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AROUND THE GROUNDS

Upcoming Events:

- Team photos on weekend of 26th and 27th July
- Tuesday 29th July - another Sydney FC visit to attend a training session and to present LFC with a cheque for \$500 for winning the 'Local Club of the Week'

Competition:

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Match Results:

Saturday					Sunday				
<i>AG/Div</i>	<i>Home Team</i>	<i>H</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>Away Team</i>	<i>AG/Div</i>	<i>Home Team</i>	<i>H</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>Away Team</i>
AA/C1	Lugarno	2	3	Banksia Tigers	AAW/A	Lugarno	1	8	Connells Point
AA/D	Lugarno	4	1	Carss Park	O35/B	Arncliffe Aurora	1	3	O35B Lugarno
AA/E	Lugarno	1	4	Dolls Point	PWL/1	Lugarno	0	2	Hurstville Minotaurs
AA/F	Lugarno (2)	1	1	Connells Point	U12G/B	Lugarno	0	1	Ramsgate RSL
AA/F	Lugarno (1)	8	2	Hurstville Glory	U14G/A	Lugarno	2	0	Forest Rangers
AA/G	Forest Rangers	2	2	Lugarno	U14G/B	Sans Souci (1)	1	2	Lugarno
PL1/1	Kogarah Waratah	1	1	Lugarno	U16G/A	Lugarno	2	2	Bexley North
PLR/R	Kogarah Waratah	3	1	Lugarno	U18G/G	Carss Park	2	2	Lugarno
U12/B	Bexley North (1)	3	0	Lugarno					
U12/C	Lugarno	1	2	Kogarah Waratah					
U13/B	Bexley North	0	10	Lugarno					
U14/C	Lugarno	1	3	Hurstville Glory					
U15/A	Lugarno	2	4	Sans Souci					
U16/B	Connells Point (1)	3	1	Lugarno	Friday				
U17/A	Lugarno	0	4	Connells Point (2)	O45/A	Lugarno	1	3	Connells Point

Canteen & Field Set up Duty Roster for next weekend:

Date	Sat Morning Canteen & Field setup 7am – 12 noon	Sat Afternoon Canteen & Field pull down 12noon – 5pm	Sunday morning field setup	Sunday field pulldown (& lock up posts)	Fields required
Sat 26th July	AA G	15 A			All
Sun 27th July			12 Girls B	PWL 1	Field 5

Match Reports:

6 Bee 1 v Penshurst West

6 Bee 1s having fun.



7 Bee 2 v ASOW

Goal Scorers: Jack 2 / Patrick

POTM: Patrick

We all felt the chilly blast of winter today at Gannons Park. A bitterly cold Southerly wind blew across the open ground and had a big affect upon the match.

Lugarno had the advantage of running with the wind in the first half but had it all to do in the second half.

ASOW was a good team composed of some excellent players. Their members had good attacking players and were unlucky not to score on at least 2 occasions. ASOW also defended well, passed the ball well and made several attacking runs.

Lugarno defence and a little bit of luck held



them out. Max and Jack did some wonderful clearing kicks back up the field aided by the strong Southerly wind.

Lugarno players passed well most of the time. Don't forget, we are a team. We keep spread out and if we see a player away from us in the clear, then we pass to him. Then he runs a little and passes to someone waiting up near the goals - and then, if we are lucky.... a goal!

Clarke did well and made some useful kicks and passes. He is certainly improving each game and starting to enjoy himself. Try and attack the other team's players with the ball. Think to yourself, "this is my ball and I am going to get it off you..."

Jack scored 2 goals and saved at least 2 goals. Well done Jack. He had a major impact upon the game.

Patrick scored a goal and was very active up front. He attacked ASOW players when they had the ball and he made some good runs at goal. But he found that long shots at goal don't always work, especially on a windy day.

Cooper tried hard and was a little unlucky not to score on 2 occasions. He is a good attacking player but took a hard fall on one occasion but immediately bounced up.

Lessons learned today: move up in attack, fall back in defence, pass the ball to a player in the clear, and most important of all, we shake hands with the other team at the end of the match and say "thank you for the game" (even if we lose!).

7 Bee 3 v Arncliffe Aurora

POTM: Michael

Most of us got lost finding this field (Firmstone)! More signposts please Rockdale Council!

We had a full team to start though and we started well. Training has been paying off and we are passing the ball, looking for our team mates and tackling really well!

Olivia kicked off our goal tally with a great shot straight at the goal. Olivia always gives 100% all over the field.

Jamie and Vin had fantastic games in the midfield with lots of tackling and getting the ball back to the front. One of Vinnie's tackles resulted in a great goal for Ryah, who also had a blinder today.

Michael and Vas arrived in time to play for the second half, and almost straight away made great contributions to the game, one goal for Michael, and some great attacking runs from Vas.

As always, Diana played a fearless defensive game, tackling the Arncliffe attack and getting the ball back up to the strikers.

Well done 7Bee 3!



8 Fox v Connells Point

The Foxes travelled to Quarry this week for a chilly midday kick off. The Foxes arrived confident with a full skulk, but Connells Point were too strong.

Although it was clear from the kick off Lugarno were up against it this week, Coach Harry shuffled the field to minimise Connells Point's momentum. As a team, the Foxes defended well, with solid defence from Hunter

and Lucy, along with Nick muscling up in attack. Mitchell and Anthony kicked well up and down the park, creating numerous opportunities to no avail.

Grace injected herself throughout the game to slow down play. Alexia and Owen made numerous breaks and with the long range kicks from Fin, the Foxes did the Lugarno spectators proud.

Well done team, although we didn't win this week you played strong. Thanks to our happy snapper - Hammer for the pics this week...



13 B v Bexley North

Won 10- 0

Goal Scorers: Mark Martinovic 4 / Mitchell Trajkovski 3 / Haritha Jayaseekera / Jonah Hopping / Mujahid Husamuddeen

POTM: Mitchell Trajkovski

The penultimate game of the season saw the team face Bexley North. Game instructions focussed on ball movement and improved finishing in front of goals. The game was also used as part of the preparation for finals football with a number of positional changes made to the starting line-up.

Deploying a 4-4-2 formation Will started in goals behind a defensive formation comprising of Mitchell, Issac, Evander and Raffi. The four person midfield comprised of Peter, Jonah, Mitchell T and Stephen, while Mark and Harry paired up in attack. MJ and Alex were the reinforcements on the interchange bench.

On a cold and windy day the team lost the toss and had to run against the wind. Despite the strong wind, Lugarno was able to establish good field position in Bexley's half and the early pressure paid instant dividends with Peter taking on the defence on the right hand side before a perfect cross found Mark for Lugarno's opening goal after just two minutes of play. Sustained pressure produced another cross this time from Mitchell resulting in a goal for Harry in the fifth minute. Harry achieved a milestone becoming the 50th goal scorer for the season for Lugarno.

Two minutes later an exchange of passes in midfield resulted in Mitchell T releasing Mark into open space. Mark raced away from the defence and chipped the ball past the advancing Bexley goal keeper to make it 3-0 after seven minutes of play.

Not to be undone Mitchell T got on the scoreboard three minutes later when he controlled the ball outside the opposition penalty area, penetrated into the penalty area before blasting the ball into the top right hand corner of the nets. With just 10 minutes gone the score line was now 4-0. Inspired by the goal Mitchell T produced a purple patch scoring two more goals in the 17th and 21st minutes of the game to earn a deserved hat-trick. Leading 6-0 after 21 minutes of play, the team was at least proving lethal in front of goals.

The final goal for the first half came in the 26th minute when Bexley stopped a Lugarno attack outside the penalty area. Jonah moved up to take the free kick and in a perfectly executed kick he succeeded in elevating the ball above the Bexley wall and into the left hand lower corner of the nets. The Bexley goal keeper had no chance as the ball sailed past him into the nets for a 7-0 lead to Lugarno at half-time.

Pleased with the first half performance the main instructions for the second half were to keep the ball as much as possible on the ground due to the strong winds and to maintain the intensity of play.

Early exchanges in the second half saw Lugarno maintain the pressure and some good saves by the opposition goal keeper prevented any additions to the half-time score. But given the amount of possession Lugarno was having, and the chances that were being created, it was inevitable that sooner or later Bexley's defence would be broken. Seven minutes into the second half Mark secured his hat-trick before adding another goal three minutes later to make it 9-0.

In an entertaining passage of the game the next 14 minutes saw Lugarno create a number of goal scoring chances that were brilliantly saved by Bexley's defence. This passage of the game also saw Bexley launch a number of counterattacks as more and more Lugarno players were pushing up to get themselves on the scoresheet.

Determined defending by Will, Issac, Mitchell, Jonah, Raffi, and Evander ensured that Bexley did not get on the score sheet during this phase of the game. With Peter, Mitchell T, MJ, and Alex in charge of the Lugarno midfield more goal scoring opportunities were created for Harry, Stephen and Mark upfront.

The new recruit MJ soon found himself at the receiving end of a Bexley clearance, MJ controlled the ball just inside the penalty area and opened his account for Lugarno by scoring the tenth goal of the game in the 54 minute of the game.

While Lugarno did have a number of other goal scoring opportunities in the dying minutes of the game, the football gods had already determined the final score and the game ended with a score line of 10-0.

Overall it was a pleasing win and a massive improvement on the first round result when Lugarno prevailed 2-0. The pleasing aspects of the game included improved finishing in front of goals; keeping a clean sheet for the game and succeeding to play a passing game despite the strong winds that played havoc with the ball especially in the second half.

The comfortable win which saw 5 players get on the scoresheet also represented an important confidence booster for the team which now finds itself just one win away from securing finals football. Missing two key players for this game - James and Harris, both of whom will be available for the finals is something to look forward to as well, as it implies that the team will get even stronger.

Game stats:

	Lugarno	Bexley North
Total shots	28	4
Shots on target	20	3
Goals	10	0
Corners	11	0
Possession	75 per cent	25 per cent

14 Girls B v Sans Souci (1)**Won 2 - 1****Goal Scorer:** Olivia Margan 2

We're at the pointy end of the season now and our drive towards the semi-finals continues to gain momentum. Today, we are playing the team most likely to be our opponents in the first week of the semis, Sans Souci (1) and if history means anything, it will be a tight contest. Unfortunately, the weather today is just about the worst we've encountered all season. High winds and light rain were what greeted us, but if the girls could do it, so could we. Today, Sarah was goalkeeper in place of the absent Sophia and also given the captaincy for today's game. She was ecstatic about one of these roles, which one, I'm not sure!! Coach Paul put the girls through their paces, discussed tactics and tried his best to warm up the girls, but the weather won today.

The game got underway right on time and we were on song from the get go. Passes were well directed, tactics followed to the letter, communication good, everyone getting involved. Coach Paul decided on Olivia and Monique up front to start off with and it worked a treat, both using their speed well and showing a vast array of skills. They were helped out by some solid work in the midfield by Emily, Saskia, Toni and Tia. They provided plenty of opportunity up front and helped out plenty in defence too. Defenders Alyssa, Ruby and Sienna doing a great job as usual, but Jessica found herself busier than most but was up to the task. A couple of great defensive kicks and even a header thrown in for good measure. Well done Jessica. So good a job were they doing that Sarah didn't have to touch the ball once in the first few minutes of the game.

Within 10 mins, coach Paul decided to throw in some fresh legs in the form of Lucinda and Sophia in defence and upfront respectively. Monique also pushing back as an extra defender. Just a couple of minutes later, the midfield won a tussle for the ball and delivered it cleanly to Olivia up front, she was just over the half way line, but noticed a small gap and sliced through nicely. She kept on going and outpaced all defenders to find herself one on one with the goalkeeper, and slotted one in the back of the net, thank you very much!! Go Olivia!! One of the goals of the season and a great display of football skill. Against a fierce wind and up 1-0, way to go!!

Not long after, Giovanna came on and got involved right away. It's her first season and is improving all the time. Today was probably her best game yet, making sure she got involved as much as possible and showing real enthusiasm, Lucinda was having one of her best games too, with some great defence and even winning a 1 on 2 encounter and always ensuring the pressure is kept on her opponents. Monique helped out tremendously in defence, her speed and clearing kicks especially against the wind a highlight. After doing so well in defence, we made a rare mistake and allowed one of their players to be totally unmarked in the middle of the box. She didn't need to be asked twice, made the most of the opportunity and shot it just past the outstretched hands of goalie Sarah to get the equaliser.

We had a few more shots at goal in the half and with a bit more luck would have had at least 3 goals scored, but that's football. Overall a great half of football from our girls especially considering the wind. All girls contributed and played well as a team. The whistle blew and it was time to go into the sheds (metaphorically speaking of course) for a well-earned break. After a quick run through of tactics with coach Paul, we were back on the field and ready to make the most of that howling gale at our backs.

In stark contrast to the first half, it was a slow start from us in the second half and it took a while for us to get back into the groove. Maybe it was the weather! Plenty of questions were asked of our defence during the half. We had plenty to do, but we did it well. Alyssa and Ruby again forming a great partnership worked well together. Sienna, rock solid in defence as usual and working well with Jessica to provide no end of difficulty for the opposition strikers. Lucinda, having another great half chased down everything and left

nothing on the field when given a well-earned breather by coach Paul. Monique doing a great job in goals as always managed a couple of good saves and made the most of the wind with some great kicks downfield.

The clash of the half however had to be Tia vs Tia, yes, Tia (ours) had found the Tia from Sans Souci to mark up against and didn't she do a great job. Plenty of times, she managed to get the better of her namesake and cut short any attacking raids. Sarah, enjoying being back on the paddock, formed a great partnership with Toni in midfield and gave plenty of opportunity for our strikers, both enjoying some good runs downfield. Saskia and Emily covering the flanks did well and Emily seeing much more of the ball this half, was always a handful for the opposition. We had a few more shots at goal during the half, with Olivia, Sophie and Emily all contributing, but the Sans Souci goalie was up to the task.

With the scores still level at 1-1 and not much of the second half remaining, we knew we had to step it up a notch to secure a victory and maximum points. To paraphrase old Bull, "Cometh the hour and cometh the girl", this time in the form of Sarah who somehow manages to reverse scissor kick a great through ball straight to an awaiting Olivia, as it threads the needle between two opposition players. Olivia didn't want to waste the opportunity and with determination in her eyes, managed to get the ball in the back of the net with a great shot from an acute angle. Fantastic effort girls and a great show of skill. With less than 5 minutes to go, we upped the ante and continued to attack rather than defend our 1 goal lead. Emily had a couple of good runs down the left hand side but the final shots just missing. The ref's whistle blew full time and we managed to hold on and secure a 2-1 win. Again, great effort girls. As it pans out, this side will also be our opposition for our first semi-final game so it was good to get the win and possibly gain a little bit of an upper hand for that game.



AAW A v Penshurst West Won 2 - 0

Sunday 6th July

Goal Scorers: Renee Stanley / Jasmine Schillert

A windy Sunday at Gannons. First half we were 1-0, this was off a great goal from Renee in the 35min. The ball was passed from midfield onto Renee who took it down towards the penalty box - she gave it a perfect chip and the ball went straight over the goalie's head.

With the wind we just were unlucky not to get a few more goals from Lauren, Maeetal and Eleisha.

2nd half we had lost Maeetal to injury, look after your ankle get better for next week.

The girls took the field with the wind with them, our second goal was scored by Jasmine 10 min into the 2nd half. Jasmine passed the defenders in the back and found the back of the net.

Again the girls never gave up. Our stand out today was Eleisha on the right mid who never gave up and was so unlucky not to score as she made a few great attempts.

Thanks to Georgina from the U18 helping in the backs playing with Jessica D, Sarah W, Jessica B and Andronika; great efforts from our midfielders Rakia, Karlie, Maeetal, Nicole and Eleisha; and Jasmine and Lauren up in the forwards. And finally another great game from Annika in goals.

AAW A v Forest Rangers (1) Won 2 - 1

Sunday 13th July

Goal Scorers: Caitlin Wallace / Lauren Cassar

This was a pretty funny game (as most of our late game seem to be) with all goals being scored in the first half of the game.

With close to a full team, having plenty of subs on the sideline, it was nice to have some of our MIA players back from the holidays but it did show that the girls hadn't played together for a few weeks.

15 min into the game we went in for the first corner of the game. Lauren crossed in a lovely ball in front of goals which found Caitlin who then smashed it into the back of the net. Welcome back (that was for Cruz). Rangers was lucky to get away with an offside call and went in for a goal about 10 min after. We then replied at the 38 min with our 2nd goal scored by Lauren from midway. Jess D passed through to Lauren, who then weaved her way through FR backs and the goalie, and Lauren then kicked into the right back corner of the goals.

Many attempts at goal were shot from Sarah D, Maeetal, Caitlin and Lauren - they were just either too wide, too high or we kicked it straight at the goalie, unlucky girls.

We lost Sarah W to injury and she was unable to play in the 2nd half, get better soon. Sarah Danskin was back as sweeper, Jess D, Caitlin and Karlie had a great midfield attacking and defending game. Great defence by Andronika, Rakia, Jess B and Nicole in the back and on the wings, and a great attacking game was played by Eleisha, Jasmine, Lauren and Maeetal.

Bring on your "A" game next week.



AA E v Dolls Point

Lost 1 - 4

Goal Scorer: Mitchell Slater

Our second last game of the season, and we were 2 short before Peter and Stephen from the AAF(1)'s agreed to help us out. I don't know how Peter keeps backing up for 180 minutes of football but I'm glad he does!

We had the wind with us in the first half but unfortunately didn't take advantage letting Dolls Point raid down our right side and cross the ball in. We deflected a number of situations but the time came when the cross was put in the goal. It was a good effort as after 20 minutes Stephen went over on his ankle and went off. Bravely, he came back on but thought the skiing holiday he has planned, was important enough to preserve his legs after another knock or 2, which was fair enough so back to 10 players on the field.

Mitch scored again this week with a neat head over the goalie and unusually, the wind died a bit in the second half. Jackson, Jack and Mitch all worked hard up the front with Anthony and Peter feeding some good balls through. Bren, Kevin, Tom and Rohan ran all day at the back. Stephen had another amazing game in goal and pulled off some amazing saves. Unfortunately he batted a ball away in the last minutes and fell awkwardly on the side of the goal resulting in an injured leg and neck. I think it was a ploy so he could concentrate on the AAC game against Banksia which sounded full of drama on the field next to us!

Bexley has pulled out of the comp so we have a week off before the final game against comp leaders Hurstville Glory; let's hope we can get a full team for the last game.



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