



# **Weekly Round Up**

## **Round 8, 2023**



***“Sometimes, you surprise the  
goalkeeper, and sometimes the  
goalkeeper surprises you.”***

***– Eric Cantona***



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## U5 Kookaburras vs Glenwood Redbacks SC

Good team work.  
Both team played well.

**Player of the Match:** Wolf  
**Encouragement Award:** Shivam

## U6 Kookaburras vs Riverstone Schofields Junior SC

Great game between closely matched teams. Only decided but a goal in the last minute. Whole team was focused on the game and some great individual efforts. Jay top scored with 3 goals, Ryan scored the first goal.

**Player of the Match:** Patrick  
**Encouragement Award:** Ayan

## U6 Echidnas vs Glenwood Redbacks SC

Not provided

## U7/5 vs Riverstone Schofields Junior SC

Everyone was having fun playing and no one wanted to come off for a rest.

**Player of the Match:** Athena  
**Encouragement Award:** Jack

## U7/8 vs Ponds FC

Our team played well. They are getting better each week with passing to each other and are starting to remember to kick the ball in to another player before running from the sideline

**Player of the Match:**  
**Encouragement Award:** Aryana

## U8/3 vs Glenwood Redbacks SC

A strong performance missing that critical touch. Well done to the team for a solid all round effort, some great chances in the first half that were well saved by Glenwoods keeper ensured the scores were level at the break. Frankie, Blake and Leon all had chances in the first half that were turned away by desperate Glenwood defence. While Ethan, Samuel and Nate ensured we weren't hit on the counter.

Mason and Shreyansh started the second half well, and Liam had a great chance but again the keeper won the day. Glenwood's counter pressure finally paid dividends with a well struck shot to take the lead and although we still created the better of the second half chances, desperate cover defence, the post and the keeper being in the right place at the right time meant an equaliser wasn't to be.

Moments in football matter, not goals on the scoresheet but individual moments that dictate the overall outcome. We missed out on some of these today and lessons to be learnt and taken into our next match. Well played boys, tough break on the outcome.

**Player of the Match:** Leon

**Encouragement Award:** Mason

## U8/7 vs Minchinbury Jets SC

Saturday was U8/07s best game of the season and our best result. A DRAW!!

We had Sophia finding her giant kicks to get the ball up the field multiple times. We had player of the match Gabriel showing focus and tenacity. We had huge saves from goalie RJ. We had several kicks at goal and the successful goal on the buzzer to draw us from Striker Lucas. And best of all, we had an amazing showing of sportsmanship and encouragement.

Well done Kings!

**Player of the Match:** Gabriel

**Encouragement Award:** Lucas

## U8/8 vs Marsden Park Galaxy FC

We started the game with a player short but after a few minutes had the bare minimum. There were plenty of good signs out of this game and it was great to watch. Well done to the player of the match, Lexi, who tried hard all game and made a huge amount of tackles. Special mention to Sashwat, who got the encouragement award, for turning up even when he wasn't feeling 100 percent. He played really well, especially in the second half when he controlled our defensive effort. It was great to keep the other team scoreless.

**Player of the Match:** Lexi

**Encouragement Award:** Sashwat

## U9/2 vs Newbury Bulls SC

Aakash and Chase defended in the back allowing Kyan and Julian to push the ball out of our half for our strikers. Hunter had a few close shots on goal but tried his best to stop them.

In the second Kings were too good, moving the ball around and out ran Newbury.

Great game boys.

**Player of the Match:** Kyan

**Encouragement Award:** Mason

## U9/7 vs Minchinbury Jets SC

Not provided

## U10/2 vs Polonia Rams FC

We got off to an amazing start this week. Strong in defence, leveraging last weeks learnings, neutralising the individual skill of the opposition, making sure they had very little attempts on goal. Shoutouts to Xander for being solid here!

In attack, we made sure to use the width of the field, moving the ball fast and really well. We were rewarded 10 mins in off a corner by Obie that met Liam at the far post, right foot volley right in the back of the net (some awesome video of that coming soon!). Towards the end of the half, Brayden made an incredible attacking run securing our second.

Needless to say, we had a really good feeling at half time, which was added to by Obie getting a goal of his own from a cross by Brayden. From there, we just seemed to have fallen into old habits: defence was lazy and that allowed the other team to walk through unchallenged. We

were unable to counter their attack, and the score was equalised shortly before the end of the game.

A lot of positives to take away from the game, however we need to make sure we keep up the discipline even when we're ahead to make sure we don't have a repeat of this result.

Also, as an added bonus, the team will be on the BDSFA website/YouTube with a fun post match interview and some footage of the game. Hopefully a link will be available this coming week!

**Player of the Match:** Annabelle

**Encouragement Award:** Brayden, Liam and Xander

## U10/6 vs Blacktown St Pats SC

Not provided

## U11/4 vs Minchinbury Jets SC

This was a very difficult game against a team that wasn't overly concerned with measuring the robustness or legality of their challenges for the ball. Bruises to one side, it was clear that this team was a step above us in the quality of their passing and attacking play.

While we had some good passages of passing play, and some barnstorming runs in both attack and defence, it was obvious that for a lot of the game our opponents just wanted the ball more than we did. We were caught watching the ball rather than running for it on numerous occasions, and several of the goals from the Jets were the result of our players jumping in to tackles rather than trying to jockey the player and slow them down to allow a team mate to come back in support.



On the positive side, our new routines for corner kicks showed a lot of promise and are something we will continue to work on in training. It's been a rough few weeks for the team, but there's still plenty of time to turn the season around.

**Player of the Match:** Jill

**Encouragement Award:** Gabriel

## U12/1 vs Glenwood Redbacks SC

### **Kings Langley SFC 1 - Glenwood Redbacks SC 3**

The first frosty morning of soccer for the season today against Glenwood who proved too good for us on the day.

A real solid effort from the team and we were in the arm wrestle for sometime and only 3 key points in the match created opportunities that allowed Glenwood to swoop ahead on the scoreline.

Another massive defensive effort but we struggled in the middle of the field with the high bouncing fast pitch in attack and that proved to be the difference today.

We learn and move into next week.

**Player of the Match:** David

**Encouragement Award:** Tommy

## U13/3 vs Polonia Rams FC

### **Kings Langley SFC 2 - Polonia Rams FC 2**

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**Player of the Match:** Rheece

## U15/4 vs Ponds FC

**Kings Langley SFC 0 - Ponds FC 3**

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## O35/5 vs Quakers Hill Tigers SC

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**Kings Langley SFC 5 - Quakers Hill Tigers SC 0**

Two wins on the spin and everyone was keen to carry that momentum into this round against a team recently regraded down into our division. With the return of our lucky Zero5 sponsored jerseys, spirits were again high.

Tigers had some early chances via their pacy front line, but those efforts were repelled. We soon had our chances, and we capitalised to open the scoring for the second week in a row. Spreading it wide and playing it out from the back, we continued to pour on the pressure with repeated success, and went into the break 4-0 up and the game already seemingly out of Tigers' reach.

Things didn't go all our way in the second half. Tigers continued to push hard to get on the score board. A combination of solid defence and a wasteful Tigers front line kept us honest. Our persistence in moving it wide and through the strong midfield to up front bore fruit with one more goal to round off the evening.

It's been an eventful May, with three wins in a row, two consecutive clean sheets, and a move from bottom of the table to equal second.