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Match Results:

Saturday					Sunday				
AG/Div	Home Team	H	A	Away Team	AG/Div	Home Team	H	A	Away Team
AA/E	Sans Souci - U18's	2	3	Lugarno (1)	AA/E	Lugarno (1)	1	3	Kogarah Waratah
AA/E	Lugarno (2)	3	2	Oatley RSL	AA/E	Sans Souci - U18's	1	7	Lugarno (2)
AA/G	Lugarno (1)	0	4	Lugarno (2)	AA/G	Lugarno (2)	9	0	Forest Rangers
AA/C2	Lugarno	2	0	Carlton Rovers	AA/G	Kogarah Waratah (1)	3	6	Lugarno (1)
AA/D	Peakhurst United	7	2	Lugarno	AAW/B	Bexley North	1	3	Lugarno
PL1/1	Lugarno	3	2	Banksia Tigers	O35/C	Lugarno	1	0	Forest Rangers
PLR/R	Lugarno	0	1	Banksia Tigers	O45/A	Forest Rangers	7	1	Lugarno
U12Girls	Sans Souci	3	1	Lugarno	U12Girls	Lugarno	1	1	Ramsgate RSL
U13/A	Lugarno	0	0	Hurstville ZFC	U13/C	Forest Rangers	0	3	Lugarno
U13/C	Hurstville Glory	1	7	Lugarno	U14/B	Connells Point	3	2	Lugarno
U14/B	Lugarno	3	2	Bexley North (2)	U14Girls	Lugarno	2	0	Banksia Tigers
U15/B	Oatley RSL	2	1	Lugarno	U15/B	Lugarno	0	1	Hurstville Glory
U16/A	Connells Point	2	2	Lugarno	U16G/A	Lugarno	3	1	Arncliffe Aurora
U16G/A	Lugarno	3	0	Rockdale City Suns	U16G/B	Hurstville Glory	0	3	Lugarno
U16G/B	Lugarno	1	0	Oatley RSL	U17/B	Oatley RSL (2)	0	6	Lugarno
U17/B	Lugarno	8	1	Sans Souci (2)					



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Match Reports:

6 Bee 6

Player Profile: 60 seconds with Joseph

Number: 5

Favourite colour: blue

Favourite team: Lugarno

Favourite game at training: Robbing the nest

What part of football do you need to practice: dribbling

What do you like most about playing football: scoring goals

If I'm not playing football, I like to: play Crossy Road

When I grow up, I want to be: a Superhero

[Coach's note: Joseph's hero power is super-human speed]



7 Bee 2 v Banksia Tigers

Goals scorer: Sam / Chris / Josh

POTM: Lucas

It was a very crisp start for several who helped out with setup and canteen on Saturday thank you, and nice to see the day warm in time for what was to be another great home ground match against Banksia. We played excellent from the start spending the majority of time in the Banksia half with lots of opportunity. Sam was lucky to score from a nicely placed cross, the result of our hard work on passing and playing up the field at training. There were a few break away runs from Banksia however Liani and Josh were always there to defend, and it is great to see the level of participation of both Liani and Olivia who were responsible for stopping a number of through balls.



We rested at half time with a score of 1 – 1. The second half kick off by Chris produced a goal, however this was disallowed as it was a direct kick (Chris, technically someone only has only touch the ball before you put it in the net), however it was a precursor to the number of goals scored in the second half. Highlights were Liani's passing up through the centre, followed by a top goal by Chris and fantastic effort by Olivia who was just unlucky not to have scored, Olivia also showed us some excellent defence. Lucas played a number of great passes into the centre throughout the game and this was highlighted by the last goal which was a great combined effort by both Lucas and Josh, who received

and finished with a goal. Great teamwork, great match with lots of goals, well done team.

8 Bee 2 v Penshurst West

POTM: All

It was great to play in the warm sunshine. We have not played at Olds Park before and I am sure there is closer parking than the library area!

We scored 4 goals and Penshurst 2 goals (Penshurst thought that the goal scored by Alex on half time should have been disallowed because the ball went in after the whistle). However, I thought it was a great goal from our left footer and hey, we will take it! He narrowly missed another cannon ball shot in the second half. Well done Alex.

Max, who played an earlier game with another team which was short of players, was all over the field. He is our Energiser bunny, and where he gets all his energy from I don't know, but I would like some myself. Max scored a goal from a corner kick from Jack and the opposing coach said to me, "Now that was a very good goal - one of the best I have seen at this level."

Both teams tended to bunch up during the second half when they were getting tired and when we bunch up, it is hard to win the ball and hard to clear it.

Both Max and Jack gave good clearing kicks from our goal area and Cooper was often up front to say "thank you" for the ball. Cooper banged in 2 good goals and was always looking to make a clearing run. Well done Cooper!

Rex had a whale of a game, he started off by saving 2 goals and then ran on to the field and made some good plays. Someone said his goalie shirt was too big, but I think he will grow into it.

Clark found himself in the thick of things on a number of occasions and is growing in confidence.

Patrick is another Energiser bunny and played very well as usual and was unlucky not to score on two occasions.

Full credit must go to the Penshurst West players, they were an undefeated team till they played against Lugarno. They played hard (one played quite rough) defended well and had some chances at our goals that went wide. Our goalkeepers were kept busy - I think this was the busiest goalkeeping all year!

Lachy and Sam played well especially in defence and contesting the ball. Because they are both strong and determined, they often won the ball from our opponents.

This was the toughest game that we have had all year. It was hard but all the team played well and that is why we won and that is why everyone is man of the match.

8 Bee 3 v Penshurst West

POTM: All

This time of year our team numbers seem to decrease with family holidays and kids getting sick. Our normal 10 players changed to 5 this week so we had to call on our friends in the Bee 2's for help. Thanks to Max, Cooper, Jack and Clarke for helping us out!

We played the very competitive Penshurst West side at Olds Park. The game was very evenly matched and we went goal for goal all the way to the end. Our team all put in a great effort and tried their hardest, with Penshurst winning by one goal.

The Penshurst West team were very good players, and also great sports. After the game they came over and gave our players a bag of jelly snakes which we devoured in seconds 😊.

Slowly we are learning that it is a good idea to pass the ball, and not bunch up. The more we do this, the better our team becomes.

Thanks to Vicky for helping with the coaching duties while Coach Nick is away. Vicky is working the kids hard, and they are really enjoying it.



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9 Bee v Bexley North

Goal Scorers: Willis 2 / Anthony / Cameron

POTM: Sebastian

The 9Bs returned to Kingsgrove Ave reserve and played their hearts out, just as they do week after week. The first half was an even match up, with both sides holding possession and running the ball well. We made our opportunities, but just couldn't convert. Peri came close, Ashton had a great shot which went just wide of the net and Bailey had an air swing at a nice cross from Willis which would also have been on mark. Great midfield battles were won by Cameron and Anthony and if Bexley got past them, they often had Callum and Emily in covering defence. Sebastian did an awesome job as goal keeper against the pressure and gets this week's POTM award.

Half time gave coach a chance to talk to the team, as there was no way he was going to get above the screaming yells from the opposition coach. A reminder to find space away from the pack and play on quickly from throw ins and goal kicks was the message, and it would bring dividends.

It certainly did just that, but not before a bewildering penalty call against us, Peri made a fantastic save diving on the ball. Next thing we knew, it was a penalty shot for Bexley in the box? Bexley went up 1 – 0 after that. With no explanation from the ref, we were all still scratching our heads on the sideline. The team however, just got back to playing the game. Bexley had a renewed energy, but Cameron took the wind out of their sails scoring very soon after the penalty to level up 1 -1. Bexley North were running out of energy, but we were still on fire. Anthony sped up the sideline and finished with a shot which beat the goalie, 2 – 1. Bexley's energy was falling, the screaming volume from their coach was rising, but Lugarno was having none of it - Willis found space and scored to bring us up 3 -1. Meanwhile, Peri was stopping everything which came near him, Emily was fearless as ever in defence and Callum was everywhere, unlucky not to score himself from a fantastic run. Ashton, Anthony, and Sebastian were great too. Bailey used his body to block a kick which saw him leave the field. That brought Willis back on and he was only too happy to finish the game off with another goal to give a convincing win at 4 – 1.

It was a fantastic game. We are showing great stamina and guts in the close match ups, and smart play around the edges as well. Most importantly we are having a blast doing it. Well done team. Have safe and happy school holidays!

9 Fox 1 v Connells Point

POTM: Emmanuel

Following a solid hit out on Friday night after a fortnight of no training or games, the whole team was ready to go.

The foxes started strongly, with the starting midfield of **Owen** and **Mitchell** and forwards, **Lucy** and **Hunter**, making Connells Point work over time to keep the ball out of the net. Fantastic communication and anticipation between the starting back three of **Finlay** (at keeper), **Nick** and **Michael** quickly shut down any Connells Point attack. The kids made changes seamlessly, as firstly **Anthony** and **Emmanuel** and then **Daniel**, **Tom** joined in and the pressure was kept up on Connells Point. Finally, a goal to Lugarno, but just before half time a small lapse in concentration by the team saw Connells Point hit back. One all at half- time.

Lucy moved to goalkeeper and **Finlay** to the midfield and then defence for the second half. The kids played out of their skins. Team changes were smooth and everyone concentrated and ran hard for the whole of the second half. The team was rewarded with four more excellent goals, two of which (including a header from **Anthony** on the stroke of full time) came from fast movement down the wings and then nice crosses for players running a smart line down the middle of the field.



Everyone played well. Special thanks to **Finlay** and **Lucy** and for doing such a great job in goal and to our defenders **Michael**, **Finlay**, **Tom** and **Nick** who kept Connells Point goalless for the second half. Goals were scored by **Lucy**, **Mitchell** (2), **Emmanuel** and **Anthony**. Unluckiest of the day was **Hunter**, who did everything right to get in position for a cross, but his connection saw the ball just skim the outside of the right hand goal post.

Player of the match was **Emmanuel** who ran his heart out and was rewarded with a nice goal in the second half.

Thanks to all the parents for their support and to the kids for training so hard on Friday and making the game on Saturday a joy to watch and be part of.

10 Bee 2 v Sans Souci

Finally Saturday 27th of June rolled around and thankfully it was a beautiful clear day and was a guarantee of a game today!

Back at our home turf, always nice to be at Gannons and surrounded by the familiar surroundings of our club.

Boys rolled in around the 9.00 o'clock mark and full of energy, we were two short today and it was always going to be a challenging day. But not only were we short two players, we were also short a referee.



I must say it was the first game I have refereed in years and the pace was hot, so hot I did not get a chance



to make my notes of play for the report. But I can say this, our first half was great and we continued to build on our team play with many attacking raids, all built through great play and ball movements through the centre corridor, which was opened once again through great defence, and shuffled through the midfield to find our attacking forwards which led to our only goal of the day, with Alexander neatly finishing off one of our raids with a classic finish and gave us the lead at 1 – 0.

As the game wore on and into the second half, we lost our way a little, and our opponents got on top

and at the end of the game found themselves in front at two goals to one.



Thank you to Cody who took a couple of game notes on the sideline as he recovers to be fit in a couple of weeks which included comments on both of our keepers and how effective they were, and if not for some great saves we could have been chasing a bigger goal deficit, and also a special mention to Johnathon and his control with the high ball with some great headers through the match.

All in all even though we found ourselves on the wrong side of the goal ledger it was still a great game

and the boys seemed to enjoy themselves - so well done U10Bee2s and I look forward to our next chapter for 2015.



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13C v Hurstville Glory

Won 7 - 1

Saturday

Goal Scorers: Jayden Montoya 3 / Billy Finn / Peter Kladis / Lachlan Martin / Michael Crimmins

Round 12 was played at Penshurst Park, the opposition are struggling towards the bottom of the ladder and for Lugarno a win is a must to ensure we hold our position near the top.

Lugarno start the game confidently, some chances go begging but it's good to see the boys start well. However, around the 9th minute mark we see a well deserved play by Hurstville cut through both our mids and defence to go up 1-0.

The boys regrouped and it didn't take long before a number of goals hit the opposition nets. Our first sees Anthony assist Jayden to score in the 11th minute. Our second goal came from a quality goal kick by Peter that finds Michael, who surges down the line then passes to Jayden who coolly capitalises on the opportunity. Not long after, Michael goes on a solo run from the midfield to score, making it 3-1. Our final goal for the first half sees Michael have a great shot on goal only to be deflected by the opposition goalie, but Billy swoops in slotting the ball into the nets making it 4-1.

A quick debrief at halftime with the coach identifying Hurstville's strength is their left hand side so we needed our central midfielders and defence to tighten up and block them out.

The second half saw Lugarno continue to take control, holding most of the possession and play very confidently that lead to a number of goals. In the 36th minute, Lachlan puts a glorious pass to find Peter who dribbles for 30 metres, finding himself one on one with the goalie to score, 5-1 Lugarno. Not long after, Lachlan is again involved with the play and finds himself just outside the 18 yard box and has a quick jab at the ball which lofts over the keeper's head and into the net making it 6-1. Our final goal came in the 53rd

minute where Anthony crosses the ball into the box to find Jayden who gets his hatrick and gives the boys a 7-1 lead.

Hurstville continued to push on and had some fine attempts, the last of which a powerful shot on goal which was slowed down by our goalie, and well done to Jayden who in turn supported to clear the ball from what was going to be a certain goal.

A great team effort especially from our defence and midfield that controlled the play well creating plenty of opportunities up front.



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14B v Bexley North (2)

Won 3 - 2

Saturday

Goal Scorers: Kane Spiteri 2 / Peter Katsoulas

POTM: Haritha Jayaseekera

On a glorious winter's day, the team arrived at Gannons Park missing three players who were away on holiday. Half an hour before kick-off, Evander was ruled out raising the number of missing players to four. Last minute changes to the line-up saw a number of players deployed in unfamiliar positions as the team was struggling to field eleven fit players for the game.

A 4-4-2 formation was chosen for the game that saw Will start in goals, while Harris, Issac, Mitchell and Raffi formed the defensive unit. The four person midfield comprised of Mitchell T, Peter K, Alex and Harry, while Stephen and Kane paired upfront in attack.

This game's sole reinforcement was Omar, who was returning to the team having recovered from injury.

With so many missing players and players playing out of their preferred positions, this game had the potential to really test the team.

An attacking play from kick-off by Lugarno almost resulted in the opening goal when Kane, using his pace, broke away from the defence and narrowly missed the goals with his powerful shot which sailed over the crossbar. From the ensuing goal kick, Lugarno secured the ball and immediately went on the attack. A foul just outside the Bexley North penalty area presented Peter K with a free-kick opportunity which he perfectly executed to score Lugarno's opening goal in the second minute of the game.

To their credit Bexley North started taking the game to Lugarno, and sustained pressure paid off in the eighth minute when they scored the equaliser. The rest of the first half was evenly fought out with Lugarno creating a number of goal scoring chances and Bexley North relying on counter-attacking football. Bexley North's goal keeper was keeping them in the game, pulling off a number of good saves. By continuing to attack on the flanks, Bexley North came close on a number of occasions to break down the Lugarno defence but some determined defending from Harris, Issac, Mitchell and Raffi, and competent goal keeping from Will managed to successfully repel the attacks.

With the scores locked at 1-1 at the half-time break, the Lugarno team was really feeling being down on numbers. With Alex coming off at the half-time break with an injury, the team knew they had no more substitutes left at the start of the second half, while Bexley North had the luxury of three substitutes.

The opening ten minutes of the second half was played at a hectic pace testing Lugarno's depleted player resources. A smart pass from Mitchell T found Kane just inside the Bexley North half. With determined running, Kane broke away from the Bexley North defence then proceeded to kick past the advancing Bexley North goal keeper for Lugarno's second goal 10 minutes into the second half. The goal certainly lifted Lugarno as, a minute later, with Kane again threatening the Bexley North defence, the opposition handled the ball in the penalty area and, as the referee was about to award a penalty, he decided to play advantage and Kane kicked the ball into the nets for Lugarno's third goal.

At 3-1 Lugarno knew it had managed to secure a critical buffer. Some exceptional defending in the second half from Will, Omar, Mitchell, Raffi, Issac and Harris, combined with determined midfield play from Mitchell T, Harry, Peter K, Alex, and potent attacking from Kane and Stephen ensured that the two-goal buffer was protected until five minutes before full-time when Bexley North scored their second goal.

In the last five minutes of the game Lugarno remained focussed and defended as one to secure a tough yet vital victory.

This game in many ways was a character building and defining game for Lugarno. Being down in player numbers is one thing but the fact that the players also put in an exceptional performance whilst being asked to play in unfamiliar positions reflects a certain degree of focus, maturity and a will to overcome challenges.

Well done team - coach Hagop could not have asked for more from you today. Managing a victory under these circumstances proved more enjoyable than winning by a massive margin.

Every player on the field was deserving of a player of the match award such was the effort. That honour for this game however went to Harry who took on opponents twice his size, and constantly hassled and applied pressure on the opposition with determined running and tackling.

Game stats

	Lugarno FC	Bexley North(2)
Total shots	15	11
Shots on target	10	6
Goals	3	2
Corners	1	7
Possession	48 per cent	52 per cent

14B v Connells Point

Lost 2 - 3

Sunday

Goal Scorers: Kane Spiteri / Mitchell Trajkovski

POTM: Raffi Tchamkertenian

After the tough game a day earlier, Lugarno backed up for a catch-up game on Sunday against Connells Point. With three players missing, Lugarno was once again not at full strength and some players carried their niggling injuries into this game from the previous game.

The playing field of Poulton Park No 2 was so bad that first impression upon arrival was that the field must have been closed for play. After receiving the confirmation that it was the field that the team was scheduled to play on, a shocked Lugarno team started searching for a patch of grass to conduct warm-up exercises with the ball. To be asked to play football on a field that is not suitable to graze sheep on is an absolute disgrace. With 5 minutes to kick-off the farcical nature of this scheduled game took on another twist when finally the nets started being put-up. With no official referee appointed for the game the opposition was kind enough to supply one. More time was wasted as they searched for a whistle for the appointed non-official referee. Finally kick-off time came ten minutes late.

Prior to kick-off the Lugarno players noticed and pointed out that the field lines which only started being marked 20 minutes before kick-off were not straight prompting coach Hagop to take photos out of amusement.

Lugarno started with a 4-4-2 formation for the game with Will in goals, supported in defence by Harris, Evander, Issac and Raffi. The midfield comprised of Mitchell, Harry, Mitchell T and Peter K, while Alex and Kane teamed upfront in attack. Omar and Stephen were the reinforcements for the game.

When the game finally kicked-off, Lugarno established good field position and, courtesy of early pressure, did what they have done in every game this season - opened the scoring through Kane in the fifth minute. While the first five minutes looked normal, the game soon descended into chaos as the non-official referee started losing control of the game through some bewildering decisions. As Lugarno players became frustrated with the standard of refereeing, or more precisely lack of refereeing, Connells Point took advantage of the situation and grabbed the equaliser from a corner kick in the 24th minute. That corner kick should never have been awarded but in this game we saw goal kicks being awarded as corners.

At the half-time break the frustrated Lugarno players were told to focus on playing football - a challenge in itself on a surface that resembled part of the lunar surface - rather than attempting to correct the non-official referee.

The second half became more chaotic as players, team officials and even supporters from both sides were constantly baffled at the standard of refereeing. With no quality football being played due to the prevailing conditions, Connells Point scored their second goal ten minutes into the second half when a defensive error gifted them the goal. Lugarno regrouped quickly and within two minutes scored the equaliser, when Mitchell T finished his determined run by shooting past the Connells Point goal keeper. The drama was not over - with nine minutes left to play Connells Point scored their third goal from what was clearly an offside move. Some of the Lugarno defenders even stopped running in anticipation of the impending offside call but the call never came to the shock of the players, team officials and supporters.

There were a number of factors that contributed to this shock loss by Lugarno. The team was not at full strength and other factors such as the poor playing surface and the non-official referee who, at times, had no idea of the basic laws of the game, are factors clearly outside the control of the team. On the other hand there are factors that the team could and should have controlled much better. I hope they learned some valuable lessons from the experience - that there is no point in arguing with the match official or attempt to constantly rectify his errors. There is also no point in becoming frustrated to the point that the team stopped playing football for much of the second half, departing from the game plan and losing focus.

At the end of the day the person who was asked to referee the game could not be blamed for the debacle that followed. This was a catch-up game and an official referee should have been appointed for the fixture. I don't think it is a coincidence that the only two losses suffered by the team this season have both come in away catch-up fixtures involving non-official referees.

Game stats:

	Lugarno FC	Connells Point
Total shots	14	10
Shots on target	8	6
Goals	2	3
Corners	3	3
Possession	55 per cent	45 per cent



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14 Girls v Banksia Tigers Won 2 - 0

Goal Scorers: Olivia Margan / Olivia Rayner

We were never going to lose as we completely out dominated them from kick off.

We went 2 nil up in the first half with a well taken penalty by Olivia Raynor then a beautiful 1/2 play down the line with Olivia Margan finishing off a great move.

Our keeper for the day, Sofia K, never once touched the ball due to strong defence by Alyssa, Monique, Sienna and Sofia V.

Our midfield of Sarah, Olivia R, Emily, Jasmine and Victoria played well.

And Olivia M and Yasmine did their jobs up front.

Truth had it we had a dozen chances to score more goals but we just couldn't finish.

In the end 2-0 win and 3 points.

16A Mid Season report

While we (16A's) are not regular contributors to the "Around The Grounds" segment I do feel it is time to give a mid season progress report.

The 2015 LFC 16A's comprised of the majority of last years 15A's with the addition of Adam, Adeen, Seb and Jayden. Adding to that was a new coach in the form of Claudio, with John still running the boys for one of the weekly training sessions.

Pre season was a lot about Claudio getting to know the boys and their "quirks", we played three trials in this period and the boys were competitive in all. The team started the season a little slowly as Claudio experimented with some positional changes - while trials are great for match fitness you never seem to have your full compliment there to have the balance of the side sorted for round 1.

Now that Claudio has found the positions of all players, the team balance and dynamic is working nicely, and the boys go into every match thinking they can get a result. In the boys second match against the undefeated competition leaders, and definitely the 'bench mark', they came from 2 - 0 down to level up and went within 5 minutes of taking a point off them. It may only be a six team comp but it is very tight and all points accumulated are hard earned! The boys are sitting at 4 wins, 1 draw and 5 losses from their 10 matches in 3rd spot, with a 4 point buffer to 4th as well as a superior goal average. Claudio, John and the boys will need to continue to work hard as results show the competition continues to tighten up!

The team has a great feel about it, on the field the boys are united and working hard for each other. At this point I could single out individuals for praise but I don't operate like that as each team member has a job to do, and only with all contributing can success be achieved. They are reacting to Claudio and trying to "implement" how he wants them to play. Off the field parents seem to be committed and happy which makes my part easy, which I am grateful for!

Personally I would like to, at this point of the season, thank Claudio for his commitment to the team. Note: this guy does not have a kid in the team and coaches the boys as he has a genuine passion for the game. He carries himself in a calm and calculated manner. Thanks also to John who, while stepping down from full blown coach, still steps in to train the boys once a week. Thanks also to sidekick Ana who helps with my duties, if she does not get 'side tracked', and thanks to the parents for their continued commitment. Everyone enjoy the ride the boys are going to take us on through July and into August!



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AAG (1) v AAG (2)**Lost 0 - 4****Saturday**

The first game of our double header weekend was at Gannons with no official referee. We started off well with some good passing and attempts on goal and then lost momentum after the first goal against us. There were plenty of chances for both sides but the G(2)'s put theirs away. We will have to be on the ball if we meet again later in the season.

AAG (1) v Kogarah Waratah Won 6 - 3**Sunday****Goal Scorers:** Anthony Smith 3 / Mitch Slater 3

Hopefully our last Sunday game for the season, but we managed to field 12 players at Scarborough late on Sunday afternoon. The Kogarah team had half a rugby side playing for them with a variety of socks and football knowledge, which made for some amusing banter on the field. The score did not reflect the game (again!) with the ref pulling up at least 3 goals for off side. Pat was the standout in defence, having a great game in the air and dominating any high ball that came down the field. Anthony had a great game and was aggressive up front along with Mitch and James, all had lots of opportunities and made some great runs. Anthony and Rohan shared the goal keeping duties and both did well. Kogarah made the call just before half time for a goal before the whistle and promptly scored one at the wrong end, be careful what you wish for!

AAG (2) v AAG (1)**Won 4 - 0****Saturday****Goal Scorers:** Peter B 3 / Coxy

First game of the weekend double header. With the referee a 'no show' and AAG1 team out for revenge, we knew a difficult game was on the cards.

Both teams started strong, but it was AAG2 who had the best of the opening chances... with a few narrow misses. Midway through the first half, Big Pete opened the scoring by rounded the keeper after a nice through-ball by Fotes. 1-0 AAG2.

In the 2nd half, AAG2's defence continued to hold firm against AAG1's speedy strikers. Eventually, the AAG2s broke the game open. Assisted by Jeremy on the right, big Pete curled a shot over the keeper for his second of the day. Soon after, big Pete completed his hat-trick after a nice finish from inside the box. 3-0 AAG2.

With less than 10mins remaining, AAG2 put the icing on the cake with a fourth goal. A throw-in found Coxy free in the box who "pulled the trigger" with his RIGHT foot to seal the 4-0 victory.

Overall, a strong performance by both teams. The final scoreline wasn't a true reflection of the game. The AAG1s played hard for the entire game and deserve credit for their play.

AAG (2) v Forest Rangers**Won 9 - 0****Sunday****Goal Scorers:** Jeremy 4 / Peter B 2 / Eddy / Coxy / Yare

After a tough game against Lugarno G1 the previous day, our 11-man squad turned out for the second game of the double header feeling weary and battered, but eager to improve on our first round result (draw) against the Rangers.

The Rangers presented with just an 8-man squad... and after Eddy scored within 27 seconds from kick-off, we dropped our intensity and couldn't quite find our rhythm. After many missed opportunities by our attackers, Jeremy put away two goals just before half-time to give us a 3 goal advantage at the break. Nesh arrived at halftime to give us a much needed substitute.

Jeremy started the second half the way he ended the first, scoring another goal to bring up his hat-trick. 4-0 LFC.

Yare, with very little to do in goal, swapped goal keeping duties with Je with about 25mins to go. His impact was immediate down the right flank as he created another chance for Jeremy to score his fourth for the day! Great effort!! 5-0 LFC

Big Pete then bagged a goal from close range to make it 6-0. This was followed by Yare's solo effort, bagging his 2nd of the season with a left-footed poke past the keeper. 7-0 LFC. The flood gates had well and truly opened!

LFC made it 8-0 when Coxy "pulled the trigger" from close range with his trusty left peg. The goal scoring spree was capped off by Big Pete with the 'goal of the day'... a right-footed curling effort in the top right hand corner, leaving the keeper with no chance.

Full time: Lugarno 9-0

Game stats:

Possession: 73% Lugarno

Shots on target: 17

Shots off target: 18

Offsides: 15 (at least!)

In the end, a dominant performance by Lugarno against a depleted Forest Rangers team. Special mention to the Ranger's keeper who, despite conceding 9 goals, pulled off some miraculous saves to keep the score under double digits.

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