



On The Ball

Guildford McCredie USC (is an activity of Holroyd Uniting Church.)

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LADIES GRAND FINAL THIS WEEK

Wednesday 2nd August 2023

All Age Ladies Grand Final

vs

OLQP Falcons Red

at Jones 1

(Banks St., Merrylands)

7.30pm Kickoff



Pics of the week



When a manager isn't managing but has a game to attend #knitting #WrongColours #SaturdaySoccer



7 games between them today and young Izabela scored goals in all 3 games she played in today, including the equaliser for the 11 whites. Champion efforts girls. Love your work

Wednesday 26th July 2023

All Age Ladies vs **Kings Old Boys** 4 - 0

Much better full game effort tonight. Again Sarah Doskey continues to improve whilst Sarah Irving and Jade were awesome in the back. Clinical free kick from Sarah B. Grand final next week, come along to support. Goal scorers: Sarah Burrows 1, Rachel Mbugua 1, Sarah Irving 1, own goal 1

O35s vs **Kings Old Boys/Castle Hill Baptist** 0 - 4

Another match played short with only 8 men due to illnesses, injuries and work commitments. Some nice passing and movement off the ball for solid periods throughout the match. Would have been a better result if we had enough players but definitely witnessing improvement every week.

Saturday 29th July 2023

U6 vs Wentworthville Uniting 6 - 0



Spring's in the air and so was the attitude of our little kickers today.. All happy, joyful and excited to play 😊!! Positions were given! Kamal as goal keeper, and Luqman as defence holding their grounds with full force of arms and legs! Luke continued to show great 👍 defence protecting the ball against his opponents and Kamal was extraordinary 🙌 saving every goal coming his way into the goals!! Cj, Riyaarth and Zane played a great trio mix of defensive and attacking midfielders, playing the field well up and down ⚽ passing to each other and possessing auxiliary attacks and getting the ball passed up to their forward team mates for them to score goals 🙌🙌!! Ali, Eyad and Kanil showed great performance as forward players. Portraying a keen and eager attitude 🙌 kicking the ball straight down to the opponents goal every time when in their possession. They continue to demonstrate great offense throughout the whole game scoring a total of 6 goals between them! 🙌🙌 The boys played exceptionally well today like always.. amazing play little kickers! Goal scorers - Kanil Shahi 3, Ali El Cheikh 3



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U7 vs OLQP Falcons White 0 - 10

A tough game for us on Saturday. We played OLQP White at Daniel Street Park. Our opponents were relentless in their attacking and managed to keep finding the back of our net. We only had 6 players this week, so they all had to play the full 40 minutes and the weather was warmer than usual. Jacob had a go at being goal keeper for the second half and did a fantastic job. A special mention to Khalil this week as well, who was more assertive with the ball and tried really hard. Overall, all of our players did well and the scoreline did not reflect our effort. I was impressed with how our team persevered until the final whistle.

U8 Red vs Greystanes FC Black 0 - 10

U8 White vs Inter Parramatta White 0 - 1

First loss since round 2 and to the same team. We were down our striker today. A very even match today. Our opponent scored from a freekick due to a goalkeeping error during the first half. Strong effort in defence by Milan who shut down the defence in his usual efficient manner. Hard play by George as always who took on the defence line multiple times. Good work by Jess who played up front. Good effort by Thomas on his attempts at goal. Unfortunately, none of them found the net. Thank you too all parents who come and get into supporting the team. I have no doubt it means a lot to our kids. Let's keep working hard and finish the season well.

U9 Red vs Babylon Chaldean 1 - 3

Coming into this game, we knew it was a 50/50 chance to win. The boys started off strong playing hard for the ball. We had some chances including a free kick from Erik which unfortunately hit the top post, but we were awarded with a penalty which Animesh slotted into the goal giving us a 1-0 lead at half time. Luck was not on our side in the 2nd half, with Babylon slotting in 3 easy goals including 1 from a free-kick where the entire team seemed to freeze as they watched the ball roll through them, past the goal keeper and straight into the back of the net. As we head into the end of the season, the boys are to be proud of how well they have done so far, however they still need to take it up another notch for them to make it to the finals.

Goal scorer: Animesh Maharjan 1

U9 White

vs Greystanes FC White

1 - 0



What an incredible display of determination and endurance by our team today vs Greystanes FC White at our home ground, Everley. We put up some great defence with Ozgur brilliantly saving goal after goal in GK position. Maintaining 0-0 at half time, we had some great set up's and plays by Hanna, Emmanuel, Charbel, Elijah, John and Shane. Always there in the back line of defence with some big kicks, George and Gabby worked hard to keep the ball in our possession. Thomas put up a skilful showcase of talent as he worked to bringing the ball on our side. Our first and winning goal was a full team effort and over the line by Zac. Roshav shone in the second half with his infamous kicks to by-pass the opponents and maintain our ball. Well done GMU! We were all blown away by the incredible effort and team work today to finish with a 1-0 win against a tough team!
 Goal scorer - Zachariah Cortese 1

U10 Red

vs Inter Parramatta

2 - 1

Winners are grinners. With the coach away the team under the guidance of the wonderful parents went on to beat Inter Parra 2-1.

Goal scorers - Zakariah Ali 1, Isaiah Erichiello 1

U10 White

vs Wentworthville Uniting

2 - 1

With the season coming to an end it's important the team wins the remaining games. The team was facing a team that defeated us at a home game. The coach talked to the boys as the pitch was much bigger than the team is used to. The team was able to get the first goal from Taha and by first half we were one goal ahead. In the second half the opposing team was able to break our defence and we were all even. With a few minutes before the game was over JJ was able to do a run and scored making it 2 -1 at the end of the match.

Goal scorers - Taha Mansouri 1, Jabari Uno 1

U10 Girls vs Inter Parramatta Blue 8 - 0

First half all the girls started out in their regular positions, lots of passing but InterParra did a great job and made it a tough first half, but we made it through with 3 goals. In second half it was a bit distracting as most girls had the chance to play out of position, to the dismay of some. However, today was the day to give each player a chance to get right into the game. Without much ball time happening in our goal half we had defenders playing mid & striker plus our usual strikers & mid in defence. A true testament to how well the girls understand the game, we scored more, despite being out of regular position in the second half!! Without any subs the girls did well, all playing a full game and each contributing to the overall win.

Goal scorers: Izzy Abdou 4, Cici Abdou 2, Elizabeth Azzi 1, Aaliyah Elcharouk 1

11 Red vs Wentworthville Uniting 3 - 0

Excellent work from our team. We coordinated well. The team will continue to work on converting opportunities into goals.

Goal scorers - Muhammad Al Shanawa 2, Issa Issa 1

U11 White vs Greystanes United 1 - 1



A dejected team of players after a 1-1 draw against the team coming fourth. We are still sitting in third position, but we need to start gelling as a team. We have two games left against the teams coming first and second and we need to improve to be a match against these teams. There were some good moments of smart play but we struggled to find space and produce strong passes. A huge thank you to JJ, Zach and Izabela for backing up for us after their earlier games. They played well and Izabela was our goal scorer.

Goal scorer - Izzy Abdou 1

U12 Red vs Greystanes FC Black won on forfeit

U12 White vs Lidcombe Churches 3 - 1

Today was a beautiful sunny day to be playing soccer. The team started the game strong and dominating the possession. We were looking around and finding our passes well that saw us finishing half time at 3-0. Second half came, with the hot weather and no reserves had a detrimental effect on the players. We started to tire ourselves out by holding on too long onto the ball and wanting to score ourselves but failed to concede any further goals. A few mistakes in the defence gave the opposition the opportunity to score. A few things to learn from today's game and reset ourselves for another week.

Goal Scorers: Yousef Musseme 2; Julian Azar 1



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U12 Girls vs Inter Parramatta 1 - 3

Well to start with 6 players and finish the 1st half 1-0 down is a fantastic effort. Then the sun came out and we were getting hot and tired with 1 sub. Unfortunately OLQP were too strong for us and came away with a convincing win. If we can play the first half for the whole game we are definitely going to give the opposition a scare. Very well done today girls. Thank you Mona for stepping up to play in goals for the first 5 minutes. Mona had a chance at a free kick but the Falcons strong wall blocked the opportunity as they did many attempts near goal during second half. Izzy was able to score the sole goal for McCredie which was a direct result of the entire team working together to get the ball into the back of the net. Unfortunately, as great as our defence were, as many times we stopped the Falcons ball & got up to near to attempt our own goal, we conceded a further 4 goals. Thank you Cici, Izzy and Aaliyah for filling in.

Goal Scorer: Izzy Abdou 1

U13 Red vs McCredie Onyx 3 - 2

Good game today even though both sides were short of players on the first half. Reds were gassed in the second half and a bit unlucky. Player of match - George, Encouragement award - Zanyar and Gethyn.

Goal scorer - Ali El Dakkour 2

U13 Onyx vs McCredie Red 3 - 2

Onyx and Guildford Red had an exciting match, with Onyx securing a narrow victory of 3-2. Despite being a challenging game, Onyx displayed impressive teamwork and determination throughout the match. The goals were scored by Stefan, Daniel, and Zac, showcasing their skills on the field. Special mention to Zac, who not only scored a goal but also received the "Man of the Match" award for his exceptional performance. Zac's energy and dedication inspired his teammates, including the elder players, as he gave his all throughout the game. It's worth noting that Onyx's lineup featured a mix of players from various age groups, with 7 u13s players, 1 u12, 1 u11, and 2 u10s. The teamwork and collaboration among players of different ages contributed to their success. Finally, a big shoutout to George, Julian, Noah, and Zac for their invaluable help in the match. Congratulations to Onyx for a well-fought game, and kudos to all the players for their outstanding efforts on the field!

Goal scorers - Stefan Rusu 1, Daniel Allouche 1, Zac Ali 1

U13 White vs Babylon Chaldean 5 - 0

Whites played an awesome game today. We won 5 nil. We had many missed opportunities to score, Coach Peter had a talk to the team during half time, which hopefully has taught the boys to take a moment before shooting for the goals in future. With 2 more games before the semi finals, let's hope the team keep up their winning streak.

Goal scorers - Jacob Ali 1, Michael Karaki 1, Hossain Al Shanawa 1

U13 Div 1 vs Bye

U14 vs Rydalmere FC 1 - 6

We took the lead early from a wonderful free kick from almost half way by Muhammad. Unfortunately Rydalmere were too good and ran away with the game. POTM Muhammad for being well disciplined and not giving up.

Goal Scorer: Muhammad Nazari 1

U15 vs Merrylands SFC

U16 vs Auburn FC won on forfeit



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Raahauge Cup Reserves vs Bexley Lions 1 - 6

We played really well in patches today, but unfortunately conceded goals every time we dropped our guard. I genuinely believe that we were the better team in the first half but turned around 0-3 down. In fact Bexley visited our half twice in the first 12 minutes and scored twice. We hit the cross bar twice today and scored one but it wasn't nearly enough. I can think of great moments for Nick, Sandesh, Mohamed and Zikria but unfortunately the game was 90 minutes - not a bunch of moments.

Goal scorer - Mahdi Hassani 1

Raahauge Cup Firsts vs St Johns Bishopthorpe Glebe 5 - 4

Every time we scored we let them back in. The football wasn't pretty but both sides really wanted it. With 90 seconds to go St Johns wanted it more, drawing level 4-4. But in the final 20 seconds Alex, Krish and Zaid combined to score an absolute screamer and give us the game. Alex and Zaid were the best players on the field by far, and it was their energy and skill which gave us the early lead. Guys, they are the land of the giants, playing so many balls in the air for them, was our biggest error today.

Goal scorers - Alex Rusu 2, Chris Germanos 2, Zaid Hamze 1

Premier League Reserves vs Inter Parramatta 0 - 4

This time of year can always put odd games together with some teams trying to qualify for finals and others already locked their spots. We came up against a team needing to secure top 4 and using some of their first grade players to help, but this doesn't excuse the fact that we didn't start the game ready to play and paid the price. After we almost scored in the first few minutes then the opposition took control of the match and it was 3-0 before Darwin and Dollar came on to steady the ship. In the second half we played much better and made the game competitive but got caught on one counter and we were down 4-0. After this we changed to a 5-3-2, keeping the opposition for the remainder of the match, even when going down to 9 players because of injuries. Those still on the pitch showing great fight and character against the odds.

Premier League Firsts vs Inter Parramatta 3 - 1

Going into the final three games needing 3pts to secure the minor premiership, the team treated this game like a grand final. Everything we've been working on and talking about in the last 4 weeks was building to this performance and it was a joy to watch. Our defence locking down their attackers completely and not giving them a sniff at goal. Our midfield suffocating their mids and spraying beautiful balls around the park. Our attackers with decisive finishing, beautiful hold up play and recycling the ball when the attack wasn't on. We broke the deadlock after some nice hold up play from Tez put Wil in to finish high across the keeper with a powerful effort. Taking a 1-0 lead the second half we soon doubled that lead. After a perfect ball over the head of the left back by Richo, Simon showed great composure to bare down on the opposition keeper before finishing with a strong shot inside the near post. The lads then controlled the game before Dollar, with some silky tight ball control by the byline, setup Tez for an open goal in front to put us up 3-0. It took an absolute perfect shot from distance to take anything away from the team's performance today. Minor prems and taking this performance onwards into the finals.

Goal scorers: Wil Wark 1, Simon Owusu 1, Terence Makunde 1



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Sunday 30th July 2023

U14 Girls vs Quakers Hill Tigers 0 - 2

Having a mid afternoon game didn't do any favours for us. The sun was in the girls faces along with the wind. When there's wind there's a dust storm. And that's how we played today. With 10 players today, our girls played so well. They managed to clear the ball away from the goals. With 5 minutes left of first half, Quakers Hill managed to score. Second half our girls did everything in their power to get the ball into the goals, but unlucky. Our opponents managed to bag another goal leading 2-0. With our goalie Alex coming out of goals for the last 15mins of second half, Rita played our backup goalie and did an amazing job clearing the ball along with the whole team, who all jump into defence. Well done team! Thank you to our assistant coach Luis who stepped up today to coach our girls. Only 2 more games to go before the semis.

AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE



Socks - \$12



Shorts \$28 – all sizes available

**It's getting cold - we have jackets & Hoodies for sale.
Available from the canteen**



Hoodies \$30

(sizes 8-XL available) - Yes we now have adult sizes!! **RED OR BLACK**



Jackets \$50

(ADULT SIZES – LIMITED JUNIOR SIZES)

JERSEYS AND TRAINING SHIRTS DO NOT NEED TO BE PURCHASED - TRAINING SHIRTS WILL BE HANDED OUT AT TRAINING (AND CAN BE KEPT), JERSEYS ON GAME DAY (AND ARE RETURNED TO THE CLUB)

John Oliver Representative Competition

Some pictures from the tournament presentations



U8 featured McCredie players - Irfan Hussain, Jacob Ibrahim, George Alqass, Thomas Cheung



U9 were champions and featured McCredie players - Aidan Lu & Joshua Azar



U10 were champions and featured McCredie players - Angakehe Liutai, Isaac Ibrahim, Jabari Uno, Noah Alouche, Zakaria Ali



U10 Girls were champions and featured McCredie players - Cienna Abdou, Claire Leke, Izabela Abdou, Julie Alqass, Nelofar Mobin and coach Alex Delgado



U11 were champions and featured McCredie players - Aakash Gurung, Jeremias Ezenwa-Ndukaku, Joachim-Cruz Taliauli, John Tawk, Michael Commodore, Muhammad Al Shanawa & Youssef El Dakkour



U12 featuring McCredie players - Akshan Maskey, George Massoud, Jacob Leke, Jayden Moore, Jonah Cicchini, Julian Azar, Logan Chen, Lukacs Bausse, Sebasjin Tuki & coach Alex Chen



U12 Girls featured McCredie girls - Ellie Bailey & Ruby Khoury



U13 were champions and featured all McCredie players - Ali El Dakkour, Brandon Commodore, Daniel Alouche, Farooz Maqsoodi, Gethyn Griffiths, Hossain Al Shanawa, Jason Azar, Kelvin Moshi, Mojib Mobin, Mykal Abdou, Yonathon Kiflom, Hassan Shah, Stefan Rusu & coaches Greg & William Wark



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All Age Ladies Grand Final	vs	OLQP Falcons Red	at Jones 1	(Banks St., Merrylands)
		7.30pm Kickoff	(meet at Jones at 6.30pm to support O35s)	
Over 35s (3rd vs 4th)	vs	Inter Parramatta Blue	at Jones 2	(Banks St., Merrylands)
		6.30pm Kickoff	(meet at Jones at 6.00pm to set up field)	(dismantle field)

Saturday 5th August 2023

U6	vs	Wentworthville Uniting	at Everley (mini)	(Everley Rd., South Granville)
		9.00am Kickoff	(meet at Everley at 8.15am to set up field)	
U7	vs	Greystanes FC Grey	at Everley (mini)	(Everley Rd., South Granville)
		10.00am Kickoff	(meet at Everley at 9.30am)	
U8 Red	vs	Inter Parramatta Blue	at Everley 4	(Everley Rd., South Granville)
		11.00am Kickoff	(meet at Everley at 10.30am)	
U8 White	vs	Lidcombe Churches	at Phillips 1	(Martin St., Lidcombe)
		11.00am Kickoff	(meet at Phillips at 10.30am)	
U9 Red	vs	Greystanes FC Black	at Everley 4	(Everley Rd., South Granville)
		12.00pm Kickoff	(meet at Everley at 11.30am)	(dismantle field)
U9 White	vs	Greystanes FC Red	at Bathurst Street 2a	(Bathurst St., Greystanes)
		9.00am Kickoff	(meet at Bathurst St at 8.30am)	
U10 Red	vs	OLQP Falcons White	at Daniel 1	(Daniel St., Greystanes)
		12.00pm Kickoff	(meet at Daniel at 11.30am)	
U10 White	vs	Bye		
U10 Girls	vs	OLQP Falcons Red	at Everley 4	(Everley Rd., South Granville)
		10.00am Kickoff	(meet at Everley at 9.30am)	
U11 Red	vs	Greystanes FC Blue	at Bathurst Street 1	(Bathurst St., Greystanes)
		10.00am Kickoff	(meet at Bathurst St at 9.30am)	
U11 White	vs	Greystanes FC Black	at Everley 1	(Everley Rd., South Granville)
		11.00am Kickoff	(meet at Everley at 10.30am)	
U12 Red	vs	Greystanes FC Blue	at Bathurst Street 1	(Bathurst St., Greystanes)
		12.00pm Kickoff	(meet at Bathurst St at 11.30am)	
U12 White	vs	OLQP Falcons White	at Everley 1	(Everley Rd., South Granville)
		10.00am Kickoff	(meet at Everley at 9.30am)	
U12 Girls	vs	Lidcombe Churches	at Everley 4	(Everley Rd., South Granville)
		9.00am Kickoff	(meet at Everley at 8.15am to set up field)	



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U13 Red	vs	Babylon Chaldean 9.00am Kickoff	at Tait (meet at Tait at 8.30am) TBC	(Tait St., Smithfield)
U13 White	vs	Kings Old Boys 9.00am Kickoff	at Everley 1 (meet at Everley at 8.00am to set up field) TBC	(Everley Rd., South Granville)
U13 Onyx	vs	Inter Parramatta 9.00am Kickoff	at PH Jeffery (meet at PH Jeffery at 8.30am) TBC	(Barton St., North Parramatta)
U13 Div 1	vs	Regents Park 11.45am Kick off	at Princes 1 (meet at Princes at 11.15am)	(Princes Ave West., Auburn)
U14	vs	Wenty Waratah Black 11.20am Kickoff	at Ted Burge 1 (meet at Ted Burge at 10.50am)	(Centenary Rd., Sth Wentworthville)
U15	vs	Wentworthville Uniting 9.00am Kickoff	at Everley 2 (meet at Everley at 8.00am to set up field)	(Everley Rd., South Granville)
U16	vs	Greystanes FC Black 10.25am Kickoff	at Everley 2 (meet at Everley at 9.55am)	(Everley Rd., South Granville)
Raahauge Cup Reserves	vs	Inter Parramatta 1.15pm Kickoff	at Everley 1 (meet at Everley at 12.30pm)	(Everley Rd., South Granville)
Raahauge Cup	vs	St Columbas Castle Hill 3.15pm Kickoff	at Everley 1 (meet at Everley at 2.30pm)	(Everley Rd., South Granville)
Premier League	vs	Lidcombe Churches Reserves Kick off 1.15pm, Firsts Kick off at 3.15pm	at Phillips 1 (meet at Phillips at 12.30pm) (dismantle field)	(Martin St., Lidcombe)

Sunday 6th August 2023

U14 Girls	vs	Toongabbie Demons 12.00pm Kickoff	at Progress 1 (meet at Progress at 11.30am)	(Killeen Ave., Auburn)
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RAIN – WHAT TO DO

It's raining, it's Saturday!! Is the game on??

The decision to close and open grounds is in the hands of the local council

It is made on the basis of the condition of the ground. It is not made based on the weather.

That means that sometimes it is sunny but the ground is closed (because it is still wet from previous rain) or it is raining but the ground is open.

Your manager will know if the game is on, give them a call. Very rarely is a decision made before Friday evening. If I have not contacted your manager, the game is on, even if it is raining!

*Most often games will still be on so **do not just stay at home**, you will be letting your child's team down!!!*

It's raining and it's training tonight!! Is training on??

If the ground is closed you cannot train, *even if it's not raining!!* Parents and players call the manager or coach.

You can check via Cumberland Council's website

IMPORTANT NOTICES

1. *If for any reason your child is unable to play or attend training you **MUST** inform your coach or manager **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**.*
2. *If you have questions regarding your team ask your manager.*
3. *If it is raining on a Saturday morning call the team manager to see if the game is on. Most often games will still be on so **do not just stay at home**, you will be letting your child's team down!!!*
4. *Please assist the coach and manager, they are working unpaid for your child. There may be nets to put up or pull down, corner posts to stick in, players to be picked up (particularly if a parent has more than one child playing in different teams) or shirts to wash.*
5. This Club, the NSW Churches Football Association and Granville District SFA have high expectations of our parents and players. Please support our teams, but no abuse of players or officials will be tolerated and bans or fines could result.

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