



Chairman's Corner

Welcome to the April edition of Code Blue. The temperature has most certainly dropped and the winter winds are already making their presence felt!

Unfortunately there has already been some disruption with some cancellations and postponements last weekend. It's not a good sign when this happens so early in the season but with the amount of artificial turf around back-logs should be cleared relatively quickly. However, I still understand player's frustrations when you're all ready to play on the weekend...fingers crossed this is a rare occurrence.

This Saturday is Old Timers Day at the club. Always a popular event this is your chance to catch up with old friends and familiar faces. Grant Plumbing Petone take on Palmerston North at 3pm on the Turf with the curtain raiser being Petone Reserves facing Upper Hutt at 1pm in Capital Premier. After the Central League match and presentations why not settle in for some live music via the always popular Greg Christianson.....Carolina!!!!!

Our two top teams haven't had the results come their way so far this season but the pleasing thing to see is they are playing good football. Once the results come I have no doubt we will see a positive run for both our Premier teams.

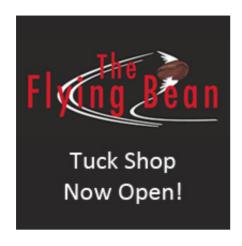
In Women's football our top team, Powerex Petone, has started as they finished last season. Two wins from two, 13 goals scored and just the one conceded. Here's hoping this great run just keeps on a coming and hats off to Sam and his team for such a positive start in the Premier league division.

This weekend also sees the start of Junior football. Registrations have again been strong at the club and we have a healthy number of teams representing the Blue army. Good luck to all players, coaches and supporters for the upcoming season.

That's it from me for this month, I'm now crossing everything for Liverpool to catch Manchester City for the magical fourth spot in the EPL!

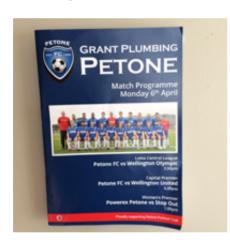
Take care and keep warm!

Petone FC welcomes The Flying Bean Tuck Shop



Now you don't have to stop on your way to football to grab fabulous Mojo coffee, hot chocolate or snacks. The Flying Bean Tuck Shop has landed at Petone and is open every Saturday, as well as other days during the week. So tell your friends and family to drop by to get their fix before kick-off, and after! The Flying Bean Tuck Shop is located under the Petone FC clubrooms balcony – just follow the signs!

Have you seen this?



It is not quite located in the seat pocket in front of you, but it is still a great read. The Grant Plumbing Petone match programme is published for every home game and contains some interesting articles and updates on Men's, Women's and Junior football at Petone FC - plus the famous 'From the Balcony', an insight into all things football from our own Sam Boyd.

If you can't make it down to the game you can catch up with the latest news when the programmes are uploaded to the Petone FC website here.

This week's programme features some new faces to the Club. Come down on Saturday and grab yourself a copy while you watch some football - first game kicks off at 1pm.

Women make strong start to season

Powerex Petone Women's First team has made an impressive start to their 2015 campaign by taking out the annual Stop Out Pre-Season tournament in March.

After being promoted to the Capital Premier League last season they have continued their preseason form with notable wins against Stop Out Prems (9-0)

and Waterside Karori (4-1). This weekend sees them take on Western Suburbs.

Powerex Petone are entered into the ASB Knock Out competition for the first time in a few years. This is comparable to the Men's Chatham Cup competition. The women face Kapiti Coast United at home over Anzac weekend.

The final competition the First team is entered into is the Kelly Cup. Last season they had a strong Kelly Cup competition, only to fall short in the semi-finals to Central League side Wellington United. They start this year's competition against Victoria University and hope to have similar success.

Get along and support Petone Women's football!

Juniors take home Club trophy



The junior season is set to start this weekend, but already Petone FC has some silverware in the trophy cabinet. Over the Easter weekend six teams represented Petone at the annual Kapiti Coast United Easter tournament.

Teams had the chance to eye up the opposition for the new season and put into practice their team tactics and pre-season training. Despite not winning any of the grades outright, Petone took out the overall

Club trophy for most points across all grades. The trophy was awarded to the 14th Grade and U17 teams who competed on the Sunday.

Good luck to the 500+ juniors taking to the field this weekend. We look forward to hearing how you go as the season progresses. Keep us up to date by sending in your match reports and photos to info@petonefootball.org.nz

FIFA U20 World Cup draws closer

The Cricket World Cup may be over but the party is just starting at FIFA U-20 HQ, it's less than two months to go until the biggest celebration of global football to ever hit our shores begins.

The future stars of world football will be setting stadiums alight across the country at the FIFA U-20 World Cup New Zealand 2015. Football superstars such as Messi, Aguero, Maradona and Iniesta have dazzled crowds at this tournament previously, so don't miss your chance to be there.

Tickets are subject to availability so be sure to book early.



Mark your diaries and support your club



Winter may be coming but already there are some exciting events planned to get you warmed up.

This weekend it's Old Timers Day (18 April) and a chance to catch up with old friends and kick up your heels in the John Bradbury Lounge from 2.00pm.

Next weekend, after you have taken the time to show your respect for our war heroes at the

ANZAC Day commemorations come down to watch Grant Plumbing Petone take on Miramar at 3.00pm, then stick around for the 20th Anniversary of the Dave Agent Memorial Darts Competition.

Then on Saturday 9 May get a group of mates together and fall under the spell of the hilarious hypnotist – Nigel Kennedy. Tickets are \$20 each and can be purchased by contacting <u>Jodie Agent</u>. The show is on at the clubrooms and starts at 7.30pm.

Key Dates

- 18 April: Junior season starts and Old Timers Day
- 25 April: 20th Anniversary Dave Agent Memorial Darts Competition
- 27 April: Junior Football played on Monday of ANZAC weekend
- 5 May: Junior team photo night
- 9 May: Nigel Kennedy Hypnotist show (7.30pm)



















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