



# The Congo

Wednesday 10th April 2013

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## Diary Dates

### April

Tuesday 16th & 23rd

- Associate referee exams and lectures

Saturday 27th

- Mini Referee lectures 2pm

### June

Saturday 8th (Queens Birthday long weekend)

- Six A Side Competition for Under 7 to 11
- Competition matches played for Under 12 to 15

## This Week's Competition Matches Saturday 13th April

- Under 7 vs Guildford McCredie (White)** at Everley Park (mini), Everley St, South Granville at 10.00am.  
Meet at Everley Park No Later than 9.30am.
- Under 8 vs Guildford McCredie** at Phillips Park at 9am.  
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 8.30am.
- Under 9 vs Guildford McCredie** at Phillips Park, at 10.00am.  
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 9.30am.
- Under 11 vs St Columbas All Saints** at Eric Mobbs Reserve (2), Excelsior Ave, Castle Hill at 11am.  
Meet at Eric Mobbs No Later than 10.30am.
- Under 12 vs Baulkham Hills** at Ted Horwood Reserve (2), Renown Rd, Baulkham Hills at 9.30am.  
Meet at Ted Horwood Reserve No Later than 9am.
- Under 13 vs Newington** at Wilson Park (3), Newington Rd, Silverwater at 11.30am.  
Meet at Wilson Park No Later than 11am.
- Under 15 vs Castle Hill United** at Fred Caterson Reserve (1), Caterson Drive, Castle Hill at 11.55am.  
Meet at Fred Caterson Reserve No Later than 11.20am.
- 1st Grade vs Stathfield Prestige** at Phillips Park, at 3.15pm.  
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 2.30pm.

## Congratulations

### 500 Games

6th April 2013

### Trent Smith

(commenced playing 1984)

# ***RESULTS OF GALA DAY MATCHES PLAYED 6TH APRIL***

## **Under 7's**

Lidcombe's Under 7s travelled to Everley Park to compete in the Knockout Gala Day.

The team showed great potential for the upcoming season. New players Hissham Ahamadi and Sivanujan Sivakumaran played well. It was pleasing to see the return of Mohamad Mehajer after a years absence. Daniel Ibay, Keith

Miller, Anthony Mubarik and Anthony Mylonas all picked up from where they left off last season.

Thankyou to Dave Miller for taking the reigns for the second match and looking after the team in the coaches absence.

Please everyone keep in mind that we are still looking for a coach or

someone that can help on days when the coach will be required to play his own games when there is a clash of times.

Over all a great day with a fun filled and positive season ahead.

## **Under 8's**

No report received at time of publication.

## **Under 9's**

The under 9's kicked off the season by playing two Gala Day matches at Everley park. Having only eight players for the day, the team knew that they needed to show a sense of aggression and come out firing.

The combination between Brandon Thai and Timothy Yoon was brilliant with an early goal to Tim in the first half of the first game. Hills Spirit then came back into the match, but the strong defence from Jonathan Hannaford and Sean McGlade was too good. In the second half Hills Spirit scored a lucky goal to level the

score at 1-1. With a couple of positional changes Lidcombe went on the attack chasing the win but this proved to be a difficult challenge. Severino Fierro did great in goals and kept a few excellent shoots out.

With the scores level at full time the game went to Golden Goal in extra time. Lidcombe were the first to go on the attack and were unlucky not to come away with the win. Unfortunately Hills spirit slipped one past to win the match, with a final score 2-1. In the second match of the day

Lidcombe again took on Hills Spirit but this time they were from a higher division. They proved to be a very strong team, easily overpowering an eight player Lidcombe team to win 4-0. Lidcombe kept on fighting and showed a never die attitude till the end.

Little Madeleine Leask showed her goalkeeping skills in goals stopping some powerful shots.

The whole team performed extremely well for the entire day. Well done under 9s!

## **Under 11's**

Disappointingly, only 6 players reported for the first game of the season. Thank you to Jasmine and Amber Gunn, Billy Leask, Edwin Akol, Alex Maljevac and William Tran and thanks also to George Faingataa for letting us know he was unavailable. No one else showed the coach the courtesy of advising they would not be attending.

With the help of five Under 9 players, who had already played 2 games, we were able to field a team against Guildford McCredie

and while we went down 0 – 4 we were not disgraced. Billy Leask volunteered to play in goals for the full game and made some good saves while little sister Madeleine got to play with her big brother for the first time. Thank you also to the other 4 Under 9's who also filled in for us: Jonathan Hannaford, Brandon Thai, Timothy Yoon (nearly our best player) and Sean McGlade and a special thanks to the Under 9 parents who waited around for nearly 2 hours to ensure we got a game.

It is to be hoped that the rest of the players show a lot more commitment for the rest of the season and try and make every game and remember to advise the coach if they cannot make it on a Saturday. The coach, who does not get paid, makes a big time commitment for the whole season by attending training and the match each week and deserves a bit more respect from the parents and players.

Ken James (acting coach in Kellie's absence at softball)

## BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

Jeyan Oner (U/8) 12/4

## ***RESULTS OF COMP MATCHES PLAYED 6TH APRIL 2013***

### **Under 12 defeated Castle Hill United 6-1 at Phillips Park**

The Under 12s started the season strongly with a solid 6-1 victory over Castle Hill United at Phillips Park.

The match was all sown up in the first half with Lidcombe opening their account in the ninth minute. Lidcombe's teamwork and ball

control was too good for their opposition and they went to the break with a five nil lead.

The second half saw nine positional changes and this disrupted Lidcombe's momentum but gave the coach a good look at how players adapted to different

positions. Castle Hill clawed one goal back mid way through the half but were no match for Lidcombe.

Goals went to Blake Batchelor (2), Calvin Iturra, Chris May, Emmanuel Mylonas, and Arti Nithiananthan.

### **Under 13 defeated Wenty Waratah 3-2 at Phillips Park**

No report received at time of publication.

### **Under 15 lost to Guildford County 1-5 at Phillips Park**

No report received at time of publication.

### **Parent / Player responsibilities**

- If for any reason your child is unable to play or attend training you **MUST** inform your coach or manager AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
- If you are having difficulties finding transport to away matches for your child let your coach or manager know. Other parents are always willing to help and often find themselves in the same situation.
- Games are ALWAYS on unless you are told otherwise by your coach or manager. DO NOT ASSUME A MATCH IS OFF IF IT IS RAINING!!! If you are unsure you can contact your coach or manager. Do not just stay at home, you will be letting your child's team down!!!
- Please remember the coaches and managers volunteer their time for your child. They are doing their very best for the team and each individual child.
- Lidcombe Churches Soccer Club and the Associations we participate in have high expectations of our parents and players. Showing support for your team is encouraged, but at no stage will abuse of players, officials or spectators will be tolerated. Bans or fines could result.

## 1st Grade defeated Zimwarriors 4-3 at Broughton Anglican College:

1<sup>st</sup> grade opened their season by making the long journey to Menangle Park with only nine players to take on Zimwarriors. Fortunately we were able to borrow some players from Greystanes (thanks guys, much appreciated!).

Lidcombe started the stronger of the two teams constantly attacking the opposition goal. The Lidcombe dominance soon paid off with Lidcombe scoring two goals from the boot of Mat James.

Lidcombe had several more chances to score but poor finishing let them down before Matthew

Lane took it upon himself to take on the defense and score a spectacular goal from 20m out.

Ahead 3-0, Lidcombe appeared to be cruising, but a Zimwarriors penalty just before half time gave the opposition hope.

The second half saw Lidcombe again score early with Mat James completing his hat trick. Lidcombe seemed to be heading towards victory when Zimwarriors brought on three fresh players against a tiring Lidcombe containing Greystanes players who had already played a full game.

These fresh players turned the

match and scored two quick goals to bring the score to 4-3 with ten minutes still remaining in the game. Fortunately the Congo spirit kicked into gear and everyone found that extra bit of energy needed to hold out a strong finishing opposition (even with the referee playing an extra six minutes of injury time).

Strong performances this week came from Captain Trent 'Angry' Smith (playing in his 500<sup>th</sup> game), Frankie Tassone and Matthew Hyde.

### COACHES & MANAGERS - 2013

<u>TEAM</u>	<u>COACH / MANAGER</u>	<u>PHONE</u>	<u>MOBILE</u>
<b>U/7</b>	<b>Vacant *</b> (Contact James May)		0418 436777
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<b>U/9</b>	TRENT SMITH (Coach)		0434 596062
	IAN SMITH (Manager)		0417 260949
<b>U/11</b>	KELLY FOGGON (Coach)		0450 566211
<b>U/12</b>	JAMES MAY (Coach)	9671 5338	0418 436777
<b>U/13</b>	Wasyi (Coach)		0420 257871
	Loueze Dib (Manager)		0431 636369
<b>U/15</b>	SAM ANNOUS (Coach)		0411 546162
	LORRAINE KRATZ (Manager)		0418 235623
<b>1ST Grade</b>	STEVEN MAY (Coach)		0401 913141
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\* **Anyone who is interested in helping with the vacant coaching roles please contact Club Secretary James May.**