

# Tigers end hoodoo in emphatic style

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WHITE-HOT Glenelg has firmed as SANFL flag favourite, after sensationally ending an eight-year hoodoo at Noarlunga Oval on Sunday.

The Tigers remained unbeaten and moved two wins clear at the top of the ladder by beating second-placed South Adelaide on their home turf for the first time since round one, 2013.

Glenelg turned its graveyard into its playground, using the ball far more efficiently, to win convincingly by 40 points and claim the Carey-Darley Cup.

Tigers premiership captain Chris Curran, who had 32 disposals and took 12 marks in defence, won the John Schneebichler Medal as best afield.

The victory was Glenelg's seventh straight to start the season – its best in 40 years, when it won its first 10 under coach John Halbert.

"The past is the past, but we prepared for a really solid

contest against a very good team and I'm pretty happy with the result," first-year Tigers coach Brett Hand said.

"I thought our third quarter, in particular, was really good and our backline was elite, outstanding.

"The club's going really well, seven-zip is a good place to be, but we enjoy the win and regroup for Adelaide next week."

In a game which included 11 players who lined up in the South Australian team which beat Western Australia last week, Glenelg proved the classier side.

It won by seven goals, despite losing the inside 50 count 59-38.

The Tigers handed debuts to Brady Searle and Brodie Newman, but it was a former Glenelg boy who got the ball rolling for South.

Ex-Carlton and Crows star midfielder Bryce Gibbs took no time putting his stamp on the game, goaling with a long bomb after 30 seconds and before Glenelg had touched the ball.

But the visitors settled quickly and – aided by the breeze – hit back hard. A superb right-foot snap shot from Matthew Allen was followed by two majors from full forward Liam McBean.


Glenelg scored from its first six inside 50 entries and by quarter-time had burst to a 27-point lead.

South lost State small forward Eamon Wilkinson early in the second term with a shin injury. But with veteran Joel Cross exerting an influence, the Panthers kicked three consecutive goals to draw to within eight points, before two defensive howlers gifted the Bays two goal-line majors.

Glenelg took an eight-point lead into the long break and that was as close as South would get.

Lachie Hosie ignited the Tigers' third quarter charge, with two quick goals before straining a hamstring, as Hand's outfit piled on six goals without reply for the term to seal the victory.

"We were outclassed by a quality team," South coach

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	<b>SOUTH</b> 1.2 6.4 6.7 9.8	<b>62</b>

**BEST**  
**Glenelg:** Curran, Turner, Proud, Partington, Allen, Martini, Virgin, McBean.  
**South:** Gibbs, Cross, Haines, Broadbent, Horne, Haren.

**GOALS**  
**Glenelg:** McBean 3, Bailey, Hosie, Motlop 2 Allen, Pink, Turner, Kluske, Bradley, Reynolds.  
**South:** Tarca, Cross, Nobes 2, Gibbs, Overall, Horne.

**INJURIES**  
**Glenelg:** Hosie (hamstring).  
**South:** Wilkinson (shin), Kappler (calf), Milsom (foot).

**UMPIRES**  
Bryce, Harris, Burke.

**CROWD**  
2473 at Noarlunga Oval.

Jarrad Wright said. "We were two rotations down at half-time, but they are a highly-skilled team and punished us with their offence."

## The Coach's Match Report – Glenelg v South Adelaide

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What a beautiful day it was to head down south to Noarlunga with a balmy 24 degrees. It had been a good weekend for the Club with the Women's team beating Norwood on Saturday and winning their way through to their first grand final. Congratulations to Jason and the girls. It was fantastic to see quite a large number of the Senior men's team at Norwood supporting them, and they will be there next week to support them in the final.

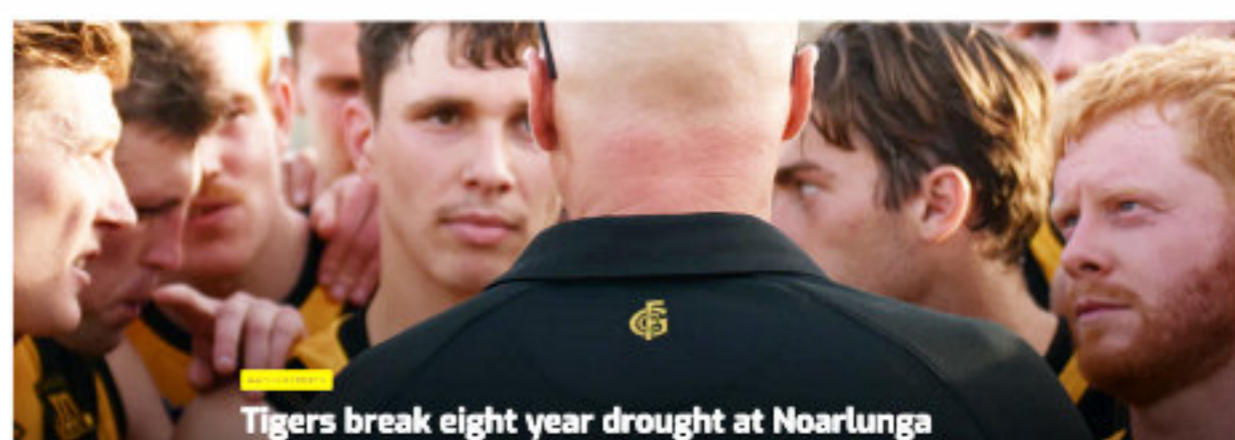
Our Reserves continued their winning form, beating South in the early game with a number of players putting their names up for senior selection and keeping the League boys on their toes.

South got away to a flyer when Gibbs kicked an early goal, but once we got our hands on the footy we were able to put some pressure on South and we used the ball well going

inside 50. Liam McBean and Lachie Hosie were good focal points for us, but it was our ground level work this week that was the most pleasing aspect. We went into the quarter time break with a handy 22-point lead but could have been further in front if we capitalized on our snap shots.

South responded well in the second ¼, getting their hands on the ball at stoppages and putting our backline under enormous pressure. With Curran, Proud and Durdin being outstanding in the air, and Martini, Agnew and Virgin along with Newman mopping up the balls that hit the ground, we were able to repel South and restrict their scoreboard influence. We went into half time with a 8-point lead.

The third quarter was instrumental for us with the way we won the contested ball and how we moved the



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ball inside, with our forward line giving the forwards first opportunity. Lachie Hosie was instrumental in our scoreboard pressure, kicking two goals in the first 10 minutes before being sidelined with a hamstring injury that looks like it will keep him out of the game for a few weeks. We kicked 6-3 to South's 0-3 during this term and went to ¾ time with a handy 44-point lead.

Knowing that it had been 8 years since we last tasted success at Noarlunga, the guys were keen to finish the game off well. We did this, although we didn't finish our work inside 50, kicking 2-3 to 3-1.

Congratulations to Chris Curran who won the John Schneebichler medal for his excellent performance in defence and to the whole team for bringing the Carey-Darley cup back to Brighton road.

A big thankyou to our loyal supporters who travelled down the expressway to Noarlunga and supported us on Sunday. Your support and voice is greatly appreciated by the players and it was outstanding to see so many on the hill cheering us along.

**Brett Hand, Senior Coach**

## Flinders University Stadium, Sun 23 May, 2:10 PM

<b>South Adelaide</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>62</b>
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### South Adelaide

Goal Kickers: J. Cross 2, J. Tarca 2, D. Nobes 2, B. Gibbs, J. Horne, S. Overall

Disposals: B. Gibbs 31, J. Haines 26, J. Cross 23, M. Broadbent 18, J. Horne 17, H. Sampson 17

### Glenelg

Goal Kickers: L. McBean 3.0, L. Hosie 2.3, D. Bailey 2.2, M. Motlop 2.0, L. Reynolds 1.1, A. Bradley 1.0, T. Pink 1.0, M. Allen 1.0, J. Kluske 1.0, B. Turner 1.0, L. Partington 0.2

Disposals: C. Curran 33, M. Allen 26, L. Partington 25, M. Proud 23, B. Turner 23, A. Bradley 21, M. Snook 20, M. Virgin 20, B. Newman 19, A. Martini 16, S. Durdin 15

**Shearman Medal Coaches Votes:** 10 – C. Curran (Glenelg), 6 – M. Proud (Glenelg), 6 – M. Allen (Glenelg), 6 – B. Gibbs (South), 1 – J. Horne (South), 1 – L. Hosie (Glenelg)

## Round 7, 2021 -- League Results & Ladder

Richmond Oval	WW Eagles	21-8	134 d.	West Adel	5-4	34	Teams	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agntst	Pts	%
Unley Oval	Cent. Dist	12-13	85 d.	Sturt	11-9	75	Glenelg	7	7	-	-	615	456	14	57.42
Norwood Oval	Norwood	12-20	92 d.	Adelaide	6-8	44	South Adel	7	5	2	-	544	465	10	53.91
Alberton Oval	Port Adel	13-8	86 d.	North Adel	11-12	78	Norwood	7	5	2	-	453	408	10	52.61
Noarlunga Oval	Glenelg	15-12	102 d.	South Adel	9-8	62	W-WT Eagles	7	4	3	-	644	509	8	55.85
<b>Leading Goalkickers</b>							Port Adel	7	4	3	-	541	506	8	51.67
<b>Player</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Games</b>	<b>Goals</b>				North Adel	7	2	5	-	593	495	4	54.50
Lachie HOSIE	Glenelg	7	19.9				Sturt	7	2	5	-	457	526	4	46.49
Lewis HENDER	North	7	19.6				Centrals	7	2	5	-	466	577	4	44.68
Liam McBEAN	Glenelg	7	16.8				Adelaide	7	2	5	-	498	676	4	42.42
Daniel MENZEL	W-WT Eagles	6	15.14				West Adel	7	2	5	-	431	624	4	40.85
Aiden GRACE	Centrals	7	15.13												