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JAMES MAY - FOUR GAMES TO GO!

Last Saturday JAMES "PC" MAY played his 649th game for Lidcombe and needs another FOUR games to overtake KEN "KJ" JAMES' existing club record of 652 games. James will pass this milestone on **Saturday June 19** in the Premier Reserves match against Wentworthville Uniting at Phillips Park.

All Congos are urged to be at Phillips Park at 1.30pm to see James run on the field to break the record.

WORLD CUP COMMENCES 12th JUNE

In case you have been cut off from the world of communications in faraway Arnhem Land or trekking in the Himalayas we would like to remind you that the 2010 FIFA WORLD CUP commences on **June 12** (our time) in South Africa with the first match being the host nation South Africa playing in Group A against Mexico in Johannesburg.

Australia is in Group D and its first game will be a very tough encounter against Germany on **June 14** in Durban. Our other opponents in this group will be Ghana (**June 20**) and Serbia (**June 24**).

SIX-A-SIDE SATURDAY 12th JUNE

With both senior and junior Saturday competition matches taking a break on Saturday June 12 the annual Churches Six-a-side competition will once again be held at Everley Park, South Granville.

At last year's event Lidcombe met success with the Under 7s winning a nail-biting final.

All junior sides will take part in this day-long event so see your coach who is organising teams.

Normal Saturday competition matches for senior and junior teams will recommence on Saturday June 19.

THIS WEEK'S MATCHES: SATURDAY 22nd 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:

- ERIC MOBBS RESERVE: Excelsior Avenue Castle Hill (turn right off Old Northern Road)
- KELLYVILLE MEMORIAL PARK: (Top Field) Memorial Avenue Kellyville

Under 6 (B): vs OLOR/St Angelas (White) at Phillips Park at 10.00am.

Under 6 (G): vs OLOR/St Angelas (Green) at Phillips Park at 11.00am.

Under 7: vs St Bernadettes (Lions) at Eric Mobbs Reserve 9.00am.

Under 8: vs OLOR/St Angelas (Red) at Kellyville Park at 11.00am.
Under 10: vs St Bernadettes (Lions) at Phillips Park 1 at 12noon.
Under 12: vs St Bernadettes (Lions) Eric Mobbs Reserve 11.00am.
Premier: vs St Matthews Baulkham Hills at Phillips Park at 1.30pm/3.15pm.

ASSOCIATION RESULTS - 15th MAY

Under 8			
Guild R	4	OLOR R	0
Lidcombe	2	OLQP P	1
St Bern E	0	Newington	4

PREMIER LEAGUE - RESERVES			
WASPS	1	Lidcombe	2
St Matts	0	Wenty	3
St Pats	1	St Colum	2

Under 10			
Guild W	2	OLOR W	0
St Bern L	0	Guild R	1
Newington	0	OLQP Q	3
OLQP P	3	Lidcombe	2
OLOR G	3	Wenty	1

PREMIER LEAGUE - FIRSTS			
WASPS	3	Lidcombe	0
St Matts	5	Wenty	0
St Pats	3	St Colum	0

UNDER 11/12			
St Bern T	1	Wenty	7
Newington	1	OLQP 12	2
Lidcombe 12	5	OLQP	0
OLOR W	0	St Bern 12L	5
St Bern 12E	Bye		

COMPETITION LADDERS 15th MAY 2010

UNDER 8s:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	Lidcombe	6	6	0	0	24	4	20	18
2	Guildford R	6	5	0	1	35	5	30	15
3	New'ton	6	4	0	2	16	6	10	12
4	St Bern(E)	6	2	0	4	6	15	-9	6
5	OLQP (P)	6	1	0	5	6	24	-18	3
6	OLOR R	6	0	0	6	0	33	-33	0

PREMIER LEAGUE - RESERVES:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	St Patricks	7	5	0	2	17	7	9	15
2	St Columbas	7	4	2	1	13	5	8	14
3	Wenty	7	3	1	3	10	5	5	10
4	Lidcombe	7	3	1	3	9	13	-4	10
5	WASPS	7	3	0	4	8	11	-3	9
6	St Matthews	7	0	2	5	2	18	-16	2

UNDER 10s:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	OLQP Q	6	6	0	0	31	0	31	18
2	OLQP P	6	5	1	0	16	3	13	16
3	Guildford W	6	4	1	1	14	10	4	13
4	New'ton	6	3	1	2	13	5	8	10
5	OLOR W	6	3	0	3	16	10	6	9
6	Lidcombe	6	2	1	3	9	15	-6	7
7	OLOR G	6	2	0	4	5	11	-6	6
8	Guildford R	6	2	0	4	4	12	-8	6
9	St Bern L	6	1	0	5	3	20	-17	3
10	Wenty	6	0	0	6	1	26	-25	0

PREMIER LEAGUE - FIRSTS:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	WASPS	7	7	0	0	19	5	14	21
2	St Patricks	7	4	0	3	11	9	2	12
3	St Matthews	7	3	2	2	17	12	5	11
4	Lidcombe	7	2	2	3	14	18	-4	8
5	Wenty	7	2	0	5	11	20	-9	6
6	St Columbas	7	0	2	5	5	13	-8	2

UNDER 11s/12s:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	St Bern 12E#	6	5	1	0	28	2	26	16
2	Wenty #	6	5	1	0	18	4	14	16
3	St Bern12L#	6	5	0	1	16	6	10	15
4	Lidcombe	6	4	2	0	23	2	21	14
5	OLQP #	6	4	0	1	12	13	-1	12

6	OLQP 12#	6	2	0	4	2	15	-13	6
7	St Bern T#	6	1	1	4	4	22	-18	4
8	New'ton	6	1	0	5	8	18	-10	3
9	OLOR W	6	0	1	4	1	30	-29	1

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Results of Congs Matches – 15th May 2010

Under 6s (Blue) lost to Guildford McCredie 0-7 at Phillips Park:

The Under Six (Blue) side played Guildford McCredie last Saturday at Phillips Park. In the first half Lidcombe came out strongly with a couple of bustling runs through the centre but we just couldn't break the opposition's strong defence. Guildford started attacking but some great defence from Pedro Torres kept Guildford away from our goals.

With Raiden Jang in goals making many excellent saves the crowd was continually applauding and the rest of the team took heart.

In the second half we had some strong performances especially from Troy Gasoyo who chased a Guildford player the whole length of the field!

Late in the second half we changed goalkeepers and

Jerold Reyes turned in another good display.

Unfortunately Guildford were too strong on the day with the final score 7-0.

Under 6s (Gold) lost to St Bernadette's (Tigers) 0-10 at Phillips Park:

Despite a 10-0 scoreline against, the team still tried hard and all played a good game.

It will take a while for the side to settle down so this first season is a real learning curve for the players.

A couple of own-goals didn't deter the team and they had a lot of fun which is the main thing!

Gabriel Hamdan had a great game and so did Jordan Hawach while Yehye Hamdan turned in a good

first half performance in goals.

All the kids tried hard and are starting to understand that they have to get the ball :) but it was great to watch them have some fun!

Under 7s lost to OLQP (F) 4-5 at Phillips Park:

It was a big welcome back to Ali Askar who had missed several weeks but he showed he had not lost any of his skills with a hat-trick of goals! Lidcombe was always playing catchup football

against OLQP but were at least worthy of a draw.

Both halves were played for 25 minutes each (usually 20 minutes each!) and it was during this extra time that the opposition scored their winning goal.

Still it was a good performance from the Under 7s with Ali, Justin Chan-Frias and George Faingataa giving good displays.

George was Lidcombe's other goalscorer.

Under 8s defeated OLQP (P) 2-1 at Wilson Park:

Last Saturday competition leaders the Under 8s took on OLQP (P) at Wilson Park.

Lidcombe went on the attack early and were unfortunate not to take an early lead with good lead up work from Samuel Harris and Abraham Hamdan.

Alex Maljevac supported Christopher May on the right side of the field defending well then turning the play around setting up some good attacking opportunities.

The OLQP team took the lead two minutes before the

break after Lidcombe conceded a free kick 13 metres out from the goal.

After the half time pep-talk Lidcombe came out firing and with the injection of Salim Mhajer into the attack it did not take Lidcombe long to equalise when Black Batchelor found the net following some great passing from Lidcombe players Calvin Iturra, Alex Maljevac and Arzycki DeVera. Lidcombe continued to dominate the attack and had several opportunities to score

but narrowly missed the target.

The consistent pressure that Lidcombe put on the opposition goal paid off when Salim Mhajer broke the deadlock two minutes from the final whistle.

An excellent team performance in the second half with Christopher May, Calvin Iturra, Blake Batchelor and Arzycki DeVera the pick of the Lidcombe side.

Under 10s lost to OLQP (P) 2-3 at Daniel St Park:

Last Saturday the toss was won by OLQP who decided to kick-off but within 20 seconds of the game they had opened the scoring.

We wondered what the rest of the game was going to bring!

Not long after OLQP extended the lead to 2-0 after scoring a very easy goal.

Then in a remarkable turn around James Lawandos skilfully took the ball from the opposition. He dribbled it down the wing to half way

then passed to Mitchell Djelevski who perfectly played the ball to Andrew Lylo who scored our first goal.

However from the restart OLQP managed to get the ball back near our goals but with strong defence from the fullbacks the ball was yet again at the feet of our strikers resulting in Alpina Bou-Sleiman scoring the first goal of her career.

Congratulations Alpina!

In the second half goal keeper Camryn Batchelor put her body on the line and made a number of good saves but eventually OLQP scored their third goal.

Despite the final result being 2-3, I felt that we were the winners!

Players of the match: Mitchell Djelevski, James Lawandos and Andrew Lylo.

Tenpin City Achievement Award went to Andrew Li.

A big welcome to new player William Ha to the team.

Under 12s defeated OLQP 5-0 at Phillips Park:

Last Saturday's match against OLQP at Phillips Park was a one-sided game from the opening whistle and it was Lidcombe who dominated. Long spells of attack saw the visitors camped in their own half with Lidcombe pressing hard for the opener.

It wasn't long before the first goal found the back of the net

with Bellal Elkhodr breaking clear to slot the ball home.

A few minutes later good lead up play from Mortoda Alsaedi and Keegan Murray put Bellal through for his second goal.

A third goal from Keegan Murray saw the locals take a 3-0 lead into the break.

The second half saw a repeat of the first with the locals once

again keeping the opposition pinned in their own half.

Two more goals through Mortoda and Anthony Boustani sealed the match 5-0 for Lidcombe.

A much better performance as the team continues to improve.

3 points: Bellal Elkhodr

2 points: Patrick May

1 point: Matthew May

Premier League vs Macarthur WASPS at Ron Dine Reserve:

Reserve Grade won 2-1:

The Reserve Grade side packed their lunches, fuelled their cars, set the GPs and headed off to Camden to take on Macarthur WASPS.

In what was an evenly contested match Lidcombe managed to create several scoring opportunities but were unable to convert.

Macarthur took the lead in the 23rd minute following a goalkeeping error.

Despite this setback Lidcombe remained focussed. Leading from the back Captain Steve May held the defence together and combined with Kieran O'Hara and Tim Kiang to set up Aaron Sivasothy's equaliser in the 29th minute.

Lidcombe lifted after this and were inspired by some strong play from Kiang.

The deadlock was broken three minutes before half time

when Jarrod "I'll have to score at this ground" Boccanfuso threaded the ball through a crowded goalmouth and past the opposition keeper.

Lidcombe dominated the second half and held on to take the points and move into equal third position.

Best were Makara Prak, Steve May and James May.

First Grade lost 0-3:

(From the Coach's Desk)

Last Saturday we travelled to Camden fully aware that this was going to be a tough match against the unbeaten leaders WASPS.

A win or draw was not out of the question in our bid for valuable points.

Our team rose to the occasion in the first half by holding WASPS to 0-0 at the break but some decisions went against

us in the second half resulting in three quick goals temporarily affecting the confidence of our players.

Despite these setbacks we played on strongly through Peter Oberemok, Steve James and Dave Hay and put this team on notice that Lidcombe is a force to be recognised in the coming games.

Well done guys! With this type of "no surrender" attitude, the

teams in this competition are also on notice.

There are wounded Congos at the moment but we will heal the wound this Saturday against St Matthews.

Just stay in touch you guys, that's all I ask.

We will do the hard yards at the business end of the competition! - Phil McIntosh