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Welcome

Hello and welcome to the first edition of the Petone Football Club's new 'Code Blue.'

Our junior committee introduced this newsletter a couple of seasons ago to provide a means of getting information out to parents and players. This year, Code Blue will go out to all members and supporters of Petone FC. We'll keep you up to date with information on senior men's, women's and junior football, as well as club activities and key dates, including upcoming club functions, news from our sponsors and maybe the odd titbit or two as well - so if you see a camera around the club, don't forget to smile!

The 2013 season is just around the corner, so I welcome all new and returning members for what should be a very exciting and enjoyable season. The artificial turf project is well underway, we're very close to appointing our new Director of Junior Football, and pre-season training has begun for our senior players. It's been a very busy off-season and I wish to thank all our club volunteers, junior and management committee members for their continued hard work. I would also like to extend a huge thank you to our club sponsors, and encourage you all to support their businesses - they make a significant contribution to our club.

Craig Deadman
Club Chairman

A word from our Sponsor - Caltex Railway Avenue



Caltex Railway Avenue is once again proud to sponsor the Petone Football Club and the Hilton Petone Cup. They have been a key sponsor of the Hilton Petone Cup for the past 3 years, helping to ensure the on-going success of the Club's flagship pre-season tournament.

Located at 20 Railway Avenue, Caltex Railway Ave is committed to providing quality, value and service to their customers. They offer a range of services including assisted forecourt service, a car-wash, convenience store and trailer hire, and are open from 6am to 11pm weekdays and 7am to 10pm weekends and public holidays.

Junior Registrations

It's that time again! Junior registrations open on 1 February for the 2013 season. Registration days for all grades (First Kicks - under 17) will be held at the Petone clubrooms on:

- Sunday 3 February - 4.00-6.00pm
- Thursday 7 February - 7.00-8.30pm
- Saturday 9 February - 12.00-2.00pm



Registrations forms will be available at the clubrooms and on the Petone Football website - www.petonefootball.org.nz

Registration forms can be emailed to juniors@petonefootball.org.nz with subs payment to be made via internet banking. All registrations must be fully paid before allocated to a team.

Grade musters for 10-14th grades will also commence from Sunday 10 February. More information will be sent out next week. Contact Richard Arkinstall with any queries - juniors@petonefootball.org.nz

Senior Players - Pre-season Training

All new and returning players are invited to attend pre-season training for the 2013 season.

Players aiming to be in the Men's First, Second or Third teams are welcome to come down on Tuesday and Thursday nights at 6:30pm for pre-season training.

Women's pre-season training sessions are currently running on Sunday mornings at 10am. Wednesday night training sessions will begin in February. Keep an eye on the website for updated times.

Hilton Petone Cup

The Hilton Petone Cup starts again on Sunday 17 February. As in 2012, the tournament will be run on Sundays with games being played at Petone, and the artificial turfs at Maidstone Park (Upper Hutt) and Wakefield Park (Wellington). This is due to the construction of the new artificial turf at Memorial Park.

This tournament has a proud history and has been run by Petone Football Club since 1955, attracting teams from the greater Wellington area.

Keep an eye out on the website for the draw and come along to support Petone!

Artificial Pitch Update



This year sees the introduction of an artificial turf on the 'Home of Football', Memorial Park's number one pitch. This development, due for completion in March, has been funded by New Zealand Football (representing FIFA), Capital Football, Hutt City Council and the Petone Football Club, along with grants from various funding agencies. The new turf will provide a high-quality, all-weather surface resulting in an increased number of games able to be played throughout the season - minimising the impact of postponements.

The turf will be managed by Capital Football, with Petone teams continuing to have access to the ground for home games, and we are currently negotiating for training at agreed times.

New Life Member - Ray Bell

Congratulations to Ray Bell, who was awarded Life Membership of Petone Football Club at the 2012 AGM. Ray has made a significant contribution to the Club for virtually all of his 36 years as a member. His contribution has spanned across a variety of roles and projects including playing; coaching/managing men's, women's

and junior teams; management committee member; supporter's club committee member and secretary; centennial book research and writing in 1989; and club business plan and national League application. He was part of the team that re-wrote the Club constitution and established the Club's new honours board and timeline. Over the past 9 years, Ray has been the manager for the under-19 team.

Key Dates

3, 7 & 9 Feb

Junior Registrations

10 Feb

Musters Grades 10-14th start

16 Feb

Trials Grades 10-14th starta

17 Feb

Hilton Petone Cup starts

6 Apr

Senior Mens and Womens season starts

13 Apr

Junior season starts

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