against one of SANFL's perennial pacesetters, the performance to break the streak was well worth the admission price.

After Nick Hayes booted the first goal of the second term for the Eagles, Glenelg went on a 20-minute rampage to kick the next seven goals in succession to open up a 44point lead nearing the main change.

Tiger tall forwards Luke Reynolds, who finished with four majors and eight marks, Liam McBean and Lachie Hosie were lapping up the repeat inside 50 entries as they made things count on the scoreboard.

Lesser-lights Darcy Bailey and Tom Schott also got in on the act to boot three goals each as the even team spread of contributions was again a feature of the Bays' victory.

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Three players - Marlon Motlop, Matt Snook and Elliot Chalmers – all chalked up 25 disposals to be at the head of the leading disposal winners while Jesse White continued his impressive form in the ruck to collect 18 disposals, six marks, four tackles, five clearances and 34 hitouts.

Five losses in succession have suddenly piled up for the Eagles, who managed to restore some respect on the scoreboard with six goals in the final term.

With James Boyd squeezed out of the side into the Reserves, the midfield load was left to former Gold Cast Sun Jesse Lonergan, who picked up a team-high 26 touches while former Power half-back Jimmy Toumpas had 24.

Jake Von Bertouch continues to show off his versatility this season by booting three goals after spending the majority of his Statewide Super League career as a key defender.

The Eagles will have a fortnight to reset themselves for their must-win Round 7 contest against Norwood at Maughan Thiem Kia Oval while Glenelg will look to keep things rolling when it travels to X Convenience Oval to face Central District.

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Leading Disposals

Glenelg: Motlop 25, Snook 25, Chalmers 25, Partington 24, Bradley 22, Scharenberg 21, Schott 21, White 18, Agnew 17, Gould 17.

Eagles: Lonergan 26, Toumpas 24, Sinor, 21, Foote 19, J. Hayes 19, Poole 19, Comitogianni 18, Petrenko 18, Sharrad 18.

Goals

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Glenelg: Reynolds 4, Bailey 3, Schott 3, Agnew 2, Hosie 2, McBean 2, Bradley, Partington, Scharenberg. Eagles: Von Bertouch 3, N. Hayes 2, Foote, J. Redden, Rowe, Sharrad, Toumpas.

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13-14 92 **d.**

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Round 6 Match Results and Premiership Table

1	Norwood	6	5	1	-	513	4/0	10	52.19
2	Glenelg	6	4	1	1	525	402	9	56.63
3	Adelaide	6	4	1	1	504	449	9	52.89
4	South Adel	6	3	1	2	510	405	8	55.74
5	Port Adel	6	4	2	-	565	512	8	52.46
6	Sturt	6	3	3	-	452	435	6	50.96
7	Centrals	6	2	4	-	396	500	4	44.20
8	West Adel	6	1	5	-	397	488	2	44.86
9	WW Eagles	6	1	5	_ :	461	590	2	43.86
10	North Adel	6	1	5	-	457	529	-2	46.35

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