



April 2013

## Chairman's Corner

After weeks of uncertainty surrounding grounds, the senior season got underway last weekend albeit with a staggered start for some divisions. We continue to work closely with the Hutt City Council and Capital Football to manage any impact to junior and senior football going forward, so will keep you posted on changes. Thanks to everyone for your patience. I know that finding pitches and areas to train has been challenging.

Congratulations to the Petone 1st team who took out the Div 1 Final in our own pre-season tournament, the Caltex Railway Avenue Tournament for the Hilton Petone Cup. It was a great result for Mark and the boys who beat Olympic 3-1 in the final. Congratulations also go to Olympic B as the winner of the Division 2 Final.

This month we hear from Mark Foster - Director of Football, and get an update on junior activities as well as Girls Only League. Don't forget to mark your calendars with all of the upcoming events. These are open to everyone to attend and are a great way to show your support for the Club. Check them out on our website [www.petonefootball.org.nz](http://www.petonefootball.org.nz) or on our new [Facebook](#) page.

Also a reminder that registration fees for the 2013 season are now due. We have already received the senior affiliation fee invoice from Capital Football so if you still need to pay, this can be done online - bank account: 020544 0149970-00 (BNZ Petone).

I would like to wish everyone the best for the season and look forward to seeing you at the club.

Craig Deadman  
Club Chairman

## A word from our sponsor - Grant Plumbing



Grant Plumbing is one of Wellington's largest plumbing companies and has been servicing the region for over 15 years. They are proud to support the Petone Football Club for the past two years as sponsor of the Men's First and Reserve teams.

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Jim and the team wish everyone all the best for the coming season.

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## Season Update from Mark Foster



Pre-season is always an interesting time where all teams try different combinations and are working hard on the fitness aspect of the players preparing for the season proper. Petone are no different, Chris and Michael have done a great job in building the foundations in my absence.

The Hilton Petone Cup sponsored by Caltex Railway Avenue (many thanks) gave us the games required to boost fitness and introduce new players and game plans. I am very pleased at how the squad has stacked up and carried out these plans.

Once we reached the final it's all guns blazing and you're out to win, as this goes down in history. The team played very well and got a deserved 3 - 1 victory with goals to Jono, Sam M and Craig.

Although this is great to win, we are all aware the competition for silverware that we strive starts now.

Best of luck to all Petone teams for the upcoming season; hope to see you all at our games on the new number 1 pitch or looking forward to having a chat in the club house.

## Junior Update

Photo night for all teams has been scheduled for Tuesday 7 May. Coaches will be advised on their respective team times in the next two weeks.

## Girls Only League - Summer Wrap Up



Congratulations to the Petone U10 and U12 girls only teams who topped off the summer league season with some fantastic results at the annual Upper Hutt 'kick it' girls only tournament at Davis Field in Trentham.

The tournament had teams from all over the greater Wellington region. There were also past, present and future Football Ferns and Capital Football women involved in development sessions and fun events during breaks in play. The Petone girls enjoyed hanging out with the Ferns and getting their soccer boots signed.

There was a high standard of football throughout the tournament and although it was a very supportive environment for the girls - it was nonetheless very competitive. The U10 team remained undefeated throughout the tournament, and the U12 Petone Settlers team drew 3 games, won 1 game and lost 2 games.

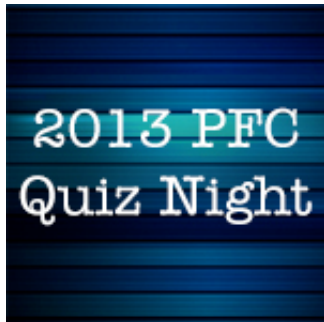
The development of the girls only teams is continually improving with the Petone Settlers team having been together throughout the 2012 winter and summer seasons. Petone FC now has established a strong foothold in Girls only football, and this continues into the 2013 season with two teams registered.

## Women's Team - Strike Invite

The Petone FC Women's Committee would like to invite everyone to our STRIKE Nights at the Strike Entertainment Centre on Hutt Road. Strike Entertainment is a sponsor of the Women's teams at Petone and to show their support, they offer a

family friendly night on the last Friday of every month. The next one on 26th April - and it is a great way for everyone to socialise, have fun and mix with others in the Club. There is FREE bowling upstairs, along with discounted drinks and food.

## Quiz Night



### **2013 Petone FC Quiz night is on Saturday 18 May from 7.00pm at the clubrooms**

So get your teams together and remember to dress in Blue for the event - best dressed wins a prize.

Hosted by Benn and Rich (from the First Team) plus Sam Boyd - they will be giving away prizes and running auctions on the night! Get in early so you don't miss out - teams of 6 (\$10 per head)

Register via our [Facebook](#) page or email

[footballhooligan@hotmail.com](mailto:footballhooligan@hotmail.com)

## Key dates for your calendar

### **13 April**

Junior season starts

### **27 April**

No junior football (school holidays)

### **29 Apr - 3 May**

Petone FC Junior Fun Football Holiday Programme

### **4 May**

Old Timers Day

### **7 May**

Junior team photo night

### **18 May**

Club Quiz night

### **25 May**

Green Bottle Day

### **Early June**

Women's Fundraiser (more details to come)

More events to come!

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