

# U5 Kookaburras vs Quakers Hill Juniors SC Proudly sponsored by Award Trophy Sales

We played a good game this morning against Quakers Hill. Some great passing and teamwork. It was great to see the team using some of the skills that we had practiced in training, such as stopping the ball and turning. This really stopped the ball from being kicked out so much and meant that the game had much more momentum.

Olobo earned the Player of the Week this week for scoring two goals, and Sarah earned the Encouragement Award for great defence.

Great game today Under 5s.

Claudia Road Café Player of the Match: Olobo McDonalds Third Avenue Encouragement Award: Sarah

#### U6 Kookaburras vs Blacktown Workers FC

We braved the cold with a performance to warm the heart!!

Missing 3 key players meant the 4 that started played till full-time. Liam was key early at the back with some key clearances. A move consisting of 3 great passes from Liam to Frankie and then Frankie to Blake saw plenty of space for a great cross which saw Frankie as the beneficiary to take a well deserved lead. The boys kicked on from there with Blake and Frankie adding two more before half time while Workers were able to close the deficit to 2 with a late first half goal of their own. Firing on all cylinders after the break had Blake add to the lead. Joel-Luke with the play of the game saved the ball from crossing the line and took a knock for his troubles from the post, but in true Joel-Luke style was able to shake it off! Between he and Liam they were able to close

out the game for us defensively. Frankie again had the benefit of some slick passing to complete a well earned hat-trick not long before the final whistle. Terrific work rate and passion shown to deliver another 5 star performance. Well done boys!!

Claudia Road Café Player of the Match: Frankie McDonalds Third Avenue Encouragement Award: Blake

### U6 Sharks vs Marsden Park Galaxy

A great game from our team. Was great to see the team working together and passing the ball during the game. We played this team in our very first game of the season and it was encouraging to see the way our team has improved and confidence grown from round 1.

Claudia Road Café Player of the Match: Mikey
McDonalds Third Avenue Encouragement Award: Zac

U7/3 vs Glenwood Redbacks Proudly sponsored by Bass Landscaping

Great game today Kings! Great communication and defence. Team took direction and was more focussed

Claudia Road Café Player of the Match: Kyan McDonalds Third Avenue Encouragement Award: Zayn

U7/8 vs The Ponds FC Proudly sponsored by Ardent Insurance

We were down a couple of players but it was great to see a much improved effort this week. Everyone ran hard. We're starting to understand playing our positions and we could start to see that working well. Some great play by all.

Claudia Road Café Player of the Match: Mason McDonalds Third Avenue Encouragement Award: Cassius



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### U7/9 vs Newbury Bulls SC

It was a little bit windy and a little bit chilly but that did not stop the U7's from trying their best.

Congratulations to the U7 9s on another great win. This week Kings Langley showed great team work and defence ensuring the opposition did not score. Big congratulations to Evie for scoring her first goal for the season.

Fantastic to see everyone showing off their skills and taking turns in scoring goals.

Claudia Road Café Player of the Match: Thomas McDonalds Third Avenue Encouragement Award: Evelyn

### U8/3 vs Town Rangers FC

A different game this week, with our only subs helping the other team out with players to field a full 7v7 game. Thanks to Lucas and Angom for helping out with the other team and great work to everyone for a full 40 minutes on field!!

We were challenged a lot with the opposition giving everything they had, despite not having their full team. We had some excellent defensive play, that kept them at bay. We also had a lot of awesome attacking opportunities, but not all of them managed to break through. The ones that did were well rewarded! Great work everyone!

Claudia Road Café Player of the Match: Lucas
McDonalds Third Avenue Encouragement Award: Angom



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### U9/6 vs Doonshide Hawks White

A cold and windy morning brought out what was by far the best performance I have seen from this group of players all season. Everyone kept to their positions better than ever and started to have the confidence to move away from those positions if it meant getting to the ball first. There was a lot of passion to tackle and get the ball back, and a killer instinct in front of goals.

There's always room for improvement, but I couldn't be prouder of how everyone played. Well done, team!

Claudia Road Café Player of the Match: Gabriel McDonalds Third Avenue Encouragement Award: Ryker

U10/2 vs Blacktown St Pats Proudly sponsored by Ideal Stairlifts and Sydney Heaters and Pizza Ovens

Slow from the kickoff, we conceded 1 goal in under 2 minutes again. Seems to be a bad trend in recent weeks. With some persistence and urgency, we managed to climb back and finish with a draw.

Some great clearing kicks from Lily and Brian took some pressure out of the middle of the park, with Lily making some great runs in the 2nd half. Lucas & Brody had a solid game in the backs defending well, Brody making some great movements past many players in the 2nd half, enduring some physical contests.

Chay & Kaden supporting each other well from the middle of the park to the back of the net. This is a partnership to watch in coming weeks.

Kieren & Aadvik working well together with some great passing and shots on goal and great positioning off the ball.

Muhammad & Tommy really solid in goals and showing plenty of urgency on the field. Muhammad displaying a fast paced never give up attitude in the 2nd half. Julian also getting in and chasing down the ball with some great kicks up field.

We just need to start our games with the high intensity shown later in games so we aren't on the back foot so early.

Claudia Road Café Player of the Match: Brody
McDonalds Third Avenue Encouragement Award: Muhammad

U10/5 vs Quakers Hill Tigers
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Great effort getting into the opposition's half more than usual. Some good opportunities to score which was really positive

Claudia Road Café Player of the Match: Marcus
McDonalds Third Avenue Encouragement Award: Brylee

### U11/5 vs Eastern Creek Pioneer SC

Although the team we played against weren't bad at all, we scored multi times, including a header by Bradley that surprised everyone, including himself, and put a big smile on his face that could be seen miles away! Well done!

Claudia Road Café Player of the Match: Andrick
McDonalds Third Avenue Encouragement Award: David



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### U12/3 vs The Ponds FC

A big thank you to Tim for helping out with coaching on Tuesday and Thursday this week.

Claudia Road Café Player of the Match: Krishn McDonalds Third Avenue Encouragement Award: Arunav

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U15/3 vs Polonia Rams SC Proudly sponsored by Tilers Now

It was windy, it was cold (according to the parents) but we hung in and played well as a team against a quality opposition.

Akshat was exceptional attacking a number of balls in the air - the wind held up a lot of balls - and he was continually the first to the ball which kept us on the attack.

It was a close game that was 1-0 at half due to a 35 metre strike by Dale that held up in the wind and beat the keeper just under the crossbar.

They came back at us in the second half and got the equaliser 10 minutes in and then just missed the go ahead score a few minutes later when we let our guard down. But then the defenders stiffened - Ben, Lachlan and Jamie and Luke all making strong stops and then put us into attack.

Up front Dale got us the lead with his second and then Kevin fought for a ball and got through four defenders to cross a beautiful ball that Luke was in perfect position for and he tapped it in to put the game out of reach.

Indi had another strong game, beating her opposition in almost every one on one contest. Hayden was stronger in her second game back from injury and Matilda, Leah and Shayla had strong second halves.

Well done under trying conditions.

Thanks to all the parents who made it through the wind and some rain.

Claudia Road Café Player of the Match: Akshat
McDonalds Third Avenue Encouragement Award: Hayden

### AAM/7 vs Quakers Hill Tigers

2nd Round with Quakers Tigers with windy, wet conditions, the team held the division leaders with a 2-1 loss.

Our first game in the first round with Quakers we had a 7-3 loss, this second time we held them at bay and if we had started with the full side we would have had a different game as they scored in the first few minutes with us having only 8 on the field, however it was a tight game with the many tense moments

The introduction of Matthew who is our mid player had a fantastic 1st game with the team, gelling with the boys giving a great effort with great enthusiasm.

So many great instances and many stand out performances from each member of our team with them playing like a well oiled machine. Our man of the match striker Saad scored our only goal, however we had many attempts of goals and had the ball bounce a few times off the posts.

With a great performance in the backline a special mention to Khanjan who had played a great defense throughout the whole game.

Claudia Road Café Player of the Match: Saad

**Encouragement Award:** Khanjan

### O35/5 vs Eastern Creek Pioneer SC

This was not to be our night. We started out of sorts with people playing out of position to cover for missing players. Eastern Creek was on a similar winning streak to Kings over the last four or five games, and they burst out of the gates. With two very quick men up front, it didn't take long for Eastern Creek to open up their account. Repeated balls lumped over the top lead to two more goals. Some smart interplay through the middle and up front enabled us to drag one back before the break.

Hard graft in the second half eventually led to another Kings goal. There wasn't long left in the game, and Kings kept pressing forward to snatch an equaliser and a point, and to get something out of the game. Naturally, pressing hard forward left gaps in the middle and the back line, and in the end those gaps were exploited and the result was pulled out of reach.

Everyone has an off night, and this was ours. Onwards to the next game.

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