

Bays show too little, too late

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Distressing as it may be for Glenelg, its mini league outfit put up a better display than the club's league team did in the first half yesterday.

The Tigers were a fumbling, disorganised mess and Sturt took advantage and a six-goal lead at the break. The mini leaguers kicked two goals in their half-time romp - Glenelg managed one in an hour of football.

Fortunately for those who travelled to Football Park early to watch the Bays, they recovered with a credible second-half display. Nevertheless, Sturt was a comfortable 20-point victor.

Double Blues coach Phil Carman, ever the realist after being in charge of the club during some of its darkest days, acknowledged his team was not flashy but "when we get the footy we move it quite well". That was certainly the secret to their performance - a more systematic use of the ball than their opponents.

In days now long past, the Blues set up their forward movement with handball and run-on play. Under Carman, they have been far more direct, using long kicking and high marking. Indeed, they dominated the first half aerial duels yesterday, claiming 11 more marks than their opponents.

One of the chief contributors was youngster Stephen White, who provided a strong target at centre half-forward and finished the day with three goals. His steady improvement, the continued good form of ruckman Simon Feast and his sidekick, the improving Craig Schultz, provided Sturt's industrious little men with plenty of ball to farm.

None of this group is as experienced as Glenelg's chief bigmen Allan Bartlett and Wayne Thornborrow, but the Tigers' duo had little influence.

Across half-back and on the wings the Blues were well served with State squad member Seamus Moloney displaying clean hands and good disposal skills, Bruce Lennon playing the game at a pace all his own and Mark Pitura roaming far and wide for his 29 possessions.

But for all that, Sturt still let its guard down and the Tigers stormed back in the final term to within 14 points, chiefly through the creativity of midfielder

Macgowan

charge

Twice winner of *The Advertiser* SANFL Player of the Year award, Central District's Rick Macgowan closed within two votes of the leaders after his second best-on-ground performance of the season against North Adelaide on Saturday.

GLENELG v STURT

Seamus Moloney (Sturt) 3
Justin Scripps (Glenelg) 2
Simon Feast (Sturt) 1

CENTRAL v NORTH

Rick Macgowan (Central) 3
Tim Davis (North) 2
Richard Gerke (North) 1

SOUTH v EAGLES

Luke Norman (South) 3
Gavin Colville (Eagles) 2
John Polkinghorne (South) 1

PORT v WEST

Tim Ginever (Port) 3
Nigel Fiegert (Port) 2
Damian Lang (Port) 1

LEADERS - 8: Wayne

Thornborrow (Glenelg), Andrew Jerman (Norwood), Troy Lehmann (North); 6: Rick Macgowan (Central), Luke Norman (South), Seamus Moloney (Sturt); 5: Simon Feast (Sturt), Ben Higgins (Eagles); 4: Garry McIntosh (Norwood), Greg Mellor (West), Nigel Fiegert (Port); 3: Tim Weatherald, (Sturt), James Wasley, Lachlan Bowman, Simon Eastaugh, (Norwood), Tim Ginever (Port), Scott Stevens (Central), Nathan Eagleton (West), Andrew Rogers (Eagles), Justin Scripps (Glenelg), Tim Davis (North).

Justin Scripps and some good work in the back half by Ben Thompson.

"They're the games we would have lost in the past," Carman said. "I was more concerned about this game than many. If we are going to be any good then we have to beat these sides."

Glenelg coach Wayne Stringer was far from despondent but was adamant his side had wasted a good chance to claim two points, move clear of the bottom sides and gain a top five berth.

"We just didn't work nearly hard enough in the first half," was his blunt assessment. "It's pretty disappointing. We got back to being so close in the last quarter. The learning curve is still there but at some time you have to stand up and say that's over."

In contrast, Sturt has learned what Carman wants and is celebrating two weekend victories after the Unley Council election result that would appear to ensure the club will again play league football at its Oxford Tce headquarters from next season.

SANFL DETAILS

Sturt	3.5	7.8	9.8	12.9	(81)
Glenelg	0.2	1.4	5.6	9.7	(61)

BEST - Sturt: Moloney, Feast, Pitura, Atkinson, May, White. **Glenelg:** Scripps, Thompson, Burke, Chigwidden, Rombotis.

SCORERS - Sturt: White 3.1, Weatherald 2.2, Ahchee 2.0, Ferguson 1.3, Feast, Irvin 1.1, Atkinson, Beecroft 1.0, Geddes 0.1. **Glenelg:** Cornes 2.1, Read 2.0, Scripps 1.2, Thornborrow 1.1, Rombotis, Chigwidden, Tudor 1.0, Burke, Raidis 0.1, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES - Sturt: Judd (ankle). **Glenelg:** Gigney (collarbone), Caldwell (hamstring).

UMPIRES - D. Woodcock, C. Rowston, M. Barnett.

BEST ON GROUND - Seamus Moloney (Sturt).

TOP TEAM MAN - James May (Sturt).

Port	4.2	7.4	10.6	15.8	(98)
West	2.2	5.8	8.11	9.12	(66)

BEST - Port: Ginever, Fiegert, Lang, Borlase, Higgins, Clayton, Anderson, Gilligan, McGuinness. **West:** Brown, Connell, Gilbert, Walsh, McLuckie, Fogden.

SCORERS - Port: D. Smith 3.1, Borlase 2.2, Lang, Evans 2.0, Dylan, S. Malakellis 1.1, Ginever, McGuinness, Higgins, Tredrea 1.0, rushed 0.3. **West:** Mellor, E. Richardson 2.3, McLuckie 2.1, Symes 1.2, Walsh, Jarvis 1.0, Fogden 0.2, Green 0.1.

INJURIES - Port: Lang (ankle). **West:** Walsh (cut eye).

UMPIRES - K. Chambers, D. Ryan, T. Burton.

CROWD - 2380 at Richmond Oval.

BEST ON GROUND - Tim Ginever (Port).

TOP TEAM MAN - Nigel Fiegert (Port).

Central	0.0	2.1	4.5	8.6	(54)
North	2.2	4.2	5.2	7.4	(46)

BEST - Central: Macgowan, Lee, Girdham, Haraida, Stevens, Cotton, Dew, Wynd. **NORTH:** Davis, Gerke, McDermott, Wintle, Kellett, Hollitt, Warner.

SCORERS - Central: Cotton 5.2, Wynd 2.1, Macgowan 1.0, Conway, Geister 0.1, rushed 0.1. **NORTH:** Wintle, Fowden 2.0, Parker 1.2, Hodges, Lehmann 1.0, Carberry 0.1, rushed 0.1.

INJURIES - North: Phillips (hamstring), Parker (knee), King (knee).

UMPIRES - R. Bettridge, C. Doddridge, A. Vickers.

CROWD - 2194 at Elizabeth Oval.

BEST ON GROUND - Rick Macgowan (Central).

TOP TEAM MAN - Roger Girdham (Central).

South	2.4	4.4	8.4	10.5	(65)
Eagles	0.3	2.6	2.7	4.11	(35)

BEST - South: Norman, Polkinghorne, Cameron, Wittman, Genovese, Talbot, Webb, Ellen. **Eagles:** Colville, Pearce, Rintoul, Devine, Bailey, Lynch.

SCORERS - South: Hotton 3.1, Ellen 3.0, Norman, Harwood, Talbot, Porter 1.0, Cameron, Polkinghorne 0.1, rushed 0.2. **Eagles:** Kluzek 1.1, Morgan, Barnes, Rogers 1.0, Biglands 0.2, Holland, Kennedy, Colville 0.1, rushed 0.5.

INJURIES - Eagles: Payze (thigh).

UMPIRES - M. Humphries, D. Kowal, R. Williams.

CROWD - 2040 at Norwood Oval.

BEST ON GROUND - Luke Norman (South).

TOP TEAM MAN - Gary Cameron (South).

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

LIVING HEALTH CUP SEASON

	W	L	D	F	A	P.c.	Pts
Norwood	5	-	-	584	254	69.69	10
Port	4	1	-	435	383	53.18	8
Central	3	2	-	470	377	55.49	6
Sturt	3	2	-	402	394	50.50	6
West	2	3	-	462	430	51.79	4
North	2	3	-	323	388	45.43	4
Glenelg	2	3	-	386	528	42.23	4
Eagles	1	5	-	419	558	42.89	2
South	1	4	-	312	481	39.34	2

THIS WEEK'S DRAW

Round Seven - Saturday: South v West (Noarlunga), Port v Central (Alberton), Sturt v Norwood (Adelaide), Glenelg v North (Glenelg). **Bye:** Eagles.

LEADING GOALKICKERS

	Club	Rd 6	Total
J. West	(Norwood)	—	22.7
G. Mellor	(West)	2	16.12
J. Cotton	(Central)	5	15.9
M. Kluzek	(Eagles)	1	14.7
G. Molloy	(Norwood)	—	13.5

RESERVES

South 22.16 (148) d Eagles 14.8 (92); Central 22.6 (138) d North 8.3 (51); Port 17.8 (110) d West 14.7 (91); Sturt 18.13 (121) d Glenelg 12.7 (79).

UNDER-19

Port 15.24 (114) d West 4.5 (29); Eagles 10.9 (69) d South 7.13 (55); Central 11.8 (74) d North 10.11 (71); Sturt 12.11 (83) d Glenelg 7.7 (49).

UNDER-17

South 13.8 (86) d Eagles 7.8 (50); Sturt 15.13 (103) d Glenelg 7.7 (49); Port 21.17 (143) d West 6.3 (39); Central 7.8 (50) d North 5.14 (44).

WAFL

West Perth 13.10 (88) d Perth 10.11 (71); South Fremantle 16.13 (109) d Claremont 15.7 (97); Swan District 18.7 (115) d East Fremantle 14.13 (97); Subiaco 9.15 (69) d East Perth 10.8 (68).

AMATEURS

Div. 1: Adelaide University 15.14 (104) d Athelstone 8.9 (57); Broadview 24.20 (164) d Port District 3.6 (24); Henley Greek 13.12 (90) d Kilburn 9.10 (64); Edwardstown 10.5 (65) d Tea Tree Gully 9.9 (63); PHOS Camden 22.13 (145) d Goodwood 10.13 (73).

STURT	Kicks				Marks	Handballs				Frees			Scores	Hit	Tackles		
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	F	A	G				B	Out
B.BEECROFT	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1		
T.FERGUSON	2	2	3	1	8	3	2	0	0	2	4	0	1	1	3	0	0
D.AHCHEE	2	1	2	0	5	1	1	2	0	0	3	1	2	2	0	0	0
B.JUDD	1	4	0	0	5	2	3	1	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	2
S.WHITE	2	5	1	4	12	8	2	1	0	3	6	0	3	3	1	0	1
N.IRVIN	5	4	1	1	11	4	1	0	0	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	2
M.PITURA	3	5	2	7	17	8	2	3	4	2	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.ATKINSON	2	2	2	4	10	1	2	3	3	1	9	0	1	1	0	0	3
B.LENNON	3	2	3	4	12	7	1	5	2	3	11	0	4	0	0	1	1
S.MALONEY	2	6	1	1	10	3	1	1	3	1	6	1	0	0	0	0	2
M.SODERSTROM	8	1	0	1	10	3	0	3	0	1	4	2	0	0	0	0	0
J.MAY	2	2	1	3	8	2	3	1	1	2	7	2	0	0	0	0	2
M.WARTON	1	4	2	3	10	5	0	0	2	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	1
C.THREDGOLD	2	3	1	2	8	3	1	1	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	1	0
J.RICHTER	2	2	1	0	5	2	1	2	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	0
S.FEAST	2	2	1	0	5	4	2	1	1	3	7	0	3	1	1	17	0
M.POWELL	3	4	3	4	14	2	4	1	0	3	8	3	1	0	0	0	1
T.WEATHERALD	4	4	4	3	15	3	0	5	2	1	8	2	1	2	2	0	0
C.SCHULTZ	1	2	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	1
A.GEDDES	0	0	2	3	5	1	1	0	0	4	5	0	0	0	1	0	0
S.ROBINSON	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	47	55	30	45	177	64	28	30	18	29	105	15	22	12	9	22	17

GLENELG	Kicks				Marks	Handballs				Frees			Scores	Hit	Tackles		
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	F	A	G				B	Out
J.CORTIN	4	4	3	6	17	6	0	2	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	2
W.TBORROW	2	4	2	2	10	4	0	1	1	0	2	2	1	1	1	22	0
B.OTTENS	0	3	0	2	5	6	0	1	1	5	7	2	1	0	0	6	0
J.ROMBOTIS	2	1	5	1	9	3	0	2	6	4	12	0	1	1	0	0	0
A.BARTLETT	1	1	2	3	7	0	1	0	0	2	3	0	1	0	0	0	0
M.RAIDIS	2	0	4	2	8	0	0	1	1	3	5	1	0	0	1	0	1
D.KRETSCHMER	2	1	1	3	7	1	0	0	4	2	6	1	1	0	0	0	3
J.SCRIPPS	4	4	6	8	22	7	0	0	2	2	4	0	3	1	2	0	1
L.TUDOR	0	1	2	2	5	3	0	3	1	0	4	1	1	1	0	0	0
D.READ	3	3	0	3	9	2	3	4	0	2	9	0	0	2	0	0	0
B.THOMPSON	3	4	3	5	15	6	3	2	1	2	8	2	1	0	0	0	3
M.VISKA	0	1	1	1	3	3	4	0	5	4	13	0	1	0	0	0	0
G.REUBENICHT	1	1	4	0	6	1	0	3	0	1	4	1	0	0	0	0	1
C.CORNES	0	3	1	1	5	4	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	2	1	0	0
R.WAUGH	1	8	2	3	14	4	2	1	1	1	5	3	0	0	0	0	0
J.BROOKS	2	0	2	1	5	2	2	3	1	0	6	3	1	0	0	0	2
A.BURKE	3	2	6	5	15	5	1	2	3	2	8	2	1	0	1	0	3
N.CHIGWIDDEN	2	2	2	2	9	4	2	3	2	1	8	2	1	1	0	0	1
D.GIGNEY	2	0	1	0	3	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	