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UNDER 8s TAKE OUT COMPETITION

The Under 8s 2-0 win over Newington last Saturday saw the Congos take out the competition. Well done to coach Steve May and the team!

SENIORS NIGHT SEVEN-A-SIDE PROPOSED

The Association is canvassing clubs to ascertain if they would be interested in entering teams in a night Seniors Seven-a-side competition to be held during September to December at Jones Park.

Lidcombe will decide shortly whether it will enter this competition.

PRESIDENT'S CUP THIS SATURDAY AUGUST 28

By winning the Division A competition Lidcombe Under 8s side is our sole representative to make it to the President's Cup to be held this Saturday August 28 at Everley Park, Everley Street South Granville.

At 9.00am Lidcombe's plays St Bernadettes (Lions) who came second in Division B. Winners of Division B, St Bernadettes (Tigers), meet Division A runners-up Guildford McCredie in the other game.

The winners of each game play in the final at 11.00am.

The Under 12s narrowly missed a place at the President's Cup when St Bernadettes (12-Eagles) and St Bernadettes (12-Lions) won their deferred games last Tuesday night to seal the top two places in the Under 12s competition with Lidcombe one point away in third position.

Only the top two place-getters of the Under 12 competition play in the Cup.

BRANDON STARS AT OLYMPICS!

Sixteen year old Congo BRANDON STARC, who only gave up Lidcombe soccer after last season to concentrate on his athletics prowess, jumped 2.19 metres in the High Jump at the Youth Olympic Games in Bishan Stadium Singapore last Saturday. Brandon pulled out a stunning 9cm personal best as he jumped 2.19m to claim the silver medal on a countback after being equal with the eventual gold medalist.

Congratulations, Brandon!

Don't Forget!

ANNUAL PRESENTATION DAY

SUNDAY OCTOBER 31 AT PHILLIPS PARK COMMENCING AT 11.00am

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Results of Final Congs Matches – August 21 2010

Under 6s (Blue) lost to OLOR/St Angelas (White) 5-2 at Kellyville Park:

The Under 6 (Blue) played their last game for the season at Kellyville last Saturday. Fielding a full team Lidcombe came out breathing fire.

We started with Joshua Lim in goals which was a key element to team's improvement.

Unfortunately, OLOR shot one past Joshua however we immediately hit back with

Brandon Thai putting pressure on their defence, that paid off with our first goal for the day.

Just before half time a rebound off a Lidcombe player gave OLOR another goal.

After half time OLOR put a quick goal away but then we unleashed Jerold "Spike"

Reyes to slam one into the back of the net.

Connor Smith had made a few bursting runs through the centre and was unlucky not to score.

It was a courageous effort for the whole team.

With a final score of 5-2 down we will be back next year bigger, badder and hungry for more victories!

Under 6s (Gold) lost to OLOR/St Angelas (Green) 7-0 at Kellyville Park:

For our last game of the season the Under 6 (Gold) side played OLOR/St Angelas at Kellyville last Saturday and it was a great game.

The team played hard and did some great defending.

Yehye Hamdan and Gabriel Hamdan made some great breaks and also displayed good defence. Adam Mhajer played well defending hard to keep the score down and also made some great breaks.

Aydan Hamdan was in goals for the full game this time and made some great saves to keep the score down to 7-0 after being only 2-0 behind at half time.

Jordan Hawach and Samuel Hawach both played well with some good defence.

All the kids played well together and had fun and sadly that's the end of a lovely season watching the kids develop into the good soccer players of the future.

Many thanks for your efforts and support this season and hope see you all next year.

Under 7s drew with Newington Gunners (Red) 4-4 at Wilson Park:

In a bright game fitting for the end of the season Lidcombe drew 4-4 with Newington with

Justin Chan-Frias scoring all four goals.

Under 8s defeated Newington Gunners 2-0 at Phillips Park:

In the final competition match of the season the Under 8s faced third-placed Newington at Phillips Park.

To be assured of the premiership title Lidcombe had to win the match.

With Lidcombe having a full team including five reserves all ready and pumped up for the big occasion, Newington knew they were in for a tough match

The game started well for Lidcombe with the team playing an outstanding style of football.

The full width of the field was used with the starting wide players of Samuel Harris and William Leask playing their respective roles to perfection. The central midfield pairing of Calvin Iturra and Athavan

Nithiananthan held the team's shape together by making some important tackles and getting the ball wide early. The fullbacks, Talha Ahmed and Chris May, were relentless in tackling and clearing the ball.

Despite Lidcombe totally outplaying their opposition by half time the score remained locked at 0-0.

With the local knowledge that Lidcombe had they were not fazed by the fact that the ball had not found the opposition goal.

Knowing they would now be running down hill and with the wind at their backs the young Congos took the field hungry for the win.

After ten minutes Salim Mhajer scored when his shot

hit the inside of the left post and went into the goal.

Three minutes later Athavan scored with a cracking left foot shot that made its way through the crowded Newington defence, past the goalkeeper and into the back of the net.

With a convincing 2-0 victory over Newington sealing the competition title for Lidcombe the boys now head into the final hurdle of the season, the Presidents Cup, full of confidence.

In an outstanding team performance, the players to impress this week were Abraham Hamdan, Samuel Harris, Arzycki DeVera and Talha Ahmed.

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Under 10s defeated OLOR/St Angelas (White) 2-0 1 Eric Mobbs Reserve:

In last Saturday's final game of the season the Under 10s defeated OLOR/St Angelas (White) 2-0 at Eric Mobbs Reserve

It was a great game from start to finish.

In the first half, Andrew Lylo was goal keeper and he saved a couple of good shots from the opposition.

The full backs were also in fine form this half as Ibrahim Taha's communication/playing skills and commitment to his team kept them calm as they held their positions.

Our first goal was carried through with speed, confidence and the moment of the game being read by Alpina Bou-Sleiman who outran her opponents until she was unable to go further, so passed the ball

precisely to Samuel Zubkov who scored the goal

All I could think about was I wish that I could have filmed Alpina's break-through - it was incredible! Our opposition had not much chance in getting past the strong defence of all the Lidcombe players.

The second half was a nailbiting finish to a good soccer season with a few positional changes.

Ibrahim was now in goals, Hamze Taha centre back and Andrew Lylo mid-fielder.

OLOR came out attacking and were able to get close to our goal area a few times but not able to put a goal in thanks to the team especially James Lawandos, Hamze Taha and Andrew Li who just never gave

up and made it impossible for their opponents.

Jonathon Duong had a fantastic game both attacking and defending showing no fear and able to get the ball away when needed.

Our second goal was set up by Andrew Lylo as he high-booted the ball over several players to find Mitchell Djelevski who was in front of the box and happily put this one away.

William Ha managed to keep up with the game, mainly as I noticed his fitness skills have improved.

Thank you to all the team for playing with passion and team commitment.

Best players: The birthday girl, Alpina Bou-Sleiman, Ibrahim Taha, Samuel Zubkov and Andrew Lylo

Under 12s Had a Bye:

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! BUNNINGS BARBECUE

PARRAMATTA RD LIDCOMBE SUNDAY OCTOBER 24 SUNDAY NOVEMBER 21 SUNDAY DECEMBER 12 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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UNDER 8				PREMIER LEAGUE - I	RESER	VES	
OLOR R	0	St Bernadettes E	1	FINAL			
Lidcombe	2	Newington	0	St Patricks	5	WASPS	0
OLQP P	0	Guildford Red	8				
				PREMIER LEAGUE - F	IRSTS		
UNDER 10				FINAL		:	
OLOR W	0	Lidcombe	2	WASPS	2	St Mattews	1
Newington	2	Wentworthville	0				
Guildford Red	1	OLOR G	3	(DEFERRED GAMES:	PLAYE	D AUGUST 24)	
OLQP P	0	Guildford White	1	UNDER 11/12			
OLQP Q	6	St Bernadettes Lions	0	St Bernadettes Tigers	1	St Bernadettes 12 Lions	2
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UNDER 11/12			:				
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Newington	3	OLOR W	1	FINAL			
Wentworthville	2	St Bernadettes 12 Lions	2	Wentworthville	3	Greystanes	0
OLQP (12)	1	St Bernadettes Tigers	0	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			:
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FINAL COMPETITION LADDERS AUGUST 24

	TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	DIF	PTS
1	Lidcombe	16	14	2	0	64	6	58	44
2	Guildford R	16	14	1	1	88	10	78	43
3	Newington	16	9	2	5	28	22	6	29
4	St Bernadettes E	16	4	1	11	14	47	-33	13
5	OLQP (P)	16	2	0	14	9	62	-53	6
6	OLOR R	16	2	0	14	8	66	-58	6

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	Α	DIF	PTS
1	OLQP Q	16	16	0	0	81	0	81	48
2	Guildford W	16	11	3	2	34	16	18	36
3	Newington	16	9	5	2	36	11	25	32
4	OLOR G	16	9	1	6	27	22	5	28
5	OLQP P	16	7	2	7	22	21	1	23
6	Lidcombe	16	6	3	7	24	34	-10	21
7	OLOR W	16	6	1	9	33	34	-1	19
8	Guildford R	16	6	1	9	18	32	-14	19
9	St Bernadettes Lions	16	1	0	15	3	48	-45	3
10	Wentworthville	16	1	0	15	3	63	-60	3

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	Α	DIF	PTS
1	St Bernadettes 12 Eagles	16	13	1	2	56	7	49	40
2	St Bernadettes 12 Lions	16	12	2	2	34	13	21	38
3	Lidcombe	16	11	4	1	45	4	41	37
4	OLQP 12	16	4	3	9	3	30	-27	15

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	Α	DIF	PTS
1	Wentworthville	16	12	2	2	40	18	22	38
2	OLQP	16	8	1	7	28	38	-10	25
3	Newington	16	6	0	10	18	28	-10	18
	St Bernadettes Tigers	16	3	2	11	11	41	-30	11
5	OLOR W	16	2	3	11	4	60	-56	9