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DOUBLE CELEBRATION HIGHLIGHTS PREMIER LEAGUE MATCHES

Despite the temporary setback of all games on 5 June being postponed due to wet weather both PETER OBEREMOK and JAMES MAY finally reached their respective milestones at Phillips Park last Saturday.

Peter played his 500th club game in the First Grade win over Wentworthville while James broke Ken James' games record of 652 matches with his Reserve Grade appearance also against Wentworthville.

Peter's first match was in 1974 in Ray "Curly" James' Under 8 side while James played in Curly's Under 8 team five years later in 1979.

The players have been Lidcombe fixtures over the years and have contributed greatly to the club's success resulting in both being the recipients of Life Membership.

Congratulations to you both!

APOLOGY TO THE UNDER 7s

Last Saturday's scheduled kickoff time for the Under 7s game against OLOR was incorrectly shown in the Congo and the side arrived too late for their match.

Apologies to all as this error should not have happened and the draw will be more closely watched in future. – Neil Rudgley

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!
BUNNINGS BARBECUE
PARRAMATTA RD LIDCOMBE
THIS SATURDAY 26 JUNE 2010 AT 8.30am

**PLEASE SPEND A COUPLE OF HOURS OF YOUR TIME
TO "MAN THE BARBECUE" AND RAISE MUCH-NEEDED
FUNDS FOR YOUR CLUB**

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TEAM PHOTOS

SUNDAY 18 JULY 2010

TEAM TIMES TO BE ADVISED

THIS WEEK'S MATCHES: SATURDAY 26th JUNE 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 Street Greystanes

Under 6 (Blue): vs Newington (Red) at Phillips Park at 8.45am.

Under 6 (Gold): vs Newington (White) at Phillips Park at 10.25am.

Under 7: vs OLQP (R) at Phillips Park at 9.35am.

Under 8: vs OLQP (P) at Daniel St Park 2 at 12 noon.

Under 10: vs OLQP (Q) at Phillips Park 1 at 11.20am.

Under 12: vs OLOR/St Angela's (White) Phillips Park 1 at 12.10 pm.

Premier: vs Macarthur WASPS at Phillips Park 1 at 1.30pm/3.15pm.

ASSOCIATION RESULTS - 19th June

Under 8			
OLQP P	1	OLOR R	0
Newington	0	Guild R	3
St Bern E	0	Lidcombe	6

PREMIER LEAGUE – RESERVES			
Lidcombe	0	Wenty	3
St Pats	5	WASPS	1
St Matts	0	St Colum	0

Under 10			
Wenty	0	OLOR W	4
OLOR G	5	Lidcombe	0
OLQP P	0	Newington	1
Guild R	0	OLQP Q	2
Guild W	2	St Bern L	0

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

UNDER 11/12			
OLOR W	0	St Bern 12E	6
St Bern 12L	6	OLQP	0
Lidcombe	1	Newington	0
Wenty	2	OLQP 12	0
St Bern T	BYE		

COMPETITION LADDERS 19th JUNE

UNDER 8s:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	Lidcombe	9	9	0	0	41	4	36	27
2	Guildford R	9	8	0	1	49	5	44	24
3	New'ton	9	5	0	4	17	15	2	15
4	St Bern(E	9	2	0	6	8	24	-16	6

PREMIER LEAGUE - RESERVES:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	St Patricks	10	7	0	3	25	11	14	21
2	St Columbas	10	4	4	2	17	10	7	16
3	Wenty	10	5	1	4	16	9	7	16
4	Lidcombe	10	4	2	4	12	18	-6	14

5	OLQP (P)	9	2	0	7	7	30	-23	6
6	OLOR R	9	1	0	8	3	41	-38	3

5	WASPS	10	4	1	5	13	18	-5	13
6	St Matthews	10	0	4	6	2	19	-17	4

UNDER 10s:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	OLQP Q	9	9	0	0	43	0	43	27
2	Guildford W	9	6	2	1	23	11	12	20
3	New'ton	9	5	2	2	22	7	15	17
4	OLQP P	9	5	1	3	16	8	8	16
5	OLOR G	9	5	0	4	14	11	3	15
6	OLOR W	9	4	0	5	21	19	2	12
7	Lidcombe	9	3	2	4	14	22	-8	11
8	Guildford R	9	3	1	5	8	16	-8	10
9	St Bern L	9	1	0	8	3	28	-25	3
10	Wenty	9	0	0	9	1	43	-42	0

PREMIER LEAGUE - FIRSTS:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	WASPS	10	9	1	0	29	9	20	28
2	St Patricks	10	6	1	3	21	14	7	19
3	St Matthews	10	4	3	3	23	20	3	15
4	Lidcombe	10	4	3	3	21	21	0	15
5	Wenty	10	2	0	8	14	30	-16	6
6	St Columbas	10	0	2	8	9	23	-14	2

UNDER 11s/12s:

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	PTS
1	Wenty #	9	8	1	0	26	6	20	25
2	Lidcombe	9	6	3	0	30	3	27	21
3	St Bern 12E#	8	6	1	1	35	5	30	19
4	St Bern 12L #	8	6	1	1	18	7	11	19
5	OLQP #	9	5	0	4	16	18	-2	15
6	OLQP 12#	9	2	1	6	2	22	-20	7
7	St Bern T##	8	2	1	5	5	25	-20	7
8	New'ton #	8	2	0	6	8	19	-11	6
9	OLOR W#	9	1	2	6	1	36	-35	5

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Results of Congs Matches – 19th June 2010

Under 6s (Blue) lost to Auburn FC (a) 0-11 at Webbs Avenue Reserve:

Despite an early start for the team we finally made a full side at 8:55am! Lidcombe started out strong but Auburn was too good for us scoring 11 goals.

With a never-say-die attitude all Lidcombe Congos played far beyond their capacity. It was Connor Smith's best game of the year and he was unlucky not to have his first goal recorded.

Madeleine Leask played a strong performance with another consistent game.
Well done to the whole team!

Under 6s (Gold) lost to Wentworthville Uniting 0-8 at Freame Park:

The team played Wentworthville Uniting at Freame Park, Mays Hill last Saturday and they showed a lot of heart on the field trying to intercept goal opportunities and tackle the opposition players.

Aidan Curran played awesome in goals first half and suffered a

nasty head clash with their striker but got up ready for more! Adam Mhajer was a star on the field making a number of good tackles stopping Wenty from even more goals.

Jordan Hawach, Gabriel Hamdan and Samuel Hawach

had their hands full against some pretty good players.

Aydan Hamdan went in goals second half making some good saves.

The team is improving every week they get to play.

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Under 7s forfeited to OLOR/St Angela's (White) at Kellyville Park:

Under 8s defeated St Bernadettes (Eagles) 6-0 - Eric Mobbs Reserve:

After not playing a competition match for two weeks the Under 8s travelled to Castle Hill with a full team which saw Lidcombe have a mammoth five players on the bench!

Fourth placed St Bernadettes found themselves under pressure right from the opening whistle of the match.

Top-of-the-table Lidcombe opened the scoring in the seventh minute after a St

Bernadettes' defender played the ball into his own goal following a goal mouth scramble. Lidcombe continued to dominate possession for the remainder of the half but made it difficult for themselves with players not staying in position or passing the ball.

Thirty seconds before halftime Liam Curran scored Lidcombe's second goal to go to the break 2-0 ahead.

During the halftime break the coach and team discussed the benefits of staying in position and passing the ball amongst team mates. This discussion seemed to pay off with Lidcombe playing some outstanding football in the second half.

Eight minutes into the second half Liam scored closely followed two minutes later by Salim Mhajer.

Lidcombe continued to outplay their opposition in all areas of the game and on the odd occasion that St Bernadettes approached Lidcombe's end of the field fullback Bryan Lam shut down the attack with some outstanding tackles.

With five minutes remaining in the match Chris May scored from a well taken Liam n corner.

Under 10s lost to OLOR/St Angela's (Green) 0-5 - Eric Mobbs Reserve:

It was a long way up the Old Northern Road for the team as they took on fifth-placed OLOR (Green) at Eric Mobbs Reserve. Playing short at the opening whistle another team member arrived to make it a full Lidcombe team.

It wasn't long until the opposition scored their first goal, an easy one that managed to find its way

From the resulting kickoff Liam won the ball on the half way line and ran through the entire St Bernadettes' team to complete his hat trick and bring the final score to 6-0.

The score could have been much more if not for the efforts of an outstanding St Bernadettes' goal keeper who made some memorable saves

through our defence and into the net.

OLOR's second goal was just as simple with Lidcombe not being hungry enough for the ball and many players not holding their positions.

OLOR scored their third goal while we had an injured player off the field.

During the second half Lidcombe were still not able to

on shots from Arzycki DeVera and Gabriel Albano.

Best players for Lidcombe were all the goal scorers, Bryan Lam, Gabriel Albano, Calvin Iturra and Abraham Hamdan.

get through OLOR's strong defence yet the opposition managed to get through our defence scoring two more goals. It was a disappointing result for our team as the loss puts us further down the ladder.

Players of the match: Mitchell Djelevski (happy 10th birthday!), Samuel Zubkov, Matthew Amurao and Hamze Taha.

Under 12s defeated Newington Gunners 1-0 at Phillips Park :

With coach Mathew James taking leave from the pressures of the Under 12s it was former coach James May who took a much more relaxed approach as the side took on seventh-placed Newington Gunners at Phillips Park.

Positional changes were made and it didn't take long for the players to adapt to their new roles and dominate the match.

Lidcombe controlled the ball with Daniel Kratz, Matthew May and

Sartaj Malhi keeping very cool heads while working the ball out of defence.

The locals made the opposition defence work very hard.

Bellal Elkhodr scored in the sixth minute when he converted some great lead up work from Eloise Tanti, Matthew May and Mortoda Alsaedy.

The second half saw Lidcombe continue to control possession and were constantly on the attack.

Patrick May, Adam Yoon and Anthony Boustani controlled the midfield setting up constant scoring opportunities that were narrowly missed or kept out by a very good Newington Keeper.

A very good team performance with Lidcombe best served by Anthony Boustani, Mortoda Alsaedy, Sartaj Malhi and Eloise Tanti.

Premier League vs Wentworthville Uniting at Phillips Park:

Reserve Grade lost 0-3:

It was a disappointing day for the Reserve Grade who were keyed up for a big one against fourth-placed Wenty to celebrate goalkeeper James May's 653rd game.

After running against the wind up the hill Lidcombe sadly went to

the halftime break 3-0 down after probably their worst performance of the season.

A few changes made and an opposition down to ten men in the second half had the team at least creating goalscoring

opportunities lacking in the first stanza.

The loss puts Lidcombe two points behind third-placed Wenty and only one point ahead of fifth-placed WASPS.

First Grade won 3-1:

From the Coach's Desk-

Last Saturday match against Wentworthville was never going to be easy, knowing that they could cause an upset if not on your guard.

With players out due to injury and overseas trips we knew we had the task ahead of us.

It was Peter Oberemok's 500th game and he rose to the occasion by scoring Lidcombe's first goal.

With all players by his side the moment was a fitting tribute for his achievements.

However we managed to drop our guard in periods throughout the

game and let Wenty dominate through the middle.

With players unmarked the opposition was able to equalise by the break.

With some stern words at half time Lidcombe lifted their game capped by a magnificent goal from Matt Lane while David Hay sealed the win near the end.

Steve May committed himself again by supporting two games but the legs needed resting and a change was made with Harry Sivasothy.

Harry's magic touches almost saw him put one away but it was not the case.

The win keeps the locals in fourth position on the ladder now with a clear nine points buffer over Wenty.

However you cannot take the field without the determination to dominate right from the start and that is where we begin this coming Saturday when we will need to be on target against leaders WASPS.

Another battling performance from the team when under strength.

Good displays were put in by Steve James, Daniel James and David Hay

- Phil McIntosh