

# **Diary Dates**

# **August**

#### Saturday 11th

 Final Round-All Age Men Competition GDSFA Junior Competition

#### Sunday 12th

 Semi Finals Commence-Ladies Competition

#### Saturday 18th

- Semi Finals Commence-All Age Men Competition GDSFA Junior Competition
- Final Round-CFA Junior Competition
- Final Week-Congo Kickers

#### **Saturday 25th**

• Semi Finals-CFA Junior Competition

#### <u>October</u>

## Sunday 28th

 Presentation Day at Phillips Park

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# This weeks matches- Saturday 11th August

Congo Kickers at Phillips Park at 10am.

Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 9.45am.

Under 6 vs Guildford McCredie (Red) at Everley Park,

Everley St, Sefton at 9am.

Meet at Everley Park No Later than 8.30am.

Under 7 (Blue) vs OLQP (Blue) at Phillips Park at 9am.

Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 8.30am.

Under 7 (Gold) vs ISA at Phillips Park at 10am.

Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 9.30am.

**Under 8 vs Wentworthville Uniting** at Phillips Park at 12pm.

Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 11.30am.

Under 9 vs Western Sydney at Tom Uren Park,

Karani Ave, Guildford West at 10am.

Meet at Tom Uren Park No Later than 9.30am.

Under 10 vs Wentworthville Uniting (Gold) at Freame Park,

Rees St, Mays Hill at 11am.

Meet at Freame Park No Later than 10.30am.

Under 12-4 vs Greystanes FC at Bathurst St Park (2),

Bathurst St, Greystanes at 10.40am.

Meet at Bathurst St Park No Later than 10am.

**Under 13-2 vs Pendle Hill** at Phillips Park at 9am.

Meet at Phillips Park No Later than 8.30am.

Under 15-2 vs Pendle Hill (White) at Binalong Oval(2),

Binalong Rd, Old Toongabbie at 10.10am. Meet at Binalong Oval No Later than 9.30am.

Under 18-2 Have a BYE

All Age Men vs Macarthur Wasps at Elizabeth Park,

Waterworth Dr, Narellan Vale at 1.15pm & 3.15pm. Meet at Elizabeth Park No Later than 12.30pm.

#### Sunday 12th August,

# \*\*\* **SEMI FINAL** \*\*\*

**AAL- 4 vs Greystanes (White)** at Glenwood Reserve,

Forman Ave, Glenwood at 8.30am.

Meet at Glenwood Reserve No Later than 7.45am.

# **Notice**

All players <u>MUST</u> wear club shorts and socks for all matches.

# **WET WEATHER**

# ALL GAMES ARE ON UNLESS YOU ARE NOTIFIED BY YOUR COACH OR MANAGER

Do not assume that your game is cancelled or just stay home because it raining.

If you are unsure contact your manager, coach or club secretary.

It is disrespectful to your team and your coach to make your team play short of players because you do not wish to get a bit wet.

# **Reminder**

With the season coming to a close over the next few weeks all players are reminded that ALL PLAYING JERSEYS ARE THE PROPERTY OF LIDCOMBE CSC and must be returned IMMEDIATELY following your final match for the season.

Coaches and managers are also reminded that they must return all training equipment, jerseys and id cards to a committee member ASAP.

We thank you for your cooperation.

# **Attention Coaches and Managers**

Just a reminder that team reports for the Annual report booklet given out at presentation day are due within two weeks of your teams final match of the season.

Examples of previous years Annual reports can be found at-

http://lidcombechurchessoccer.net/annual-reports/

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# **Save the Date**

WHEN: Saturday 8th June 2019 (Queens Birthday Long Weekend)

WHERE: Blacktown Workers Club (55 CAMPBELL ST BLACKTOWN, 2148)

**TBA** COST:

We want **ALL** past and present Congo's to come together at this much anticipated evening! Why not get a table together with your team? It's a great opportunity to get together and reflect on the past season or past many seasons!

If you are interested in learning more about the history of this great club then come along. There will be plenty of memorabilia including photos, reports and newspaper items etc from the previous 80 years.



# **Lidcombe CSC Member Protection**

If at any time you feel you have an issue that needs to be resolved you can see your coach or manager.

If you feel unable to speak to them or feel that the issue has not been resolved you can contact one of our Member Protection Officers-

Lorraine Kratz (0418 235 623)

Amanda Kratz (0458 788 787)

Lorraine and Amanda can be found every Saturday in the canteen and will keep all issues confidential.

Feel free to come to them with any issues relating to child protection, discrimination, harassment, bullying or any other problem you may incur.

# **Presentation Day**

The annual Picnic / Presentation Day will be held at Phillips Park on Sunday 28th October.

The day will start with a BBQ lunch and activities throughout the day and culminate with the Presentation of Trophies and Awards.

It is the only time all season when the whole club will come together in the same place at the same time.

# Please support the businesses that support your club-

Official Lidcombe CSC equipment and apparel supplier for 2018 season-



# REMINDER TO ALL **PLAYERS**

- All players MUST wear shin pads at training and in ALL games
- Players MUST bring a drink bottle to training and games.



# RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED SATURDAY 4TH AUGUST

# Under 6's defeated Guildford McCredie (Red) 7-1 at Phillips Park

Lidcombe were able to take full advantage of having a full team thanks to team photos being directly after the match. Lidcombe were full of good passing and fast dribbling throughout the entire game, racking up a total of 7 goals and conceding 1 goal due to a lapse of concentration from a Guildford throw-in during the second half. If only we had a full team every game.

Goals- Rithul Baskaran (3), Bahir Sarwari (2), Olivia Zubkov (2)

# Under 7's (Blue) defeated OLQP (White) 2-0 at Daniel St Park

Goals- Zachary McKay, Mateo Moraleda

# Under 7's (Gold) defeated Wentworthville Uniting 3-1 at Phillips Park

Goals- Jayden Wagle (2), Abednego Birgen

# **Congratulations**

# Abednego Birgen 100 Goals

Vs Guildford McCredie (White)
7th July at Everley Park

## Under 8's won on forfeit against St Columbas (Orange) at Phillips Park

# Under 9's drew 2-2 with Wentworthville Uniting (Gold) at Phillips Park

Goals- Ethan Singh (2)

#### Under 10's had a BYE

# <u>Under 12's defeated Newington Gunners 1-0 at Phillips Park</u>

Having played Newington on two previous occasions this season (2-1 win, 1-1 draw), the Lidcombe team was well aware that this would be a tough, competitive match. Also of note is that both teams are aiming to secure second place on the competition points table (with one round remaining after this game).

Once again, the Lidcombe team benefited from following the Coach's advice - which emphasises the importance of attending Tuesday training sessions where possible.

Lidcombe defenders deployed the offside trap effectively on quite a few occasions, which the referee picked up, on the majority of them. Quick ball movement was achieved using good player spacing, passing and running. Shots at goal by Lidcombe were attempted as a result, whilst limiting Newington's chances.

What stood out the most though in this match was the constant and effective pressure that was applied to the Newington team by the Lidcombe players, made more effective by the Lidcombe team maintaining correct player positioning. This lead often to the Newington players becoming flustered and losing possession, either directly or by making inaccurate passes. To counter this, the Newington side fell back to a more physical style of play, which worked against them when the referee observed a push on a Lidcombe player inside the penalty box. At this point it's instructive to examine the resulting penalty kick that was taken. The kick by Lachlan was well struck, and the Newington keeper did very well indeed to get hands on the ball, to fend off the shot. Showing great focus and awareness, quick as a flash Lachlan followed up to get his foot to the rebound, which had fallen not far from the keeper, to score the one and only goal of the match. This was one of many fine individual efforts that occurred on the day.

Ultimately, Lidcombe won this match because of teamwork, something they have constantly developed this year. This type of teamwork is also very entertaining for parents and supporters to watch, and as always their good-natured encouragement created an enjoyable environment.

# Under 13's lost 3-4 to Wenty Waratah at Ted Burge Sportsground

Goals- Saad Alam (2), Donato Agen (1)

#### Under 15's defeated Merrylands SFC 2-1 at Merrylands Park

Goals- Tom Ryan (2)

## Under 18's lost 1-2 to Wentworthville Uniting at Jones Park

Goals- Kenny Yin

## All Age Men Reserve Grade defeated Wentworthville Uniting 2-0 at Phillips Park

Goals-

# All Age Men First Grade lost 1-0 to Wentworthville Uniting at Phillips Park

# RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED SUNDAY 5TH AUGUST

# All Age Ladies Div 5 lost 1-0 to Lidcombe Waratah at Merrylands Park

Lidcombe played the last match of the season with only ten players against third placed Lidcombe Waratah. The Congs Ladies put in an unbelievably outstanding effort to not only defend well but also compete for the entire match. This match was truly a team effort with every player contributing. The only unfortunate part of the day was the result with the Congs being very unlucky not force a draw.

Best players this week in an excellent team performance were Na'ilah Lyons, Joanne Nieradka, Farzana Husseini and Vanessa Farrell.

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# All Age Ladies Div 4 lost 2-4 to Ponds FC at Binalong Oval

The Div.4 team took on top-of-the-table Ponds FC on another sunny winter's day, and with the result of this match having no bearing on Lidcombe's progress to next week's semi-final, it's possible that the team's collective mindset (or coach's instruction?) was one of gaining match practice and avoiding injury. So it was perhaps not surprising that just twenty seconds after kick-off, the Ponds caught Lidcombe off guard and scored a goal from a good/ speculative/lucky (you decide) shot from right of field.

It was clear that the Ponds meant business. In an instant the Lidcombe side discarded its mindset (threw away instructions?) and decided to take on the opposition in a serious way. What followed was a classic battle where Lidcombe was determined to show The Ponds that they could match them and more - and vice versa.

To this observer, for a large part of the match the two teams were locked in a struggle for supremacy, and who cared where you were on the competition points table. Lidcombe's two goals were the result of good forward play, finished expertly by Jay. Two of the Ponds' other goals were in part the results of simple hand ball errors by Lidcombe, which lead to relatively easy goals (one by penalty, the other from a free kick just outside the box). Such things can be addressed.

The fourth Ponds' goal occurred from another simple (and addressable) error. Lidcombe, having made a few player substitutions as Ponds was just about to take a corner kick (is it permitted to make substitutions at corner kicks?), allowed some Ponds players to be left unmarked in front of goal. One of them got the ball and kicked it in. It's possible that the Lidcombe coach acted at times to restrain the team in this match, with a longer term point of view in mind. Regardless of this, what did the Lidcombe All Age Ladies Division 4 side show in this game, against the leading side? That they are contenders. Go the Congs!



- AAL div 4 team