More Mellor magic seals it

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West	3.4	12.6	19.8	25.13	(163)
Glenelg	3.4	7.4	8.7	13.10	(88)

WEST Adelaide, inspired by a brilliant 10-goal performance from forward pocket Greg Mellor, forged its way to an emphatic 75-point win against Glenelg at Richmond Oval yesterday.

The Bloods, battling for fifth position with South, had to win to stay in the finals race and blew the game apart with a nine-goal second term.

Mellor, who kept West's finals hopes alive with three last-quarter goals against North last week, was inspirational, kicking six goals in the first half and four in the final term.

He led well, marked strongly and kicked accurately to get to double figures for the first time in his career.

His contribution compensated for the absence of star forward Scott Simister who withdrew before the game with a lower back injury.

While Mellor kicked the goals, follower Glenn Kilpatrick, centreman Anthony Banik and ruckman Ben Watkins provided him with the opportunities by continually bombarding the ball into attack. Kilpatrick did his strong Magarey Medal chances no harm with 31 possessions and three goals.

Other good players for the Bloods were pacy wingman Darryl Thomas, half-forwards Darren Chandler and Tim Symes (12 marks), forward pocket Grantley Fielke and strong defenders Gavin McMahon and Paul Patterson. West coach Geoff Morris was pleased with the victory but thought his players overused the ball at times.

"We played fairly well and continued our gradual improvement of recent weeks," he said.

"We've responded well to winning games we've had to win and I thought we won the 50-50 balls when we needed to in the first half.

"We had so much more to play for than Glenelg. I was really pleased with the way we won possessions when we looked out of the contest."

Morris was delighted with Mellor's performance and said only a bad knee injury early in the season robbed him of a stellar year.

"Greg's a great player and after starting the season in fantastic fashion he's done well to get himself back in this position," he said.

The loss ended a disappointing year for Glenelg (seventh) which started so promisingly with five wins in its first seven games.

It was also a sad farewell for Tiger premiership player Tony Hall who was playing his last game of league football.

While Glenelg struggled all day, Hall, who was given a standing ovation when he left the field, finished in good style with 29 possessions from half-forward to be Glenelg's best.

Other solid contributors for the Tigers were full back Rowan Waugh, forward pocket Jim West (five goals) and on-baller Phil McGuinness.

The one that did not get away ... Greg Mellor grabs the Bays' Rohan Waugh

West

	Kicks					Marks					Handballs					Frees		Scores		Hit	Tackles
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4		F	A	G	B	Out	
P.RAVESI	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	5	7	0	0	0	0	0	1
D.WHEILDON	3	3	3	4	13	1	2	3	3	9	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	2	3	1	1
G.FIELKE	3	3	6	2	14	2	1	1	1	5	3	4	1	5	13	1	0	3	1	0	2
G.MELLOR	3	5	4	4	16	4	3	2	3	12	3	0	1	2	6	1	1	10	1	0	2
T.SYMES	1	4	2	3	10	2	2	5	3	12	1	1	6	2	10	0	1	0	1	0	0
P.MORRIS	5	1	1	7	14	1	0	1	1	3	1	0	1	1	3	0	3	1	0	0	1
D.CARLSON	5	2	3	0	10	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	5	0	6	0	1	0	1	0	0
A.BANIK	5	4	2	3	14	0	0	0	2	2	5	2	2	4	13	2	1	1	0	0	1
D.THOMAS	6	4	2	4	16	0	1	1	0	2	1	1	2	1	5	1	4	0	0	0	1
G.MACMAHON	3	2	3	0	8	1	0	0	0	1	3	0	1	1	5	0	2	0	0	0	0
B.FOGDEN	3	2	1	1	7	1	1	0	2	4	1	1	0	3	5	0	2	0	0	2	0
R.MCKINNON	3	1	1	0	5	1	0	1	0	2	5	0	1	0	6	1	0	0	0	0	1
M.GODDEN	2	3	3	2	10	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	3	2	0	1	0	0	0
P.PATTERSON	2	3	0	1	6	0	2	0	0	2	1	2	0	0	3	2	2	0	0	0	1
K.SPORN	2	2	3	5	12	1	1	3	2	7	2	0	3	1	6	0	3	0	1	0	0
B.WATKINS	2	3	4	2	11	0	2	1	0	3	5	3	1	3	12	3	1	0	0	16	0
G.KILPATRICK	5	10	6	3	24	1	3	1	1	6	2	2	0	3	7	3	0	3	1	0	0
C.BARRETT	1	6	4	2	13	0	3	1	0	4	2	0	4	3	9	2	0	3	0	0	2
S.HAMILTON	0	1	3	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	1	8	1	1	0	0	0	1
D.CHANDLER	3	4	4	7	18	3	3	0	3	9	2	3	4	2	11	0	1	1	2	0	0
TOTALS	57	63	55	54	229	20	24	20	22	86	40	21	41	37	139	20	25	25	13	19	14

Glenelg

	Kicks					Marks					Handballs					Frees		Scores		Hit	Tackles
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4		F	A	G	B	Out	
J.WEST	2	2	2	5	11	1	1	1	5	8	2	1	0	1	4	3	0	5	0	0	1
L.OTTENS	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	7	0
P.HALLAHAN	1	3	1	4	9	1	0	0	4	5	1	1	0	5	7	0	1	2	0	0	1
T.HALL	7	3	4	2	16	1	1	3	1	6	5	2	4	2	13	2	3	0	0	0	1
A.BARTLETT	2	2	3	4	11	2	1	0	0	3	1	0	1	0	2	1	2	3	1	1	0
J.SCRIPPS	2	2	1	0	5	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	2	1	1	1	2	0	0
S.HELE	2	5	4	6	17	1	2	3	4	10	1	1	1	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.BAILEY	4	4	3	1	12	1	0	1	1	3	6	1	2	4	13	2	0	0	0	0	2
B.MOORE	3	2	4	3	12	1	0	1	2	4	2	0	2	1	5	1	2	0	1	0	2
S.ANGOVE	4	6	2	3	15	4	4	3	1	12	4	3	2	5	14	2	1	0	1	0	0
D.STROOPER	1	0	3	6	10	1	0	1	4	6	2	0	1	6	9	1	1	0	0	0	1
L.BOW	3	1	1	1	6	1	0	1	2	4	3	4	2	2	11	1	0	0	0	0	1
B.ROEHRICH	4	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	2
P.HAMILTON	1	1	0	3	5	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	0	4	5	1	0	0	0	0	1
G.REUBENICHT	1	3	1	4	9	1	1	0	0	2	2	2	0	3	7	0	1	0	0	0	0
S.MCCULLY	3	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	14	0
N.CHIGWIDDEN	6	3	1	3	13	1	0	1	3	5	4	1	0	2	7	1	3	2	0	0	3
P.MCGUINNESS	6	5	3	7	21	0	1	0	1	2	2	0	2	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.WAUGH	8	3	2	4	17	1	0	1	0	2	1	1	1	0	3	6	2	0	0	0	0
D.MCNAMARA	0	3	1	6	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
TOTALS	60	49	38	63	210	20	12	18	30	80	39	19	18	43	119	25	20	13	10	22	15

SANFL SCOREBOARD

Football Park

NORWOOD	2.2	8.4	13.7	19.10	(124)
South	6.1	8.6	12.7	18.9	(117)

BEST — NORWOOD: Harvey, Clements, Fleming, Smart, Reade, Thiessen, Cowham, Irvine, Russell. **SOUTH:** Battams, Osborne, Del Re, Lade, Polkinghorne, Scholl, Mills, Lamb.
SCORERS — NORWOOD: Reade 7.1, Rowe 3.1, Irvine 2.2, Russell, Thiessen 2.0, Prime 1.1, Cowham, Harvey 1.0, Growden 0.2, Smart 0.1, rushed 0.2. **SOUTH:** Del Re 7.1, Polkinghorne 2.1, Osborne, Trevena 2.0, West 1.2, Lamb, Stoeckel 1.1, Sholl, Battams 1.0, Lade 0.1, rushed 0.2.
INJURIES — NORWOOD: McIntosh (general soreness, replaced in selected team Todd Davey), Miller (ankle strain).
UMPIRES: Michael Avon, Tim Pfeiffer, Andrew Swaffer.

Adelaide Oval

NORTH	5.0	11.6	17.10	24.14	(158)
Sturt	7.2	8.2	14.3	17.4	(106)

BEST — NORTH: Nunan, Parker, Squire, Robertson, Tasker, Francou, Bennett. **STURT:** Lennon, Burton, Nash, Feast, Beecroft.
SCORERS — NORTH: Parker 8.3, Squire 3.0, Atkinson, Rosenboom, Bennett 2.1, Roberston 1.2, Sanders, Gerke, Allan, Bamford 1.1, Jeffries, Viney 1.0, Francou 0.1, rushed 0.1. **STURT:** Burton 6.0, Beecroft 4.0, Obst 2.1, Turner, Lennon 1.1, Feast, Irvine, McEvoy 1.0, Warton 0.1.
REPORTS — Julian Burton (Sturt) for allegedly charging in the second quarter.
INJURIES — STURT: Nash (cut eye).
UMPIRES: Ron Bettridge, Greg Inge, Garry Wyld.

Richmond Oval

WEST	3.4	12.6	19.8	25.13	(163)
Glenelg	3.4	7.4	8.7	13.10	(88)

BEST — WEST: Mellor, Kilpatrick, Watkins, Thomas, Banik, Chandler, Fielke, Symes, McMahon, Patterson. **GLENELG:** Hall, Waugh West McGuinness.
SCORERS — WEST: Mellor 10.1, Kilpatrick 3.1, Fielke 3.1, Barrett 3.0, Wheildon 2.3, Chandler 1.2, Banik 1.0, Morris 1.0, Godden 1.0, Symes 0.1, Sporn 0.1, Carlson 0.1, rushed 0.2. **GLENELG:** West 5.0, Bartlett 3.1, Hallahan 2.0, Chigwidden 2.0, Scripps 1.2, McNamara 0.1, Strooper 0.1, Moore 0.1, Angove 0.1, rushed 0.3.
INJURIES: WEST: Simister (lower back) replaced in selected side by Ravesi.
UMPIRES: Michael Abbott, David Elliott, Jeff Jeanes.

Woodville Oval

PORT	5.1	16.2	19.5	29.9	(183)
Eagles	5.1	10.1	13.3	18.5	(113)

BEST — PORT: West, T. Malakellis, Borlase, Darcy, Anderson, Mead, Williams, Fiacchi. **EAGLES:** Totham, Sziller, Colville, Niemann, Morphett.
SCORERS — PORT: Hodges 5.2, Williams 4.0, Waterhouse 3.2, Francis 3.0, West 2.3, S. Malakellis 2.1, T. Malakellis, D. Smith, Anderson 2.0, Poole 1.1 Ginever, Darcy 1.0. **EAGLES:** Morphett 7.2, Kluzek, Totham, Payze 2.0, Sziller 1.1, Taylor, Thorne, Lukosius, Browning 1.0, rushed 0.2.
INJURIES — EAGLES: M. Phillipou (shoulder, withdrew before game and replaced by S. Carslake), Kluzek (calf).
UMPIRES: Troy Burton, Kevin Chambers, Daniel Kowal.

SANFL ladder

	P	W	L	D	F	A	%	Pts
CENTRAL *	22	16	5	1	2281	1648	58.06	33
NORWOOD	22	16	6	0	2480	1716	59.10	32
PORT	22	16	6	0	2553	1943	56.78	32
NORTH	22	13	9	0	2100	1905	52.43	26
WEST	22	11	10	1	2224	1995	52.70	23
South	22	11	11	0	2074	2236	48.12	22
Glenelg	22	8	14	0	2114	2230	48.66	16
Eagles	22	7	15	0	1846	2278	44.76	14
Sturt	22	0	22	0	1558	3278	32.22	0

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	Games	Rd 25	Total
D. Del-Re (South)	22	7	92
S. Simister (West)	21	0	63
M. Tylor (Port)	14	0	53
G. Coffee (Central)	13	0	52
D. Wheildon (West)	18	2	49
J. West (Glenelg)	21	5	49
J. Thiesson (Norwood)	19	2	48
C. Waterhouse (Port)	21	3	47
B. Parker (North)	17	8	42
D. Woosnam (West)	14	0	41
C. Prime (Norwood)	14	1	41
A. Pierri (Norwood)	15	0	39
D. Squire (North)	22	3	38
M. Wakelin (Central)	22	0	37
T. Olsen (Port)	17	0	35
T. Cook (Central)	22	0	31

Reserves

GLENELG	2.2	8.5	11.7	15.11	(101)
West	3.3	4.7	7.10	12.14	(86)

BEST — GLENELG: Smith, Deane, Watts, Stivey, Voigt, Brooks. **WEST:** Pope, Simpson, Marsh, Toohey, Welsh, Gray.
GOALS — GLENELG: Smith 9, Dryden 3, Voigt 2, Rowett. **WEST:** Nickolls, Woosnam, Biddle, Simpson, Ansell, Downs, Cash, Liebich, Mansell.

Under 19

GLENELG	7.3	14.8	19.10	24.16	(160)
West	2.0	5.1	7.4	11.5	(71)

BEST — GLENELG: Raidis, O'Brien, Rouvray, Bridge, Hudson, Shiell. **WEST:** Schwartz, Brown, Loffler, White, Winstanley, Debrowski.
GOALS — GLENELG: Exelby 4, O'Brien, Raidis 3, Murch, McNamara, James, B Grayson, Copping, Rouvray 2, Beckham, Tamblyn. **WEST:** Hall 3, Mancer, Nathan 2, Loffler, Darams, Hewitt, Jarvis.

SA crowds

Adelaide Oval	2429
Richmond Oval	2898
Woodville Oval	5577
Total	10,904

SA draw

Saturday: Football Park — 12.30pm — Elimination final, North Adelaide v West Adelaide. **3.20pm — Qualifying final,** Norwood v Port Adelaide.