

Five-goal Hosie hits heights as Bays halt Port charge

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LUKE MARCHIORO

GLENELG cemented its second spot with a hard-fought 39-point victory over Port Adelaide on Saturday at Alberton Oval.

The Tigers were led by an impressive forward display from Lachie Hosie, who turned in a best-on-ground performance to lead Glenelg to its fifth consecutive victory. He finished with five goals to go along with 17 disposals and 10 marks.

Tigers coach Brett Hand was impressed by the 25-year-old's performance.

"I think it's almost the best game I've seen him play not just from a scoreboard point of view but his pressure as well," Hand said. "He was a real focal point for us up forward and he got on the end of some good work from our midfielders."

Facing a Magpies side hit by injuries and health and safety protocols, Glenelg dominated the opening term but failed to convert on the scoreboard, booting 1.5 to hold a nine-point lead at the first break.

Port worked its way back into the contest, kicking three straight majors before the Tigers took charge, booting 10 of the last 11 goals in the contest to secure a comfortable win.

"We knew they were going to come at us, we knew we were in for a fight so to arrest their momentum at that point in the

second quarter was pleasing," Hand said. "I was generally happy with how we went about it – our pressure and contest were good, as were our contested ball numbers."

Hand also highlighted his side's defensive efforts, holding the Magpies to just 34 points, including a pair of goalless quarters.

"We have been working hard on our defence and to be able to do that today was really good," Hand said.

It was a difficult afternoon for Port, which fielded only eight AFL-listed players due to injuries and health and safety protocols, and was forced to play ruck coach Matt Lobbe due to player unavailability. Despite the result, Magpies coach Matt Lokan said he was pleased with his side's effort across the contest.

"I thought we rocked up with a real attitude to just compete," Lokan said. "We were beaten by the better team in the end, credit to them, they were too good, but I can't be disappointed if the boys give their all."

One positive for Port was the return of Orazio Fantasia, who got through unscathed, finishing with 17 disposals and 0.4, spending time on the ball and up forward.

"He looked really sharp around the contest and it looked like he is getting back somewhere near his best," Lokan said.



Glenelg's Liam McBean grabs a strong mark at Alberton Oval. Picture: Cory Sutton

GLENELG	1.5	3.8	8.9	11.10	76
PORT	0.2	3.6	4.11	4.13	37

MARCHIORO'S BEST

Glenelg: Hosie, Snook, Proud, Murdoch, Allen, Horsnell, Bailey, Stretch.

Port Adelaide: Weidemann, E. Moore, N. Moore, Fantasia.

GOALS

Glenelg: Hosie 5, McBean 2, Hannath, Partington, Reynolds, Snook.

Port Adelaide: Lobbe, Nield, Visentini, Williams.

UMPIRES

Morgan, Hundertmark, Galletly.

CROWD

1801 at Alberton Oval.

Tigers claim victory at Alberton

– Brett Hand, Senior Coach

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Alberton Oval, Saturday 25th June, 2:10pm

We travelled up Tapleys Hill Road to Alberton Oval on Saturday with a plan to walk away with the two points. We started the game well with plenty of the ball in our forward half of the ground, but unfortunately we were inaccurate in front of the big sticks, only kicking 1.5 and a couple out on the full. Port were applying great pressure around the contest which was expected, and it was always going to be a tough contested game with many stoppages.

The second quarter started with Port applying some strong pressure around the contest and working the ball inside their 50 early. They

capitalised on their chances and kicked three goals in the first 15 minutes. We were then able to wrestle the ascendancy back in our favour to own the ball in our half of the ground for the remainder of the quarter with five shots on goal. We were our own worst enemy at times by overusing the ball and giving it back to Port, but when we were able to get the ball in space we moved it well inside 50.

The third quarter was similar to the first, with us holding the ball in our half of the ground for majority of the quarter. But this time, we were able to impact the scoreboard, kicking five goals and one behind. Port's

tackle pressure and desire to turn the game into scrap was evident but it was pleasing that we were able to break away from the congestion at times and give our forwards a good look at the ball. With Hosie kicking another two goals in the quarter we were able to break away from Port and hold onto a handy margin at three quarter time.

During the last quarter the game started to open up for us and we found some space with our movement from the defensive 50. We were able to boot another three goals to two points for the quarter. Our defensive efforts for the day were a real highlight as we restricted Port to 39 inside

50 entries for the game whilst were able to go inside our 50 55 times. It was a pleasing effort from our midfield, for although Port dominated the hit outs, our midfield were able to square up the clearances with Billy Stretch, Matthew Snook and Luke Partington having an impact around the stoppages. Max Proud was solid in defence along with Alex Martini, while Lachie Hosie impressed by kicking five goals for the day. It was a good all round effort against a team that was undermanned but had a real crack.

	PLAYED	WINS	LOSSES	FOR	AGAINST	POINTS	PERCENTAGE	FORM
NORTH ADELAIDE	11	9	2	973	723	18	57.37%	W L W W W W W W W L W
GLENELG	11	9	2	926	711	18	56.57%	W W W W L L W W W W W
ADELAIDE	11	8	3	1066	789	16	57.47%	W W L W W W W W L L W W
WOODVILLE-WEST TORRENS	11	7	4	787	721	14	52.19%	L W W L W W L W W L W
NORWOOD	11	6	5	811	719	12	53.01%	L L W W L L W W L W W
STURT	11	6	5	796	771	12	50.8%	W L W W W W L L W L L
SOUTH ADELAIDE	11	5	6	720	801	10	47.34%	W W L L L W L W L W L
PORT ADELAIDE	11	3	8	720	907	6	44.25%	L L L L W L W L W L L
CENTRAL DISTRICT	11	2	9	683	957	4	41.65%	L W L L L L L L L W L
WEST ADELAIDE	11	0	11	704	1087	0	39.31%	L L L L L L L L L L L