



The Congo

Wednesday 25th March 2015

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Diary Dates

March

Wednesday 25th

- Associate Referee Lecture and Exam (compulsory for **ALL** non qualified Senior players).

Saturday 28th

- Trial matches for all teams

April

Wednesday 1st

- Senior trial match 7pm at Phillips Park

Saturday 11th

- Competition matches commence

Saturday 18th

- Congo Kickers commence, 10am at Phillips Park

This Week's Trial Matches Saturday 28th March

Under 7	vs Guildford McCredie (Red) at Merrylands High School Field 3 (Mini) at 10.00am. Meet at Merrylands High School <u>No Later</u> than 9.30am.
Under 9	vs Guildford McCredie (Red) at Merrylands High School Field 1 (Hockey) at 10.10am. Meet at Merrylands High School <u>No Later</u> than 9.30am.
Under 10	vs Guildford McCredie at Merrylands High School Field 4 (Rugby) at 11.00am. Meet at Merrylands High School <u>No Later</u> than 10.30am.
Under 11	vs Hills Spirit at Merrylands High School Field 1 (Hockey) at 11.00am. Meet at Merrylands High School <u>No Later</u> than 10.30am.
Under 12	Match to be advised Field 1 (Hockey) at 11.00am. Meet at Merrylands High School <u>No Later</u> than 10.30am.
Under 13	vs Hurlstone Park (2) at Merrylands High School Field 2 (Soccer) at 10.40am Meet at Merrylands High School <u>No Later</u> than 10.00am.
Under 14	vs Plumpton at Hannah Reserve (5), Hyatts Rd Plumpton at 11.10am Meet at Hannah Reserve <u>No Later</u> than 10.30am.
Under 15	vs Wentworthville Uniting (Gold) at Merrylands High Field 4 (Rugby) at 9.45am Meet at Merrylands High School <u>No Later</u> than 9.00am.
All Age	vs Wentworthville Uniting P/L at at Freame Park, Rees St Mays Hill at 1.15pm & 3.15pm. Meet at Freame Park <u>No Later</u> than 12.30pm.



Message from our Secretary-

Firstly, let me start by saying a big welcome back to all our returning Congo's, and an even bigger welcome to all our new players and their families....Welcome to the Congs! 2015 is shaping up to be one of our biggest and best seasons in our proud 76 year history. Our Congo Kickers program is receiving growing interest and is set to achieve a record number of participants this year.

Our junior teams are looking strong with solid numbers although there is still 1 or 2 places left in most sides.

The senior squad has been training since January and with a number of last years U/16 team making the move up to boost numbers all signs are looking good for a big improvement on last season.

At this point I would like to advise all parents that this club is run entirely by volunteers. All of our coaches, managers and committee volunteer their time for the benefit of your children. It is expected that all parents help out in the canteen at least once throughout the season for 30mins either before or after your child's match.

If your team is playing away from home please avail yourself to help transport other children in the team. Some families have children in multiple teams and game times can clash.

If any problems or issues arise throughout the season please do not hesitate to ask one of our committee members for assistance.

I look forward to seeing you all at Phillips Park this season and remember-

Once a Congo....ALWAYS A CONGO!

James May

Secretary

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 be tolerated. Bans or fines could result.

News from our senior squad

The senior squad has been busy training since mid January. We currently have a solid base of 28 keen players.

Our trial match form has been extremely encouraging with two wins and one narrow loss.

Everyone has been impressed with the skill and commitment of the young players who have moved up through our junior ranks.

We look forward to the season ahead and hope that many of our club members and their families can make

the time to come and support our first and reserve grade sides when we play our games at Phillips Park.

-Steven May
First Grade Coach

New Players Needed

Some of our teams have room for a few players and registrations are still being taken.

If you know of anyone interested in playing encourage them to join our great club.

For all registration enquiries contact

James May (Club Secretary) 0418 436 777

or

Steve May (Assistant Secretary) 0401 913 141

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CLUB OFFICIALS 2015

The following people were elected as the Club's Officials at the Annual General Meeting held on November 13th 2014.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT:	KEN JAMES
VICE PRESIDENT:	LORRAINE KRATZ
SECRETARY:	JAMES MAY
ASSISTANT SECRETARY:	STEVEN MAY
TREASURER:	HONG TAN YOON
COUNCILLOR TO ASSOCIATION:	TRENT SMITH
EQUIPMENT MANAGER:	DAVID MILLER
GENERAL COMMITTEE:	WASYL PRYTOULIAK
	GRANT LESLIE
	DONNA BATCHELOR

COACHES & MANAGERS **WANTED**

**We have positions available for
coaches and managers this season**

**If you are available to help please contact
Assistant Secretary**

Steve May- 0401 913 141

REGISTRATION FEES- DUE NOW

Congo Kickers- \$30.00

Under 6 to 7- \$75.00

Under 8 to 11- \$105.00

Under 12 to 18- \$155.00

Seniors- \$300.00

Position Vacant

Canteen Coordinator

We require the services of a canteen coordinator for the 2015 season.

The canteen is a major source of income for the club.

The role will involve stock purchasing, sales and organising volunteers.

If you are interested in filling this role or volunteering behind the counter this season please contact -

Lorraine Kratz (Vice President)- 0418 235 623

Wanted

Outstanding Jerseys

Do you still have a playing jersey from 2014?

All playing jerseys remain the property of

Lidcombe Churches Soccer Club Inc.

These jerseys need to be returned immediately.

Playing jerseys are the major cost incurred by the club each season.

If they are not returned a jersey levy may have to be charged this season.

New Look Web Site

Have you checked out our new look web site?

We are proud to be able to offer a new easier to use web site with up to date information.

Have a look for yourself!

www.lidcombechurchessoccer.com

SPONSORS WANTED

Many of our junior and senior teams require sponsors for the upcoming season.

Sponsorship packages are currently available.

If your business is interested in becoming a sponsor please contact -

James May– 0418 436 777