

Round 3: Hornsby Berowra Eagles Red U9 Girls vs Hornsby Berowra Eagles Yellow

In true footy style, our Hornsby Berowra Eagles Red and Yellow squads faced off in a local derby like no other and what better stage than the legendary Rofe Park (aka Rofe Swamp for the day)!

The action kicked off in epic fashion as the girls charged through our brand-new “*Yeah the Girls*” banner. Absolute scenes of glory, a few bits of wet paper clinging to jerseys, and plenty of cheers as they smashed through like true champs.

Then...the heavens opened.

Cue the rain. Cue the puddles. Cue the mud.

By the final siren, Rofe Park was looking more like Rofe Lake, but it didn't stop our mighty U9 girls one bit! Tackling, marking, bouncing, kicking — they were relentless. A massive effort from everyone, and every player nailed our team goal of touching the ball at least twice each quarter.

Special mention to **Emma**, proudly earning the highly prestigious *Muddiest Player* award, an honour well and truly deserved!

The team song is getting stronger (and louder!) each week sung with muddy socks, big grins, and plenty of squeals and splashes. The way these girls support one another out there is something special.

Big shoutout to Mila, our superstar Auskicker, who didn't hesitate to jump into the action, learned the ropes on the run, and even bagged herself a goal! Can't wait to see her back again this season.

And a cheer for **Cam (Emma's brother)** for stepping up as a runner and keeping the energy high on the sidelines.

Highlights:

- So many selfless runs, tackles, and team-first kicks,
- Amazing team spirit from both the Red and Yellow teams,
- Coaching masterclass opportunity with some great on-field positioning lessons; and
- Huge smiles, muddy boots, and next-level determination in tough conditions.

Well done, girls — absolute legends for playing through the downpour with heart, grit, and a whole lot of fun. Bring on next week and our A-game for St Ives!