





The Congo

70th Anniversary

Saturday 4 July 2009 is the date for our 70th Anniversary Dinner to be held at Dooleys, Lidcombe Catholic Club in John St Lidcombe!

Tickets now on sale

\$40.00 per person

Be sure to mark this date in your diary and organise a table with your team or other Congos both past and present.

> For further updates or information contact us at congs70th@lidcombechurchessoccer.com www.lidcombechurchessoccer.com

This Week's Competition Matches Saturday 9th May 2009

- Under 6 vs St Bernadettes (Lions) at Phillips Park, at 9.00am.
 - Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 8.30am
- Under 7 vs Wentworthville Uniting at Freame Park, Rees St Mays Hill

at 9.00am. Meet at Freame Park No Later than 8.30am

Under 9 vs Wentworthville Uniting at Phillips Park, at 10.00am.

Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 9.30am

Under 11 VS OLQP Falcons at Phillips Park, at 11.00am.

Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 10.30am

Premier League vs St Matthews at Greenup Park, Cecil Ave Castle Hill at

1.30 & 3.15pm.

Meet at Greenup Park No Later than 1.00pm

REFEREE COURSES

Interested in refereeing?

Would you like to increase your knowledge of the laws of the game?

Then a refereeing course is for you!

Course dates: Wednesday 20th & 27th May

All courses are conducted at the office of the NSW Churches Football Association, 3/9 Chester Hill Rd, Chester Hill commencing at 7.30pm and will run until approx 9.30pm. Any interested people should contact James May.

Team Photos

Please note the following schedule for team photos; Saturday 9th May 2009 at Phillips Park

Under 6 – 8.45am

Under 9 – 9.45am

Under 11 – 10.45am

Saturday 9th May 2009 at Greenup Park

Premier League – 1.15pm

Saturday 23rd May 2009 at Phillips Park

Under 7 – 10.45am

Please make sure that you will be at Phillips Park on these days for your team photos. This will be the only time that your team photos will be taken.

MATCH RESULTS

| PREMIER LEAG | IUE: | | PREMIER LEAG | PREMIER LEAGUE: | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|------|--------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|------|---------|--|--|--|
| 2-May-09 | | 1sts | 2nds | 25-Apr-09 | | 1sts | 2nds | | | |
| St Matthews | St Columbas | 0-4 | 0-2 | Blacktown RC | Guildford | 3-3 | 2-3 | | | |
| Lidcombe | Blacktown RC | 0-5 | 0-1 | St Matthews | Chester Hill | 2-0 | 0-2 | | | |
| St Patricks | Guildford | 3-1 | 3-2 | Lidcombe | St Columbas | 1-1 | 1-1 | | | |
| Macarthur | Chester Hill | 6-0 | 1-0 | Macarthur | St Patricks | 1-1 | 0-6 | | | |
| PREMIER LEAG | iUE: | | | | | | | | | |
| 18-Apr-09 | | 1sts | 2nds | | | | | | | |
| Guildford | Macarthur | 1-5 | 4-0 | | | | | | | |
| St Columbas | Blacktown RC | 2-1 | 1-1 | | | | | | | |
| Lidcombe | Chester Hill | 6-0 | 2-0 | | | | | | | |
| St Patricks | St Matthews | 2-1 | 0-0 | | | | | | | |
| 2-May-09 | • | | . | 18-Apr-09 | • | | _ | | | |
| UNDER 11s/12s | : | | | UNDER 11s/12s: | | | | | | |
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| OLQP (12P) | OLQP (12Q) St Bern 12 | 2-3 | | OLQP (12Q) St Bern 12 | St Bern Tigers Wenty Uniting | 1-2 | - | | | |
| OLQP Falcons | Eagles | 0-7 | | Eagles | (12) | 2-1 | | | | |
| St Bern Tigers | St Bern 11 Eagles | 2-0 | | St Bern Lions | OLQP Falcons | 3-0 | | | | |
| Wenty Uniting (12) | St Bern Lions | 0-2 | | OLOR (White) | OLQP (12P) | 0-7 | | | | |
| | | | | | St Bern 11 | | | | | |
| Lidcombe | OLOR (White) | 4-0 | | Lidcombe | Eagles | 2-2 | | | | |
| Lidcombe | OLOR (White) | 4-0 | | Lidcombe | | 2-2 | | | | |
| UNDER 9s: | OLOR (White) | 4-0 | | Lidcombe UNDER 9s: | | 2-2 | <u></u> | | | |
| UNDER 9s: 2-May-09 | | 4-0 | | | | 2-2 |] | | | |
| UNDER 9s: | OLOR (White) OLQP Falcons (P) | 2-0 | | UNDER 9s: | | 1-0 |] | | | |

| Guildford | OLOR White | 3-1 |
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| Newington | Lidcombe | 1-1 |
| OLOR Green | | Bve |

| OLOR Green | Newington | 1-1 |
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| Guildford | Wenty Uniting | 5-0 |
| OLQP Falcons | | |
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COMPETITION LADDERS

Premier League First Grade:

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| | Р | W | D | L | F | Α | Pts | | |
| Macarthur | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 2 | 7 | | |
| St Columbas | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 7 | | |
| St Patricks | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 7 | | |
| Blacktown RC | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 5 | 4 | | |
| Lidcombe | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 4 | | |
| St Matthews | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 3 | | |
| Guildford | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 11 | 1 | | |
| Chester Hill | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 14 | 0 | | |

Premier League Reserve Grade:

| | Р | W | D | ٦ | F | Α | Pts |
|--------------|---|---|---|---|---|----|-----|
| St Patricks | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 7 |
| Guildford | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 9 | 5 | 6 |
| St Columbas | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 5 |
| Blacktown RC | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Lidcombe | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 |
| Chester Hill | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Macarthur | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 3 |
| St Matthews | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 1 |

Under 11/12s Competition Ladder:

| Officer 1772s Competition Lauder. | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|----|-----|--------|--|
| | Р | W | D | L | F | Α | Pts | % | |
| St Bern 12 E | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 6 | 900.00 | |
| St Bern T | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 400.00 | |
| St Bern L | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 6 | - | |
| Lidcombe | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 300.00 | |
| OLQP (12P) | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 9 | 3 | 3 | 300.00 | |
| OLQP (12Q) | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 100.00 | |
| St Bern 11 E | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 50.00 | |
| Wenty | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 25.00 | |
| OLOR (White) | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 11 | 0 | - | |
| OLQP Falcons | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 10 | 0 | - | |

Under 9s Competition Ladder:

| Older 33 Competition Ladder. | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Р | w | D | Bye | L | F | Α | Pts | % |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Guildford | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 6 | 800.00 |
| OLQP Falcons (Q) | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 6 | - |
| OLOR Green | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 100.00 |
| St Bernadettes | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 1 |
| OLQP Falcons (P) | 2 | 0 | | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | - |
| Newington | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 100.00 |
| Lidcombe | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 50.00 |
| Wenty Uniting | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 1 | - |
| OLOR White | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 16.67 |

RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 2ND MAY 2009

Under 6s defeated Newington 6-1 at Wilson Park:

In what was an exciting local derby the Under 6s took on

Newington at Wilson Park. Starting with only five players Lidcombe conceded the first goal in the second minute but

it didn't long for Lidcombe to hit back when Justin Chan-Frias found the target. Yasser Alsaedy then arrived to complete a full team and contributed to the goal tally. Conner Smith did well as goalkeeper to keep Newington scoreless in the second half. Compliments to

the whole team's effort. It was Lidcombe first win for the season.

Under 7s lost to OLQP (C) 5-11 at Phillips Park:

In the first match of the day at Phillips Park the Under 7s put together an outstanding performance in a 16 goal thriller.

OLQP started the match strongly catching Lidcombe off guard and they went to a 3-0 lead after five minutes. The Congo spirit then kicked in with goals from Athavan Nithiananthan, Samuel Harris and Arzycki DeVera along with some excellent brave goalkeeping from Blake Batchelor which saw the scores locked at 3-3 going into the half time break.

The second half saw OLQP put out all their gun players to score five unanswered goals against a weaker Lidcombe Some side. minor adjustments by the coach then saw Lidcombe get their act together with goals coming from the boot of Abraham Hamdan and Salim Mhajer. A tiring Lidcombe conceded three late goals but still never gave up. Best performers this week were . Abraham Hamdan, Arzycki DeVera and Blake Batchelor.

Under 9s drew with Newington 1-1 at Wilson Park:

In what was an entertaining match the Under 9 side showed that they are very competitive when they have a full team on the field.

Forced to defend early in the match the fighting spirit of the team came through with Ibrahim Taha and James Lawandos solid at the back.

Emmanuel Mylonas Mitchell Djelevski worked tirelessly in the midfield. A defensive lapse four minutes into the second half saw Newington take the lead. It looked as though they would extend their lead with further pressure being put on the Lidcombe goal. However with three minutes remaining in the match a quick break from the defence by Christopher May and Andrew Lylo set up Emmanuel Mylonas who made a determined run to set up Ibrahim Taha for the equaliser.

A great effort by the young team.

Under 11s defeated OLOR 4-0 at Phillips Park:

From the opening whistle dominated, Lidcombe controlling the ball from the backs to the forwards. It was not long before the first goal came. A good ball from a Patrick May cross which the defence allowed to bounce saw Anthony Boustani head home (they know why they were drilled this at training!). An interchange of passing led to the second goal and with the help of some dodgy defence again, Anthony

pounced to slot home his second from close range. He got his third goal after some lovely passing down the right hand side. 3-0 at the break and some of the crowd were wondering what made the change! Possibly it was KJ's stirring pre-match rev up; maybe just the fact they are learning to let the ball do the work? For all the domination of the second half we only managed one more goal off a Patrick May corner.

Mohammed Elkhodr scored his first goal for Lidcombe after a neat flick as he stood next to the keeper.

It was the best they have played. Matthew Mav showed a calmness and cool head at the back along with Daniel Kratz while Eloise Tanti ripped apart the lefthand side of the defence. Hopefully we can play the same way for the rest of the year!

Premier League Reserve Grade lost to Blacktown RC 0-1 at Phillips Park: Premier League First Grade lost to Blacktown RC 0-5 at Phillips Park:

VICTORY IN PRE SEASON FINAL!

Congratulations to our team who had a convincing 6-0 win over Guildford McCredie in the Preseason final recording the club's first-ever premiership in this event. The competition was played at night over seven weeks during February and March at Jones Park Wentworthville and our side won five, drew one with one wash-out.

In the final, goals came from Mat James (3), Steve James (2) and Chris Hines.