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Bays show they finally are serious contenders

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GLENELG snapped a lengthy losing streak for the second successive round and climbed to top of the ladder with a convincing 49-point victory over Central District yesterday at Elizabeth Oval.

After ending a 12-game losing drought against Woodville-West Torrens, the Tigers finally grabbed a win at the Bulldogs' home after dropping their previous 10 contests.

And they did it in a canter, having far too much polish and class as well as a bundle of superior attacking weapons, to grab top spot courtesy of Norwood's loss to the Eagles.

"This win is pleasing for the whole club," Tigers coach Mark Stone said. "We did not

talk about it but they are on the board, those horrible beatings out here, some real hidings.

"I thought we took a little step last year and today we wanted to take a big step and win out here. We would have taken a one-point win but as it turned out we played quite strongly.

"We are keen to develop a brand, a respected brand, and how people look at us and go 'they are a serious footy team, they are not the team which will roll over under pressure'."

The Bulldogs tested the Tigers for much of the first quarter despite kicking against the wind, before the visitors exploded with three goals in six minutes. The Tigers then nailed seven goals against the wind in the second term to ram home their advantage and all

but end the contest for the premiership points.

When the Tigers are given as much space as they were gifted by their opponents, they have the skills and game to tear sides apart. Up forward they had a massive height advantage over the Dogs' defence and they used it with quick, well delivered entries inside the 50m.

Glenelg was aided by plenty of comical turnovers from the Bulldogs. Even a 15m kick under absolutely no pressure proved beyond some players. Simple marks were dropped.

And the Doggies were punished by a very good, welldrilled outfit.

"We had shocking turnovers far too often," Central coach Roy Laird said. "It is not **GLENELG**4.4 11.4 13.5 17.7

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BEST

Glenelg: Snook, Partington, Reynolds, Bradley, Joseph, Hosie, Proud, Scharenberg. Central: Hoskin, Fort, Menzel, J. Schiller.

GOALS

Glenelg: Reynolds 5, McBean, Hosie 3, Scharenberg, Motlop, Bailey, Partington, Bradley, Gregson. Central: Hoskin 4, Menzel, Fort, Jaydon Neagle, Gillard.

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M. Sboro, S. Morgan, A. Crosby.

CROWD

1560 at X Convenience Oval, Elizabeth.

league standard to miss handballs, kicks, and drop marks of the type we do."

Bays break another drought

By ZAC MILBANK

Glenelg sent another unwanted record tumbling as it comfortably in the opening quarter. accounted for Central District by 49 points at X Convenience Oval.

One round after beating the Eagles for the first time in seven years, the Bays trumped the Bulldogs at Elizabeth for the first time in 11 years with a superb display of efficient football.

Mark Stone's men are showing no signs of being daunted this year as they earned their first premiership points in 10 meetings at the Ponderosa and first since Round 12 2008.

Incredibly, Central had won 24 of its past 25 meetings against the Tigers at Goodman Road but it mattered little as the visitors held the hosts goalless

And by time-on of the second stanza, Glenelg had stretched its advantage out to 46 points on the back of classy forward Luke Reynolds booting one of his game-high five goals.

Reynolds, Lachie Hosie (three goals) and Liam McBean (three goals) all continued their exceptional play in the absence of star forward Josh Scott as he continues to recover from a broken arm.

Former West Coast Eagle Luke Partington had his best game in the black and gold to finish with 35 disposals while Jonty Scharenberg (29 disposals) and Matt Snook (24 disposals) also had an equally strong

influence through the centre square.

Veteran Aaron Joseph returned from a hamstring strain to collect 17 disposals in defence for the Tigers while fellow backmen Max Proud, Chris Curran and Elliot Chalmers also put in consistent performances.

Central's two West End State game stars Justin Hoskin and Troy Menzel both tried hard to get their side into the encounter, with Hoskin booting four of his team's eight goals and Menzel racking up 28 disposals.

But it proved to be to no avail as Roy Laird's team is left in eighth spot on the ladder with a 2-5 win-loss record nearing the halfway mark of the minor round.

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Leading Disposals

Glenelg: Partington 35, Scharenberg 29, Snook 24, Bradley 22, Chalmers 21, Curran 21, Gould 20, Motlop 19, Schott 19.

Central: T. Schiller 35, Menzel 28, Hoskin 23, Presbury 23, Fort 22, D. Pisani 22, Habel 20, Dew 19.

Goals

Glenelg: Reynolds 5, Hosie 3, McBean 3, Bailey, Bradley, Gregson, Motlop, Partington, Scharenberg. Central: Hoskin 4, Fort, Gillard, Menzel, Jydon Neagle.

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Round 7 Match Results and Premiership Table

17-May-2019							
Richmond Oval	Sturt	9-18	72	d.	West Adel	8- 5	53
18-May-2019							
Alberton Oval	Adelaide	18-13	121	d.	Port Adel	16- 9	105
Elizabeth Oval	Glenelg	17- 7	109	d.	Cent.Dist	8-12	60
Woodville Oval	WW Eagles	10-21	81	d.	Norwood	10-10	70
Prospect Oval	South Adel	12-12	84	d.	North Adel	8-14	62

	Teams	Ρ.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst	Pts	%
1	Glenelg	7	5	1	1	634	462	11	57.85
2	Adelaide	7	5	1	1	625	554	11	53.01
3	South Adel	7	4	1	2	594	467	10	55.98
4	Norwood	7	5	2	_	583	551	10	51.41
5	Sturt	7	4	3	-	524	488	8	51.78
6	Port Adel	7	4	3	2	670	633	8	51.42
7	WW Eagles	7	2	5	2	542	660	4	45.09
8	Centrals	7	2	5	_	456	609	4	42.82
9	West Adel	7	1	6		450	560	2	44.55
10	North Adel	7	1	6	-	519	613	-2	45.85