

MATCH REPORT



HBE UNDER 9YG Red v Yellow
ROUND 10 - 22/06/2025
Rofe Park, Hornsby

What's better than a State of Origin game? Seeing the Eagles' U9s girls take on each other in a mate vs mate Red vs Yellow matchup with its fair share of controversy - from which team would wear the clash guernsey (Red), to not highfiving coaches because they were technically organising the other team (Yellow), to playing dead at the start of the fourth quarter (Red, still not sure of the story behind this one)!

On a chilly morning at Rofe Park, with vistas of cloud filled gullies surrounding the park, Brendan and Warren stepped in to coordinate the girls who (controversies aside) had a ball matching themselves up against each other. Football was clearly the winner on the day, with some great kicking and handballing skills on display, several very nice marks taken, and real teamwork to make sure everyone got a touch.

Players

- Maddie L started with a big first quarter in attack including a goal, and continued with solid efforts on the ball all day - especially in the middle in the third.
- Estella was bursting out of contests everywhere, including several goals in the third and even despite switching teams in the fourth she still kept it up!
- Indi spent the whole game winning everything - first through the middle and then in defense, before nice long kicks sending it forward. She even showcased her reflexes by snatching a ball off Evie's boot in the middle of a kick!
- Myah both had a strong game *and* strong possessions, breaking tackles and then giving good handballs though the middle to bring her teammates into the game.
- Charlotte was a little livewire, with plenty of effort, always around the contest ready to pounce.
- Saphira was the epitome of team work, first working well with Maddy in attack and then always looking for someone to target with her disposal.

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- Frankie had a great first game and got Player of the Week for hitting the ground running - reading the ball and its bounce really well and using quick hands to set up Harriet for a goal.
- Harriet was one of the most persistent today, running all day. She was rewarded with plenty of goals, including snaffling a Yellow handball by reading the ball midair.
- Evie was a well-deserved Player of the Week for Yellow for her consistent effort, great kicking, and winning plenty of clearances in the midfield. She topped it off with a great sidestep of Indi to set up a scoring attempt.
- Amelia had a big tackling game with her midfield and defensive pressure as well as a could of long clearances out of the middle. Her and Mila had some clever handball game going on back and forth throughout the second half too.
- Madi brought real dash around the contest, using it to her advantage being so focused on finding space to let her team get the ball to her.
- Juliet worked so well with Tilly across the field, finding each other with successful kicking and marking to each other
- Tilly put together a great game. She started off with great defensive work, rejecting plenty of Red team pushes forward out of the zone with her ball winning and long kicks. She kept it up in the second and third including nailing a goal.
- Mila really focused on the ball, she clearly wants to win it over anyone (even her teammates a few times!) with her strong hands. She got some really quality handball game going back and forth with Amelia, Estella and other teammates.
- Chloe hit the highlight with a great mark and a spot on kick to hit Evie afterwards as well.
- Abbey was dynamic - sprinting up forward working to her strength, pulling out spin moves to escape through tackles and spending time to help set up her teammates at contests too.

Score

Hornsby-Berowra Eagles Red 0.0.0 drew with Hornsby-Berowra Eagles Yellow 0.0.0

Goals

Harriet Mitchell: 5; Saphira Richardson: 2; Estella Flaxman: 2; Myah Daykin: 2; Indi MacCue: 1; Abbey Keavy: 1; Tilly Ivell: 1.

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