

#### **Diary Dates**

#### <u>July</u>

#### **Tuesday 22nd**

 Under 16 Girls National Titles trials at Granville Park,
 6.30pm.

#### Wednesday 23rd

 Game Three- North v South Zone Junior Representative Matches at Phillips Park.

#### **August**

#### Saturday 2nd

• 75th Anniversary Dinner

# The Congo

Wednesday 16th July 2014

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#### This Week's Competition Matches Saturday 19th July,

Congo Kickers at Phillips Park at 10am.

Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 9.50am.

Under 7 vs OLQP (Blue) at Phillips Park at 11am.

Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 10.30am.

Under 8 vs Guildford McCredie Uniting (Red) at Everley Park,

Everley St, South Granville at 9am.

Meet at Everley Park No Later than 8.30am.

Under 9 vs Guildford McCredie Uniting at Everley Park,

Everley St, South Granville at 11am. Meet at Everley Park No Later than 10.30am.

Under 10 vs OLQP (Blue) at Daniel St Park (1),

Daniel St, Greystanes at 11am.

Meet at Daniel St Park (1) No Later than 10.30 am.

Under 11 vs Wentworthville Uniting (Blue) at Freame Park,

Rees St, Mays Hill at 11am.

Meet at Freame Park No Later than 10.30am.

Under 12 vs HAVE A BYE

Under 13 vs Kellyville at Bernie Mullane Sports Complex (1),

Marella Ave, Kellyville at 11.55am.

Meet at Bernie Mullane Sports Complex No Later than 11.20am.

Under 14 vs Ermington United at George Kendall Riverside Park (2),

Trumble Ave, Ermington at 10.15am.

Meet at George Kendall Riverside Park No Later than 9.45am.

Under 16 vs Granville Waratah at Robin Thomas Reserve (1),

George St, Parramatta at 11am.

Meet at Robin Thomas Reserve (1) No Later than 10.30am.

All Age vs St Matthews Baulkham Hills at Phillips Park

at 1.15 & 3.15pm.

Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 12.30pm.

## Congratulations

## 100 Goals Salim Mhajer

12/7/14 v St Michaels at Phillips Park



## 17 days to go!

## 75th Anniversary Dinner

Blacktown Workers Club 2nd August 2014

Tickets on sale now - \$50 per person

Time is running out!

See James May for more details or to purchase a ticket go to our website lidcombechurchessoccer.com

## Results of Matches Played 12th July 2014. Under 7's

#### Under 8's defeated Hills Spirit (Blue) 1-0 at Phillips Park

This match was so good, that the Congos Under 8 Coach watched it again on video replay (filmed by Mrs Coach), and gave it a rating of thirteen stars!

It was very impressive to see how much improvement individual players and the team have made in doing all the right things - spreading themselves out around the field more, calling out, backing up and passing to each other with good short and long passes, maintaining

their proper positions within the team, marking opposition players when needed, and taking their chances to have a go at scoring.

To all the players - thank you for putting in a committed running effort against a determined opposition. Not only did the Congos defend well and win the midfield battle, they also made a good number of chances for shots at goal, and it was one of Hissham Ahmadi's typical never give-up runs that eventually got the

winning goal.

Once again, everyone did their job well. Well done also to Imran Aydemir on your goalkeeping debut for the team in the second half! This was a game which demonstrated the value of each player making sure he put in his best effort - if the team can keep this up the Congs Under 8's have a good chance of being in the top four at finals time.

#### Under 9's defeated Hills Spirit (Red) 6-0 at Phillips Park

#### Under 10's defeated St Bernadettes 3-2 at Phillips Park

#### Under 11's defeated Guildford McCredie 4-2 at Phillips Park

The match of the day on field 3 at Phillips Park saw second placed Lidcombe take on third placed Guildford. The young Congs had to win to stay one point from the competition lead.

Caleb Rinakama opened the scoring for Lidcombe with a long range effort in the third minute. This seemed to shock Guildford into action and saw the game become very even all the way to half time.

The second half saw Guildford start very strongly and catch the Congs

napping by scoring in the first 30 seconds of the half.

Salim Mhajer put Lidcombe back in the lead two minutes later when he pounced on a brilliant through ball from Tom Teklic.

The even nature of the game continued when Guildford scored again in the fifth minute of the half. Six minutes later Tom Teklic muscled his way down the right and followed up a shot which was fumbled by the keeper to put Lidcombe back in the lead.

In the final minute of the match Salim Mhajer scored again to bring the final score to 4-2 in Lidcombe's favour.

This was a very close game that either side could have won and if the Lidcombe players continue to switch off during games they will be eventually made to pay. Best players for Lidcombe this week

were goalkeeper Philemon Kwon, Titus Kwon and Edwin Akol.

#### Under 12's lost 0-4 to Kings Old Boys at Phillips Park

#### Under 13's defeated St Michaels Baulkham Hills 3-2 at Phillips Park

#### Under 14's lost 2-3 to Auburn FC at Phillips Park

A top of the table clash between Auburn FC and the Cong's produced a tough match for Lidcombe.

With the scores tied 2 - 2 a great free saw them score the match winner. kick from half way, by Auburn, and

Goal scorers for Lidcombe were follow up runs by the Auburn players James Lawandos and Samuel Zubkov.

#### Under 16's defeated Auburn FC 10-0 at Phillips Park

#### Reserve Grade lost 1-5 to Macarthur Wasps at Bert Saunders Reserve

#### First Grade lost 0-2 to Zimwarriors at Bert Saunders Reserve

In what is becoming a common theme first and reserve grade played with low numbers. Only 16 players turned up for the two games. While all the Congos present put in a fantastic effort for the club, special mention must go to certain individuals.

Mathew James- who forced himself to play thirty minutes in first grade for the team despite suffering a

severe knee injury in reserve grade. This no doubt inspired the team to dig deep and hold a very strong Zimwarriors side to only two goals. Daniel Kratz- who played three games for the day, running himself into the ground. He was rewarded for his efforts by scoring the Congs only goal for the day in reserve grade.

James May- Played in both games

despite being the oldest player in the squad.

Steve May-forcing himself to play two full games for the first time since 2011.

Noge Beshere and Dave Hay- both players played with injuries and never once complained. Some players in our squad could learn a lot from them!

#### Result Of Catch Up Match Played 13th July 2014.

#### Under 14's defeated Greystanes 4-0 at Bathurst St Park

The Cong's catch up game against Greystanes saw a much better match The second half saw the Cong's more Ahmad Khalili, Andrew Lylo and compared to the first round. This time Greystanes showed great determination in only conceding one

goal in the first half. hungry for the ball and a guaranteed win with another 3 goals going in the

Goal scorers were- John Mubarak, James Lawandos (all one goal each).

## **NSWCFA National Titles Fundraiser-**

### **Bare Foot Bowls**

A fund raising bare foot bowls day is being held to raise money to cover costs of the CFFA National Football Titles which Lidcombe Churches have players who have been selected to play in.

Please consider coming along for a fun day of bowls, all players, family and friends are welcome.

Venue: Toongabbie Bowling Club, 12 Station Rd, Toongabbie NSW 2146

Date: Sunday 27th July 2014.

**Time:** 1-3pm. Cost: \$40 a head.

A Raffle will also take place on the day at the completion of bowling. **RSVP:** via email: secretary@nswcfa.com.au or phone 0410 444 863.

For further information see Steve or James May.

### **Attention Coaches & Managers**

To ensure you do not miss the publication deadline please email your match reports to

steven.may@lidcombechurchessoccer.com

no later than 7pm of the Monday following your match.

The Congs are on Facebook "Like" us to keep up to date with club information.

Lidcombe Churches (Congs) Soccer Club

