

2021 Girls Touch Football Report

On Wednesday 9th June the Western Suburbs/Wiley Park Girls Touch Football team competed at the Sydney East carnival. The best touch players from the 189 schools in the region would all be attending. Our preparation was not ideal as the wet weather meant that there were little opportunities to train and get our combinations right. Also Larissa from McCallums Hill was a late withdrawal.

Our first game was against Georges River/Botany. We started nervously in the cold conditions. The lack of preparation meant combinations were not strong and the girls were still getting familiar with each other. Some great team work and leadership from Katie and Eadie reinforced the amazing spirit of the team. A tough back and forward game ended in a 1 all draw. Tries scored by; Madi

Our second game was against Sutherland/Engadine. The girls started to look more confident and were the dominant team early. Some strong defense and great drive plays showed the girls they were a very capable team. A late try before half time had the teams tied at half time. The second half was a back and forth struggle with Julia trying her hardest to steal a win for the team. A controversial late try gave Sutherland/Engadine a hard fought 2-1 victory. The goal line defense in this game was outstanding. Tries scored by; Lily.

Cronulla were the team to beat, with many players of representative standard and news of their dominate boys team the day before. The girls did not let this faze them as they started at blistering speed. A move of Lola to the wing paid off and she used her speed and light footwork to make her mark on the game. A close first half gave the girls lots of confidence heading in to the second half. Wests/Wiley Park sensed their opportunity and moved Julia, Kate and Eddie into the middle with the move paying off immediately, scoring straight after half time. Feeling this was their opportunity to knock off a powerful team the girls dug deep and produced an amazing game. Fantastic teamwork, tremendous support play and desperate defense helped the girls to a 6-3 victory Tries scored by; Lola x 2, Kate x 2, Julia, Sorcha

With confidence sky high the girls were now the team to watch. East/Coastal was the next opponent and they were subjected to a clinical display from the girls, who now had developed chemistry and a great bond. Some truly remarkable team work lead to a number of tries that even Turbo would have been proud of last night. Fantastic goal line pressure and support by the amazing pressure of Lily and Mireya helped keep our try line safe. Girls ran out big winners 6 - 0. Tries scored by; Julia x 2, Lola, Madi, Eadie.

Our final game of the day was against Souths/Balmain. An interesting game to finish with lots of the team having friends in the opposition team. The game was played in great competitive spirit. Sorcha was her usual dominant self, creating lots of space with her runs. The stars of the game were the 2 wingers, Maeve and Madi. Maeve was slick, finishing off great team play for some epic tries. Madi

capped off her amazing day, scoring a length of the field intercept try. Tries scored by; Maeve x 2, Madi x 2, Eadie, Lola

We finished the carnival third overall which is an exceptional effort. We were lucky enough to have 3 students selected in the Sydney East team to compete in the NSWPSA carnival in August.

Congratulations Julia, Eadie and Kate. All girls were such amazing young ladies, displaying great team work, respect and fairness all day. They were a credit to their school and zones.

Mr Robinson/Miss Simpson/Mr Cleary

Coaches



Mr Robinson, Julia (Summer Hill), Eadie (Abbotsford), Madison (Summer Hill), Mireya (Russell Lea), Miss Simpson

Lily (Russell Lea), Kate (Abbotsford), Lola (Strathfield North), Sorcha (Russell Lea), Maeve (Ashbury)