

Easy as pie for Bays

SCOREBOARD

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|  | GLENELG 2.11 6.15 13.17 15.17 | 107 |
|  | PORT ADELAIDE 1.3 3.5 3.6 8.10 | 58 |

BEST
Glenelg: Partington, McBean, Proud, Curran, Scharenberg, Gould, Motlop. **Port:** Drew, Atley, Mayes, Pudney.

GOALS
Glenelg: McBean 4, Hosie, Reynolds 2, Partington, Gregson, Curran, Scharenberg, Bailey, Betterman, Motlop. **Port:** Johnson 2, Woodcock, Marshall, Mead, Hill, Hartlett, Cox.

UMPIRES
 Hundertmark, Burke, Sobieraj.

CROWD
 4329 at Glenelg Oval.

ROB GREENWOOD

GLENELG has flexed its muscles at the top of the SANFL ladder, downing a lacklustre Port Adelaide in a ruthless display to further enhance its premiership credentials.

A seven-goal-to-none third quarter paved the way for the commanding 49-point win in wet and blustery conditions at Glenelg Oval yesterday.

The 15.17 (107) to 8.10 (58) victory took the hosts one win clear at the summit in the sole split-round fixture.

It also raised hopes among the Bays faithful of their first flag since 1986. Forward Liam McBean booted four goals for the hosts in a dominant marking and kicking display.

Luke Partington (34 disposals) was another to catch the eye, as only early inaccuracy prevented the rampant Glenelg from racking up an even more handsome triumph.

But coach Mark Stone was just as impressed by his team's hunger without the ball.

"I liked the way we went around them when we had to, we went through them when we had to, and then when we went in deep, we went to the right spot," he said.

"I'm really pleased with the way the boys stuck to the plan and really applied great pressure to them all day.

"They're acts of people that are desperate to be a hard, tough team to play against and want to play good footy and want to win."

Glenelg led by 14 points at quarter-time after dominating inside 50s 22-10 in the opening term. But it should have had held a more comfortable lead after booting 11 behinds in the first period.

Teenager Boyd Woodcock kicked truly from 50m to get the Magpies off to a strong start. However, back-to-back goals by McBean, the second of which came after a brilliant one-handed grab, edged the Tigers in front despite their struggles in front of the sticks.

The Bays were better in the second term as they pushed their advantage out to 28 points at the main break. Again, Port began the quarter on the front foot, thanks to a classy long-range effort by Todd Marshall. But composed kicks by Lachlan Hosie and Partington put the host back on top.

Mitchell Mead kept the Magpies in the hunt, before McBean took a towering mark in the goalsquare to convert, and Hosie was on target again from a tricky angle.

Glenelg ended the match as a contest in a one-sided third period. Luke Reynolds goaled twice, either side of a Cory Gregson major following a slick team move, as the Bays added three in seven minutes.

Captain Chris Curran got on the scoreboard in his 100th game, before Jonty Scharenberg notched his first and McBean grabbed his fourth with a clever spin and finish.

Even with a 10-goal buffer,

the Tigers were dogged in defence, to keep Port goalless for the term.

Port coach Matthew Lokan said the Magpies were beaten in all departments.

"They were cleaner than us, they used the ball really well and I thought we just weren't able to match it," he said.

Bays brush aside Pies

By ZAC MILBANK

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Glenelg has overcome early inaccuracy to dominate Port Adelaide by 49 points in a clinical display at ACH Group Stadium on Sunday.

Desperate to honour captain Chris Curran in his 100th Statewide Super League match, the Bays eventually transferred their control of general play on to the scoreboard after the first change.

Tallying 2.11 at quarter time, Mark Stone's men boasted an ominous 22-10 inside 50m advantage through sheer grunt at the stoppages amid the slippery conditions at Brighton Road.

The Magpies were hanging in the contest early, when tall forward Todd Marshall trimmed the margin to just nine points with a long set shot goal four minutes into the second term.

But that's when the hosts' put their foot down, establishing a 28 point at half-time before strangling the life out of the Magpies in a powerful third quarter.

Glenelg banged on seven goals in the premiership term while restricting Port to just one behind – kicked by Aidyn Johnson 24 minutes in.

With Luke Partington, Matt Snook, Marlon Motlop and Jonty Scharenberg getting in and under through the centre square, the Bays forwards thrived as they continued their highly functioning attacking formation.

Former Richmond giant Liam McBean kicked four goals to lead the way inside 50m for the Bays while former Pie Luke Reynolds displayed his skill and class in the wet to boot two alongside the eye-catching Lachie Hosie.

Down back, Glenelg's twin towers of Curran and Max Proud were controlling the play beautifully with the assistance of veteran Aaron Joseph and rookie Will Gould.

The highlight of the day coming when Curran took a nice mark at half forward before calmly slotting a rare goal from a 50m set shot during the

third term. Every Tiger on the field rushed to their skipper to congratulate him.

The lead ballooned to as much as 71 points at three quarter time before Port went about restoring some respect onto the scoreboard.

The Magpies kicked five of the last seven goals of the contest to trim the margin back under 10 goals but the damage had been well and truly done.

With experienced midfielder Jack Trengove down on his usual output – mustering 21 disposals – the Magpies were reliant on too few, with Joe Atley and Willem Drew reaching 30 disposals in the midfield.

Power half-back Hamish Hartlett appeared to get through his return from a hamstring injury to tally 17 disposals and a goal in what was an otherwise forgettable day for the Magpies.

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| GLENELG | 2.11 | 6.15 | 13.17 | 15.17 | (107) |
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Leading Disposals

Glenelg: Partington 34, Curran 25, Proud 24, Motlop 22, Scharenberg 22, Snook 21, Bradley 20, Joseph 18.
 Port: Atley 31, Drew 30, Bonner 25, Mayes 25, Pudney 25, Trengove 21, Hartlett 17, Frederick 16.

Goals

Glenelg: McBean 4, Hosie 2, Reynolds 2, Bailey, Betterman, Curran, Gregson, Motlop, Partington, Scharenberg.
 Port: Johnson 2, Cox, Hartlett, Hill, Marshall, Mead, Woodcock.

Magarey Medal: 3 – L.Partington (Glenelg) 2 – M.Proud (Glenelg) 1 – C.Curran (Glenelg)

Round 8 Match Results and Premiership Table

| Match | Teams | P. | W. | L. | D. | For | Agst | Pts | % |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-------|-----|----|------------|------|------|-----|-------|
| 26-May-2019 Glenelg Oval | Glenelg | 15-17 | 107 | d. | Port Adel | 8-10 | 58 | | |
| 31-May-2019 Norwood Oval | Norwood | 19-8 | 122 | d. | West Adel | 10-9 | 69 | | |
| 1-Jun-2019 Prospect Oval | Adelaide | 15-6 | 96 | d. | North Adel | 9-11 | 65 | | |
| Woodville Oval | WW Eagles | 12-15 | 87 | d. | South Adel | 6-9 | 45 | | |
| 2-Jun-2019 Unley Oval | Sturt | 15-8 | 98 | d. | Cent.Dist | 8-11 | 59 | | |
| | 1 Glenelg | 8 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 741 | 520 | 13 | 58.76 |
| | 2 Adelaide | 8 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 721 | 619 | 13 | 53.81 |
| | 3 Norwood | 8 | 6 | 2 | - | 705 | 620 | 12 | 53.21 |
| | 4 South Adel | 8 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 639 | 554 | 10 | 53.56 |
| | 5 Sturt | 8 | 5 | 3 | - | 622 | 547 | 10 | 53.21 |
| | 6 Port Adel | 8 | 4 | 4 | - | 728 | 740 | 8 | 49.59 |
| | 7 WW Eagles | 8 | 3 | 5 | - | 629 | 705 | 6 | 47.15 |
| | 8 Centrals | 8 | 2 | 6 | - | 515 | 707 | 4 | 42.14 |
| | 9 West Adel | 8 | 1 | 7 | - | 519 | 682 | 2 | 43.21 |
| | 10 North Adel | 8 | 1 | 7 | - | 584 | 709 | -2 | 45.17 |