



The Congo

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THE COUNTDOWN BEGINS – FIVE GAMES TO GO!

Popular Club Secretary JAMES "PC" MAY is rapidly approaching KEN JAMES' all-time games record of 652 games and needs only FIVE more games to pass this milestone.

James should pass the record **on June 19 at Phillips Park** so keep the date clear! James commenced playing in 1979 so he has had a long Congo career.

THIS WEEK'S MATCHES: SATURDAY 15th MAY 2010

- Junior teams meet at their ground 30 minutes before kick-off.
- Premier League teams meet at their ground at 1.00pm.

GROUND LOCALITY:

- DANIEL ST PARK: Daniel St Greystanes
- RON DINE RESERVE: Cnr McRae St and Cowper Drive CAMDEN SOUTH
- WILSON PARK: Newington Rd Silverwater

Under 6 (B): vs Guildford McCredie at Phillips Park at 10.00am.

Under 6 (G): vs St Bernadette's (Tigers) at Phillips Park at 11.00am.

Under 7: vs OLQP (F) at Daniel St Park at 9.00am.

Under 8: vs OLQP (P) at Wilson Park at 9.00am.

Under 10: vs OLQP (P) Daniel St Park at 10.00am.

Note: Under 10 change of match time from that previously advised

Under 12: vs OLQP at Phillips Park 1 at 12noon.

Premiers: vs Macarthur Wasps at Ron Dine Reserve 1.30pm/3.15pm.

CONGRATULATIONS! 100 GAMES

08 MAY 2010: CHRIS MAY (U/8s) (Commenced 2005)

ASSOCIATION RESULTS - 8th MAY 2010

Under 8			
OLOR R	0	OLQP P	3
Guild R	5	New'ton	0
Lidcombe	1	St Bern E	0

PREMIER LEAGUE - RESERVES			
Wenty	0	Lidcombe	1
WASPS	0	St Pats	3
St Col	6	St Matts	0

Under 10			
OLOR W	2	St Bern L	0
Guild W	0	OLQP Q	4
OLQP P	1	Guild R	0
OLOR G	0	New'ton	1
Wenty	0	Lidcombe	2

PREMIER LEAGUE - FIRSTS			
Wenty	1	Lidcombe	3
WASPS	1	St Pats	0
St Col	1	St Matts	1

UNDER 11/12			
St Bern 12E	7	St Bern T	1
Lidcombe	1	Wenty	1
New'ton	0	St Bern 12L	2
OLOR W	0	OLQP	2
OLQP 12	Bye		

COMPETITION LADDERS AFTER 8th MAY 2010

UNDER 8s:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	Lidcombe	5	5	0	0	22	3	19	15
2	Guild R	5	4	0	1	31	5	26	12
3	New'ton	5	3	0	2	12	6	6	9
4	St Bern E	5	2	0	3	6	11	-5	6
5	OLQP P	5	1	0	4	5	22	-17	3
6	OLOR R	5	0	0	5	0	29	-29	0

PREMIER LEAGUE - RESERVES:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	St Pats	6	5	0	1	16	5	11	15
2	St Cols	6	3	2	1	11	4	7	11
3	WASPS	6	3	0	3	7	9	-2	9
4	Wenty	6	2	1	3	7	5	2	7
5	Lid Ch	6	2	1	3	7	12	-5	7
6	St Matts	6	0	2	4	2	15	-13	2

UNDER10s:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	OLQP Q	5	5	0	0	28	0	28	15
2	OLQP P	5	4	1	0	13	1	12	13
3	Guild W	5	3	1	1	12	10	2	10
4	New'ton	5	3	1	1	13	2	11	10
5	OLOR W	5	3	0	2	16	8	8	9
6	Lidcombe	5	2	1	2	7	12	-5	7
7	OLOR G	5	1	0	4	2	10	-8	3
8	Guild R	5	1	0	4	3	12	-9	3
9	St Bern L	5	1	0	4	3	19	-16	3
10	Wenty	5	0	0	5	0	23	-23	0

PREMIER LEAGUE - FIRSTS:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	WASPS	6	6	0	0	16	5	11	18
2	St Pats	6	3	0	3	8	9	-1	9
3	St Matts	6	2	2	2	12	12	0	8
5	Lid Ch	6	2	2	2	14	15	-1	8
4	Wenty	6	2	0	4	11	15	-4	6
6	St Cols	6	0	2	4	5	10	-5	2

UNDER 11s/12s:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	St Bern 12E	5	4	1	0	28	2	26	13
2	Wenty #	5	4	1	0	11	3	8	13
3	St Bern12L #	5	4	0	1	11	6	5	12
4	OLQP #	5	4	0	1	12	8	4	12
5	Lidcombe	5	3	2	0	18	2	16	11
6	St Bern T #	5	1	1	3	3	15	-12	4
7	New'ton	5	1	0	4	7	16	-9	3
8	OLQP 12#	5	1	0	4	0	14	-14	3
9	OLOR W	5	0	1	4	1	25	-24	1

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Results of Congs Matches – 8th May 2010

Under 6s (Blue) lost to Newington (Green) 0-4 at Wilson Park:

The Under Six (Blue) played Newington last Saturday and what a strong game it turned out to be!

Both sides came out firing on the day with Lidcombe turning in its best performance as a team this year.

Joshua Lim was outstanding with bustling runs up the middle and also backing up

in defence. It was his best game by far. Well done! Brandon Thai was unlucky not to score with another strong performance this week.

There was much improvement from the whole team with both Troy Gayoso and Jerold Reyes playing well.

On the day Newington was just too strong for Lidcombe with a final score of 4-0 against.

Thanks for the parents who supported the team cheering every player throughout the game.

Under 6s (Gold) lost to St Bernadette's (Tigers) 1-4 at Phillips Park:

With only four regular players available for the match last Saturday we were fortunate to be able to borrow an additional three from the Under 6 Blue side.

It was another fun game for Lidcombe and despite the scoreline of 4-1 against the players were still able to hold

their heads high at the final whistle.

Adam Mhajer was a standout player for our team and received great support from Jordan Hawach and Eknoor Singh.

Aydan Hamdan and Yehye Hamdan also continued their

improvement and appear set for good futures.

Thanks to Joshua Lim, Brandon Thai and Connor Smith who filled in for us with Joshua scoring our only goal.

Under 7s defeated St Bernadette's (Tigers) 6-3 at Excelsior Park:

The day started off very encouraging for the coach as seven players turned up ready to play at 8.45am at Excelsior Park!

And the team responded with a very good effort scoring the

last three goals of the match after the opposition had fought back to 3-3 midway through the second half.

Justin Chan-Frias was again prominent for his side scoring four goals while George

Faingataa and Edwin Akhol also found the net.

The goalscorers and Gabriel Fusi were Lidcombe's best.

Under 8s defeated St Bernadette's (Eagles) 1-0 at Wilson Park:

Last Saturday, competition leaders Lidcombe took on fourth-placed St Bernadette's at Wilson Park.

The team started well and went on the attack from the opening whistle with Arzycki DeVera setting up early attacking raids for Blake Batchelor to pester the opposition keeper.

Strong defence from Athavan Nithiananthan kept first half goalkeeper Abraham Hamdan from hardly touching the ball.

Lidcombe continued to attack the St Bernadette's goal with Samuel Harris setting up Christopher May and Alex Maljevac who both had great over lapping runs. Bryan Lam impressed in the midfield with some solid tackles.

Going into the second half with the scores locked at 0-0 Lidcombe took the lead with Salim Mhajer making a great run to set up Blake Batchelor who broke the deadlock after five minutes.

Sensing victory Lidcombe attacked with both Abraham Hamdan and Salim Mhajer narrowly missing goals.

It was an improved team performance in the second half which allowed Lidcombe to remain undefeated after the first round.

Most impressive for Lidcombe were Athavan Nithiananthan, Arzycki De Vera and Alex Maljevac.

Under 10s defeated Wentworthville Uniting 2-0 at Freame Park:

With an injured Ibrahim Taha playing in goals last

Saturday, Lidcombe looked like only fielding nine players.

Just as the game was about to begin Blake Batchelor from the Under 8s gladly put on a

shirt to be part of the side. He slotted into left back (not his usual position) yet managed really well.

Ten minutes into the game another player arrived making the team complete.

Now with a full side and having more possession, Lidcombe scored with a well-taken goal from Andrew Lylo following skilful play and passing of the team.

During the break Ken "KJ" James mentioned that the size of the field was larger than usual therefore it was important for the players to

control, pass and get back to their position otherwise they would tire too easily.

The second half saw Wentworthville step up its game which made Lidcombe play even harder.

A couple of positional changes worked to our advantage. A combination of brilliant defence by the fullbacks and some great saves by Ibrahim Taha made it difficult for Wenty to score.

Our second goal was timed perfectly with clever passes that found Andrew Lylo who scored again.

Players of the match were Hamze Taha, James Lawandos and Mitchell Djelevski.

KJ's player awards went to Matthew Amurao and Jonathan Duong for their improvement in confidence and holding positions in play.

Tenpin City Achievement Award went to Jonathan Duong.

Thanks to Blake for his support and dedication for the team and also to the parents for contacting us to advise that their child was unavailable for the game.

Under 12s drew with Wentworthville Uniting 1-1 at Phillips Park:

It was another close encounter for the Under 12s who played competition leaders

Wentworthville at home. Lidcombe started off very slowly, constantly allowing the visitors to get first to the ball and run the midfield ragged.

To Lidcombe's credit the fullbacks did what was needed to stop Wentworthville's attacks.

A long spell of possession finally cracked the locals' defence just before halftime

with the visitors taking the lead into halftime 1-0.

Second half saw Lidcombe finally show some fighting spirit, creating chances for themselves only for the final pass or shot to spray agonisingly wide.

Midway through the second half Lidcombe finally grabbed the equaliser through Bellal Elkhodr after some nice build up work from the midfield.

The remainder of the game saw both teams pressing for

the winner with Patrick May doing a great job in goals to prevent the visitors snatching a late winner. A long-range strike from Patrick Murray hit the crossbar.

Well done to the team for fighting back but the slow starts need to be changed in future games.

3 points: Patrick May

2 points: Patrick Murray

1 point: Rabish Limbu.

Premier League vs Wentworthville Uniting at Freame Park:

Reserve Grade won 1-0:

After being on the receiving end of a 5-0 thrashing in their first round meeting with Wentworthville, Lidcombe turned the tide last Saturday thanks to a late right footer from Tristram Larwood.

First Grade won 3-1:

Despite being behind 1-0 midway through the second half Lidcombe's first grade finished much the stronger scoring three late goals (including a "screamer" from Dave Hay!) to defeat fourth-placed Wentworthville 3-1 at Freame Park.

Wenty tired noticeably in the second half after having to do a lot of chasing in the first half heat when Lidcombe was able

Good performances were turned in by Steve May, Harry Sivasothy and Mat Lane.

In his 648th appearance for the club James May showed that he still has the skills with another fine match.

to retain possession for long periods.

A much improved effort by all the team who played the game with a much more positive outlook with encouragement and support for each other being much more noticeable than has been the case in recent weeks.

Lidcombe still needs to do a lot of work learning to control the midfield if it wants to make an

impact in the end of season play-offs.

Trent Smith and Mat Hyde also scored for Lidcombe.

Special mention must be made of the efforts of Harry Sivasothy who played two full games in very trying conditions.