MATCH REPORT



HBE UNDER 13 vs Forest Lions ROUND 13 – DATE 28.7.2024 Rofe Park.

Sunny at Rofe and a cold wind strong enough to blow the scoreboard over and a tent into the gorge. Lachy returned early from holiday, and Josh returned from injury for a must win game. Josh, Tristan Lachy, Noah, Kieren and Finn McCabe involved early. The Eagles broke the midfield shackles to find Finn Nilsson in the pocket. He faced a tight angle but kicked the banana grubber goal he's practiced hundreds of times. "What a goal' Loz shouted! Finn then doubled the score with an outrageous soccer volley straight through the tall posts! Archie Williams then hit another maximum with a great kick. Ewan added a point, going close with another good shot. The Eagles were applying maximum pressure and led 19-0 at the busser.

Josh, Jon and Sharpy kicked long to begin the next quarter. Will had a run and kick, and we scored a rushed behind. The Lions tried an attack, but Lachy was there for a block and a tackle. They made a little more progress to score a goal on their first real foray forward. Not to worry though. Josh, Andy, and Jon linked play, Will went on a run and found Kieren who found Archie to kick his second. Ewan was tricking past tackles and Andrew finished the half with a huge tackle. 26-6 to the Eagles.

It was all Eagles in the third. Loz snapped a behind, then picked up, turned, and kicked a maximum. Jon took a great overhead mark and found Andrew who ran forward and kicked true for six. He then took another mark, kicked to Finn who slotted again for his third.

Three more Eagles' goals completed the game. Two more to Finn for five in the game, and Noah put away the last just before the buzzer. That might prove a very important goal in the context of the season. Archie, Lachy, Hunter, Andrew, and Kieren had a bit of defending to do. Ewan's stepping was amazing going between two Lions and kicking away. Lachy and Josh, along with Archie and Haydo kept things tight enough for a much needed 67-7 win. Brent gathered the team into the centre circle to heartily sing the club song.

Coach Brent: In a dominating performance, the Hornsby Berowra Eagles emerged as clear winners. Right from the opening bounce, the Eagles set the tone with aggressive play and precise ball movement. This comprehensive win highlighted the team's skills and potentially, marking them as a formidable force in the finals. A fantastic team effort with special mentions to Finn, Josh, Loz, Tristan and Archie for their outstanding individual efforts.

It certainly was a brilliant four quarter performance by all the boys. Finn took the player of the match for five goals in the game. That's 21 in 10 games this season. Josh was awarded the Callum Mills award for a huge performance and exceptional return from injury.

Two games left of the regular season. Both are winnable. Finals football will most likely be decided by points average, so two wins and one by a gap might see us through.

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END OF PERIOD	Q1	02	03	04
Hornsby Berowra Eagles U13 Div 3	19 3.1	26 4.2	47 7.5	67 10.7
Forest Lions U13 Div 3	0	6	6 1.0	7



