





# The Congo

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This Week's Competition Matches Saturday 4th July 2009

Under 6 vs OLOR/St Angles (W) at Phillips Park, at 9.00am.

Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 8.30am

Under 7 vs Wentworthville Uniting at Phillips Park at 10.00am.

Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 9.30am

Under 9 vs St Bernadettes at Phillips Park, at 11.00am.

Meet at Phillips St Park No Later than 10.30am

Under 11 vs OLQP Falcons at Phillips Park, at 12.00noon.

Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 11.30am

Premier League vs Macarthur WASPS at Phillips Park at 1.30 & 3.15pm.

Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 1.00pm

## RESULTS OF KNOCKOUT FINAL PLAYED 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

#### Under 9s Lost to Guildford McCredie 0-2 at Jones Park:

After having played in the morning the Under 9s travelled to Jones Park to Guildford οn McCredie in the final of the Knockout Competition. Lidcombe started strongly and were forced to defend early with goalkeeper Ibrahim Taha making some great saves to keep the opposition scoreless until the 14th minute. Another

goal was conceded before half time with the Lidcombe defence not marking the opposition striker.

The second half saw Lidcombe defend well and set up many attacking chances with Andrew Lylo, Emanuel Mylonas and Ibrahim Taha controlling the midfield. Camryn Batchelor's strong throw-ins were

instrumental in giving Lidcombe good field position and momentum. Christopher performed well in goals to keep the opposition scoreless in the second half at Lidcombe were unfortunate not penetrate the Guildford towards the goal conclusion of the match.

# RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 27th June 2009

#### Under 6s defeated Guildford McCredie 3-1 at Phillips Park:

The under sixes played McCredie on Saturday at home. The weather was a lot dryer from the week prior. It was another outstanding performance from the whole team. The game was evenly

matched but Lidcombe defence kept McCredie out of our goal. Gabriel Fusi made some long runs through the middle and was unlucky not to score, well done. Brandon Thai showed his hunger

through game, another great game. On day the the star performer was Yasser Alsaedy his defence was great. Lidcombe just to strong to win 3-1 well done!

## RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE (CONT)

## Under 7s lost to OLQP 1-5 at Daniel St Park:

Lidcombe travelled away on yet another cold winter's morning to play their first game in 3 weeks.

The extended break made it difficult for Lidcombe to find any rhythm in their play and allowed OLQP to score 2 early soft goals. Lidcombe were then shocked into action and responded with a brilliant individual goal from Salim Mhajer. The game was a close affair for the rest of the half with both teams scoring again before half time.

The second half started similar to the first with OLQP scoring early before Iturra scored excellent build following up play from the whole team. The story of the second half was Lidcombe playing well but without luck as several attempts on goal were either saved or narrowly missed, with the most notable coming from man of the match Athavan Nithiananthan.

Unfortunately, as is quite often the case in soccer, OLOP scored from their only two further attempts on goal in the match. Best for Lidcombe in a match where everyone shone in patches were Athavan Nithiananthan, Salim Mhajer, Abraham Hamdan and Jee Teng Ong.

#### Under 9s Lost to OLOR 0-5 at Bert Saunders Reserve:

The Under 9s had a late transfer of their match to Bert Saunders Reserve taking on OLOR. As a result of the late transfer of the match Lidcombe started with only 8 players and were holding their opposition out. A laps in concerntratioOn saw Lidcombe concede a goal to a long range shot.

Lidcombe did well in the first half but were out numbered and couldn't keep up the pace and went to the break two goals down.

With the arrival of two extra players at half time Lidcombe put up more of a defensive fight with good defence from James Lawandos, Emmanuel

Mylonas and Hamze Taha being backed up by goalkeeper Camryn Batchelor to keep the OLQP attack at bay. Lidcombe tired however in the final five minutes to concede three more goals leaving the final score at 0-5.

## Under 11s defeated St Bernadettes (Eagles) 1-0 at Green Up Park:

Lidcombe under 11's travelled to Green up to play St Bernadettes. Lidcombe came out playing and passing well even though they not had a training run for three weeks due to the bad weather. Attacking from the on set where unlucky not to have scored as the goal posts got in the way twice in the first half and several

shots where only millimetres away. The score at half time was nil all.

Many thanks to Patrick May who pulled off a couple of good saves to halt the opposition attack.

The half time team talk proved the difference to the two teams as Lidcombe scored in the later stage of the game after some really

good build up from all over the park and it did seem that a victory was gong to escape the team again.

Full credit to all players who contributed to a great team effort and special mention to the Parents who stepped up and helped the team out in the coaches absence.

Premier League Reserve Grade defeated St Matthews 2-1 at Phillips Park

Premier League First Grade defeated St Matthews 2-1at Phillips Park: