



# The Congo

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## Diary Dates

### June

#### Saturday 29th

- Team photos at Phillips Park

#### Sunday 30th

- Registration cut off for new players.

### July

#### Monday 15th

- NSWCA rep trials  
U/14 - 6pm at Freame Park  
  
U/16 & U/18 - 7.30pm  
at Freame Park.

#### Thursday 18th

- South Zone rep trials  
U/8 to U/11 - 6pm at  
Freame Park

## This Week's Competition Matches Saturday 29th June

- Under 7 vs OLQP (Blue)** at Daniel St Park,  
Daniel St, Greystanes. At 10am.  
Meet at Daniel St Park No Later than 9.30am.
- Under 8 vs OLQP (White)** at Phillips Park at 9.00am.  
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 8.30am.
- Under 9 vs St Bernadettes Tigers** at Phillips Park at 10am.  
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 9.30am.
- Under 11 vs St Columbas All Saints (12)** at Phillips Park at 11am.  
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 10.30am.
- Under 12 vs Winston Hills (Black)** at Phillips Park at 9.30am.  
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 9.00am.
- Under 13 vs Merrylands SFC** at Phillips Park at 10.30am.  
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 10.00am.
- Under 15 vs Winston Hills** at Phillips Park at 11.45am.  
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 11.15am.
- 1st Grade vs Guildford McCredie (Red)** at Phillips Park at 3.15pm.  
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 2.30pm.

## Be a Witness to history!

Saturday 29th June will see James 'PC' May create history by becoming the first player in Lidcombe Churches Soccer Club history to play **700 games**.

James started his playing career for the club in 1979.

Be there to show your support for James, a true legend of our club.

The match kicks off at 3.15pm at Phillips Park.

## ***Results of Catch up Matches Played 19th June ...***

### **Under 12's lost 1-4 to Ermington United at Phillips Park**

Lidcombe took on Ermington United on a cold winter's night in their catch up match at Phillips Park.

With only ten players available for Lidcombe the match was going to be difficult. The first half saw Lidcombe just off their game a little losing possession in the middle of the park

and putting pressure on their defence. This led to the locals trailing 0-1 at the break.

Lidcombe fought back in the second half and threatened the opposition goal but were unable to keep up with the opposition who had fresh legs on the bench and conceded two goals

with six minutes remaining in the match. Emmanuel Mylonas put Lidcombe on the scoreboard with four minutes to go but they could not keep Ermington from finding the net for a final time with two minutes remaining.

### **Under 13's defeated Lidcombe Waratah 9-1 at Phillips Park**

A 9-1 win displayed determination from every player to play football to 110% of their ability. A 4-0 lead at half time and an early goal in the second half allowed players to be rested to prevent injury. Lidcombe Waratah attempted a come back with several good attacking plays during the second half. Goalkeeper Thomas Livesey made several key saves although they were able to get one goal towards the end. Mitchell Djelevski, adapted well to his new role in defence, tackling and feeding the ball forward with control. Jonathan Duong displayed good passing skills playing several positions. William Ha played well in every position the team needed him.

Ahamad Khalili showed good stamina and ability always challenging for the ball in attack and defence. Captain James Lawandos scored the 1st goal of game. Andrew Lylo was in a world of his own, consistently dribbling past several players at a time always in control of the ball, assisting in goals scored and scoring 4 goals himself. Akash Mubarik had a solid performance in defence. John Mubarik had another consistent performance, showing quick pace and ball control. Fadi Naboulsi started on the bench with an injury but was involved in key plays and scored the 1st goal of second half. Hamze Taha played well in the back line making several key tackles and

passes. Ibrahim Taha displayed courage after needing to come off the field injured. Then, after a short rest, he returned to the field making several goal saving tackles and also showed power with long clearance kicks. Samuel Zubkov has quickly recovered from his pre-season skateboard injury. He displayed his speed with the ball at his feet, assisting in goals and netting 3 goals for himself. This game produced a fantastic display of team work, even though at times they didn't speak to each other, they just played football and understood each other. The final result was made more memorable with the fact that we have not trained in the past 4 weeks.

### **NSWCFA Rep team trials**



The NSWCFA will be holding player trials for the NSW City team to contest the CFFA National Titles in Perth.

The tournament runs from Monday 30th September to Wednesday 2nd October 2013 (school holidays).

Trials will be held Monday 15th July at Freame Park. Rees St, Mays Hill.

Under14 - 6pm

Under 16 & 18 - 7.30pm

**ALL PLAYERS MUST WEAR SHIN PADS TO BE ELIGIBLE TO TRIAL.**

For further information see James May or Steve May

## ***Results of Matches Played 22nd June 2013.***

### **Under 7's won on forfeit against Wentworthville Uniting at Phillips Park**

The wet miserable conditions at Phillips Park and a mix up by Wentworthville saw only two opposition players turn up to face Lidcombe.

A friendly match was organized to take place. Unfortunately the weather deteriorated and the match was abandoned in the first half.

Hopefully the weather will be better next week!

### **Under 8's drew 1-1 with OLQP (Blue) at Daniel St Park**

The game started with a controversy, we were already 3 players down and the referee was refusing to let two of our players on the field as they didn't have their ID cards. The opposition coach, given their past losses to us, was too happy to agree with the referee. After tight negotiations, the opposition reluctantly accepted the challenge and without any further delay the game started with our 8 players against their 13 players at their home ground for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time round.

It was evident that the OLQP didn't want "history" to repeat itself so they had 3 players permanently positioned in front of the goals - *'like the Great Wall of China to stop the Mongolian Invasion'*. It did work for a short while as our attackers found it difficult to penetrate their defense. Also it seemed the referee was

helping the oppositions cause by not calling the fouls, trips and off sides on our troopers. However despite all the hurdles erected our way, Mert found himself inside the 10 yard but was unlucky not to put his name on the scorecard. Next thing you know Kaya received a pass from Yehye and he too was unlucky not to find the back of the net.

Both sides were playing a strong midfield and defensively but towards the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> half the deadlock was broken as the opposition striker slipped the ball past our goalkeeper to score an important goal for them as this was their 1<sup>st</sup> ever lead against us during the past fixtures.

The second half again started strong with Jeyan, Isaack, Adam & Yehye dribbling and passing the ball looking for opportunities. In defence Jae,

Mert and Kaya playing their part stopped the opposition in their tracks. Raiden while in goals, heroically saved an important goal to give us the breather that we needed to reorganize ourselves. Lucky he did as with 5 minutes remaining on the clock the opposition conceded a corner. Mert determined to make a difference, took the challenge of taking the corner, which he did splendidly. The ball in mid air with GPS tracking locked on its target, amongst the 16 players found Adam who then, with a class of his own chipped the ball over the players to give us the well deserved point (1-1).

Once again our under 8's were faced with a difficult game. Against all odds our 8 dedicated players played a fantastic match against a team of 13 players on their home ground.

### **Under 9's defeated Hills Spirit (White) 1-0 at Kellyville Memorial Park**

The Under 9s played Hills Spirit (White) at Kellyville Park. With only 8 players available to start the game, we knew it was going to be a tough fight to the end. The game moved back and forwards as both teams struggled to dominate each other. Our solid defenders, Johnathon Hannaford and Sean (Kiwi Krusher), showed themselves to be some of

the best defenders in the competition. Our attacking strength on the day came from the middle with blistering runs from Tim, Brandon and Juach, any loose balls were rounded up from our defensive midfielders Renee Miller and Jerold Reyes.

It was a team effort with brave Maddy insisting that she holds guard

in goals all game, and she did keeping the opposition scoreless.

Late in the second half after some great runs it was a brilliant goal by Lidcombes little striker Timothy Yoon that sealed us a 1-0 victory.

It was much to the coaches and spectators delight to see the efforts of all the Under 9s players. Well done to the whole team!

## **BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**Raiden Jang (U/8) 30/6**

**Tito Akol (U/7) 3/7**

## **Team Photos**

**Phillips Park**

**Saturday 29th June.**

U/7s - 11.40am	U/8s - 10.00am
U/9s - 11.15am	U/11s - 12.00pm
U/12s - 10.50am	U/13s - 9.30am
U/15s - 10.30am	

### **Under 11's lost 1-2 to Saint Columbas All Saints at Phillips Park**

The Under 11's lost 2-1 to first placed St Columbas All Saints at a very wet Phillips Park. Edwin Akol scored our goal and could have had two but his first attempt was disallowed for offside. Fortunately he learnt from this and has vowed not to make the same mistake again!

Some of the opposition players were quite tall and intimidating but we didn't let this stop us.

Having no reserves and a few injured players made the cold wet conditions even more unbearable for Lidcombe. We spent most of the first half defending and this is when we

conceded the two goals.

We improved in the second half scoring our goal and keeping the opposition scoreless. The team can be proud of their performance, pushing the first placed team right to the end.

### **Under 12's defeated Auburn FC 6-0 at Webbs Avenue Playing Fields**

On a cold wet morning Lidcombe travelled to Webbs Avenue Playing Fields to take on Auburn FC. Playing with the bare 11 players Lidcombe took control from the start and opened the score in the fifth minute when Ranmanan Linghanathan found the net in a goal mouth scramble. Lidcombe continued to dominate for the remainder of the half and went

to the break with a two goal lead when Emanuel Mylonas showed some individual skill taking on three opponents and finding the net from 17 metres out.

Lidcombe continued their control of the match and didn't let the wet conditions effect their game and found the net a further four times

with Blake Batchelor, Arti Nithiananthan and Chris May (2) completing the scoring. A very good team performance with Arzycki De Vera, Daniel Kritikos, Tom Teklic and Goal Keeper Talha Ahmed playing very well.

### **Under 13's had a BYE**

### **Under 15's lost 0-1 to Guildford McCredie at Everley Park**

No report received at time of publication.

### **1st Grade defeated Guildford (White) 6-1 at Everley Park**

After 1<sup>st</sup> Grades poor showing last week hopes were high that a lesson had been learnt.

Unfortunately this was not to be the case as Lidcombe only had eight players present at kick off. Fortunately Michael Miller and Noge Bengamine Beshire from Greystanes were able to help us out and allow us to start with ten players.

The disrupted start saw Lidcombe

begin poorly and concede an early goal from a Guildford corner.

After fourteen minutes Lidcombe had eleven players when Mat James took the field. With the numbers now being even Lidcombe went on the attack and it was now Guildford under pressure.

Two goals to Mat Hyde in the 27<sup>th</sup> and 35<sup>th</sup> minutes saw Lidcombe go to half time 2-1 ahead.

The second half was all Lidcombe with Mat Hyde completing his hat trick after 10 minutes. Not to be out done Mat James then also scored three goals to see Lidcombe close out the match 6-1.

Best players for Lidcombe this week were Mat Hyde, Adrian Martinez, Noge Bengamine Bashire and Tristram Larwood.