

Weekly Round Up Round 8, 2022 & Round 2 & 4 Catch-ups



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- Jurgen Klopp



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U5 Kookaburras vs Ponds FC

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U5 Sharks vs Quakers Hill Junior SC Proudly sponsored by Award Trophies

A tough day at the office. Juniors were on top early and never let up. Lots of ball watching today and we never really got into the game. Dale, Phoebe and Zaylen tried hard and got some good touches on the ball. Zac has greatness in him, I've seen it, he just needs to believe it. Matteo was missed this week, but will be back fit and ready to go next Saturday. Keep your heads up little ones, the best is yet to come - I know it!

Player of the Match: Dale McDonald's Arndell Park Encouragement Award: Zaylen

U6 Lions vs Ropes Crossing Strikers FC Proudly sponsored by Bass Landscaping

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U7/3 vs Marsden Park Galaxy FC

Due to illness we had only 2 players, so we mixed with the Marsden Park team and played 3vs3. The kids were just happy to be playing and had a great time.

McDonald's Arndell Park Encouragement Award: Thomas

U7/4 vs Quakers Hill Tigers SC

A bit of a mixed bag. Some plays to set the world on fire and other bits of play to leave you scratching your head. Speed and quick passing saw the game open up early and Leon was the benefactor with an early goal. Mason, Nate and Liam all had chances to extend the lead but to their credit Tigers kept turning up, to turn us away. Blake showed some nice touches and clean up play while at sweeper which is still a position a lot of teams are learning. Some crisp passing from the back saw Leon grab a second before Nate was on the end of a great pass from Liam to wrap up the first half. The second half saw us turn up the heat 2 quick goals after some nice passing play from Mason and Liam put Leon clear on goal twice. Joel-Luke wrapped up the scoring with his second goal of the season after a nice bit of individual play. Overall a solid team effort. Well done!

Player of the Match: Blake McDonald's Arndell Park Encouragement Award: Blake

Round 4 Catch-up U7/4 vs Marsden Park Galaxy FC

Another sunny Sunday catch-up and another fast start saw us dominate the play in the opening couple of minutes. Passing and close control was working well. All the pressure came without reward and not once but twice a bit of luck went the wrong way and we found ourselves 2 down. The never quit attitude of this side is something to behold with Nate and Leon finally hitting the target and bringing the game level, before a well-timed through ball from Liam saw Frankie in space out wide, his pass cut the defence like a hot knife through butter and Leon was the benefactor for us to finally take the lead. Marsden Park weren't done with yet and a quick counter and one of the weirdest sliced clearances I have ever seen saw them retake the lead coming up to half time. We weren't done with yet, some individual brilliance from Nate saw us level again, and that was all she wrote in the first half. KINGS was the cry at half time and these boys delivered in spades after the break. Constant pressure from the whistle, passing and movement off the ball, saw Frankie score a brace, Blake found the back of the net after some spectacular team build up and Mason scored his first of the season. Marsden Park tried hard to get back into the game, however Joel-Luke, with his hard-edged defence was not to beaten again and controlled the back line to keep turning them away. A complete performance with a bit of flair shows that this team never quits. Be proud of this performance, this coach certainly is.

Player of the Match: Frankie McDonald's Arndell Park Encouragement Award: Mason

U7/9 vs Minchinbury Jets SC

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U8/4 vs Ropes Crossing Strikers FC

The boys were keen to get into it today! It was a slow start to the game with both teams all crowding together... the boys finally got into their groove and opened up the play. We saw some great defending today and the boys just didn't give up! Well done KINGS! Great to watch your team spirit and your smiling faces!

McDonald's Arndell Park Encouragement Award: Julian

U8/6 vs Quakers Hill Tigers SC

It's encouraging to see the team continuing to develop. We saw great improvements in focus and communication this game. Well done!

Player of the Match: Brandon McDonald's Arndell Park Encouragement Award: Will

U9/2 vs Quakers Hill Junior SC

This week we had a much different vibe to the previous 4 games. Unfortunately the shape we'd been working on all season didn't hold, and that meant we weren't able to take advantage of the opportunities, and also had us struggling when they had the ball.

That said, we saw some great work from everyone despite the chaos. Obie was making a lot of runs and always showed up to defend when needed. Jaxon had a busy game in the back, but was always looking to challenge for the ball.

Still a lot to work on - and hopefully we'll have a training session this coming week to work on that!

Player of the Match: Obie

McDonald's Arndell Park Encouragement Award: Lucas

Round 2 Catch-up

U9/2 vs Ropes Crossing Strikers FC

Due to the Sunday game, we were short a few of the regular players -John, still recovering from feeling unwell was able to hold the quieterthan-usual goalkeeper position. Jeremy and Kyan from the U8s bravely stepped up to help out, giving us a solid 9 to take the field.

This game saw an improvement in the shape on the field with the ball being moved around a lot more confidently. The generous space was taken advantage of really well. Some more work is needed on getting the passes a bit more accurate - more things to work on at training. Great work everyone this game! Special thanks to Jeremy and Kyan for helping out and getting a taste of what next year has in store for them!

Player of the Match: Amay McDonald's Arndell Park Encouragement Award: Jaxon

U10/5 vs Marsden Park Galaxy FC Proudly sponsored by Ardent Insurance & DC Home Improvements

It was cold and it was foggy, but at least it wasn't raining. We had a couple of players missing but still had the luxury of having one on the bench at all times, enabling us to give people a rest when they got tired.

This was a very even game played between two teams of equal skill (a rarity even in Development 5). While most of the game was spent in the Marsden Park half of the field, they were willing and able to defend and launch their own attacks.

In the end the result went our way by the narrowest of margins. However, the best thing about the game was the way the things we had worked on at at training - jockeying, passing to each other instead of wildly kicking the ball, and what we need to do in each of the positions is starting to really shine through on game day. A great game by all, and hopefully the sign of even more powerful games throughout the rest of the season.

Player of the Match: Angelo McDonald's Arndell Park Encouragement Award: Yara

U12/3 vs Plumpton Oakhurst SC Proudly sponsored by Ideal Stairlifts & Sydney Heaters and Pizza Ovens

Kings Langley SFC 4 - Plumpton Oakhurst SC 1

Saturday's game was full of energy and excitement.

Isaac scoring multiple goals by never giving up and following through putting pressure on and scoring. Along with Jayden and Andrick up front also putting pressure.

Alex and Lily & Lucas in the backline clearing well and making key stoppages. Brody also in the backline making some great runs down the left wing promoting the ball forward.

Tommy, Muhammad, Chay, Kaden & David all running and covering many metres on the field with great footwork, stoppages, tackles and shots at goal.

Each week this team keeps stepping up.

Player of the Match: Alex

McDonald's Arndell Park Encouragement Award: Lily

U12/5 vs Parklea SFC

Kings Langley SFC 0 - Parklea SFC 12

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U13/2 vs Plumpton Oakhurst SC

Kings Langley SFC 6 - Plumpton Oakhurst SC 9

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U14/4 vs Glenwood Redbacks SC Proudly sponsored by Tiler's Now

Kings Langley SFC 1- Glenwood Redbacks SC 2

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U16/2 vs Polonia Rams FC

Kings Langley SFC 1 - Polonia Rams FC 18

A very skillful team that put us to the sword, this is the top of Div 2.

We tried hard and each of the keepers did well - the goals went through a lot of feet before hitting the back of the net.

Our lone goal came with a nice defensive stop by Ben who hit Olly on the wing, to Dale at midfield then a through ball to Jamie - the keeper came out but Jamie kept it alive and nailed it into the back of the net.

Josh looked a lot more at home in the back line as did Matthew who has made the right fullback position his own.

Liam was stellar in goal and showed great positional awareness in the field.

We still need fitness if we are to compete.

Player of the Match: Jamie McDonald's Arndell Park Encouragement Award: Anibal

Round 4 Catch-up U16/2 vs Minchinbury Jets SC

Kings Langley SFC 1 - Minchinbury Jets SC 8

Tough game with 9 v 15 - the subs make a huge difference. We played well and created a couple of beautiful chances and one breakaway goal by Dale after a clearance by Matt, then Josh and finally Ben.

6 of the 8 goals came in the last 5 minutes of each half when fatigue set it - unfortunately, we had a breakaway one-on-one as the whistle blew for the first half which might have changed the complexion of the game for a while.

Well done to the 9 who fought to the end - an official from BDSFA commented on that at the end of the game, that we were trying against all odds right to the end.

Player of the Match: Josh, Liam, Ben & Dale McDonald's Arndell Park Encouragement Award: Matt, Jamie, Hari, Olly & Adam

U16/3 vs Ropes Crossing Strikers FC Proudly sponsored by Healthy Edge

Kings Langley SFC 0 - Ropes Crossing Strikers FC 12

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O35/6 vs Newbury Bulls SC Proudly sponsored by Zero 5 Property and Maintenance

Kings Langley SFC 6 - Newbury Bulls SC 2

A proper "6 pointer" of a game between first and second on the table. Newbury pushed us early with a couple of promising attempts on goal in the opening minutes. They were successfully kept at bay, and a clearance from one of those raids turned into an assist as Kings were the first to chalk one up on the scoreboard. Although we added a couple more, Newbury were able to drag one back, leaving the score at 3-1 at the break.

We thought the Bulls would come out hard from the start in the second half, and we weren't disappointed. They peppered our goal and despite the constant threat of a Kings counterattack, Newbury was the first to draw blood in the second half. Given a sniff of a result at 3-2 down, Newbury pressed hard again. Our solid defense, clever midfield and quick-fire attack eventually moved the game out of their reach. The game got a little spicy towards the end as some frustrations boiled over, but the final score was a fair reflection of the game.