

# Tournament "Play football for peace" for the Cup "Our Moscow Region"

*Lyubertsy district of Moscow, Russia, Dmitry Samko, May 19, 2018*



The football festival for the residents of the Lyubertsy residential complex in the micro district "Airplane" was held on May 19; it was a part of the "Play football for peace" project, last year's winner in the governor's contest of social projects "Our Moscow Region". The tournament was held with the support of the Lyubertsy administration and the management company "Airplane service." Despite the rainy weather, all five of the declared teams from among the inhabitants of the microdistrict gathered for the grand opening of the tournament on the football ground. By the drawing lots, about 30 football enthusiasts broke up into teams and on a circular system played 10 exciting games.

An interesting feature of such courtyard tournaments is that the teams are formed on the spot, before the start of the tournament. Thus, the atmosphere of the tournament becomes concerted, and neighbors or long acquaintances often find themselves in different teams. All this contributes to new acquaintances and forms an atmosphere of good neighborliness in the tournament.

Courtyard tournaments appeal to fans. Relatives and close friends of players have come to watch sports battles together with their children; their presence ensures a family atmosphere to the event. Despite the rainy weather, all the teams showed a strong desire for victory. Games were played brightly and passionately, but correctly, bearing in mind the motto of the tournament "Play football for peace and friendship". According to the eyewitnesses, the tournament should continue good traditions in the Lyubertsy residential complex.

The winner of the tournament was the team "Rocket", the silver medal was taken by the team "Real" and the bronze - the team "Phoenix." Organizer of the tournament, Dmitry Samko, said: "The important result was not scored goals and medals received, but friendship and sport solidarity of the residents who enthusiastically wanted to inspire the younger generation and by their personal example lead other people to participate in sports."

The local media, the Moscow Regional Agency of Moscow Region (RIAMO), also published the article about this event on their Internet portal.

