



The Congo

Wednesday 15th August 2012

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Diary Dates

August

Saturday 25th

- NSW CFA President's Cup
- NSW CFA Senior Grand Final
- GDSFA Semi Finals

September

Saturday 1st

- GDSFA Finals

Saturday 8th

- GDSFA Grand Finals

Sunday 23rd

- Bunning BBQ—Lidcombe Bunnings

September / October

Sunday 30th to Thursday 4th

- 2012 CFFA National Titles (U/14 & Seniors) Brisbane

October

Sunday 28th

- Presentation Day

Semi Finals & Grand Final

Saturday 25th August 2012

Under 11, Under 14 & 1st Grade

Congratulations to the Under 11 & 14 teams who have qualified for the semi finals and to the 1st Grade team that will be playing in the grand final next week.

This Week's Competition Matches Saturday 11th August

- Under 6 vs Guildford McCredie (Black)** at Phillips Park (1), at 9.00am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 8.30am
- Under 7 vs Hills Spirirt (Black)** at Kellyville Park, Memorial Ave Kellyville at 9.00am.
Meet at Kellyville Park No Later than 8.30am
- Under 8 vs Hills Spirirt (Green)** at Phillips Park (1), at 11.00am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 10.30am
- Under 10 vs Wentworthville Uniting** at Phillips Park (1), at 10.00am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 9.30am
- Under 11 vs Kellyville** at Phillips Park (2) at 9.30am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 9.00am
- Under 12 vs OLQP** at Phillips Park (2) at 10.30am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 10.00am
- Under 14 vs Winston Hills** at Phillips Park (2) at 11.30am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 11.00am

BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Jae Baty (U/7) 17/8
Suvan Raya (U/7) 18/8
Andrew King (U/8) 18/8
Keenan Roshan (U10) 21/8

Attention Coaches and Managers

Annual Report

Start considering your team's annual report.

Your reports need to be into James May by September 17th 2012.

Any articles of interest may also be given to James May, Steven May or Ken James.

Any queries contact James May;

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RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 11TH AUGUST 2012

Under 6s lost to Guildford McCredie (Red) 0-2 at Phillips Park:

Lidcombe again took to the field a player short and to the team's credit they played well. Lidcombe did have a few scoring chances in game but

were unlucky not to convert their opportunities. Keith Miller was solid in defence together with Daniel Ibay. Ethan Symes played well in goals making

some great saves. Tito Akol and Anthony Mylonas tested the opposition defence and were unfortunate not to get on the scoreboard.

Under 7s defeated OLQP (O) 5-3 Daniel St Park:

The Under 7s travelled to Greystanes on a very blustery and cold day to take on OLQP. It was a great game played by both teams in very trying

conditions. Rana Mhajer, Jae Baty and Suvan Raya had great games which included a stint in goals for Suvan. The Lidcombe scorers were Adam

Mhajer (3), Jeyan Oner and Izaack Giacco. Well done team on a tough game and great result.

Presentation Day

ATTENTION ALL CLUB MEMBERS

The annual Presentation and Picnic day will once again be held at Phillips Park.

This year the Presentation day will be held on Sunday October 28 commencing at 11.30am.

Activities include activities, BBQ lunch and climaxing in the presentation at 2.30pm where EVERY junior player will receive an award.

Team Photos will also be distributed on the day.

Any queries contact James May on;

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Attention Coaches, Players and Parents

Jewellery

Please note that the laws of Association Football (soccer) and the insurance requirements stipulate that Jewellery must not be worn whilst playing soccer.

This includes earrings, necklaces, watches, bracelets etc.

RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 11TH AUG 2012 (CONT)

Under 8s defeated St Bernadettes (Tigers) 3-1 at Phillips Park:

The Under 8s took on St Bernadettes at Phillips Park. Lidcombe started out from the beginning to prove that they are a force to be reckoned with. In the middle of the first half there was a couple of great combinations from Brandon Thai and Timothy Yoon that proved to be very positive. Little Tim punched a goal in the

back of the net to open the scoring. At half time the coach was most excited, promising a role reversal to the solid defenders if another goal was scored. So, with a 3-0 lead, the promise was fulfilled and positions changed giving everyone a fair chance. This gave St Bernadettes a chance to reply with a weak goal, the

coach quickly put everyone back into their positions and Lidcombe kept the pressure on for the rest of the game. Another wonderful game of football displayed by the whole team, everyone deserves a mention. It's great to see the confidence building throughout the whole team.

Under 10s lost to St Bernadettes (Tigers) 0-4 at Phillips Park:

Despite the scoreline this was one of the team's best performances of the year. Coming up against a team which had comprehensively thrashed Lidcombe 0-8 in the first round, Lidcombe put in a very spirited display, particularly in the first half when they ran up the hill and into a very strong wind, making the opposition fight all the way for

their win. Unlike the first round loss when Lidcombe let in quite a few very easy goals and did not get anywhere near the opposition's goals, this time St Bernadettes had to work hard to get the ball in the back of the net and Lidcombe even managed to threaten their goals on a couple of occasions. Goalkeeper, Zaid Nadeem put in another eye catching

performance in goals, including a penalty save in the second half, and it was also pleasing to see Debashish Kumar playing with a bit more confidence and getting a few kicks in. However, well done to everyone. It just goes to show what you can do when you put your mind to it and play with a bit of determination.

Under 11s defeated OLQP 12-0 at Daniel St Park:

On what was a bitterly cold and windy day the Under 11s conformed to the conditions to easily account for OLQP at Daniel St Park. Running into the strong southerly gale Lidcombe controlled the ball on the ground with tremendous passing and team work for Arti Nithiananthan to quickly get on the scoreboard in the third and

fourth minutes. Lidcombe kept the ball in the opposition's half and went to the break with a 4-0 lead following goals to Kabilan Gowrieswaren in the 14th minute and Salim Mhajer was rewarded for his efforts on the halftime whistle. With the wind at their backs and running down the slight hill in the second half Lidcombe

were unstoppable. The ball control continued and the goals came freely. Goals in the second half came from Abraham Hamdan (2), Salim Mhajer (2), Kabilan Gowrieswaren, Arti Nithiananthan, Calvin Iturra and an own goal by OLQP. A good team performance leading up to the finals.

RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 11TH AUG 2012 (CONT)

Under 12s defeated Dundas United 7-2 at Curtis Oval:

In what was the team's best performance of the season, Lidcombe dominated the entire game with outstanding skill and team work. Lidcombe were first on the score board with a beautiful penalty taken by James Lawandos following a hand ball in the opening minutes of the match. Lidcombe was able to dictate play with more possession of the ball which saw James add

to his tally. In one of the most memorable moments of the season, Andrew Lylo headed the ball into goal to extend the lead.

With Lidcombe leading 3-0 going into the second half, Dundas United fought back, scoring 2 goals early on. But the Lidcombe players responded, stepping up their defence and attack. A great save from Akash Mubarak kept

the opponents from levelling the score. Andrew snared his second goal of the match and shortly after assisted James in securing his first hat-trick. After several close attempts, Mitchell Djelevski scored the final two goals of the match

Lidcombe's win was a result of perseverance and exceptional team effort with all players communicating well and playing their part.

Under 14s defeated North Rocks 3-0 at North Rocks Park:

With third position on the ladder firmly secured Lidcombe had nothing to lose when taking to the field to play North Rocks. It did not take long before Radar Challenger was able to put the first point on the score sheet with a well executed shot which was wind assisted and had a lovely bounce to go over the keepers

head and find the back of the net. Daniel Chung was able to capitalise on a hand ball and scored Lidcombe's second from the penalty spot. Lidcombe were able to apply plenty of pressure all game and with the very windy conditions were able to make the most of their scoring opportunities. The second half saw more of the

same with good attacking runs from Rakulan Ganesarajah, Brenton Lowe and Adam Yoon, but once again it was the big boot of Ibrahim Annous that saw another skyward bound ball make its way into the back of the net to give Lidcombe its final winning score of 3-0.

1st Grade defeated Wentworthville Uniting 3-0 at Phillips Park:

Despite running up the hill and into a very strong wind (gale?) in the first half, Lidcombe made most of the running and were unlucky not to go to the break a couple of goals up. Playing off the back of a very determined effort from the defence, the two Matts – Lane and James (Matt Hyde was unavailable this week) – caused plenty of problems up front and only a couple of fine saves by the Guildford keeper, "Mr Habib", denied Lidcombe going ahead on the score board. Guildford

also threatened on a few occasions with goal keeper, Daniel Gildea, called upon to make a couple of spectacular saves.

With the aid of the strong wind in the second half Lidcombe always looked to have the game under control, but it took a great goal by Danny James which went straight in off a corner to break the deadlock mid way through the half. Danny was at it again a few minutes later when he dispossessed one Guildford

defender and beat couple of others with a weaving run before slipping the ball to Matt James who was able to slot it past the Guildford keeper.

In the end this was a hard fought, but well deserved win with Lidcombe showing plenty of team spirit.

With Guildford now having to play Coptic (surprise winners over the Zimwarriors in the minor semi-final) in the final, a rematch against Guildford in the grand final now looks the most likely outcome