



# The Congo

Wednesday 13th June 2012

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## Diary Dates

### June

#### Friday 15th

- Inter Zone Rep Trials (U/8, U/9 & U/10)

#### Wednesday 27th

- Game 1 - Inter Zone Rep Matches (U/8, U/9 & U/10)

### July

#### Wednesday 18th

- Game 2 - Inter Zone Rep Matches (U/8, U/9 & U/10)

#### Saturday 21st

- Team Photos

#### Wednesday 25th

- Game 3 - Inter Zone Rep Matches (U/8, U/9 & U/10)

### October

#### Sunday 28th

- Presentation Day

## This Week's Competition Matches Saturday 16th June

- Under 6 vs OLQP Falcons (O)** at Daniel St Park, Daniel St Greystanes at 9.00am.  
Meet at Daniel St Park No Later than 8.30am
- Under 7 vs St Bernadettes Tigers** at Eric Mobbs Reserve (1), Excelsior Ave Castle Hill at 10.00am  
Meet at Eric Mobbs Reserve No Later than 9.30am
- Under 8 vs Guildford McCredie (White)** at Everley Park, Everley Rd Sefton at 10.00am  
Meet Everley Park No Later than 9.30am
- Under 10 vs Wentworthville Uniting** at Freame Park, Rees St Mays Hill at 12.00noon  
Meet Freame Park No Later than 11.30am
- Under 11 vs North Rocks** at Hazel Ryan Oval, Whitbread Place, North Rocks at 9.30am  
Meet at Hazel Ryan Oval No Later than 9.00am
- Under 12 vs Wenty Waratah** at Ted Burge Sportsground (2), Hollywood Street, South Wentworthville at 8.30am  
Meet at Ted Burge Sportsground No Later than 8.00am
- Under 14 Have a Bye**
- 1st Grade vs Castle Hill Baptist** at Kellyville Park (1), Memorial Ave Kellyville at 3.15pm  
Meet at Kellyville Park No Later than 2.30pm

## BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Birthday to the following players who are celebrating their special day this week.

Blake Batchelor (U/11) 15/6

Aydan Hamdan (U/7) 17/6

Gabriel Hamdan (U/7) 17/6

## **UNDER 6s VICTORIOUS at SIX A SIDE**



Congratulations to the victorious Under 6s who won the Six A Side Competition at Everley Park on Saturday 9th June. One way to the final the team defeated Guildford McCredie (Red), Hills Spirit (Red) and received a forfeit from OLQP. Lidcombe then accounted for Kings Old Boys in the final to collect the Club's first silverware for the 2012 season. Well done boys!

## ***RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 9TH JUNE 2012***

### **Under 11s defeated Kellyville Kolts 10-0 at Bernie Mullane Complex:**

The Under 11s travelled to Kellyville to play 8th placed Kellyville Kolts.

With most players playing in different positions to what they are used Lidcombe still dominated the match. Some great team work and positional play from the Lidcombe team allowed Emmanuel Mylonas to open the scoring in the fourth minute. Abraham Hamdan and Salim Mhajer controlled the defence and set up some great

attacking raids through midfielders Jonathan Duong, Kabilan Gowrieswaren and Yatin Moharana. William Ha, Talha Ahmed and Tomislav Teklic had numerous scoring opportunities but were just unable to find the back of the net. Christopher May could have easily had Lidcombe another four goals up but kept find the opposition keeper with every shot. An own goal in the 18th minute gave Lidcombe a 2

-0 lead at half time.

With players put back in more regular positions and Kellyville not being able to gain any possession of the ball Lidcombe ran away with the match in the second half with Blake Batchelor putting in his best performance of the season to date. Lidcombe's second half goal scorers were Abraham Hamdan (3), Arti Nithiananthan (2), Salim Mhajer (2) and Calvin Iturra.

## **Team Photos**

Please note team photos will be taken on

**Saturday 21st July 2012 at Phillips Park.**

Please make sure that you will be at Phillips Park on this day for your team photos.

## ***RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 9TH JUNE 2012 (CONT)***

### **Under 12s lost to OLQP 0-2 at Daniel St Park:**

On the back of last week's big win, Lidcombe was confident for another win. Unfortunately on the day one of Lidcombe's best players, James Lawandos was sick, and for the fourth time, a few of the other players were missing in action. While down in numbers, Lidcombe were definitely not down in confidence and determination. In the past, Lidcombe managed big wins on three separate occasions despite being short of players. Unfortunately, it was not the case this week. All players were forced to take on additional roles to cover for the three missing players.

Lidcombe was in control in the first 10 minutes of the game, but in the 15th minute, it all proved to be too much with OLQP getting two lucky breaks to score two goals.

Going into second half, Lidcombe continue to dictate play. Some of the players were injured and had to be taken out of game briefly, but in true Lidcombe spirit, not wanting to let the team down, re-joined the game. With ten minutes left on the clock Andrew Lylo took advantage of a mistake by OLQP's goal keeper who dropped the ball in an attempt to save a goal, scoring one for

Lidcombe. But unfortunately the referee ruled against Andrew for kicking the ball out of the goal keeper's hand. The players continued to show their true fighting spirit, but with the lack of strike power, Lidcombe struggled to put one the board with the score remaining at 0-2 until fulltime.

Despite their biggest loss for the year, all players should be proud of themselves for taking on such a huge challenge. Remember the winning team is not always the best team on the day. We shall meet again. Go Lidcombe!

### **Under 14s Defeated Winston Hills 3-1 at Masonic School Ovals:**

Saturday saw an undermanned Lidcombe take on Winston Hills at Winston Hills Masonic School. Lidcombe's 10 had a see sawing first half with Keegan Murray finally putting the first point on the board with a little right footed chip kick over the backs and the keepers head. Lidcombe were still celebrating their first goal as Winston Hills kicked off and marched straight through the middle to score a very soft goal to tie the score up until half time.

The second half saw Keeper Patrick May under more constant pressure from the Hills forwards with numerous shots at goals which with great skill he was able to keep them at bay. Rakulan Ganesarajah (The Rak) booted a screamer from the edge of the box to go sailing past the keeper to give Lidcombe a one goal lead. Ibrahim Annous had a busy time down the back clearing many balls out away from the goals and one such kick straight up the middle saw

Brenton Lowe (the seagull) swoop onto the ball like a dropped chip at Bondi Beach and race up to the keeper unopposed and slam home Lidcombe's third goal, giving them a final winning score of 3-1. Daniel Kratz was greatly missed after having his appendix out only days earlier, especially by goal keeper Patrick May. Big performances were put in by all, especially Daniel Chung, Matty May, Patty May & Adam Yoon.

### **1st Grade defeated Zimwarriors 3-1 at Bert Saunders Reserve:**

With three players unavailable and a couple of others carrying injuries, confidence was not exactly high heading into the clash against third placed, Zimwarriors, but in a highly polished first half performance Lidcombe surprised the opposition with their pace and ball work and jumped out to a 3-0 lead at half time courtesy of a Mat James hat trick. An inspirational performance by Mat who, despite playing virtually on one leg, caused panic in the Warrior's

defence every time he touched the ball. Lidcombe, however, did not have matters all its own way and only some poor finishing by the Warriors saw them down three goals at the break.

The second half was a very different story as, with Lidcombe tiring noticeably and the Warriors finishing full of running, only some very grim defence saw Lidcombe walk away with all competition points. Everyone played their part in a good team performance, but special mention

for the contribution of the two Greystanes players - Dany Khamis and Phil Spina - who answered our call for help when it looked like were going to have to play short. Goal keeper, Daniel Gildea, also looked very safe at the back. The return clash against the Warriors should be a beauty. Lidcombe certainly have the game to trouble the Warriors, but they will certainly need to tighten up in defence to contain their attack.