

Weekly Round Up Round 16, 2024 and Round 11 Catch-up

"I think sometimes the best training is to rest."

- Cristiano Ronaldo





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## U6 Echidnas vs Glenwood Redbacks SC

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

Round 11 Catch-up

U6 Echidnas vs Riverstone Schofields Junior SC

Not provided

U6 Dolphins vs Minchinbury Jets SC

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

Round 11 Catch-up

U6 Dolphins vs Quakers Hill Tigers SC

A great effort by the whole team.

Player of the Match: Jack Encouragement Award: Jessica

Round 11 Catch-up

U7/3 vs Ropes Crossing Strikers FC

Not provided

U7/8 vs Glenwood Redbacks SC Red

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

## Round 11 Catch-up

# U7/8 vs Prospect United SC

What a game, a lot of passing and lots of shots on goals, great teamwork with some moments of brilliance. These superstars are becoming a force to reckon with and walking away with their first win. Well done guys. I'm so proud of all of you ..... stay tuned.

Player of the Match: Phoebe Encouragement Award: Zac

#### U8/7 vs Ponds FC White

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

#### Round 11 Catch-up

#### U8/7 vs Parklea SFC

Team played well considering we had no reserves and all kids had to play a full match. Mason had another great game defending and had quite a few shots at goals but couldn't quite get there. Andrew defended well all game as did Ivy, Emma and Ella. Aryana took the ball off the other team at the halfway mark and managed to dribble the ball all the way to score a goal. Jack had a couple of attempts at goals and had some great kicks.

Player of the Match: Aryana Encouragement Award: Ella

## U9/3 vs Marsden Park Galaxy FC White

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

## U9/6 vs Rooty Hill FC

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

Round 11 Catch-up

U9/6 vs Parklea SFC

Not provided

U9/8 vs Parklea SFC

Our brave team got very wet!

Well done keeping on running, defending and kicking U9/8s!

Congratulations to our hard running, big kicking, Player of the Match, Mannat. And well done to our Encouragement Award recipient Dan, who had some particularly good runs in the first half.

Player of the Match: Mannat Encouragement Award: Daniel

## U10/2 vs Marsden Park Galaxy FC

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

Round 11 Catch-up

U10/2 vs Quakers Hill Junior SC White

Not provided

U10/7 vs Ropes Crossing Strikers FC

Not provided

## U11/2 vs Quakers Hill Junior SC Green

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

Round 11 Catch-up

U11/2 vs Quakers Hill Junior SC White

Not provided

U11/5 vs Polonia Rams FC

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

Round 11 Catch-up

U11/5 vs Plumpton Oakhurst SC

Not provided

U12/4 vs Doonside Hawks SC

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

U12/6 vs Riverstone Schofields Junior SC

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

Round 11 Catch-up

U12/6 vs Polonia Rams FC

#### Kings Langley SFC 0 - Polonia Rams FC 3

With only 8 players available and an upgrade from U10s, this was always going to be a tough assignment. There are no easy teams in this

division, and it's a big ask to give the opposition such a numerical advantage. Even though we had fewer players, we had the slight advantage in possession, and more hunger in defence. Polonia had a couple of players who were very strong on the ball, and a well hit shot from outside the box that flew past our keeper was the only difference between the two teams going into the break.

In the second half, we scrambled well in defence and kept trying to stretch their backline with a number of promising raids down the sides. However, the amount of effort required to keep up when playing short started to mount up, and tired players were unable to maintain the pressure.

While Polonia deserved the win, there were a lot of positives to take out of the game. The passing between attacking players was excellent, with opportunities for all of those in advanced positions. We learnt a lot about the Polonia backline, and where the weaknesses are. We also learned who their most dangerous players are in attack, and the best ways to blunt their sharpness when we play them next week with a nearly full-strength squad. With other results going our way, we are still in a good position to get our first taste of finals football.

Special shout out and thank you to Zac from U10/7 who helped boost our numbers. Zac played an important role in an advanced midfield position, and was not afraid to chase down players several years older than him in an effort to get the ball.

Player of the Match: Addison Encouragement Award: Gabriel

## U13/3 vs Marayong FC

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

Round 11 Catch-up

# U13/3 vs Newbury Bulls SC White

#### Kings Langley SFC 6 - Newbury Bulls SC White 1

The team was fired up today and came out firing on all cylinders. Lots of passing and communication proving the difference today after losing 5-1 last time against this team, turning that around into a 6-1 win.

Brian, Lucas & Muhammad locked down the backline all game with the help of Ollie & CK.

Kaden, Jaxon, Lincoln & Joshua dominated the midfield shutting down a lot of passes and working hard to clear the balls and distribute.

Ryan, CK, Kaden & Brody providing amazing forward runs to open scoring opportunities for the team.

Liam was great in goals stopping many shots and getting the ball back in play quickly, putting the opposition on the back foot.

Some great football was played today & the results showed. Great effort boys.

Player of the Match: Ollie Encouragement Award: Muhammad

## U15/4 vs Blacktown Workers FC

Washed out. To be rescheduled.

# O35/4 vs Eastern Creek Pioneer SC

#### Kings Langley SFC 3 - Eastern Creek Pioneer SC 9

The sheer luxury of having a bench was almost overwhelming. It may have only been one player, but the promise of being able to rotate players was a powerful motivator.

We were up against current table-toppers Eastern Creek, and after a season blighted with injuries and illness we were expecting the game to be a challenge. Eastern Creek began the game strongly, moving the ball around very well and working us hard. We regularly pushed on the counter, and were rewarded with the first goal of the match. The game continued to be finely balanced, before Kings put the ball in the back of the net again. Being two down to a team at the opposite end of the ladder sparked Eastern Creek into action, and the put in three quick goals before the half.

We were still motivated to take the game to Eastern Creek, but the toll of existing injuries and players only just returning to fitness became more than we could pay, and the game was slowly but inevitably pulled out of our reach. A late consolation goal provided some solace, but in the end Eastern Creek were deserved winners. They moved the ball around in triangles far more consistently than we did, and were able to string together more passes than we could. By making the ball do all the work, they wore us out and took advantage of tired players to boost their goal difference.

To our own credit, despite the scoreline the boys kept fighting and made Eastern Creek work for the end result. We even managed to have a little fun on the field while we were at it.

With just 3 more games to go until, there's still time to restore a bit of pride before we put a horror season behind us and regroup for next year.