

# MCBEAN BAGS SIX AS BAYS KEEP ON WINNING

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GLENELG just refuses to lose.

The red-hot premiership favourite has now gone an extraordinary 280 days since last tasting defeat after brushing aside in-form Sturt by 30 points at Unley Oval on Saturday.

After being tested early and trailing midway through the second quarter, the super impressive Tigers again rose to the challenge, kicking the next 5.5 to blow the game wide open. They have won a club record 13 consecutive games to start a season and have not lost since last year's first semi-final to South Adelaide on October 4.

"It was another good win, three-and-a-half quarters of good footy," first-year Glenelg coach Brett Hand said. "Sturt has played some really good footy in the past few weeks and we knew they were going to come at us, which they did, but our midfielders got on top and really stood out.

"Our mids were hungry, set the tone and really dictated the pace of the game while I thought Jack Hannath was outstanding in ruck, giving them first use of the ball."

The Tigers' win was built on a clearance domination. They had 42 clearances to Sturt's 23, with Matthew Snook (nine), Brad Agnew (eight) and Brett Turner (seven) combining for

24. This led to a 57-38 advantage in inside 50s.

Magarey Medallist Luke Partington, who was reported in the final quarter for misconduct against the Sturt runner, also won plenty of the ball in the middle while dual Ken Farmer Medallist Liam McBean was a tower of strength at the goalfront, hauling in nine marks and kicking six goals. He has 38 goals for the season - nine more than his closest rival, Central District's Aiden Grace.

The Double Blues, who were riding a three-game winning streak, had conceded an average of only 40 points in those wins but they were outgunned by a well-drilled outfit that has a tough, hard-nosed midfield, a disciplined defence led by co-captains Chris Curran and Max Proud and a potent attack.

"We lost our way for 20 minutes in the first half and early in the third quarter and that's where the game got away from us," Sturt coach Martin Mattner said. "We just didn't play the style of footy we wanted in that period and didn't move the ball the way we would have liked but Glenelg is a good side. They are the best team we have played against from a talent point of view, a structure point of view and balance wise.

"They will take some beating."

<b>GLENELG</b>	32 5.6 10.9 14.11	<b>95</b>
<b>STURT</b>	20 4.1 5.2 10.5	<b>65</b>

**CAPEL'S BEST**

**Glenelg:** McBean, B. Turner, Snook, Agnew, Hannath, Landt, Curran, Partington.

**Sturt:** Voss, Battersby, Lewis, Thiele, Page, Carey.

**GOALS**

**Glenelg:** McBean 6, Pink, Bailey 2, Reynolds, Motlop, Kuller, Allen. **Sturt:** Hone, Penfold 2, Trenorden, Parker, Fahey-Sparks, Dakin, Houlahan, Thiele.

**REPORT**

**Glenelg:** Partington, by field umpire Morgan, for alleged misconduct against the Sturt runner in the fourth quarter.

**UMPIRES**

Harris, Morgan, Hughes.

**CROWD**

3009 at Unley Oval.



Glenelg's Brett Turner fires out a handball despite pressure from Sturt's Guy Page in the Bays' 30-point win at Unley Oval. Picture: Brenton Edwards

The Double Blues were given great service from rebounding half-back Casey Voss, who had a game-high 29 disposals and took 10 marks, while

consistent on-ballers James Battersby and Tom Lewis combined for 51 disposals and 13 clearances.

**The Coach's Match Report – Glenelg v Sturt**

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It was a cracking day for football at Unley Oval on Saturday afternoon and it was great to see so many supporters at the ground to watch the game.

With Sturt coming off three good wins we knew they would be physical and keen to turn the tables after losing to us by 4 points earlier in the season.

The first quarter was a bit of an arm wrestle with both sides having similar entries inside 50. Our midfield started well and they were winning the stoppage battle to provide our forwards with some good opportunity to hit the scoreboard. However, we weren't able to capitalise on these entries as well as I would have liked. We went into quarter time 8-points up but probably could have been a goal or two more.

With the second quarter

underway it became an evenly fought contest but with a few careless turnovers and some poor entries inside 50 Sturt managed to take the lead half way through the quarter. Then, we scored a couple of late goals to go into half time 11 points clear.

The third quarter was our best quarter for the game with us capitalising on our forward entries and kicking 5-3 to 1-1. With a bit more care we probably should have been a couple more goals up but it was pleasing to see an even spread of goal kickers for the quarter, with five individuals hitting the scoreboard.

The last quarter was again a bit of an arm wrestle with both sides making silly mistakes and costing goals. But our ability to win the contested



Tiger's win lucky number 13

ball and deliver inside 50 was a highlight, with Liam McBean kicking three goals for the quarter and finishing with six goals for the game.

Brett Turner continued his good form in the midfield and Jack Hannath was crucial in providing a good contest and giving our midfielders first use of the ball. Brad Agnew is enjoying his time in the midfield and found plenty of the ball whilst Matt

Snook was his usual industrious self around stoppages. Max Proud and Brodie Newman were very good in defence.

Once again the support from our members was fantastic and we look forward to seeing you all this Saturday afternoon for our big game against South Adelaide at ACH Group Stadium.

**Brett Hand, Senior Coach**

**Unley Oval, Saturday 10th July, 2:10pm**

<b>Sturt</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>65</b>
<b>Glenelg</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>14.11</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>Glenelg</b>	Goal Kickers: L.McBean 6.1, D.Bailey 2.1, T.Pink 2.1, M.Motlop 1.1, L.Reynolds 1.1, M.Allen 1.0, R.Kuller 1.0, L.Partington 0.3, D.Landt 0.1, B.Turner 0.1				
<b>Disposals:</b>	B.Turner 28, M.Snook 26, L.Partington 24, C.Curran 23, D.Landt 23, B.Agnew 18, M.Virgin 18, M.Allen 16, D.Bailey 15, A.Bradley 15				
<b>Sturt</b>	Goal Kickers: J.Hone 2, J.Penfold 2, C.Parker, J.Thiele, J.Dakin, D.Fahey-Sparks, J.Houlahan, A.Trenorden				
<b>Disposals:</b>	C.Voss 29, J.Battersby 28, T.Lewis 23, J.Thiele 23, G.Page 22, H.Carey 16, C.Parker 15				
<b>Shearman Medal Coaches Votes:</b>	10 – B.Turner (Glenelg), 6 – L.McBean (Glenelg), 4 – C.Curran (Glenelg), 3 – G.Page (Sturt), 3 – J.Thiele (Sturt), 2 – B.Agnew (Glenelg), 1 – D.Landt (Glenelg), 1 – T.Pink (Glenelg)				

**Round 14, 2021 -- League Results & Ladder**

Woodville Oval	WW Eagles	9-21	75	d. West Adel	8-8	56	Teams	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agnt	Pts	%
Prospect Oval	North Adel	21-5	131	d. Cent.Dist	13-5	83	Glenelg	13	13	-	-	1202	866	26	58.12
Unley Oval	Glenelg	14-11	95	d. Sturt	10-5	65	W-WT Eagles	13	9	4	-	1129	814	18	58.11
Victor Harbor	South Adel	12-15	87	d. Adelaide	10-10	70	South Adel	13	8	5	-	979	909	16	51.85
Alberton Oval	Norwood	14-12	96	d. Port Adel	9-6	60	Norwood	13	8	5	-	829	780	16	51.52
<b>Leading Goalkickers</b>							North Adel	13	7	6	-	1156	870	14	57.06
<b>Player</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Games</b>	<b>Goals</b>				Port Adel	13	6	7	-	874	1022	12	46.10
Liam McBEAN	Glenelg	13	38.16				Sturt	13	5	8	-	845	882	10	48.93
Aiden GRACE	Centrals	13	29.23				Adelaide	13	4	9	-	937	1230	8	43.24
Luke REYNOLDS	Glenelg	13	28.13				Centrals	13	3	10	-	841	1077	6	43.85
Daniel MENZEL	W-WT Eagles	11	25.24				West Adel	13	2	11	-	776	1118	4	40.97