School Sport Australia Football

Tour of China, United Kingdom and Ireland

20/1/10

Boys

Game 1 vs Guangdong FA U18 Venue: ZUL LAO, Guangzhou

Result: 0-0

Match Report:

A good opening game against a good quality representative provincial team. Gaining experience in this environment is an excellent preparation for the boys, most of whom have not encountered Asian opposition before. So it was a good learning experience all round.

Keeping the opposition scoreless was pleasing but we need more composure in front of goals ourselves.

Girls

Game 1 vs Guangdong Haiyen Women

Result: 2-4 (Half Time 1-2)

Scorers: Emma Stewart (12th), Stephanie Haim (89th) Guangdong (14th, 16th, 57th (o.g.), 78th)

Match Report:

A good first hit out for the players but we were guilty of turning over possession too much. We defended well against a quality opposition but a few lapses in concentration cost us dearly. The Guangdong team finished well and maintained pressure for long periods.

Once the combinations develop then the overall team game will improve. A few players were a little short of match fitness.