Rampant Tigers give Eagles a Hosie down

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GLENELG'S key forwards stood tall as the Tigers put Woodville-West Torrens to the sword in the SANFL Anzac Eve clash at the Bay on Monday night.

The terrific trio combination of Lachie Hosie, Luke Reynolds and Liam McBean were too hot for the Eagles to handle, kicking nine goals between them, as the home side broke the game wide open in the third quarter to win convincingly by 48 points.

After trailing by 15 points 10 minutes into the second term, Glenelg booted nine of the next 10 goals to take a stranglehold on the game and give new coach Darren Reeves a second consecutive victory.

Full forward Hosie, who kicked six goals against Port Adelaide in round two, bagged another five, livewire Reynolds booted three and McBean chipped in with one as the Bays' three-headed forward line monster capitalised on some excellent midfield delivery.

In contrast, Eagles reigning Ken Farmer Medallist Daniel Menzel, playing his first game of the season because of injury, was kept goalless by the closechecking Toby Pink.

The visitors simply could not get anything going in attack, with speedy small Max Beattie - recruited from Ovens and Murray Football League club Wodonga - their most effective forward, with three goals.

Pink was well supported by fellow defender and captain Max Proud as the Eagles managed only seven goals in perfect night conditions.

In a game between the 2021 grand finalists, Glenelg made the early running, recording nine of the first 11 inside 50s and kicking the first two goals.

The home side's lead should have been greater as it squandered opportunities in front of the sticks.

The Eagles made the most of the let-offs, hitting back hard in



Glenelg's Luke Partington lays a tackle on Eagles' Joseph Sinor during their SANFL clash at Glenelg Oval on Monday night. Picture: Scott Starkey.

| SANFL | S | tan | din | gs | | |
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| | P | W | L | F | A | Pts |
| Sturt | 3 | 3 | 0 | 294 | 172 | 6 |
| Adelaide | 3 | 2 | 1 | 298 | 191 | 4 |
| North Adelaide | 3 | 2 | 1 | 213 | 170 | 4 |
| Glenelg | 3 | 2 | 1 | 219 | 185 | 4 |
| South Adelaide | 3 | 2 | 1 | 202 | 187 | 4 |
| Central District | 3 | 2 | 1 | 198 | 193 | 4 |
| W'ville-Wst Torrens | 3 | 1 | 2 | 188 | 201 | 2 |
| West Adelaide | 3 | 1 | 2 | 219 | 246 | 2 |
| Port Adelaide | 3 | 0 | 3 | 169 | 302 | 0 |
| Norwood | 3 | 0 | 3 | 138 | 291 | 0 |

time-on with three goals in five minutes from Zac Buck - his first at league level - the clever Beattie and dashing Luke Beecken to take a seven-point lead at quarter-time.

Early-season revelation Mitch Hardie continued to make an impact, with a gamehigh 10 disposals for the term.

The visitors, taking control of the midfield, extended the margin to 15 points early in the second quarter when big man Connor Ballenden goaled.

The Tigers looked to be in trouble before the classy Reynolds set them alight in attack with two tide-turning goals.

Glenelg regained the lead when Hosie marked and goaled from close range. The Bays broke to a 14-point lead early in the third stanza when key off-season recruit James Bell, from AFL club Sydney, booted his first major in his new colours with a long running goal.

It marked a run of five consecutive goals for Glenelg, which capitalised on its clear aerial supremacy, taking 21 contested marks to five.

RESERVES, Round 3

6.7 10.8 15.10 (100) **GLENELG** EAGLES 7.4 10.6 12.6 (78)

12.8

15.10

100

FINAL SCORE

Sinor, Beecken, Knight, Beattie.

Ballenden 2, Beecken, Buck.

UMPIRES - Harris, Beyer, Galletly.

CROWD - 4521 at Glenelg Oval.

6.9

7.10

52

Goals: Glenelg: A Moir 4 A Kitschke 3 M Coulthard 2 M Miller 2 J Yates 2 J Walker W Chandler. Eagles: C Cameron 5 S Nicholls O Siney D Sladojevic W Neumann L Hoile C O'Reilly B Arthur.

Best: Gleneig: C Gerloff J Walker J Deep D Scott J Moore. Eagles: C Cameron A D'Aloia B Hansen S Nicholls H Dawkins.

FINAL SCORE

6.3 10.5 8.6 10.9 11.8 14.12 74 96

BEST - West: Redfern, Park, Ryan, Maguire, Beech, Frost, Mattingly, Delahunty. South: Gibbs, Haines, Sproule, Smith, Skinner, Summerton. GOALS - West: Beech 4, Redfern 3, Delahunty, Laudato 2, Meline, Gore, Johnson. South: Sproule 4, Freitag 2, Wilkinson, Davis, Smith, Heaslip, Schuback.

UMPIRES - Sboro, Bennett, Morgan. CROWD - 1284 at Hisense Stadium, Richmond.

FINAL SCORE 4.3 7.3 7.7 10.4 9.10 13.7 11.15 85 81

Schiller, Lange, McLennan, Iles, Larkins. Adelaide: Schoenberg, Strachan, Hamill, Borlase, Crouch. GOALS - Central: Lange 4, Munn, Grace, Schiller 2. Pearce, Lochowiak, Whitelum. Adelaide: Gollant. Clamp 3, Schoenberg 2, Wright, Cook, Dowling. UMPIRES - Hughes, Hardy, Sobieraj. CROWD - 1823 at Elizabeth Oval.

BEST - Central: Grant,

FINAL SCORE

| 5 | |
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| 4.1 | 3.2 |
| 14.6 | 7.8 |
| 16.12 108 | 10.10 70 |

BEST - Sturt: Wilson, Frederick, Lewis, Voss, Battersby, Page, Richards, Burrows, McFadyen. Port: Dumont, Moore, Evans, Bonner, Mead, Jackson, Weidemann. GOALS - Sturt: Richards, Burrows 3, Dakin, Mathews, Wilson, 2, Grivell, Voss, Hone, Slimming. Port: Evans 2, Georgiades, Scully, Francou, Mead, Bonner, Dumont, Hagan, Moore. INJURY - Port: Georgiades (knee). UMPIRES - Burke, Bowen, Williams. CROWD - 3212 at Wigan Oval, Unley.

ROOSTERS V REDLEGS

| 2.3 | 1.2 |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 10.8 14.10 94 | 4.7 5.10 40 |

BEST - North: Casalini, Wigg, Combe, Patmore, Spina, Wilsdon, Szekely, Dinning, Norwood: Hamilton, Donnelly, Ball, Heard, Ling, Sanders. GOALS - North: Casalini 6, Hilder 2, Szekely, Gowers, McInerney, Grubb, Ramsey, Elbrow. Norwood: McLean 2, Jarvis, Robinson, Taheny.

INJURIES - North: Young (concussion). BOB QUINN MEDAL - Noah Casalini (North). CROWD - 4259 at Norwood Oval.

COACH'S MATCH REPORT - GLENELG V W-WT EAGLES - ROUND 3, 2023

Tigers blitz the Eagles at home

Stratarama Stadium, Monday 24th April, 7:40pm

100 7.3 Glenela 12.8 15.10 Woodville-West Torrens 3.4 5.6 7.10 52 6.9

Lachie Hosie 5, Luke Reynolds 3, Goals:

Matthew Allen, James Bell, Riley Holder, Corey Lyons, Liam McBean, Cam McGree, Billy Stretch

Max Proud, Lachie Hosie, Luke Partington, Toby Pink, Mathew Snook, Luke Reynolds Best:

Disposals: L. Partington 28, M. Proud 26, D. Bailey 25, M. Snook 22, M. Allen 20, C. Lyons 20, B.Stretch 18

Magarey Medal: 3 – Luke Partington (GI), 2 – Lachie Hosie (GI), 1 – Max Proud (GI)

After a 17-day break between games, it was great to get back into game mode for our round 3 clash against the Eagles at Stratarama Stadium on Anzac Day eve. Great weather and a fantastic crowd allowed for some free-flowing football to take place, and in the end a solid 48-point victory to cap of a great night against a strong football club.

With the extended break between games, it allowed us to put some strong planning in place and prepare accordingly leading into the game. Really pleasing for most of the night was our ability to execute as we had hoped and to play the game on our terms, which is a great credit to our playing group for the way they went about it for long periods of the game. We understand we

have a lot of work to do in most areas but there are again some positives in our method.

On the night, like the previous round, we were able to have some dominance in field position, with 60 inside 50s. Our growth in how we are defending from turnover, and especially defending in the forward half of the ground, has been strong over the last couple of weeks. These are really important areas of growth for us as a club to be able to play forward half football for long periods. We are hoping this will see us maintain pressure on the scoreboard on a consistent basis.

Another highlight, especially in the second half, was some of our ball movement by foot. Again, this is an important part of who we want to be and it's pleasing to see some of our training showing through in games.

Our reserves group chalked up their third win in a row to start the season. They continue to play an exciting brand, with several guys playing exciting football and putting pressure on above, and that is a great place for us to be in at this point. A strong aspect of all three games has been their ability to respond when they have been challenged. There is a lot to like in the football the group is playing.

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