

# Pummelled Bulldogs lick wounds

IS Gisborne making up the numbers in the Bendigo Football League's finals series?

Probably so.

The Bulldogs have to pick themselves up off the canvas after being pummelled by Golden Square in the qualifying final at the Queen Elizabeth Oval in Bendigo on Sunday.

Coach Ty Elliott was left scratching his head as his players struggled to put the score on the board to go down by 108 points.

Gisborne managed just 12 scoring shots compared to the opposition's 40.

The final scores were: 19.21 (135) to 3.9 (27).

Ryan Webster, Josh Bain, Rodney Sharp, Scott Walsh, Ollie Messaoudi and Grant Baseggio battled hard on a dirty day.

The Bulldogs had no answer to the likes of Mark Lloyd, Anthony Holdstock, Luke Rosa, Aaron Hawkins, David McMeekin and Nathan Bell.

Mark Adamson kicked six goals.

They'll be plenty of soul searching on the training track at Gardiner Reserve this week in the build-up to Gisborne's cut-throat first semi-final against Kangaroo Flat at the Queen Elizabeth Oval this Sunday.

Kangaroo Flat flattened Eaglehawk by 65 points in the elimination final at Queen Elizabeth Oval on Saturday night. The final score was 19.17 (131) to 9.12 (66).

Big guns and likely grand-final combatants South Bendigo and Golden Square square off in the second semi-final at Queen Elizabeth Oval this Saturday night.

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