



## Diary Dates

### September

#### Saturday 1st

- CFA & GDSFA Grand Finals.

### October

#### Sunday 28th

- Presentation Day at Phillips Park

# The Congo

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## GRAND FINAL EDITION

### **This weeks matches-**

#### **Saturday 1st September**

##### **\*\*\* SEMI FINALS \*\*\***

#### **Under 6**

##### **vs Kings Old Boys**

at Marconi Stadium (outer),  
Prairevale Road Bossley Park, at 9am.  
Meet at Marconi Stadium No Later than 8.15am.

#### **Under 7 (Gold)**

##### **vs ISA**

at Marconi Stadium (outer),  
Prairevale Road Bossley Park, at 10am.  
Meet at Marconi Stadium No Later than 9.15am.

##### **\*\*\* GRAND FINALS \*\*\***

#### **Under 10**

##### **vs Guildford McCredie Uniting (Red)**

at Marconi Stadium,  
Prairevale Road Bossley Park, at 10am.  
Meet at Marconi Stadium No Later than 9.15am.

#### **Under 12-4**

**vs Wentworthville Uniting** at Guildford West Sportsground,  
Foray St, Guildford West at 8.30am.  
Meet at Guildford West Sportsground No Later than 7.45am.

#### **Under 15-2**

**vs Greystanes FC** at Ron Mondy Oval,  
Marian St, Guildford at 10am.  
Meet at Ron Mondy Oval No Later than 9.15am.

#### **AAM 1st Grade**

##### **vs Kings Old Boys (White)**

at Marconi Stadium,  
Prairevale Road Bossley Park, at 3pm.  
Meet at Marconi Stadium No Later than 2pm.

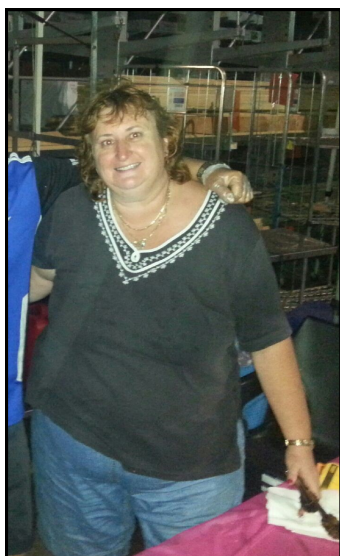
# Thank You

On behalf of all supporters, parents and players. Lidcombe CSC would like to thank the very special people who selflessly gave up their valuable time to coach or manage teams throughout the 2018 season.

Without these people clubs like ours could not survive.

## COACHES & MANAGERS 2018

<u>TEAM</u>	<u>COACH / MANAGER</u>
Congo Kickers	JAMES MAY
U/6	MATTHEW MAY, DONNA BATCHELOR
U/7 (Gold)	MATHEW JAMES
U/7 (Blue)	KEN JAMES, PETER AZZI
U/8	STEVEN MAY, DAVID LESLIE
U/9	BEJOY CORRAYA
U/10	TRENT SMITH
U/12	WASYL PRYTOULIAK, DAVID MILLER
U/13	PATRICK MAY, HONGTAN YOON
U/15	DERMOTT RYAN
U/18	JOHN MYLONAS
All Age Men	TRENT SMITH, WASYL PRYTOULIAK
All Age Ladies	STEVEN MAY, CHAU TRAN, DONNA BATCHELOR, SHAI FENECH



The biggest thank you of all this season goes to our Canteen Manager, Lorraine Kratz. Without her selfless dedication to the club there would have been no canteen for the Thursday night Representative matches and every Saturday throughout the season.

# **Save the Date**

## **80TH ANNIVERSARY**

### **DINNER**

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

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

**COST: TBA**

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.

### **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://lidcombechessoccer.net/annual-reports/>

### **Notice**

All players **MUST** wear club shorts  
and socks for all matches.

With Finals time upon us, do not be the player who is not allowed to play by the referee because you are not wearing the same colours as the rest of your team!

# 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.

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latest club information.



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# ***RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED SATURDAY 25TH AUGUST***

## **Under 6's won by Forfeit over Wentworthville Uniting (Blue) at Everley Park**

## **Under 7's (Gold) won by Forfeit over OLQP (Blue) at Freame Park**

The U6's and U7's (Gold) both won by a Forfeit.

Both of these teams will now progress to play on Saturday morning at the outer fields of Marconi Stadium. Should they win in the morning they will play at lunchtime on the main stadium.

## **Under 9's were defeated 0-9 by Western Sydney at Freame Park**

## **Under 10's defeated ISA 2-1 at Freame Park**

Goals-

## **Under 12's defeated Newington Gunners 2-1 at Ron Mondy Oval**

Here was another close contest between the two teams, which have been on an equal footing all year. This time, a grand final berth was on the line. The Lidcombe side stuck to its plan in the first half and deployed the offside trap, often and to good effect (having linesmen was helpful here). Lidcombe midfielders and the forward line also combined well to set up a number of quite good shots at goal, with the Newington keeper producing some great saves in response. As a result, the 0-0 score was maintained until half time.

During the break, the Lidcombe side was fortunate to receive some individually-tailored advice from Special Guest Coach James May. Both sides commenced the second half in a confident manner, but in the fourth minute, Newington's persistence allowed them to take full advantage of a momentary disorganisation in the Lidcombe defence. The Newington no.18 took the ball from a throw in, escaped from a Lidcombe defender, fired a pass in which bounced off another defender, the ball fell at her feet and with the goal now close, her left-foot shot was successful. After this, the Lidcombe side was in catch-up mode. For the next ten minutes, to their credit the Lidcombe team never stopped working away in their efforts to find the equaliser. As a result, a corner kick was earned. Sean fired in the kick, Vithushan evaded a defender and flicked the ball up on the half volley, sending the ball high through the air toward goal. A Newington defender tried to head the ball away at the same time as the keeper was trying to grab it. From the sideline, the ball appeared to have crossed the line before the keeper turned to pull it back. The linesman, in perfect position, confirmed the goal.

At 1-1 and ten minutes remaining the spectators were witnessing another classic final. In this final period of normal time both sides had chances to win but none of them was converted. Presented with extra time in which to produce a result, it was the Lidcombe team that stepped up. With two minutes remaining in the first half of extra time, midfielder JJ took a throw in and made one of his trademark accurate passes to the Lidcombe striker Sean, in perfect centre position. As we have seen so often before, Sean got the ball around a defender, ran towards goal and steered the shot past the keeper, for the Lidcombe team to take the lead for the first time in the match. The game moved to the second half of extra time. Lidcombe maintained their attacking mindset, the best thing to do under the circumstances. Newington also put everything into it, and came so close on a number of occasions to equalising. But Lidcombe held out, and a thrilling final reached its conclusion.

Hats off to both teams for the performance in this match, they pushed each other all the way. The Congs U12 side has progressed to the Grand Final, a great result for their efforts this season so far.





- Lidcombe's U12's  
winning goal, put away  
by Sean Seo

### **Under 15's defeated Merrylands SFC 0-0 (3-1 on penalties) at Coleman Park**

The Merrylands team had the upper hand in much of this final. They had more time in possession of the ball and more often than not controlled the play into Lidcombe's half. Nevertheless the Lidcombe midfielders and defenders soaked up the pressure and enabled the occasional attacking foray by their forward line. This produced a roughly equal number of shots at goal by both teams.

The score at full time of 0-0 reflected the ability of the Lidcombe team to remain calm and organised, and persist with their defensive effort. The two periods of extra time produced more of the same, and so with no goals scored it was inevitable that the match be decided by penalty shots.

The fact that the Lidcombe players had been under, and been able to withstand, pressure throughout the entire match served them well when it came to the crunch. The first penalty shot was successful for both teams, but the next Merrylands shot hit the upright, and their following two were saved by the Lidcombe keeper - literally, a match-winning effort - whereas Lidcombe continued to calmly slot away their following two attempts. With the score at 3-1 Lidcombe's way, and only one shot remaining for Merrylands, the referee called it a day.

So it was that the U15 side was confirmed as making the Grand Final, and deservedly so. The match just played against Merrylands is as good a preparation as you could get. Best of luck to the U15s, their abilities have brought them this far and their composure under pressure has been impressive.



-Penalty Shootout -  
shot saved by the  
Lidcombe U15 keeper  
Dyanga Bengamine-  
Beshere



## 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.

### **All Age Men First Grade defeated Macarthur Wasps 2-1 at Freame Park**

Two Aydin Agar goals were good enough to get the Congs the victory in this match. With most players available for selection, a very strong side was assembled and reserves rotated throughout the match.

The win will give the side great confidence going into the Grand Final which is a rematch of last seasons Raahauge Cup Final.



- AAM 1st Grade celebrate with the supporters after winning their way through to the Grand Final.