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From the Chairman

This season has seen the most significant set of changes in the way football is organised and played under the new Whole of Football plan. I feel very proud of the way the club, junior committee, coaches and managers have all responded to the challenge and ensured the experience for our kids has been the best it can be.

This year was the first year of implementation and, like any new system, we have had to work our way through the new format which has taken some adjustment. To ensure we keep getting better for next season, we have already held review sessions for some of our junior grades and we'll soon send a survey to all of our club members to gather your feedback. It's important we provide this feedback to Capital Football so they can factor this into any changes they'll make to the Whole of Football programme for 2013. We'll also use this within Petone FC to ensure our kids are enjoying a great football programme.

As parents and caregivers I want to extend my thanks for your enthusiasm and efforts in responding to the Whole of Football changes and ensuring the kids had the best experience possible. I can assure you that there are several ideas and projects already underway to keep improving the game for 2013.

Read on below for our prizegiving dates and I look forward to seeing you there. Also keep an eye on your email for information regards the October School Holiday programme and potential summer training sessions.

Regards,
Richard Arkinstall

Got some feedback? We'd like to hear it. Drop us a line at juniors@petonefootball.org.nz

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Has your coach done an amazing job this year? Have you seen someone within the Club giving assistance to a team, coach or parents? Now is your chance to nominate these people for a 2012 junior award – details of the awards are below.

Submit your nominations to Dael Williams (daelwnz@gmail.com) by 5pm Sunday 26th August.

- Sportsperson of the year: junior player
- Sportsperson of the year: coach, parent or administrator
- Coach of the year: First Kicks – 9th grade
- Coach of the year: 10th-14th grade
- Junior Club organiser of the year
- Judy Morris Memorial Plate
- John Bradbury Trophy

Sportsperson of the year – two awards

The Junior and Senior awards in this category are for those who have gone above and beyond to help their team. These awards are more team based as opposed to the John Bradbury Cup and Judy Morris Memorial Plate which take in both team and Club activities.

- **Player's award:** Coaches, do you have a player with special skills or has made a significant contribution to the team (or Club) in other ways? Who has really assisted the team and grown as a player. This could be a player who has worked really hard and moved up a team during the season or achieved selection in a Federation or National squad.
- **Coach, parent, administrator's award:** do you have a person (could be a coach, manager, parent or administrator) who has been a 'shining light' and really assisted, helped or developed a team throughout the year? For instance has someone picked up coaching and organising a team as the original coach was ill or had to go away?

Coach of the year – two awards for First Kicks -9th grade and 10th-14th grade

A great coach leads and inspires their team to achieve more than the sum of its parts. If you believe this describes a coach you know please nominate them, including the reason they should be selected for this award, what the team has achieved and how the coach was integral to this result. It could include more than just coaching and team results, so communication, organisation, development of players etc all come into this category.

Junior club organiser

Usually someone on the Junior Committee or who has been heavily involved with the committee or Club events during the year, who demonstrated exceptional effort and hard work for the Club over the last year.

Petone FC junior sportsperson of the year – John Bradbury Cup

This is one of our two most prestigious awards, awarded to a junior player with exceptional skills who demonstrates commitment to their

team, to the club and has contributed to the Club in other ways, such as helping with coaching, tuck shop, club events etc. Can also be a player who has achieved significant success during the season.

Sportsperson of the year – Judy Morris Memorial Plate

The second of our prestigious awards, this is awarded to a parent, manager, administrator or supporter who is a Petone stalwart – This person has been fully committed to the junior club and has put in significant time and effort to make Petone FC a great place for our junior players.

End-of-year Prizegiving - Dates Set

The dates for the end-of-year prizegiving have now been set.

Friday 21 September for 12th-14th grades

Timing is to be confirmed however likely to start around 5.30–6.00pm for the 12th grade, and 7.00pm for the combined 13th and 14th grades.

Saturday 22 September for 7th– 11th grades

Timing is to be confirmed but will run sequentially in grade order with 7th grade starting at 9.00am.

First Kicks' prizegiving will be held on their final playing day next Saturday 25 August.

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Final Playing Day

The final playing day for all junior football this year will be Saturday 25 August. If there are any cancellations this week, the season will not run over into September.

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Petone FC's Smartest Mums and Dads

Many thanks to all the people for attending the 2012 Petone Junior Quiz night. What a great night and so many prizes!! Look out for this next year as it is a great fun night out.

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Dates for your Diary

25 August – last games for the season

25 August – last day to submit your award nominations

25 August – First Kick' prizegiving

21 September – 12th-14th grade prizegiving

22 September – 7th-11th grade prizegiving

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