

WOW what a year for the Kellyville Rouse Hill Magpies Auskick crew. We continued our amazing year on year participation with around 130 registered Auskickers this year and an amazing sight each cold Sunday morning. We introduced a new Auskick program which was really well supported by loads of parents eager to help out each week as on field assistants to our coaches.

It was fantastic to see so many black and white striped jumpers at the Western Sydney Gala Days and huge interest in Half Time Auskick opportunities provided to us by the AFL, including an opportunity for the finals series in 2019. We are so looking forward to sharing more of these next year.

The U8's initiative continued again this year in our region seeing our club AGAIN having four teams participate against Baulkham Hills, Greystanes and the Blacktown/Paramatta. Most of our U8's have been participating in the Auskick program since they joined as Under 5's, so are eager to get out and start playing games, this is a great opportunity for them to play 3 x 15 minute thirds to prepare to play full games in the Under 9's.

## What our coaches had to say this year about a few of their future footy stars:

"As a participant in the Level 1 program, he has shown a dedication to the program by attending each week. He has a delightful manner, interacting in positive ways with his teammates, coaches and all other volunteers. He is an extremely talented footballer with strong hand-eye and foot-eye coordination and a super boot to match. Throughout the program, he has completed each and every activity with a big smile on his face and a willingness to learn. He has improved his skills throughout the season to the point where he is now able to hand pass and kick to his teammates and kick on the run. He is always happy to help with packing up the gear and takes great joy from being part of the "hands in, go Magpies" at the end of each session"

"He always attends with a positive attitude. He is a great team player - he often passes to other players and gives the mini matches his all every week. He also has the ability to stand back from the ball and watch the play and gives other players (including opposition players room for them to kick etc etc). He provides the opportunity for opposition players to pass to ensure the free flow of the game. His ability to play is well above what is expected from him - and his skill level is high for his age. Knowing this, he matches his skill level to younger, less experienced players to allow the game to flow. He often assists other players if they are confused with the drills"

"Always keen to have a go at every turn. Comes out with bumps and bruises each week from trying his best and getting involved. Is always responsive when I help him"

"He puts in so much effort each session and always makes sure his team mates get included. He stepped up to u8 from u6 and has improved all year with all his skills, making a few appearances with the u9's"



Our presentation day this year was a little different from the norm but so well attended and turned out to be a fantastic morning with amazing support provided from Anika Ferrari and her team from the AFL, as well as our wonderful parents from the committee who assisted. Our 2019 Auskicker of the year this year was Xavier Diamond, a wonderful accolade to receive capping off a great couple of years in Auskick! Wishing you (and all our Under 8s) the best as you move into junior footy!

Thank you to all our amazing families, the children and parents really do make my role enjoyable and easy (ish). This club wouldn't run without our parent helpers so a huge shout out to our incredible coaches and parents who have stepped in to assist when our coaches were unavailable, they all volunteer their time each week to coach our kids so from myself, the club and our Auskick parents THANK YOU!!

### **Auskick Level 1:**

Nathan Harvey and Nathahn Walter (supported by Brayden Strong)

## **Auskick Level 2:**

Heath Williams and Heather Laurie

### **Auskick Level 3:**

Ben Physick and Mango Gohill

#### Under 8s:

Joe Basile, Josh Storrie, Richard Nutt, Brendan Murphy and Jeff Hawkins

A very special thank you to my girls Chole and Olivia Sutton, Zoe Davis, Sarah Cummins, Jani Physick and Susie Davis who helped me out registering families each Sunday. Your assistance this year has been invaluable to me AGAIN!!!.

To everyone else not mentioned above that stepped up and helped throughout the year both on Sunday's and at the GWS Half time Auskick opportunities, a huge thank you and I hope these experiences have encouraged you to consider playing a more involved volunteer role in the club in 2020!

To our club committee members who get up early each Sunday to get everything ready at our ground and the older each age groups that have managed the canteen and BBQ for Sunday morning breakfast for our Auskickers and parents, THANK YOU!





















