

## School Sport Australia Football

### Tour of China, United Kingdom and Ireland

24/1/10

#### Boys

Game 3 vs Welsh Colleges

Venue: St Helens, Swansea

Result: 0-1 H/T 0-0

Scorers: Welsh Colleges (88<sup>th</sup>)

#### Match Report:

Again, another high quality game with plenty of passion and commitment from both teams. Australia moved the ball around well, but Wales controlled play for long periods, but without success in front of goal. Conversely, Australia defended strongly but were giving away possession too much.

Australia clawed their way back during the second half, however as the game wore on and still the Australians couldn't hit the target there was always the chance that something out of the box might happen – and it did. The Welsh boys won a free kick near the death and from the ensuing cross Australia failed to pick up their opposition at the near post and a glancing header went in for the only score of the game.

#### Girls

Game 3 vs Welsh Colleges

Venue: South Gower AFC, Surlage

Result: 5-2 (H/T 1-2)

Scorers: Ashleigh Palombi (43<sup>rd</sup>), Stephanie Haim (60<sup>th</sup>),  
Georgia Yeoman-Dale (66<sup>th</sup>, 90<sup>th</sup>), Emma Stewart (77<sup>th</sup>)  
Welsh Colleges (4<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>)

#### Match Report:

Australia began poorly, conceding 2 goals inside the first 10 minutes and missing a penalty themselves. The Welsh girls were confidently moving the ball around and the Australians were a little shell shocked and having difficulty on the heavy surface. But slowly they got back into the game and scored just before half time to boost their confidence.

The second half was incomparable to the first, with Australia becoming more and more dominant and scoring 4 more times to finish well on top. Australia had possession for long periods and played some attractive football, which was favourably commented on by the locals.