

Tigers top Dogs after first-half onslaught

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GLENELG continued its impressive start to the season with a powerful 34-point win against Central District yesterday at Elizabeth.

Brett Hand made it three wins from three as Tigers coach after his hard-running, high-pressure side added to first-up victories against West Adelaide and reigning premiers the Eagles by kicking away from the Bulldogs thanks to a dominant first-half performance.

The Bulldogs, who began the season with an impressive home win against North Adelaide before a second-half fade-out against Port Adelaide, looked in danger of being

swept aside in the first half, but the Tigers' inaccurate goal-kicking left it with a wasteful 5.10 on the board at half-time.

"The way we played in the first quarter was exactly the way I want to play," Hand said.

"The way we went about it with our pressure and attack at the footy was what I have been trying to instil in the boys."

Central fought hard in the second half, refusing to buckle despite trailing by seven goals early in the third quarter and strung together some promising patches of footy.

Bulldogs coach Paul Thomas could not question his players' endeavour or their willingness to play for each other and was pleased with the fight they showed when it

looked like Glenelg could kick away. "We just needed to be consistent for longer periods of time," he said.

With ruckman Jack Hannath improving every week, Luke Partington, Brett Turner, Matthew Snook and Darcy Bailey damaging through the midfield and with a host of dangerous forwards ready to make an impact, Glenelg is showing it is on the right track to playing finals footy for the third successive season.

And its defence looks rock-solid, co-captain Chris Curran, Max Proud and Sam Durdin working well together.

For Central, Travis Schiller worked hard for 22 touches and Darcy Pisani looks to have a bright future.



GLENELG
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CENTRAL
1.2 1.6 3.9 5.12 **42**

BEST

Glenelg: Curran, Partington, Virgin, Hannath, Turner, Bailey.
Central: Grant, T. Schiller, Presbury, Pisani, Habel.

GOALS

Glenelg: Hosie 3, Reynolds 2, Allen, Pink, Kluske, Hannath, McBean.

Central: Hoskin, East 2, Cannizzaro.

INJURIES

Glenelg: Snook (corked thigh).

UMPIRES

M. Harris, T. Bryce, H. Hughes.

CROWD

1545 at X Convenience Oval

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Heading to Elizabeth to play Centrals is always a challenging prospect, and with an excellent performance against North in Round 1 and a solid first half last week against the Magpies, we knew this trip wouldn't be any different.

We went in with an unchanged team and started the game well with plenty of the ball in our front half, but we were unable to capitalise on our inside 50's with goals. We had numerous repeat

entries inside 50 but were only able to kick 1-5 for the quarter to Centrals 1-2.

The second quarter was a lot better with the ball living inside our half of the ground. We managed to have nine shots on goal from our 13 inside 50 entries, but inaccuracy in front of the big sticks was still an issue.

The second half was a lot more of an even contest and we knew Centrals would come out and respond, which they did,

but I was happy with the way we went about our game. Playing on a big ground like Elizabeth means that you need to look to move the ball differently and I was pleased with how we moved the ball, although our fundamentals cost a number of entries inside 50. It was pleasing to see our Reserves team also have a good win. They remain undefeated as well moving into round 4, where they head back out to Elizabeth.

Our League team play Port Magpies in a Anzac Day rematch of the 2019 Grand Final, which many of our players are looking forward.

With our Reserves team playing well, it is making the match committee definitely interesting and keeping the league players on their toes.

Brett Hand,
Senior Coach

X Convenience Oval, Saturday 17th April, 2:10pm

Central District	1.2	1.6	3.9	5.12	42
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Central District

Goal Kickers: J. Hoskin 2, E. East 2, R. Cannizzaro

Disposals: H. Grant 25, K. Presbury 22, T. Schiller 22, D. Pisani 18, L. Habel 16

Glenelg

Goal Kickers: L. Hosie 3.3, L. Reynolds 2.0, L. McBean 1.3, T. Pink 1.0, M. Allen 1.1, J. Hannath 1.1, J. Kluske 1.1, M. Motlop 0.3, D. Bailey 0.1, C. Horsnell 0.1, L. Wisdom 0.1

Disposals: L. Partington 26, D. Bailey 24, C. Curran 22, M. Virgin 22, M. Snook 20, B. Turner 20, A. Bradley 19, S. Durdin 17, R. Kuller 17

Shearman Medal Coaches Votes: 10 – L. Partington (Glenelg), 8 – C. Curran (Glenelg), 6 – L. Hosie (Glenelg), 2 – J. Hoskin (Central), 2 – J. Hannath (Glenelg), 2 – B. Turner (Glenelg)

Round 3, 2021 -- League Results & Ladder

Teams	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agnt	Pts	%
Norwood Oval								
North Adel	16-15	111	d. Norwood	2-7	19			
Unley Oval								
Sturt	12-21	93	d. West Adel	6-7	43			
Elizabeth Oval								
Glenelg	10-16	76	d. Cent. Dist	5-12	42			
Noarlunga Oval								
South Adel	12-9	81	d. Port Adel	10-12	72			
Woodville Oval								
WW Eagles	24-11	155	d. Adelaide	11-6	72			
South Adel	3	3	-	-	260	179	6	59.23
Glenelg	3	3	-	-	256	182	6	58.45
W-WT Eagles	3	2	1	-	311	211	4	59.58
Norwood	3	2	1	-	182	208	4	46.67
North Adel	3	1	2	-	267	195	2	57.79
Sturt	3	1	2	-	186	203	2	47.81
Port Adel	3	1	2	-	188	225	2	45.52
Centrals	3	1	2	-	188	230	2	44.98
Adelaide	3	1	2	-	195	333	2	36.93
West Adel	3	-	3	-	197	264	-	42.73