

Tigers Alberton party poopers

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Port Adelaide created history with its first official game under lights at Alberton Oval but Glenelg ruined the party with a nine-point triumph on Saturday night.

The Tigers crept closer to the minor premiership with their 14th win for the season, while Port remains in fourth spot on the ladder and still locked in a fight for a finals berth.

Glenelg used the opening quarter to show why it is on top of the table, adopting effective ball movement to take control of the contest. Cole Gerloff nailed the first goal after just two minutes but the Tigers failed to capitalise on their terrific ball movement.

Lively forward Lachlan Hosie worried the Port defence, only to waste opportunities with tardy kicking for goal.

Matthew Allen had a heavy influence early and his outstanding skills resulted in Luke

Partington kicking a goal 19 minutes into the game.

Toby Pink was brilliant in defence, pulling down six marks in the first quarter to defuse Port attacking raids.

The home side responded to the challenge from the competition pacesetters, finding more of the ball in the second term and putting the Tigers under pressure.

Captain Cam Sutcliffe and Jackson Mead were busy for Port, who asked plenty of questions of the Tigers' defence.

The inside-50 count for the second quarter was 15-8 in favour of Port but now it wasted chances in front of goal.

When Luke Reynolds used his clever skills to nail an amazing goal only two minutes into the third term, the Tigers led by 16 points. The other two goals for a quarter littered with turnovers belonged to Port, the second of those kicked by Orazio Fantasia.

Two goals in the first two

minutes of the last term gave the Bays a commanding 19-point buffer but, again, tenacious Port answered the challenge when Nick Moore nailed his third goal and Jed Hagan kicked a stunning major.

GLENELG V PORT



3.4	1.2
4.4	2.6
5.8	4.7
9.12	8.9
66	57

BEST – Glenelg: Pink, Lyons, Bailey, Searle, Reynolds, Gerloff, Proud. **Port:** Sutcliffe, Moore, J. Mead, Hagan, Pasini, H. Jackson. **GOALS – Glenelg:** Reynolds, Hosie 2, McBean, Gerloff, Lyons, Partington, Allen. **Port:** Moore 3, Hagan 2, Fantasia, Short, Szust. **UMPIRES –** Packard, Bowen, Bennett. **CROWD –** 1290 at Alberton Oval.

LEAGUE PREMIERSHIP LADDER

	P	W	L	For	Agnst	Pts	%
GLENELG	16	14	2	1341	904	28	59.73
STURT	16	13	3	1102	1017	26	52.01
ADELAIDE	16	12	4	1450	889	24	61.99
PORT ADEL	16	8	8	1138	1185	16	48.99
NORTH ADEL	16	8	8	955	1085	16	46.81
CENTRALS	16	7	9	933	1058	14	46.86
W-WT EAGLES	16	5	11	968	1118	10	46.40
SOUTH ADEL	16	5	11	947	1156	10	45.03
NORWOOD	16	5	11	884	1098	10	44.60
WEST ADEL	16	3	13	948	1156	6	45.06

STURT V CENTRAL



0.5	3.0
2.8	6.2
4.11	7.2
8.14	9.4
62	58

BEST – Sturt: Battersby, McFadyen, Voss, Burrows, Coombas, Frederick, Lewis, Doyle. **Central:** Grant, Schiller, Dudley, Iles, Kendall, McLennan. **GOALS – Sturt:** Burrows 3, Mathews 2, Reschke, McFadyen, Carruthers. **Central:** Dudley 3, Barreau, Linke, Richard, Schiller, Presbury, Grace. **UMPIRES –** Wittenburg, Sobieraj, Morgan. **CROWD –** 1363 at X Convenience Oval.

NORWOOD V SOUTH



3.4	3.3
9.9	4.4
10.10	6.7
12.11	12.9
83	81

BEST – Norwood: Rokahr, Callow, Panos, Heard, Boyd, Kennerley, Surman. **South:** Davis, Mutch, Sampson, Haines, Brooksby, Shillabeer, O'Neill. **GOALS – Norwood:** Callow 4, Binder, McLean 2, Kennerley, Panos, Ball, Rokahr. **South:** Shillabeer, Sproule 3, Delean, Fitt 2, Wilkinson, Mutch. **UMPIRES –** Reardon, Hardy, Sboro. **CROWD –** 1491 at Coopers Stadium.

NORTH V EAGLES



2.3	2.4
2.5	4.7
8.6	6.8
12.8	9.11
80	65

BEST – North: Mayes, Hilder, Wigg, Harvey, Moore, McCann, Combe. **Eagles:** Rowe, Ballenden, D'Aloia, Beecken, Rowland. **GOALS – North:** Hilder 4, Casalini 3, Mayes 2, Ramsey, Szekely, Young. **Eagles:** Ballenden 4, Lukac 2, Menzel, Nicholls, Rowe. **UMPIRES –** Burke, Williams, Millar. **CROWD –** 1440 at Maughan Thiem Kia Oval, Woodville.

ADELAIDE V WEST



5.0	3.2
9.0	3.4
12.4	6.8
15.6	8.10
96	58

BEST – Adelaide: Strachan, Gollant, Hatley, Berry, Dowling, Sholl, Parnell, Brown, Wright. **West:** Mattingly, K. Ryan, Park, Maguire, Beech, May, Squire. **GOALS – Adelaide:** Gollant 6, Wright 4, Dowling 2, McHenry, Hatley, Sharrad. **West:** Beech 4, Corbett, Johnson, Steele, Maguire. **UMPIRES –** Harris, Klemm, Scott. **CROWD –** 1220 at Johnstone Park, Murray Bridge.

RESERVES

GLENELG 2.3 6.5 7.12 14.15 (99)
WEST ADELAIDE 0.5 0.6 2.7 2.10 (22)
Goals: Glenelg: J Yates 3 M Guehrer 2 M Miller 2 A Moir B Edwards D Scott N Paredes R Kuller H Stagg H Brokensha. West Adelaide: C Patterson J Sheppard.
Best: Glenelg: R Kuller M Miller N Paredes D Scott C McLeod. West Adelaide: C Patterson N Couroupis D White J Obst C Kennedy.

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Glenelg	16	14	2	0	1364	766	28
Sturt	16	11	5	0	1193	797	22
Central Dist	16	11	5	0	1065	901	22
South Adel	16	8	7	1	1008	991	17
Eagles	15	6	9	0	997	1114	12
Norwood	16	6	10	0	1001	1140	12
West Adel	16	3	12	1	767	1244	7
North Adel	15	3	12	0	731	1173	6

COACH'S MATCH REPORT

GLENELG V PORT – ROUND 16, 2023

Tigers take the win at Alberton

Alberton Oval, Saturday 12th August, 4:40pm

Port Adelaide	1.2	2.6	4.7	8.9	57
Glenelg	3.4	4.4	5.8	9.12	66

Goals: Luke Reynolds 2, Lachie Hosie 2, Matt Allen, Cole Gerloff, Corey Lyons, Liam McBean, Luke Partington

Best: Toby Pink, Corey Lyons, Matt Allen, Luke Reynolds, Lachie Hosie, Cole Gerloff

Disposals: C. Lyons 28, D. Bailey 21, M. Allen 20, M. Snook 19, B. Turner 19, L. Hosie 17

Magarey Medal: 3 – Jackson Mead (PA), 2 – Corey Lyons (Gl), 1 – Lachie Hosie (Gl)

As we head into the final stages of the home and away season, the main focus is to keep winning games of football. While we were able to do this on Saturday, there is some frustration with how the game played out and how we went about it both offensively and defensively. Full credit to Port Adelaide, who certainly pushed us right until the final siren and showed they are a huge player in the finals race over the next few weeks of football.

We were pleased with how we started the game, and we felt like we were able to get our hands on the ball and give ourselves several scoring opportunities. Being unable to make the most of them can always come back to hurt us against good teams. For much of the first half this is how the game played out, with us being wasteful and sloppy with the ball and certainly lacking the intent to defend the ground in a way we have look to build our game around. It certainly wasn't a brand of football for the highlight reel, for while we were still in front

in the game, we had left ourselves with plenty of work to do.

As a group we had some strong conversations around what our attitude for the contest had looked like up until that point. Pleasingly, the start of the third quarter resembled a little bit more of what we expect of each other. Unfortunately, we were not able to sustain it, and with the opposition completely up for the contest we found ourselves in a real fight to maintain our advantage.

Similarly, the last quarter played out much the same. Some real intent and urgency allowed us to get out to a 19-point lead, but our inability to maintain allowed them to keep chipping away and keep the contest close. One of the big positives was our ability to close the game down in the last 6-7 minutes with some maturity and composure with our method. We take the two points and look to go about improving again this week.



Our Reserves group continued on their way with a convincing win against West Adelaide, a victory which means they are going to finish the home and away season on top of the ladder. While it was a little slippery over the day, there was a lot to like in how the group went about their work both with and without the ball. While we have spoken about the talent that exists in the group, the way they continue to play a team-orientated brand is really pleasing to the coaching group. There are certainly a number that are banging on the door and applying plenty of pressure on the players above – a healthy position for us to be in as a club.

–Darren Reeves, Senior Coach
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