



Arenas to step out on the big stage for Team NAB AFL Auskick

Team NAB AFL Auskick has its second recruit of the year, with 10-year-old Leanne Arenas from Taylors Lakes Football Club joining the team.

The 2024 Team NAB AFL Auskick coaches Nick Daicos and Katie Brennan encourage all registered Auskickers to enter via submitting a video online for a chance to join the team. They are on the lookout for NAB Auskickers who show teamwork, dedication, and passion!

Selected Auskickers will have the opportunity to invite an Auskick teammate of their choice to join them for a remarkable experience, attending an AFL Grand Final.

Eleven lucky winners will be announced during the Seven Network's AFL match broadcast, with **Leanne** being the second lucky Auskicker to join the team accompanied by her chosen nominee – seven-year-old little sister, Laura.

Leanne and Laura will join their fellow Team NAB AFL Auskick recruits at the MCG in Melbourne for a once-in-a-lifetime Grand Final experience, where they take centre stage and present the winning grand final team with their premiership medallions.

Leanne Arenas loves her footy and is a huge Carlton fan, with tall forward Harry McKay her favourite player on the team. The grade five student also has a passion for many sports including swimming and tee-ball and is keen to keep active!

Outside of sport, Leanne participates in her school choir and is very creative at heart, with drawing, cooking and baking some of her most-loved weekend activities.

Leanne's younger sister Laura took up football alongside Leanne last year at her NAB AFL Auskick Centre, where she instantly took a liking to it, displaying her natural talent and keen determination to improve her skills. She embraces challenges on the field with enthusiasm and is a great team player.

Leanne and Laura participated in the NAB AFL Auskick halftime game at Marvel Stadium during the all-girls Auskick round on April 20 this year, which was one of their favourite sporting experiences to date, and they both loved the opportunity to play on the same field as the Carlton and GWS AFL stars.

As part of being selected as a Team NAB AFL Auskick recruit, Leanne has the chance to be crowned the 2024 NAB AFL Auskicker of the Year which will be announced during Toyota AFL Grand Final Week.

The lucky NAB AFL Auskicker of the Year will receive a remarkable \$5,000 prize thanks to NAB and have the privilege of being mentored by an AFL and AFLW player throughout 2025.

If your Auskicker would like a chance to join Team NAB AFL Auskick and have a Grand Final experience of a lifetime, visit <u>http://www.afl.com.au/nab-team</u>

