



The Congo

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BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Birthday to the following player who is celebrating his birthday this week.

Bilal Durnali (U/9) 9/4

COACHES & MANAGERS – 2011

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Reminder to ALL Players and Parents

2011 Registration Fees are NOW Due

If you have not yet paid your Registration Fees for the 2011 season please do so IMMEDIATELY

This Week's Competition Matches Saturday 9th April 2011

- Under 6** vs **Newington** at Phillips Park, at 9.00am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 8.30am
- Under 8** vs **OLOR (White)** at Kellyville Park (1), Memorial Ave Kellyville (UBD 149 Q8), at 9.20am.
Meet at Kellyville Park No Later than 8.50am
- Under 9** vs **St Bernadettes (Eagles)** at Phillips Park, at 10.00am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 9.30am
- Under 10** vs **St Bernadettes (Lions)** at Excelsior Park (2) (Eric Mobbs Reserve) Excelsior Ave Castle Hill (UBD 171 D6), at 11.00am.
Meet at Excelsior Park No Later than 10.30am
- Under 11** vs **Guildford McCredie** at Phillips Park (1), at 11.00am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 10.30am
- Under 13** vs **Wenty Waratah (Black)** at Phillips Park (2), at 11.00am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 10.30am
- Reserve & 1st Grade** vs **St Patricks** at Jones Park, cnr Banks & Burnett Sts, Mays Hill (UBD 210 N6) at 1.30 & 3.30pm.
Meet at Jones Park No Later than 1.00pm

RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 2ND APRIL 2011

Under 6s defeated St Bernadettes 4-1 at Eric Mobbs Reserve:

The Under 6's took on St Bernadettes at Eric Mobbs Reserve with the full team in attendance. Adam Mhajer had a great game with some top breaks leading to 2 goals, and Aydan Hamdan also penetrated the opposition defence and netted two goals. Nicholas Murray

and Jae Baty made some great defensive tackles and some good breaks also with Nicholas just missing a goal of his own. Gabriel Hamdan also made some good breaks along with Mohamed Mehajer attacking the other team constantly putting on the pressure.

Samuel Hawach was good in defence to stop a few breaks and Yehye Hamdan had a great game in goals. Also a thank you to Leyla Hamdan for playing and just missing out on a goal. The team all played well and it looks like a good season ahead.

Under 8s lost to Guildford McCredie 1-3 at Phillips Park:

The under 8s had their first game of the season against Guildford McCredie at Phillips Park. With a full side starting Lidcombe came out strong and quickly put a goal away through the talented feet of Justin Chan-Frias. This put a positive mood throughout the whole team. The locals had many

outstanding performances on the day, but one to mention is the goal keeping ability of William McLennan who was fantastic making many saves. Guildford levelled the score just before half time. Lidcombe's defensive efforts of Gabriel Fusi and Sean McGlade did well to

keep Guilford at bay. Lidcombe continued their strong performance but were eventually over powered by Guildford on the day. With some new players to the game and the club it was an extremely pleasing performance by the whole team and we look forward to the season ahead.

RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 2ND APRIL (CONT)

Under 9s Lost to OLOR (White) 0-1 at Kellyville Park:

The team put in a promising performance in what was for many players their first competition game.

All players tried hard and the team had quite a few chances to score, but unfortunately a lack of experience as to what to do

when they got close to the opposition goals meant we didn't convert any of those chances into goals. We will be working on fixing this up with plenty of practice at training on Wednesdays.

A last minute goal to the opposition was the difference

between the two teams, but a draw would have been a fairer result.

Special thanks to the parents for getting the boys to the ground half an hour before the game to give the coach plenty of time to get them organised.

Under 10s lost to OLOR (White) 1-3 at Kellyville Park:

The Under 10's travelled to Kellyville to take on OLOR. Lidcombe started the match with an under strength side due to players being out with illness. The team showed great spirit with five players from the Under 9 side playing a second match to give us a full team. The defence in the first half led the way with Christopher May stopping

most attacking raids from the opposition and first time keeper Jericho Lim proved to be very solid. The team then started to turn defence into attack with midfielders Abraham Hamdan and Calvin Iturra setting up Salim Mhajer to take the ball down the right side and cross into the centre on many occasions where Arti Nithiananthan was

waiting to pounce on anything loose.

Lidcombe finished strong with a late goal to Salim Mhajer and if the game went for ten more minutes would have come away with at least a draw.

A very spirited effort and special thanks to the players from the Under 9's team for helping out.

Under 11s defeated Newington Gunners 1-0 at Wilson Park:

Under 11's defeated Newington Gunners 1-0 at Wilson Park. Lidcombe welcomed back ten players from last year and have three new players who have joined the team: Fadi Naboulsi, Akash John Mubarik. A good effort played by the team against a very strong and confident opposition. Lidcombe started off strong with a goal to Alpina Bou-Sleiman in the first half.

Andrew Lylo was fearless in goals yet again and with only 10 seconds left to the half time whistle pulled off a spectacular save with all his passion and dedication for the team. Newington came out stronger in the second half with powerful kicks and clever tactics but were unable to score with Mitchell Djelevski in goals and the strong Lidcombe defence proving too much for their

opposition. A goal by Andrew Lylo was disallowed but Lidcombe never gave up which made them the winners for their first match of the season. Outstanding players were: Ibrahim Taha, James Lawandos, Mitchell Djelevski and Andrew Lylo. Congratulations to all the team on a great start to the season.

Premier League Reserve Grade defeated St Matthews 2-0 at Greenup Park

Premier League First Grade lost to St Matthews 2-3 at Greenup Park:

With only 16 players available for the two games our prospects looked fairly grim, but with quite a few players backing up to play in both games and everyone showing plenty of determination and Club spirit we were able to come away with a well deserved 2-0 win in the Reserves while the First Grade fought hard to the end in their 2-3 loss. There were a lot of weary players when the referee blew the final whistle!

After missing more than 10 clear chances in last year's last game, Mat James proved he could still find the net by scoring all 4 goals.

It's not really fair to single out any player for special mention because everyone really put in, but the effort of Dave Hay in playing two full games out on the field should be noted. Danny and Mat James also played 2 full games, but they had the "luxury" of playing at least half a game in goals.

Congratulations to Brett May who played his 400th game for the Club in the Reserves and then backed up to play the first half of First Grade despite obviously playing with a bit of pain. I hope Julie lets him out of the house next Saturday!

The spirit that the squad showed was heartening. Now all we need to do is find a few extra players.

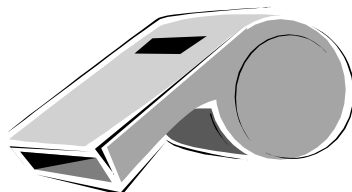
2011 SEASON CALENDAR

Saturday, 9 April 2011	Competition commences (Under 13)
Saturday 16 April 2011	Pre-School 'Skills' programme commences
Saturday 23 April 2011-	School holidays junior and Senior games played
Monday 25 April 2011	Easter Saturday - NO matches played
Tuesday, 3 May 2011	Anzac Day – No Senior games played
Saturday, 7 May 2011	Senior knockout competition commences
Saturday, 11 June 2011	Junior knockout competitions commence
Saturday, 9 July 2011	Six-a-side competition – junior teams only
Saturday, 6 August 2011	Senior competition games played
Saturday, 13 August 2011	School holidays no junior games played – Senior games played
Saturday, 20 August 2011	Final senior competition round
Saturday, 27 August 2011	Senior Semi-Finals commence
	Final junior competition round
	President's Cup competition – Junior sides only – Senior Grand-Finals

PRE-SCHOOL SKILLS PROGRAM

**The Pre-School Skills program will commence at
9.30am on Saturday 9th April at Phillips Park.**

MINI REFEREE COURSE



Interested in refereeing under 6 or 7 matches?

Are you aged 11 years or older?

Would you like to earn some extra money on a Saturday morning?

Course date: Wednesday 13th April 2011

Course conducted at the office of the NSW Churches Football Association,

3/9 Chester Hill Rd, Chester Hill commencing at 7.00pm and will run until approx 9.00pm

Any interested people should contact James May

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