



# Weekly Round Up

## Round 9, 2023



***"It's hard to beat someone that never gives up."***

***– Megan Rapinoe***



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## U5 Kookaburras vs Newbury Bulls SC

Team played well

**Player of the Match:** Oliver

**Encouragement Award:** Wolf

## U6 Kookaburras vs Ropes Crossing Strikers FC

Close game until the last 5 minutes when we ran away with it.

Great effort by both teams as both teams were without substitutes. Fantastic effort from Jay with 5 goals and 1 to Ryan. Being proactive in defence won us the game. Great effort from Evan with some excellent clearing kicks.

**Player of the Match:** Jay

**Encouragement Award:** Patrick

## U6 Echidnas vs Newbury Bulls SC

It was a beautiful morning for a game of soccer. Both teams were full of excitement and rearing to go. Great attacking done by both teams with both teams finding the net. Lots of passing between players which is beautiful to watch. Before we knew it the game finished. A shout out to our three goal scorers and I'm sure there's more to come .....stay tuned Sam and Damo.

**Player of the Match:** Zayden

**Encouragement Award:** Yattala

## U7/5 vs Doonside Hawks SC

The team played really well the first half and it was an even score. Coming into the second half it was a bit tougher the whole team came off the field happy so that in its self is a win for us.

**Player of the Match:** Sarah

**Encouragement Award:** Jack

## U7/8 vs Riverstone Schofields Junior SC

Not provided

## U8/3 vs Newbury Bulls SC

Not provided

## U8/7 vs Doonside Hawks SC Red

We faced a tough team who knew how to keep the ball near our goal. Our goalies, Sophia and Lucas, were brave and saved a lot of goals. Well done to Adelaide, our player of the match, who had her best game yet with some big kicks and strong chases. And good job RJ for receiving the development award - you never gave up!

**Player of the Match:** Adelaide

**Encouragement Award:** RJ

## U8/8 vs Parklea SFC

This was another close game that was really entertaining to watch. It was great to see Evie back out on the field after being out with a broken bone. She was straight back into it, hassling and chasing all game. Whilst we scored a couple of goals thanks to Rylan there were a few other opportunities that we were unlucky not to score. Special mention to Ryan who played in defence and played amazingly well, stopping numerous opposition attacking plays. It was a great team effort.

**Player of the Match:** Ryan

**Encouragement Award:** Evie

## U9/2 vs BYE

BYE

## U9/7 vs Lourdes FC

Not provided

## U10/2 vs Ponds FC

While the game this week didn't quite go in our favour score wise, that wasn't really a reflection as to how we played.

We had a really strong start, as usual, spending a good amount of time trading attacks. Some really strong runs allowed us to pressure their defence, but a few out of position players meant we couldn't push out wide to counter attack their defence, and instead lost the ball in the middle. Something we need to work on over the next coming weeks is really holding the formation to create the opportunities rather than everyone going for the ball at the same time.

On a more positive note, the outstanding players go to John for holding the centre back line almost all game, and Obie for being pivotal in the centre midfield. Great work!!

**Player of the Match:** John

**Encouragement Award:** Obie

## U10/6 vs Glenwood Redbacks SC

Opposing team forfeit

## U11/4 vs Quakers Hill Tigers SC

For a coach, this was an interesting game. With a shortage of available Game Leaders this weekend, I agreed to step in and referee the game. I was very grateful that Dale was able to cover me and be Coach for the day. This was a great opportunity to witness how the team played without my over-zealous voice on the sideline offering constant advice and also see how well the team responded and adapted to a different voice.

It was very satisfying to see that the team responded brilliantly. Without my constant direction, they needed to step up and take a greater responsibility to organise themselves on the field, and they did an amazing job. They also listened to all of the things that Dale discussed with them during warm up, during the game and at half time. They didn't hesitate to adopt new suggestions, and they took on board his advice in the spirit that it was delivered, and did their best to put it into action.

From my own perspective on the field with the players, it was absolutely a learning experience for me to see how well the whole team worked together as a unit when given the opportunity to take on the responsibility to work things out on their own.

**Player of the Match:** Ryder

**Encouragement Award:** Emma

## U12/1 vs Prospect United SC

### **Kings Langley SFC 1 - Prospect United SC 0**

One for the books. Without a substitute, all the boys had to be “on the ball” for the whole game. And they did. Outstanding performance by every single one of them. We were the better team most of the game but Prospect had the better changes of making a goal. If it wasn't for Liam, who played a memorable game as a goalie, we could have been 3-0 down in the first half. Closer to the end of the second half we finally scored the so much deserved goal and finished the game with a very well deserved 1-0 WIN!

Shout out to Kieren and Brody for coming down to cheer on their team mates!

**Player of the Match:** Liam

**Encouragement Award:** Lucas

## U13/3 vs Ropes Crossing Strikers FC

### **Kings Langley SFC 6 - Ropes Crossing Strikers FC 7**

Not provided

## U15/4 vs Town Rangers FC

### **Kings Langley SFC 2 - Town Rangers FC 2**

Not provided



## O35/5 vs Quakers Hill Junior SC Red

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### **Kings Langley SFC 4 - Quakers Hill Junior SC Red 1**

This team gave us a proper towelling in Round 2, and had easily been our hardest opponents to date this season. It wasn't clear why they were doing so poorly on the ladder by Round 9, but we were keen to do everything we could to return the favour.

At kick off, their position on the ladder became clearer as they lined up with only 10. This made it easier to keep a watchful eye on their key playmaker and speedy forward, largely keeping them out of the game. While Quakers Hill pressed throughout the game and had several quality attempts on goal (with one successful), overall we were able to keep them under control and balance out the damage in the For and Against columns from the earlier round.

Four wins on the spin and after a slow start our season is picking up speed.