

# Liquid IT Petone vs Miramar Rangers Central League 2022 | 3pm, Saturday May 7 | Memorial Park





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elcome to Miramar Rangers who play our Liquid IT Petone Men's First Team, Waterside Karori playing our Powerex Petone Women's First Team and Stokes Valley who play our Men's Reserve Team.

Our Liquid IT Men's First Team come off a brilliant 4-0 win over Western Suburbs last week and for those that have been watching them regularly, we are seeing a side that is building in confidence and ability - showing a real passion for the football they are playing. The new coaching unit led by Ryan Edwards with assistants Jamie Forsyth, Maika Ruyter-Hooley and Stu Pine, strength and conditioning coach Kieran McMinn, TBI Health physio Barnaby Verberne and new manager Gavin Siegel, has certainly made a noticeable difference to our senior squad this year.

They will have plenty of support this week with a larger-than-usual crowd due to Old Timers' Day, which I'm sure they will thrive in and be spurred on by to more points today - COYB.

Our Men's Reserve Team playing Stokes Valley at 1pm is sitting top of Capital 2, with only one loss this year to our Petone Third Team last week in a great intra-club derby. With head coach Richard Kerr-Bell back at the helm they should get back to winning ways again today, as this squad is a true feeder team to our First Team, containing a lot of very talented young men.

Our Powerex Petone Women's First Team started their 2022 campaign with a 3-1 home win against North Wellington and then a hard-fought 2-1 loss to Palmerston North Marist last week - they will be looking to get another home



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win against Waterside Karori today. With new coach Ryan McGlinchey, assistants Linda Roeters, Michael McGlinchey and Ellen Fibbes, and manager Julia Harrison, we have assembled a strong unit, boosted by a couple of new players joining us and retention of most of last year's players.

Our Women's Reserve Team is also strengthened this year to compete in the Women's I League under coach Amanda Hewitt. They have had a good start with two wins and a draw so far. Additionally, we have a Women's U18s Development Squad that is starting their competition on Sunday.

The juniors also start their season this weekend, which is a lot later than usual. Thanks to all of our wonderful volunteers and administrators of our Petone juniors who bring so much fun to our almost 600 young players.

# **Petone FC Programme**

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As well as being Men's First Team coach, Ryan Edwards is additionally our director of football, overseeing our football programme and pathway from junior



to youth to senior football for males and females. Sam Pickering is our director of junior football, supporting our junior coaches and our Talent Development Programme with Ryan.

Our Capital Development League teams have only just started as well, and by providing all of this junior talent and youth development, a good flow of promising young players should continue to come through for our senior teams – alongside the important element of them having loads of fun along the way!

The club also proudly welcomes the two new teams in the men's space this year – Petone Rampage coming to us from North Wellington in Masters 6





and Petone Forplay coming from Lower Hutt City in Wellington 6 – showing that what we have here at Petone is something special that players want to be involved in.

A special thank to Life Member Craig Deadman for organising our Old Timers' celebration today and running our very popular U19s raffle.

Please visit our newly-invigorated social media channels – our website as well as Facebook, Twitter and Instagram presence – to keep up to date with what is happening at the club. Also, with our new streaming camera you can watch all games for our Men's Firsts and Reserves and Women's Firsts live on YouTube.

# **Please Support Our Sponsors**

I cannot finish without showing appreciation to our sponsors. Without them we would not be in the lucky position that we are as a community-based club. Please make yourself aware of our sponsors and send them your business whenever possible.

Good luck to all teams and players this weekend and I hope our supporters enjoy the football – COYB.

Matt Bliss Chairman <u>chairman@petonefootball.org.nz</u>

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# Coach's Comment – Men's Reserve Team

Tenā tātou, 2022 will be an exciting year for the Petone FC Men's Reserve Team and a little bit of déjà vu. It is exciting that we had a fantastic preseason under director of coaching, Ryan Edwards, with fresh ideas and a new coaching team.

With a large squad to accommodate, including young club talents such as Nick Drayton, Nkhata Hollywell, Harrison Lamont, Luca Siegel and Harry Graham, we anticipate a strong player group and a competitive run at the competition. Other exciting players on show are Bray Whitecliffe, Xander, Jordon Gilmore, Jared Eglinton, Cameron Sinclair and Stanton Renwicks. Many of last year's core group will be pushing for First Team starts while taking on the challenge of getting back into Capital 1. These include Dylan Goddard, Alistair Morris, William Grantham and Jack Keenen. Congratulations to Matt Jones and Seth Loughran, who have had deserved time in the Central League this season.



Ultimately, our goal is to gain promotion this season and be competitive next year.

We wish all of the teams an enjoyable season of our beautiful game.

Richard Kerr-Bell Petone FC Men's <mark>Res</mark>erve Team coach



s part of our club's supporters' package, sponsors have the opportunity to advertise on the back of player shirts in both the Petone FC Liquid IT Men's First Team and Powerex Women's First Team. These much-appreciated financial supporters are also named a matchday sponsor for one game per year, in which their business and the players proudly wearing their shirts will be profiled in the following pages of this programme. Hospitality will be provided to the sponsor at that game and, additionally, framed pictures will feature in the club stairwell throughout the season. Any businesses who may be interested in this opportunity - or any club members who may have potential contacts - please advise club chairman Matt Bliss chairman@petonefootball.org.nz.

This weekend's featured sponsors are Paradise Building as well as BP Railway Ave – the former appearing on the shirts of Josh Zatorski and Jenna Reddy, and the latter appearing on the shirts of Jamaya Shearer and Christine Hosie. Please read on to learn more about these valued business partners as well as those Petone FC players via fresh 2022 profile questions!

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# Josh Zatorski

Nickname? JZ or Wazowski. Age? 19 Job or studying what? Sparky apprentice. Past clubs/teams played for? Lower Hutt since I was five. What do you like about football? The gameday feeling and playing an attractive style of football. What don't you like about football? Opposition that complain all game. Who is your greatest sporting hero and why? Cristiano Ronaldo – the man is a beast. What training do you do outside of the structured sessions? Just a casual gym session when I've got the time. What do you do to relax outside of football? Nothing much just chillin' out watching Netflix or playing PlayStation. Favourite sounds? I have guite a range of music, all depends on the day. Why Petone FC? A great environment on and off the field - has a real club feel to it. Do you have any rituals that you must perform before a game and why?

Pre-game Subway is a must.









What is the greatest piece of football advice you have been given and by who? Work hard and earn the right to play – I believe my Old Man told me that.

# Who is the team comedian and why?

Talking about comedians you can't look further than Sefa Mamea-Hind and Callum Brooker – those two are always consistent with the jokes

# Jenna Reddy

# Who is your greatest sporting hero and why?

The one and only Chrissy (@christine\_hosie). No explanation needed.

# What training do you do outside of the structured sessions?

Training outside of footy is usually Mondays and Wednesdays at the gym doing weights. Unless I get a cardio vibe, then I'll go for a run instead (which doesn't occur that often and to be honest is a very rare sighting).

# What do you do to relax outside of football?

My go-to is definitely Netflix to wind down and watch a movie or TV series. Right now it's Bridgeton Season 2 (please don't judge me, a girl's got to find out if Eloise figures out who Lady Whistledown is).

# Favourite sounds?

The final whistle, because usually I'm gassed by then.



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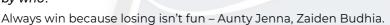
# Why Petone FC?

Petone FC is full of girls I've played with back in the day at Hutt Valley High (Ellen [Fibbes], Katie [McKenzie] and Caitlin [Hendry]) or played against in different footy teams across the years like Alex [McIntosh], Bex [Otte] and Emily [Yates]. At my first training, the girls were all so welcoming and it just felt like the right move. Plus, the girls are all such a laugh which makes footy that much more enjoyable too! Very happy to be stuck with this bunch!

# Do you have any rituals that you must perform before a game and why?

No real rituals but I do love me a good piece of honey toast and a cheeky banana pre-game!

# What is the greatest piece of football advice you have been given and by who?



Who is the team comedian and why?

Please refer to answer in Q1.

# **BP Railway Ave**

BP Railway Avenue is a family service station owned by Pam and Campbell Sutherland.

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We also utilise the services of an external coffee specialist to make sure our training is of the highest standard. We feel we have one of the best – if indeed, not the best – coffee offer in the Hutt Valley.

We additionally have a great food offer, covering all of the yummy succulent service station food options – from healthy sandwiches to pastas, to vegan and vegetarian and meat pies, and then to follow we have a range of sweet slices







and cakes. The café offers are supported by a wide selection of chilled drinks, chippies, chocolates and ice creams from the general shop.

Our other significant offer for customers is a touch-free carwash, which uses two different detergent washes to get all-but-the-most-stubborn road grime off vehicles, followed by a tricolour polish pass, before finishing with a carnauba wax waterfall. An LED light display adds a bit of theatre to the carwash experience in the evenings.

Further customer offers include our vacuum cleaner, trailer hire service and out of the general shop we have party ice, car care products and a range of grocery items – all of this being backed up with our friendly staff service.

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# Jamaya Shearer

Nickname?

Jay.

Age?

18.

# Job or studying what?

I study psychology at Victoria University.



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# Past clubs/teams played for?

In the past I have played for a few different clubs, in more recent years I have played for Waterside Karori and Wellington Olympic.

# What do you like about football?

I like the competitiveness and just the enjoyment of being out on the field.

# What don't you like about football?

One thing I don't like about football would be the feeling of losing a game.

# Who is your greatest sporting hero and why?

Lionel Messi - he was my idol growing up and I always wanted to play like him.

# What training do you do outside of the structured sessions?

I do fitness and strengthening sessions in my own time to help me improve my game.

# What do you do to relax outside of football?

I do a bit of fishing on the boat with my family.

# Favourite sounds?

Drum and bass.





# Why Petone FC?

Ryan Edwards was the one who got me along to Petone and I've loved it for the culture the club has on and off the pitch.

# Do you have any rituals that you must perform before a game and why?

I have a positive affirmation script that helps me get in the right head space for the game.

# What is the greatest piece of football advice you have been given and by who?

Sounds simple but to have fun and enjoy myself no matter what – Ryan Edwards gave me this advice.

# Who is the team comedian and why?

It would definitely be Bobby [Matt Jones], he's just a funny guy all round.

# **Christine Hosie**

# Who is your greatest sporting hero, and why?

Have you seen Jenna Reddy do a one-legged squat? It would be rude not to say her.

# What training do you do outside of the structured sessions?

Besides watching Libby [Boobyer] do sprints before training, a few pumps at the gym doesn't hurt.

# What do you do to relax outside of football?

Love a bit of Netflix and chill, with some snacks.

# Favourite sounds?

Can I get a ... CHEEHOOO?!

# Why Petone FC?

Once you go blue, you can never undo.

# Do you have any rituals that you must perform before a game and why?

Probably a bit of head-banging to Doja Cat, just to get the blood flowing to the brain.

# What is the greatest piece of football advice you have been given and by who?

We lost because we didn't win - Ronaldo.

# Who is the team comedian and why?

I would probably say me, would be rude not to.







# **Catch-up Profile**

At the time of valued sponsor, <u>Oroqi</u> (product highlighted in photograph), being featured in our March 26 programme, the Powerex Petone Women's First Team squad had not been finalised and so we were unable to profile the player wearing their 12 shirt. Please find that catch-up profile below.



# **Gabrielle Claridge**

Who is your greatest sporting hero and why? Eleanor Humphrey. I wanna be like her when I grow up.

# What training do you do outside of the structured sessions?

I love a good run.

### What do you do to relax outside of football?

Catch up with my mates or take the dogs to the beach.

### Favourite sounds?

DnB [drum and base] or a good pre-game playlist.



*Why Petone FC?* Ollie Pickering – full stop.

# Do you have any rituals that you must perform before a game and why?

A coffee and a banana before warm up, hair must be tied up in a ponytail with a braid, then a pre-game pitstop with Kate Marra.

What is the greatest piece of football advice you have been given and by who?

Don't dive – Mark Oats.

Who is the team comedian and why? Libby Boobyer – always a time and a place for her humour.







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# Who is Your Club Legend?

Year 2023 sees us mark 125 years of Petone FC and 50 years of women's football at the club – which also means 125 years of club legends. So, who is yours?

There is a list of names on our honours board to consider, but there are so many more people that make up a club, and loads of activities on and off the field that warrant legend status.

Tell us who your club legend is – E-mail <u>125th@petonefootball.org.nz</u>.

Remember to put Queen's Birthday Weekend – June 2-5, 2023 – on your calendar for our celebratory event.

Article kindly provided by Dana Pickering



# Legend

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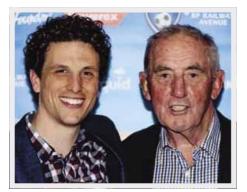
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A story from ancient times about people and events, that may or may not be true; this type of story:

Legend has it he dribbled through the middle of the park, got past six opposition players to take on the goalie one-on-one and scored from his left peg in the top corner.

A very famous person, especially in a particular field, who is admired by other people:

Many of football's living legends were playing at Petone FC.











# **Capital Football Award Winners 2021**

Congratulations to the following Petone FC personnel for their contributions on and off the park being recognised in the 2021 Capital Football Awards (the winners recently being announced online, due to pandemic-enforced cancellations of the planned live awards ceremony):

- Phil Pickering Club Service Award
- 🛿 Hami Paranihi-Nuku Central League Select XI
- 🛛 Ellen Fibbes W-League Select XI
- Davey Lane Master's Player of the Year
- Argh Me Knees Finalist, Team of the Year
- Petone FC Programme Finalist, Programme of the Year

Additionally, Powerex Petone Women's First Team players Rebecca Otte and Libby Boobyer were named Women's Premier League Player of the Year and Women's Futsal Player of the Year respectively [Ed – although, not while in Petone FC representation].

# **Club Service Award – Phil Pickering**

In a video snippet published on the Capital Football Facebook page, Petone FC chairman Matt Bliss provided the following tribute to the club service of Phil Pickering (pictured as Men's First Team manager in 2021).

"Phil has been involved with the club for over 60 years, with the odd gap here and there. He is a Life Member (1989) and still contributes significantly to the running of the club.

"Phil began his administrative career as a teenager on the junior management committee and has been involved in running pub raffles, bottle drives etc, and heavily involved in working bees over the years.



"Phil was the bar manager for many years (and still organises all the stock), chaired the Supporters' Club and this year [2021, was] his final year as Men's First Team manager – a role he has performed with distinction over the years."





# Central League 2022

# Saturday May 7 | 3pm | Memorial Park

**Miramar Rangers** 

# **Liquid IT Petone**

GK (1)	Shea Stapleton	GK (22)	Neil Arhary (GK)
GK (22)	Ethan Claridge	G <mark>K (</mark> 25)	Jack De Groot
2	James Nash	1	Ryan Foord
3	Seth Loughran	4	Liam Wood
4	Brynn Sinclair	5	Ollie Van Rijssel
5	Kieran McMinn	6	Taylor Schrijvers (c)
6	Jordan Pickering	7	Owen Barnett
7	Jamaya Shearer	8	Sam Dewar
8	Hami Paranihi-Nuku (c)	9	Hamish Watson
9	Alden Suri	10	Wan Gatkek
10	Max Winterton	11	Aaron Spain
11	Josh Zatorski	12	Max Falconer
12	Ollie Pickering	13	Scott Midgley
13	Isaac Snell	14	Sam Mason-Smith
14	Luke Grindlay	15	Ryan Fuetz
15	-	16	Flynn O'Brien
	Jared Eglinton	17	Joao Moreira
16	Alex Shepherd-Reynolds	19	Harris Zeb
17	Sefa Mamea-Hind	20	James Murdoch-Gibbs
18	Billy Check	23	Hugo Delhommelle
19	Matt Jones	24	George Walker
20	Callum Brooker	Coach	Scott Hales
21	Sam Pickering	Asst coaches	Brendon McIntyre
Coach	Ryan Edwards		Stu Widdowson
Asst coach	Jamie Forsyth	GK coach	Steve Bayard
Strength/cond	Kieran McMinn	Strength/cond	Ollie Croft
Manager	Gavin Siegel	Manager	Jaydn Robson
Physio	Barnaby Verberne	Physio	Shontal Norton

**Officials** 



Referee – Aaron Clarke Assistant Referee 1 – Max Lauridsen Assistant Referee 2 – Jordan Williams

# W-League 2022

# <u>Saturday May 7 | 11am | Memorial Park</u>

Waterside Karori

# **Powerex Petone**

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GK (1)	Aoife Gallagher-Forbes	GK (1)	Ariana Gray			
2	Shannon Newlyn	2	Skye Solomon			
3	Caelin Patterson	3	Maggie Blackburn			
4	Katie McKenzie	4	Lauren Owen (c)			
5	Devyn Crawford	5	Jenna Barry			
6	Libby Boobyer	6	Kaley Ward			
7	Christine Hosie	7	Renee Bacon			
8	Olivia Gibbs	8	Eve Barry			
9	Amy Price	9	Emma Kruszona			
10	Rebecca Otte	10	Margot Ramsey			
11	Jenna Reddy	11	Sam O'Callaghan			
12	Gabrielle Claridge	12	Jade Morrissey			
13	Emily Yates	13	Kennedy Bryant			
14	Alex McIntosh (c)	14	Mei Burden			
15	Jessica Kincaid	15	Laura Flannagan			
16	Sydnie Williams	16	Nicola Ross			
10	Caitlin Hendry	17	Alyssa Wilson			
	-	18	Sarah Morton			
18	Kate Marra	19	Jayden Watts			
21	Cecily Holland	21	Emily Watt			
22	Sophie Chamberlain		Sam Morrissey			
Coach	Ryan McGlinchey	Asst coach	Nigel Burn			
Asst coaches	Linda Roeters	Manager	Jodie Agent			
	Michael McGlinchey	GK coach	Georgia Candy			
	Ellen Fibbes	Physio	Lucy Preston			
Manager	Julia Harrison	Phys trainer	Sean McCleary			

Officials Referee – Barry Buchanan Assistant Referee 1 - Conor Healy Assistant Referee 2 - Liam Weaver



# Men's Central League Matches

March 26 Wellington Olympic   home - 1-5 S Pickering
April 2   Wellington Phoenix   away - 0-3
April 9   Wellington United   away - 0-0
April 15   Napier City Rovers   away - 2-2 S Pickering (pen), A Suri
April 23   Waterside Karori   home - 1-2 S Loughran
May 1 Western Suburbs away - 4-0 A Suri, K McMinn, S Loughran, J Shearer
May 7   Miramar Rangers   home -
May 22   Havelock North Wanderers   away -
May 28   North Wellington   home -
June 11   Wellington United   home -
June 25 Wellington Phoenix   home -
July 2   Wellington Olympic   away -
July 16 Napier City Rovers home -
July 23   Waterside Karori   away -
August 6   Western Suburbs   home -
August 13 Miramar Rangers away -
August 20 Havelock North Wanderers   home -
August 28 North Wellington away -









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# Women's W-League Matches

April 23 | North Wellington | home – **3-1** 3 Reddy, S Williams, L Boobyer April 30 | PN Marist | away – **1-2** own goal May 7 | Waterside Karori | home – May 21 | Seatoun | home – May 28 | Bye | – June 11 | Victoria University | home – June 25 | Wgtn Utd Diamonds | home – July 2 | North Wellington | away – July 16 | PN Marist | home – July 23 | Waterside Karori | away – July 30 | Seatoun | away – August 6 | Bye | – August 13 | Victoria University | away –



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# **Central League Table**

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Wellington Olympic								
Waterside Karori	6			0	17	8	9	14
Miramar Rangers					25		19	
Wellington Phoenix	6			0	14	8	6	12
Napier City Rovers								8
North Wellington	6				11	14		5
Liquid IT Petone	6	1	2	3	8	12	-4	5
Western Suburbs	6				6	18	-12	5
Havelock North Wanderers								
Wellington United	6	0				17	-15	







# W-League Table

Wellington Utd Diamonds	2	2	0	0	8	0	8	6
Palmerston North Marist	2	2	0	0	4	2	2	6
Waterside Karori	1	1	0	0	11	0	11	3
Powerex Petone	2		0			3		3
Seatoun	1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0
North Wellington	2	0	0	2	1	10	-9	0
Victoria University	2	0	0	2	1	13	-12	0







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# **Volunteering and Events**

Petone FC relies on the support of our community to maintain our family-friendly club and we are always in need of both volunteers and funding. We would love to see you attend this season's functions, as listed in our events calendar, and would welcome any offers of a little time to help out.

This could be helping run gamedays, manning the bar or you may have a particular skill the club could use on one of our committees. If interested please contact Matt Bliss <u>chairman@petonefootball.org.nz</u>.















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A former Men's First Team player and still actively involved in Petone FC today, A formest notably committee roles, Brendon May is the focus of this edition's Settler Q&A.

# Do you recall when you first started playing football and any memories from that game/time?

I started playing football at Petone as a five-year-old and have been a one-club man since. I was too young to remember my first game, but over the early years as a young fella playing for Petone I do remember the treks to all parts of Lower Hutt for earlymorning games in very thick frosts.

# Why did you join Petone?

My family lived in Petone so it made sense to join a local club.

# When did you make your First Team debut and can you recall how it went?

I made my First Team debut in 1994, as a 16-year-old, playing just that one game that season. I went on to play 73

# Potted Brendon May Stats/Achievements

- 73 Men's First Team league games and ten goals (1994-2006)
- Best & Fairest 1999 and 2003
- Men's First Team manager – 2007
- football advisory committee – since 2018
- executive committee since 2016

Information kindly supplied by Ray Bell

times over my First Team career (scoring ten goals) until ongoing injuries over the years took their toll, and I missed seasons with an ACL reconstruction, a knee dislocation and various cartilage and meniscus damage to the knee – did I say I had lots of injuries to my knees :-)

I don't really remember my debut, but I do know that I thought it was pretty cool to play alongside a number of the 1990 Central League Team – in particular, Wayne Ebert.

Wayne had been my junior coach for a number of years alongside Eggy (Steve Eglinton) – [Ed – both pictured overleaf, in reverse order] – so for me it was cool to play alongside someone that shaped me as a player in my early years.

# What were your main position(s) and what attracted you to those?

To be honest, I just played where I was put. Apart from keeper, I think I played in every position. Being able to naturally kick with both feet made me versatile



# **TBIhealth**

Take control back from those ongoing aches! All registered Petone football players in any team with an ACC injury are eligible for fully-subsidised physiotherapy treatment at any TBI Health Wellington clinic:

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I suppose, so if I wasn't playing left wing back, I was right midfield or centre back as cover. I didn't really mind, I just loved playing football.

# Career highlights?

Playing First Team is a highlight, it was always a goal for me and I certainly As a you trained hard to make the team every week.



As a youngster – then tallest – in back row

Achieving rep honours for Hutt Valley over my junior career was also a highlight – playing with different players that we normally played against.

# Any notable disappointments?

For me, its simple - not being able to achieve 100 games for the First Team.



Being such an elite group, and having played alongside a number of centurions over the years, it was certainly on my bucket list.

Injuries aside, I may have got there, but we can't do anything about it now.

# Team-mates you've particularly respected/enjoyed?

Having been in the First Team/Reserve Team environment from 1994 to 2007, there were a number of players that came and went. Player-wise, it would be unfair to single out, as I enjoyed all of my senior years at Petone with all players I played with.

In terms of coaches, Graeme Boomer threw me into the First Team as a 16-year-old and over the years





Ken Dugdale, Barry Truman, Grant Turner and Mark Foster also all instilled good advice.

# When/why did you step down from the First Team and did you continue to play thereafter?

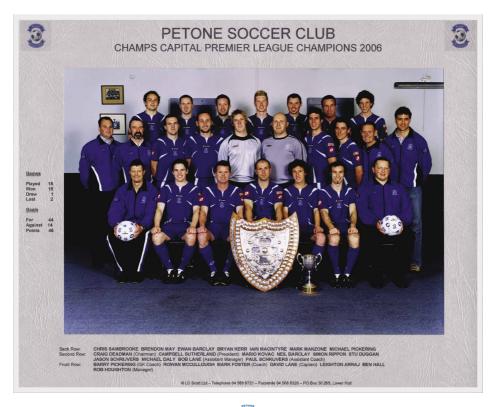
After an ACL reconstruction in 2008 I started playing for the mighty Armanis – ultimately notching up over 100 appearances for the team – and had a stint with Wayne and Andy Badrick playing in a Fourth Team which was effectively myself and a whole lot of young kids – one namely being Hami Paranihi-Nuku (current First Team captain and recent centurion).

Over the entirety of my career, I also played a number of games for the Reserves and Third Team.

I hung up my boots in 2016 to pursue what turned out to be a successful stint as a triathlete – having since completed three IRONMAN NZ events, 12 half-ironmans and represented New Zealand at age group level at the World Champs in 2017 and 2019.

# What other roles have you had in the club over the years?

I am currently on the senior executive committee and the football advisory



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group, but also help out with sponsorship of the club.

# Have other family members played for/had any involvement in the club?

My brother played in his early years, but went on to forge a senior rugby career, and both my 11-year-old and seven-year-old boys play for Petone FC – although the latter is trying his luck with rugby this year.

### Any reflections on the game overall?

Football is and was always a team sport to me, and one thing that I learned at a young age was exactly that – so, if you see a team-mate in a better position than you to either move the ball forward or to have a shooting opportunity, you pass the ball! Yes, gifted individuals do win games but more often than not it's the team that pays a big part in that.



Pictured at Memorial Park with his boys – 11-year-old Tyler and seven-year-old Cooper – for a 2020 masters end-of-season mini-tournament

### Lastly, any final thoughts on what Petone FC has meant to you and family?

Petone has and always will be a family-friendly club. There are a number of people I know from my junior years that are still with the club today – either playing, volunteering, on a committee or who just come down and watch football because they love the game and they love Petone FC.

# **Club Events Calendar 2022**

- Old Timers' Day Saturday May 7
- Senior Quiz Saturday June 25
- Horsie Night Saturday July 16
- Senior Women's Fundraiser Saturday July 23
- Stonecutters' Quiz Saturday July 30
- Junior Quiz Saturday August 27
- Golf Day Friday September 9









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# Highly Capped – Bob Walley



Petone FC 1967 Division Two winners

Bob Walley (pictured above, back row, third from right) is one of the Petone FC Men's First Team's most highly-capped players.

Arriving in New Zealand as a 13-year-old, he played junior football for Hutt Valley Memorial Technical College, which was where the Bob Scott Retirement Village is now. At the same time he was playing for the club's Third Team and additionally played two years for Petone's U18s.

Bob made his First Team league debut in 1957, although he had been a member of the Hilton-Petone Cup winning team in 1956. He continued playing in the First Team until 1975 and then had two seasons with Naenae.

Starting at inside right, he then settled into the position of right half. He is known to have played at least 191 First Team games for the club – however, records prior to 1968 are incomplete and so he probably played as many as 235 games. He scored six First Team league goals.

Bob also played many games for the Men's Reserve Team.

He was on the club's management committee from 1962 to 1964 and again in 1982 and 1983, was club captain in 1965 and coached the Men's Third Team for several years.





Bob has very fond memories of playing many seasons alongside team-mates who became good friends, including Dave McKissock, John Glover, Alan Kearton, Tony Evans, Tom Giannotti and John Ryan. He remains good friends with Tom and Alan, and he and Tom still come to most of our Men's First Team home games.

Article kindly provided by Ray Bell







# **Petone FC Keepers – Past and Present**



Pictured at Petone Memorial Park in May 2021 are former and current club keepers – Barry Pickering (1973-2004, 93 First Team league appearances), Luca Siegel (U17s), James Bannatyne (1992-2010, 100 appearances), Cameron Irving (now on Ioan at Brooklyn Northern United) and Ethan Claridge (Reserve Team). James worked with the young keepers during his visit.



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# **A Brief History**

Formed in 1898, Petone FC is one of the oldest football clubs in New Zealand and is the longest-surviving in our original form – non-amalgamated – in Wellington.

Major on-field achievements have included:

- Chatham Cup winners 1928, 1930 and 1949
- Chatham Cup semifinalists 1994
- Chatham Cup quarterfinalists 1995
- Junior National Cup (New Zealand U18s) winners 1979
- National Youth Championship (New Zealand U19s) winners 2008
- Wellington annual preseason tournament (progressively known as the Hilton-Petone Cup) winners – 1956, 1985, 2000, 2003, 2007, 2010 and 2013
- Central League Premier Division winners 1990
- Capital Federation Premier League winners 2006, 2007 and 2019
- Women's Central League winners 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997 and 1998
- Women's National U19s Tournament winners 2021

Petone FC also finished runners-up in the Central League Premier Division in 1992, 1996 and 2008 as well as the Capital Federation Premier League in 2005, 2017 and 2018.

The club organises the annual preseason Hilton-Petone Cup tournament which, since 1955, has attracted an almost maximum number of entries from clubs in the Wellington region and which is an established part of the local football scene.







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