



CODE BLUE



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Chairman's Word

Welcome to this month's Code Blue. The season is well underway but with heavy rain, we've already seen a number of cancellations in the first three weeks. Thank goodness for artificial surfaces! We look forward to a full round of senior games this weekend and welcome everyone down to Petone Memorial Park for Old Timers Day on Saturday 26 April. Festivities start from 2pm and carry on into the night with entertainment from 6pm after announcements.

The season has started well for a number of teams both senior and junior, including our top Men's and Women's teams who are currently unbeaten. Make sure you keep up to date with all the results for games played at Memorial and Sladden Parks with our new weekly updates on the Petone FC website - www.petonefootball.org/news

It was great to see so many juniors taking part in the Club Parade at Westpac Stadium for the Phoenix's final game of the season. Thank you to everyone who represented our club for the parade around the field and for taking part in the honour guard and player mascot opportunities throughout the season.

We are very fortunate and grateful to have such a fantastic array of Sponsors and Community Partners who provide wonderful support to the entire club. If you would like to be part of this family or know a business that may be interested in an opportunity, please get in touch with our Sponsorship Manager, Steve Minogue through admin@petonefootball.org.nz. We have a range of opportunities available from ground signboards and team gear sponsorship to junior development and holiday programmes.

We look forward to seeing you down at the club this weekend and don't forget the final fundraiser quiz at the Sprig & Fern next Tuesday night from 7pm. Our own Sam Boyd is MC, so grab some friends and head down for a few laughs and bragging rights as you go up against some seasoned Petone quiz veterans!

Craig Deadman
Chairman

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Where are they now?



Petone FC is well known for its award winning match programmes which are available at every Men's Central League home game. This year along with all the other fabulous contributions from our writers, we have a special section on people who have been involved with or played for the club in the past. The first programme this season featured former All White Andy Barron.

Andy played all his junior football at Petone and quickly made it into the 1st Team in 1996.

He only made 31 appearances for the top team before higher honours came calling. He went onto to play professionally in the US with Minnesota Thunder and also had a stint playing in Northern Ireland. He then returned to NZ to play for and captain Team Wellington. And of course he is a former All White. He played 12 times for the national side and played in the 2010 World Cup. A fabulous career and an all-round top guy we can be proud to say played for our club. Find out what Andy is up to now in the match programme available on our website. Who will be featured in this week's programme? Best you get down to the game to find out. Or keep up to date on our website - [Match Programmes](#)

The great Petone FC Raffle is coming...

It is that time again and the Petone Supporters Club Raffle is coming soon with some great prizes on offer. Books will be given to teams in early May with the raffle drawn in July. This is our major club fundraiser for the year so keep an eye out for the tickets and remember to sell, sell, sell...

Junior Update

Well done to all the teams who competed in the recent Easter Tournament at Kapiti Coast United. This annual tournament is open to travelling teams from 10th - U17 grades and this year Petone entered four teams from 10-13th grade. There were some hard-fought matches with most teams playing up to six games during the day against teams from the

Wellington and Kapiti Coast regions.

Team photos are on Tuesday 6 May - please ensure you have a clean kit and boots (no sneakers) and bring your best smile. Times will be emailed out for each team in the next week starting with 7th grade teams. Teams will need to assemble in the gym 15 minutes prior to their time to ensure money is collected and players are ticked off and lined up ready for their photo. If you are not able to make it, please let your coach know in advance.

There are still spaces left on the Fun Football Junior Holiday Programme running week two of the school holidays. For more information see our website - [School Holiday Programme](#)

Junior reporters - we need you!

Calling all budding reporters and journalists - we are looking for five or six junior players who are keen to contribute articles on junior or senior teams and players throughout the season. These articles will be published on the Petone FC website or right here in Code Blue. If you are keen to be involved and find out more about what our teams are up to this season, contact us on info@petonefootball.org.nz. We are also keen to hear from our senior teams and get photos of games all around the Wellington region. If reporting is not your thing, but you have photos of players and games - send them through with a short paragraph about the team, grade, result and date. This helps keep everyone up to date on what our teams are doing this season.

Key Dates

25 April

Strike Bowling night from 7pm (all welcome)

26 April

Old Timers Day

28 April - 2 May

Fun Football Holiday Programme (see website for details)

29 April

Quiz night 7pm at Sprig & Fern (grab a team and head down)

3 May

Junior football restarts

6 May

Junior teams photo night

7 June

Green Bottle Day

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