



Team NAB AFL Auskick's latest recruit, Zahra Reilly after her Channel 7 interview with Joel Selwood on Friday night at GMHBA Stadium during the Geelong Cats v Essendon game.

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Zahra Reilly named Round 22 Team NAB AFL Auskick recruit

Team NAB AFL Auskick has named its 19th recruit of the year, with seven-year-old Zahra Reilly from Officer Auskick Centre in Victoria joining the team.

The 2025 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 the 2025 Toyota AFL Grand Final.

Eleven lucky winners will be announced during the Seven Network's AFL match broadcast, with Zahra being the latest winner to join the team accompanied by her chosen teammate – her younger sister Ella.

Zahra and Ella 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 will take centre stage and present the winning team with their premiership medallions.

Zahra is a sports lover; she loves the competition and is a great team player. She really enjoys running and wakeboarding but especially loves her football! She is a big Geelong Cats fan, with Jeremy Cameron and Bailey Smith being her favourite players. She's loved 'Jezza' ever since she met him on a family holiday in Bali and he was such a nice guy.

Zahra and her family recently travelled around Australia and her favourite memory was seeing baby turtles hatch on the beach.

Zahra chose her little sister Ella as her teammate because Ella loves Auskick, especially getting to play with her best friends. Like her sister, Ella is very adventurous and loves playing sport and being outdoors.

Both girls are some of Jeremy Cameron's biggest fans, insist that they make a banner for him to bring to every game they attend.

As part of being selected as a Team NAB AFL Auskick recruit, Zahra has the chance to be crowned the 2025 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 prizemoney thanks to NAB and will have a year full of unique experiences, including meeting AFL and AFLW players and attending AFL games and special events.

About NAB AFL Auskick

- NAB AFL Auskick is an introductory program for kids to connect with Australian Football while having lots of fun and being active – smiles and grass stains are guaranteed!
- In weekly sessions, kids focus on building football skills and playing in a safe and super fun setting. Expect small groups, heaps of games and parent/guardian involvement.
- NAB AFL Auskick invites all children aged 5-12 no matter their knowledge, skill or ability, to participate in the tackle-free program.
- NAB AFL Auskick offers an inclusive environment for everyone to get involved, with optional 'All Girls' Auskick programs and All-Abilities Auskick centres available.
- More than 141,000 boys and girls participated in NAB AFL Auskick programs at more than 3,500 centres across the country in 2024 – setting a new record!
- Auskick participants have the chance to feature in mini games during halftime at elite AFL and AFLW matches throughout the season. A once-in-a-lifetime experience for many kids!
- Upon signing up, all Auskickers get an awesome pack filled with cool footy goodies not available anywhere else.
- Visit play.afl/auskick for more details.



Zahra running with the footy during half-time Auskick at GMHBA Stadium on Friday night. Photo: Michael Willson/AFL Photos