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## **Hunter Armstrong joins Team NAB AFL Auskick 2023**

**Hunter Armstrong**, from **Victoria's Newcomb Power Auskick Centre**, has been announced as the fourth Team NAB AFL Auskick recruit for 2023.

A new-look initiative this year, Team NAB AFL Auskick calls for registered participants of the NAB AFL Auskick program to enter for their chance to join the team, along with an Auskick mate of their choice, who will get to experience the awesomeness with them.

Eleven lucky winners will be announced bi-weekly during Seven Network's AFL match broadcast, with Hunter being the fourth lucky Auskicker to join the team, accompanied by his chosen nominee - his Auskick friend and day care buddy, Tom Bandy.



Hunter is affectionately called “Hunter-licious” at his club and lives and breathes footy. He knows almost all the Collingwood players names and numbers, with his favourite players being Nick Daicos and Brodie Mihocek.

Hunter attends Auskick every Sunday, arriving an hour early to help set up the drills. He often runs with the senior Newcomb players out on the ground on a Saturday and sneaks into their warmup on the ground. He has also been known to jump into the under 9’s training on a Thursday night. The players adore him, and he is often complimented by others about his skill level and knowledge for his age.

Hunter has also embraced the all-abilities section at Newcomb for kids with special needs. He has trained with them and supported another child in running out with the Seniors.

He sometimes breaks the rules at home by kicking the ball inside, which once resulted in part of a clock smashing off the wall when he was playing a game with his sister Harper. When watching the footy, he has picked up many of his dad’s lingo when barracking the Pies and will often yell out “Chewy on your Boot” when the opposing team is having a shot at goal.

Hunter wants to be Nick Daicos when he grows up and is very concerned that Nick may not be able to play alongside him for the Pies due to the age difference. Watch this space, greatness is destined for Hunter!

The lucky Team NAB AFL Auskick Captain will also take home a whopping \$5,000 thanks to NAB, plus have an AFL and AFLW player as their personal footy mentor in 2024.

If your Auskicker would like a chance to join Team NAB AFL Auskick and have a Grand Final experience of a lifetime, visit [nab.com.au/Auskick](http://nab.com.au/Auskick)

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#### **About NAB AFL Auskick:**

- NAB AFL Auskick is an introductory program and is the best fun kids can have being active!
- In weekly sessions, kids will explore the world of AFL, 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 non-contact program.
- NAB AFL Auskick offers an inclusive environment for everyone to get involved, with optional Girls-only Auskick programs and All-Abilities Auskick centres available.
- More than 100,000 boys and girls are expected to participate in NAB AFL Auskick programs at more than 4,000 centres across the country in 2023.
- Auskick participants feature at half-time of AFL and AFLW matches throughout the season, a once-in-a-lifetime experience for many kids, which some centres get the opportunity to be part of.
- Upon signing up, all Auskickers get an awesome pack filled with cool footy goodies not available anywhere else!
- Visit [play.afl/auskick](http://play.afl/auskick) for details and to register today.



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