

School Sport Australia Football

Tour of China, United Kingdom and Ireland

31/1/10

Boys

Game 8 vs England Schools

Venue: New Saints FC, Oswestry

Match cancelled due to snow on pitch.

1/2/10

Game 9 vs Scotland Schools

Venue: Oscar Traynor Football Centre,
Glasgow

Result: 2-3 H/T 1-2

Scorers: Brendan MacLean (12th), Peter Sawan (65th)
Scotland (14th o.g, 25th, 61st)

Match Report:

After the disappointment of missing out on their game the day before the Australian boys were well up for this game, and they began in sensational style by taking the lead early on. Unfortunately they dropped off the pace for just 10 minutes and let Scotland in twice, taking a lead to half time which wasn't really earned.

Australia came out in the second half determined to make amends and, despite conceding again mid way through the half, the boys upped the ante and replied quickly with a well taken free kick, and then pressed for the equaliser. Running and passing were excellent and even a draw would have been a good result for Scotland, but an equaliser wouldn't come. A great footballing display from Australia today, just without the result they wanted.

Girls

Game 8 vs Scotland Select U18

Venue: Oscar Traynor Football Centre,
Glasgow

Result: 3-0 (H/T 2-0)

Scorers: Georgia Yeoman-Dale (8th), Stephanie Haim (30th),

Match Report:

The Scotland girls showed a lot of skill and composure on the ball and Australia had to work hard to contain their opposition. Nevertheless the girls scored first and raised their workrate to overcome the enthusiasm of their opposition. The beautiful surface allowed both teams to show off their ability, with the Australians drawing praise from the many observers present.

The second half was again evenly contested but Australia held firm and even advanced the scoreline with a last minute goal. Especially pleasing in this game was keeping the opposition scoreless.