



The Congo

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Diary Dates

July

Wednesday 31st

- NSWCFA South V North Zone matches at Phillips Park
- NO TRAINING at Phillips Park

August

Thursday 1st & Tuesday 6th

- NSWCFA Senior Rep Trials
Jones Park 7pm

Wednesday 7th

- NSWCFA South V North Zone matches at Freame Park.

Saturday 10th

- Team Photos at Phillips Park

September

Saturday 28th

- CFFA Junior National titles commence in Perth

October

Friday 4th

- CFFA Senior National titles commence on the Sunshine Coast

Sunday 27th

- Presentation Day at Phillips Park

This Week's Competition Matches Saturday 3rd August

- Under 7 vs Guildford McCredie (White)** at Everley Park, Everley St, South Granville at 9am.
Meet at Everley Park No Later than 8.30am.
- Under 8 vs OLQP (Blue)** at Phillips Park at 9am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 8.30 am.
- Under 9 vs Hills Spirit (White)** at Phillips Park at 10am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 9.30am.
- Under 11 vs Wentworthville Uniting** at Phillips Park at 11am.
Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 10.30am.
- Under 12 vs Ermington United** at George Kendall Riverside Park (1), Trumble Ave, Ermington at 9.30am.
Meet at George Kendall Riverside Park No Later than 9.00am.
- Under 13 vs Lidcombe Waratah** at Coleman Park (2), Georges Ave, Lidcombe at 11.45am.
Meet at Coleman Park No Later than 11.15am.
- Under 15 vs Granville Kewpie** at Colquhoun Park, Lackey St, South Granville at 9.30am.
Meet at Colquhoun Park No Later than 9am.
- 1st Grade vs Epping COC** at Homelands Reserve, Homelands Ave, Carlingford at 3.15pm.
Meet at Homelands Reserve No Later than 2.30pm.

BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Donna Batchelor (Canteen Coordinator) 31/7

James Lawandos (U/13) 3/8

Results of Matches Played 27th July 2013.

Under 7's defeated Hills Spirit (Black) 6-1 at Phillips Park

Hills Spirit came to Phillips Park a much improved team and, to their credit, tried their best up to the final whistle (which is when they scored). What they encountered though was a Lidcombe team which put in what could be their best performance of the season so far, in terms of both individual effort and team work. The result was a 6-1 win to Lidcombe, and for the spectators from both sides it was an inspiring and entertaining game to watch.

Each of the Lidcombe players deserves praise for contributing to the win. Anthony Mylonas scored two goals in this match and was unlucky not to have scored more, with lots of shots at goal. In common with the rest of the team Anthony showed that he was equally keen in defence and attack. Anthony also demonstrated that thinking about ball control and movement (passing, shooting) produces results that benefit the team as a whole. Congratulations once more to

Hissham Ahmadi on collecting another three goals in this match, Hissham put on a very athletic display, and showed a lot of focus and urgency, turning defence into attack throughout the whole match. This provided the foundation for Lidcombe's win. Tito Akol produced a barnstorming effort on the day. The Hills attack found it difficult to get past Tito, and typically once Tito had possession, off he went on an unstoppable forward raid that gave the Lidcombe team great opportunities for shots at goal. Tito kept this up for the entire match, this consistency of effort made it very difficult for Hills to get into a goal scoring position. Sivanujan Sivakumaran also scored a beautiful running goal in this match, with a superb shot that amazed the crowd. Sivanujan showed that he now has some very good soccer skills, great to see them on display. In the second half Sivanujan was goalkeeper, which gave Anthony Mubarik a chance to

join the attack. Anthony made a couple of excellent saves in goal in the first half, and in the second half, showed outstanding positioning and anticipation skills. Anthony always knew where the play was going next and made sure he was in the right position at the right time, making himself available for passes and giving himself every chance to put the team into a scoring position. This is an important and valuable skill to have, and the Lidcombe players would benefit from watching how Anthony plays. Keith Miller on the day produced several booming clearances from the back, and made it very difficult for Hills to get near goal, by repeatedly blocking or stealing the ball from the Hills attack. Well done to the U/7 Lidcombe players, keep this type of play going, you will need it in upcoming matches, which will be played against some equally keen teams.

Under 8's

No report received at time of publication.

Under 9's drew 0-0 with Hills Spirit (Black) at Kellyville Memorial Park

The Under 9's played Hills Spirit (Black) last Saturday at Kellyville Park.

Lidcombe started out with a full team. In the opening few minutes there was a great combination from Timothy Yoon and Brandon Thai, a couple of shots on target were stopped by the Hills Spirit Goal Keeper. Lidcombe kept the pressure

on them the first half, but couldn't seem to put the goals away.

The Lidcombe defence was very strong with both Kiwi Krusher and Johnathon Hannaford always clearing any threat.

In the second half the game started to heat up with both teams hoping for a win. Lidcombe's resident reliable girls Maddy Leask and Renee

Miller both had strong games causing havoc in the middle.

Lidcombe just couldn't find the back of the net, with a final score of a draw 0-0.

Well done to the whole team a fine defensive effort!

Under 11's

No report received at time of publication.

Under 12's

No report received at time of publication.

Under 13's defeated Guildford County 3-1 at Phillips Park

A 1 vs 2 showdown at Phillips Park displayed one of the best games Lidcombe has played this season, with key players constantly been marked the team worked around the situation to produce a 3 - 1 win. Guildford scored the first goal of the game.

Lidcombe leveled the score from a

James Lawandos corner when Andrew Lylo headed the ball towards goal and Samuel Zubkov finished the play scoring a goal.

In the second half Lidcombe produced some great play, with Ahamad Khalili getting the first goal and Samuel the last. The final result was possible due to great team work

from Lidcombe. Credit must go to Guildford for testing our players passion and determination to win never giving up till the final whistle blew.

In all, a major team improvement from last week. WE are a TEAM and we PLAY as a TEAM. Great team effort boys!!

Under 15's

No report received at time of publication.

1st Grade defeated Strathfield Prestige 4-2 at Phillips Park

A ten man Lidcombe side started the game well, scoring after only seven minutes, when Aaron Sivasothy was able to switch the play from the left to Mat James on the right wing who crossed for Mat Hyde waiting on the far post.

Less than a minute later Lidcombe scored again when first half goal keeper Daniel 'Frank' James cleared the ball finding Mat James who headed the ball into the path of a charging Mat Hyde who doubled

Lidcombes lead.

Mat Hyde continued to trouble the Strathfield defence and completed his hat trick mid way through the first half.

Lidcombe went to a four goal lead on the half hour mark when Strathfield scored an own goal with the defender too busy worrying about the close presence of Mat Hyde than clearing the ball.

The second half saw Lidcombe tire

due to playing one short. Strathfield scored two goals but Lidcombe always had control of the result.

With semi finals only a few weeks away hopefully everyone can start organising themselves better and showing some commitment to the team. Rather than selfishly picking and choosing the games they play!

Best players this week were Dilshan Karunaratne, David Hay and Prabu Weerasinghe.