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## HORNSBY HEIGHTS

# Grant will up junior stars' game

### New cash to help develop up-and-coming players in transitions

**Jake McCallum**

TODAY'S junior football stars could be tomorrow's top A-league local representatives thanks to a State Government grant providing access to transition coaching programs for Hornsby Heights FC.

The \$1800 sports grant will enable young players to access the T3 Australia coaching development programs to transition from modified to competition games.

Hornsby Heights Football Club co-chair Campbell Watt said the grant will help inspire more young players to take on the A-league.

"We provide each and everyone one of our players in the junior years with qualified coaches through T3," Watt said.

"The course makes the members happier on the

field and more confident, it also helps the transition from modified play to competition games ...

"This whole program helps make that transition more successful."

Each team at the local club will get the opportunity to train with T3 coaching co-founders Ehsan Popal and Western Sydney Wanderers striker Matt Sim.

"Not only will this grant help the players, but it will also help our parent coaches," Watt said.

"Everything we have been doing with our club is focused on making the game fun. The product we have to deliver as a volunteer club is a good experience for our players."

Hornsby state Liberal MP Matt Kean announced the grant at a visit to Montview Oval last week.



Hornsby MP Matt Kean (centre) with the Hornsby Heights FC.