



MATCH DAY PROGRAM

8th April 2017



Photo courtesy of AT Photo

"We'll see you right"

PARAPINE

UPPER HUTT CITY VS WATERSIDE KARORI

MAIDSTONE PARK - KO 3:00 PM



A message from Mark . . .

Here we are, the start another football season and our first home game.

Firstly many thanks to the club who have worked really hard over the off season (If there is such a thing as an off season) to provide us with everything we need, so we can focus on preparing the team to perform well and achieve our goals.

We have a few new faces joining the team this year, and while we will certainly miss those that have moved on, we've recruited really well which I believe has us positioned well for at least a contender to win the league and gain promotion.

Unfortunately we didn't start how we would have wished last week with a 0 – 2 loss at Petone. The game itself didn't reach any great heights and was mainly played out in the middle 3rd of the park.

At half time we had to make a change in goal due to Logan being accidentally kick in the head, I say accidentally as I don't believe the Petone Player intended to do it but from where I was standing it was very late and could have been avoided. The player received a yellow card but I believe a red would have been justified. Everyone has an opinion on this but the way I look at these situations is if this happen to one of your players what would you have deemed the appropriate punishment?

A message from Mark . . .

Josh went in goal for us in the second half and did an admiral job and by no means could be held accountable for the goals. But it does change our structure and it unbalanced us for what we had set out to do for that opposition. In saying that thou we just didn't create anything and didn't show that hunger and desire that had been on display during preseason games. This has certainly highlighted to the team that we can't take anything for granted and you have to work for what you want to achieve.



I would like to welcome last year's champions, Martin and his side who got off to a great start last week by beating another title contender, North Wellington 5 – 4. We know they're going to be strong competitors for winning the league, so it should be a great game to watch!



Finally, good luck to all other Upper Hutt teams, play hard, play fair but give it everything you have as you're a long time retired!

Enjoy the game, get behind the Orange and look forward to seeing you in the club afterwards.

Foz



Photos courtesy of AT Photo

Introducing your teams . . .

GK	Logan Van Der Vegt
2	Brandon Postlethwaite
3	Josh Hinton
4	Peter Czerwonka
5	Luke Bradshaw
6	David Lane
7	Sam Patterson
8	Matt Fong
9	Jeremy Fong
10	Dan Close
11	Cameron McLachlan
12	Joe Sambrooke
13	Sam Rausch
14	Bryce Tamahaga
15	Nathan Woods
16	James Bennett
17	Benn Dawson
18	Ben Wood
19	Connor McIndoe
20	Donal Gahan
21	Simon Rippon



COACHES/ MANAGEMENT

Mark Foster
John Milroy
Hamish McLachlan
Dianne Shirer

"We'll see you right"

PARAPINE 

City Review

Introducing your teams . . .

GK Kieran Spargo
2 Tom Withnall
3 Izac Lee
4 Ethan Cain
5 Guillermo Migueles
6 Caleb Hilbron
7 Leonardo Villa
8 John Sutherland
9 Facundo Barbero
10 Jack Haggerty
11 Martin Pereyra-Garcia
12 Cole Hosking Berge
13 Sam Adams
14 Luc Saker
15 Angus McCarthy
16 Tor Davenport
17 George Hercus
18 James Knott
19 Oliver Fletcher
20 Callum Holmes
GK Sam Martin



COACHES/ MANAGEMENT

Martin Pereyra-Garcia
Mike Hornsby
Chris Pile
Tyler Hornsby

Team Wellington defend their title . . .

Team Wellington have defended their Stirling Sports Premiership title by defeating Auckland City 2-1 in an entertaining final tonight at QBE Stadium in Auckland.



The Jose Figueira-coached side, who upset the six-time champions with a late comeback to win the final 4-2 at the same venue last year, earned a hard-fought victory over the minor premiers with two goals from Ben Harris, one at the start of each half. “It’s always good to score goals but it’s more important to get the win,” the match-winner said.

“The boys have worked hard all season and they deserve this win. I’d back these boys to the hills and back because they put the hard work in every single week. Once we get a method and stick to it then we hurt teams and that’s exactly what happened today.” Auckland City, who had equalised in the first half through an outstanding Emiliano Tade strike, poured forward in numbers in the final 30 minutes but could not break down a determined Team Wellington defence, keen to prove that last year’s title was no fluke.

Team Wellington had not beaten Auckland City all season – they lost 4-0 in Auckland and 3-1 at David Farrington Park – but saved their best for last in front of a rowdy crowd of 1,113 fans on a gloomy night on Auckland’s North Shore. The team from the capital got off to the perfect start when Harris continued his great season in front of goal. The forward, who finished second on the Golden Boot standings to strike partner Tom Jackson, was on the end of a perfect cross from Andy Bevin and headed in with composure to open the scoring in the 10th minute.

Team Wellington defend their title . . .

There was more to come from the defending champions when Bevin tried his luck from halfway with an audacious effort with Auckland City goalkeeper Enaut Zubikarai off his line.



The Spanish custodian was beaten all ends up and could only watch as the ball hit the crossbar and bounced clear. It was a huge let off for Auckland City but they could not afford to relax.

Team Wellington came again and Harris could easily have had a double within 17 minutes when he pulled the trigger again from the edge of the area but it was just over the crossbar. As expected, the minor premiers came back into the match and began to control territory and possession.

Striker Ryan De Vries was a constant threat on the right flank for Auckland City but could not combine with his frontmen to convert the half chances. The Navy Blues did manage to get back on level terms in the 27th minute though with a superb solo goal from Tade.

The Argentine collected the ball outside of the box and delivered a scything run before unleashing a great strike to beat goalkeeper Scott Basalaj in the bottom left corner.

From there, Auckland City had their swagger back and later in the half Basalaj was called on once again when De Vries went into the box and delivered a cheeky chip which looked goal-bound but the keeper was equal to the challenge and tipped the effort over the bar.

Team Wellington countered before the break and had another late chance but Josh Margetts volleyed over the crossbar from the edge of the area.

Heading into the sheds, Team Wellington would have felt a bit short-changed as they had the better of the chances in the opening half.

Team Wellington defend their title . . .

Auckland City came out and dominated the play in the early exchanges of the second half but De Vries could not convert a couple of chances in the box.



Team Wellington made them pay when Joel Stevens – one of the standout players for the defending champions – delivered a perfectly-flighted cross to the back post after a short corner. Harris was on hand to hammer home a powerful header to reclaim the lead and silence the vociferous Auckland City supporters momentarily.

Ten minutes later with steady rain now pouring down, Stevens, who scored a screamer in the semi-final thriller against Waitakere United, was close to getting one of his own when he forced a one-handed save from Zubikarai with a shot from outside the area.

Auckland City rallied and Fabrizio Tavano let fly with a shot from long range which had the full attention of Basalaj but went just wide of his left-hand post.

Navy Blues coach Ramon Tribulietx looked to his bench to make an impact and brought on the high-class talent of Joao Moreira and Clayton Lewis to try and find a late equaliser but in the wet conditions Auckland City couldn't find the fluidity and accuracy when they needed it most.

Coupled with a strong defensive effort from the reigning champions, that enabled Team Wellington to hold on for famous back-to-back titles, matching the feat of Auckland City, who most recently won successive championships in the 2013/14 and 2014/15 seasons.