



It's all up in the air as Glenelg's Lachie Hosie and South Adelaide's Reece Milsom battle for the ball in the Bays' 34-point win on Saturday at the Bay. Picture: Matt Loxton

	GLENELG	91
	2.4 5.8 8.11 12.19	
	SOUTH	57
	0.3 4.4 7.9 8.9	

CAPEL'S BEST
Glenelg: Lyons, Snook, Bailey, Allen, Proud, Martini, Durdin, Partington. **South:** Broadbent, O'Neill, Haines, Claravino, Davis, Summerton.

GOALS
Glenelg: Hosie 3, Holder, Searle 2, Lyons, Stretch, McBean, Reynolds, Allen. **South:** Menzie 2, Garthwaite, Sampson, Freitag, Bogle, Claravino, Kantilla.

UMPIRES
 Bryce, Sboro, Bowen.

CROWD
 2225 at Glenelg Oval.

Bays get 'bang for buck' in late charge

ANDREW CAPEL

GLENELG avoided a third consecutive loss for the first time in the Brett Hand coaching era by producing a powerful finish against South Adelaide at the Bay on Saturday.

Under serious pressure after falling behind for the first time midway through the third quarter and trailing by nine points entering time-on, the Tigers responded strongly with five unanswered goals in 15 minutes to quickly turn the game on its head to snap a two-game losing streak.

Taking control of the midfield and finding inside-50 targets, they kicked 7.8 to 1.1 after exciting Kim Kantilla had put the Panthers nine points ahead 19 minutes into the third term.

Glenelg's ultimately comfortable 34-point victory saw it retain the Carey-Darley Cup, which is played for between the two clubs, and consolidate its spot in the top five with a 5-2 win-loss record.

"We tidied up our skills late in the game and got bang for our buck," Tigers coach Hand said.

"We took 16 marks inside 50 this week, which is an area that we've let ourselves down in this year by blazing away with our ball use, so that was a real positive.

"It was also good to finish a game off because we didn't do that (in nar-

row losses) against Port Adelaide and North Adelaide."

In contrast, injury-riddled South's defeat left it languishing in seventh spot with a 3-4 record.

Compounding its loss was the shocking news that last year's Magarey Medallist Bryce Gibbs will have shoulder surgery on Monday and will be sidelined for 12 weeks.

Gibbs pulled up sore after the round six win against Norwood.

"Having Bryce go down is a big loss for us," Panthers coach Jarrad Wright said.

"We've had a lot of injuries this year and our kids had a crack for three quarters but we just couldn't sustain it.

"We went in with a certain method and executed for three quarters with really high intensity but their mature-age, experienced players pushed a button in the last quarter and our young, developing side couldn't go with them and got found out in the pressure cooker."

Glenelg's Brisbane Lions recruit Corey Lyons starred in the first meeting between the clubs since last year's preliminary final, collecting 29 possessions and winning the John Schneebichler Medal as best-afield. Fellow midfielder Matthew Snook was superb at ground level, firing out 16 handballs and laying seven tackles.

	GLENELG	57
	2.2 4.7 6.8 8.9	
	CENTRAL	25
	1.0 2.0 2.3 3.7	

BARRETT'S BEST
Glenelg: Bailey, Proud, Snook, Stretch, Lyons, Gerloff.
Central District: J. Schiller, T. Schiller, Montgomerie, Carpenter, Grace, Neagle.

GOALS
Glenelg: Reynolds, McBean, Hosie 2, Stagg, Lyons.
Central District: Grace 2, Olsson.

UMPIRES
 Morgan, Scott, Burke.

CROWD
 1021 at X Convenience Oval, Elizabeth.

Tigers' skillset proves the difference in Ponderosa slugfest

STEVE BARRETT

TIGHT-FISTED defending and superior weaponry in attack helped Glenelg withstand slippery conditions and hammer out a 32-point win over Central District at boggy Elizabeth Oval on Saturday.

Treacherous pre-match thunderstorms flooded the Ponderosa and resulted in a grinding war of attrition as the Tigers held the Bulldogs to their lowest score in 59 years of league clashes between the two sides.

Darcy Bailey and Max Proud commanded the backline, Matt Snook typically thrived in the centre-square

mudheap, while Liam McBean, Luke Reynolds and Luke Hosie presented purposefully in attack in unsuitable conditions.

The Bays' midfield thrived despite 2019 Magarey Medallist Luke Partington being held statless in the opening term and his overall effectiveness dulled thanks to the hard tag of Matt Neagle.

"Our skill probably got us over the line in the end," said Glenelg assistant Brett Exelby, standing in for senior coach Brett Hand, who has Covid-19.

"We knew coming out here the Dogs would have a real crack.

"When we got the ball in space, we

used it well and our backline has been standing up for us all year."

It took more than 14 minutes for either camp to trouble the scorers in a scrappy opening quarter before the second term saw the play camped almost entirely in the Bays' forward half.

The Tigers were peppering but couldn't quite capitalise on the scoreboard, while at the other end Central's forwards were suffering frostbite.

But through the in-and-under exertions of hard-working Jarrod and Travis Schiller, intercepting prowess of Rhett Montgomerie in defence and composure of second-gamer

Jack Carpenter, the home team, despite trailing by 29 points at three-quarter-time, didn't at any stage surrender.

Behind 13-29 in inside-50s at half-time, the Bulldogs went 31-16 in that category in the second half - including 13 in a row to start the fourth stanza - to almost even the ledger but their firm endeavour was in contrast to their erratic efficiency.

"Glenelg just made a bit more of their forward entries to score," Central coach Paul Thomas said.

"I always love our endeavour and effort but their (Tigers') percentage of scores from their inside-50s was probably the difference."

CLUB	PLAYED	WINS	LOSSES	FOR	AGAINST	POINTS	PERCENTAGE	FORM
NORTH ADELAIDE	8	7	1	735	532	14	58.01%	W L W W W W W
ADELAIDE	8	6	2	802	599	12	57.24%	W W L W W W W L
GLENELG	8	6	2	654	550	12	54.32%	W W W W L L W W
STURT	8	5	3	636	539	10	54.13%	W L W W W W L L
WOODVILLE-W TORRENS	8	5	3	620	540	10	53.45%	L W W L W W L W
NORWOOD	8	4	4	589	530	8	52.64%	L L W W L L W W
SOUTH ADELAIDE	8	4	4	585	608	8	49.04%	W W L L L W L W
PORT ADELAIDE	8	2	6	533	680	4	43.94%	L L L L W L W L
CENTRAL DISTRICT	8	1	7	469	723	2	39.35%	L W L L L L L L
WEST ADELAIDE	8	0	8	472	794	0	37.28%	L L L L L L L L