



The Congo

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This Week's Competition Matches Saturday 16th July 2011

- Under 6** vs OLOR (Black) at Kellyville Park (3a), Memorial Ave Kellyville (UBD 149 Q9) at 11.00am.
Meet at Kellyville Park No Later than 10.30am
- Under 8** vs St Bernadettes (Tigers) at Phillips Park (1), at 9.00am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 8.30am
- Under 9** vs OLQP (P) at Phillips Park (1), at 10.00am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 9.30am
- Under 10** vs St Bernadettes (Eagles) at Phillips Park (1), at 11.00am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 10.30am
- Under 11** vs OLQP (B) at Phillips Park at 12.00noon.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 11.30am
- Under 13** vs Wenty Waratah (White) at Ted Burge Sportsground (1), Centenary Rd & Hollywood St South Wentworthville (UBD 210 F8) at 10.30am
Meet at Ted Burge No Later than 10.00am
- Reserve & 1st Grade** vs St Columbas at Phillips Park, at 1.30 & 3.15pm.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 12.45pm

Bunnings BBQ

This Week at the Lidcombe Bunnings warehouse

Sunday 17th JULY 2011

Volunteers needed to help raise much needed funds to support the Presentation Day

RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 2ND JULY 2011

Under 6s defeat OLQP Falcons 5-1 at Phillips Park:

The Under 6s played OLQP Falcons at Phillips Park. It was a great game with Jeyan Oner scoring an amazing three goals, Mohamed Mehajer and Aydan Hamdan completed the scoring with a goal

each. Adam Mhajer, Raiden Jang, Gabriel Hamdan, Nicholas Murray and Layla Hamdan all had an exciting game with some close shots at goals and some great defence. Jae Baty played a full

game in goals this week and did a great job between the posts. It was great watching the kids have so much fun, well done team!

Under 8s lost to OLOR 0-11 at Kellyville Park:

The under 8s travelled to Kellyville to take on a very strong OLOR.

Unfortunately Lidcombe were no match for there opposition who were

driven hard by their coach. Lidcombe showed some promising play with Shayan Sana, Justin Chan-Frias and Sean McGlade battling on hard.

Others to impress were Madeleine Leask, Aleyana Oner and Connor Smith. Despite the scoreline Lidcombe battled on hard and never gave up.

Under 9s lost 0 -1 to St Bernadettes at Phillips Park:

After such an enthusiastic display in the previous game the previous week when we defeated the competition leaders 1-0, the players did not seem to have the same energy

this week and a 0-1 loss resulted.

Lidcombe were probably a bit unlucky not to at least get a draw, but at no stage during the game did the coach feel confident that

the team was playing well enough to win.

Lidcombe's best players were Yatin Moharana and Dhushi Mohanathas.

Under 10s defeated Guildford McCredie 2-0 at Everley Park:

The under10's travelled to Everley Park to take on Guildford McCredie. The match started with the Lidcombe goal coming under constant pressure from the Guildford players. Lidcombe withstood this early onslaught, thanks mainly to some outstanding Goalkeeping from Abraham Hamdan and the defensive efforts of Kin Challenger. Lidcombe soon found their form and after some fabulous lead up play from Christopher May and Atahaven Nithainanthan

on the left, Kennu Challenger was able to open the scoring for Lidcombe.

The match continued to see both teams attack each others goal, however the class of the Lidcombe mid fielders was to be the difference with Calvin Iturra playing an exquisite through ball into the path of striker Salim Mhajer who promptly slotted the ball into the goal to give Lidcombe a 2-0 lead at half time. Even though no further goals were to be scored, the second half

saw an entertaining contest with both teams constantly on the attack. The Lidcombe defence held strong thanks mainly to the Challenger brothers, who seemed to be everywhere, while upfront Abraham Hamdan, now playing striker, was causing havoc against his much larger opponents. In an excellent team performance stand out players this week were Kennu Challenger, Fay El-Afchal, Abraham Hamdan and captain Jonathan Duong.

Team Photos

Please note the team photos scheduled for this Saturday have been postponed until Saturday 23rd July;

This will be the only time that your team photos will be taken.

James May
Secretary

RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 2ND JULY (CONT)

Under 11s defeated OLQP Falcons (A) 5-0 at Phillips Park:

U11's defeated OLQP Falcons (A) 5-0 at Phillips Park.

All 13 players turned up and the match was played with such enthusiasm that the Coach for OLQP even made a comment about this to his team. It truly was an exciting game with each player giving 100%. Manager Thai Lam's skilful eye made a significant

change with the team as he moved James Lawandos up front. First half saw Lidcombe up 2-0, one of the goals assisted by Andrew Lylo while he was goal keeper.

The second half was just as dynamic. A corner taken by Liam Curran found James Lawandos as he headed it in. Each goal was through team effort.

Mitchell Djelevski's goal keeping skills frustrated the opposition. The three lefties made an impact with their strength and control of the ball and overall each team member believed in themselves and each other.

Congratulations to you all. It was an entertaining and exhilarating game to be part of.

Under 13s defeated Dundas 2-0 at Curtis Oval

Lidcombe travelled to Dundas looking to win to stay in top spot but by the start they had you would think their season was long since over. It was a lazy start middle and end of the first half with only a couple of players actually trying and

deservedly 0-0 was a reasonable score line. The second half saw a few more players getting into the action and trying but still something was missing from a majority of the team with passes, decisions, kicks, all suffering in what could be the worst

game played all season. A lucky goal to Bellal Elkhodr followed shortly after with a long range effort by Anthony Hatterm gave Lidcombe a 2-0 win and it was anything but deserved.

BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENT

Happy Birthday to the following player who will be celebrating his birthday this week;

Arzyki De Vera 18/7 (U/9)

Premier League Reserve Grade defeated Greystanes 2-1 at Phillips Park

With the side strengthened by the inclusion of a number of a few First Grade players due to a shortage of players we were able to reverse our 0-6 first round loss against Greystanes and record a narrow but fairly

convincing 2-1 win over the competition leaders in a spirited team display. Lidcombe took a 2-0 lead through a first half overhead scissors kick by Stephen James (surprisingly, his first goal for the season) and a well

struck shot by Kieran Hines from well outside the box midway through the second half and while Greystanes got one back late in the game we always looked the winners.

RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 2ND JULY (CONT)

Premier League First Grade drew with Greystanes 3–3 at Phillips Park:

After going down to Greystanes 0-5 in the first round and following on from a fairly ordinary display against Wentworthville in the previous round there was not much confidence in the camp heading into this game. However Lidcombe bounced back to stun

second placed Greystanes and take a 3–0 lead into the half time break courtesy of a Matt Hyde hat trick. As was to be expected Greystanes came back strongly in the second half and with Lidcombe players tiring due to having to back up and injuries starting to

their toll we had to battle hard to share the competition points although Matt Hyde could have won it for us in the last couple of minutes when he found himself with just the Greystanes keeper to beat, but unfortunately the opportunity was lost.

RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 9TH JULY 2011

Under 13s defeated drew with Castle Hill RSL 0-0 at Phillips Park:

The u13's took on Castle Hill at home and from the opening whistle the team looked as though they just weren't there to play. Passes going astray, ball control, decisions, nothing at all seemed to be happening for the locals. Credit to Castle Hill who pressured the ball, were more determined to win every ball, defended and

attacked as a team, something we were missing all game. We had our fair share of chances to snatch a goal or two but the last touch made it easy for the opposition goal keeper to keep the scores locked at 0-0 going into half time.

The attitude of the team did not change after the break with the game getting more

and more frustrating to watch. Some credit to the Lidcombe defence who were able to keep Castle Hill at bay and a superb save from a long range effort by Patty May late in the game made sure the score remained 0-0. Hopefully this week the attitude and effort by the team improves.

Premier League Reserve Grade lost 0-1 to St Matthews (B) at Greenup Park

Premier League First Grade Lost 0- 3 at Greenup Park:

With the squad reduced to just 17 players this week due to injuries, suspensions and other players making themselves unavailable, we came back down to earth this week after the previous week's promising performances against Greystanes, losing both games against fairly ordinary opposition.

With a full roster available we would surely have come away with maximum points in both grades. A costly loss for the Reserves because, believe it or not, they are still a rough chance of making the semis.

Thanks to all those players who showed real team spirit to back up and play in both games, in

particular Steve May, Tito Tealdo and Robbie Hastings who were out on the field for all or most of the afternoon. An injured Adrian Martinez even put his hand up to come on as a second half replacement in First Grade although I'm not sure we will try him in goals again!