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## BLEED GREEN



## PRESIDENT'S PIECE

To all Hibiscus Coast AFC members both past and present, in the year of our 50th Anniversary, the season is well and truly underway.

In that regard it is a huge thanks to the paid staff both administration and coaching, who have worked hard to ensure everything is in place as best as can be. They have been well supported by the volunteers on both the Junior Committee and Executive Board. With a number of games under their belts all teams are well into game mode. In that regard a big thanks to all the coach and manager volunteers. While we do have paid staff including coaches, with close to 1400 playing members this year (up around 200 on last year) we still rely heavily on the volunteers.

On that note the Club is always looking for volunteers. Being the second largest football club north of the Harbour Bridge does mean a lot of work has to go on behind the scenes. That being said it has been hard not to notice the Girls football committee and all the work and publicity they have put out which is paying off in terms in the growth of our female numbers.

Fields: A point to note is that the fields do not belong to the Club, they belong to the Council. Which means we have to get permission to use the fields, so if you have your training booked on a certain field on certain day/s please do not change at your will. Looking after the fields is paramount, so there should be no straight-line running warmups on the field. Please do that between pitches or behind the goal. We also have to look after the goalboxes, so there should be no small sided games played in the goalboxes. As the winter hits us, the damage to the goalboxes is what will make the Council close fields, initially to trainings then if there is no improvement for games. We don't want that. While field closures are occasionally inevitable, and often out of our control I also ask that you respect the decision made by either council or NRF.

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Goals: As highlighted above this means that it is our responsibility to ensure goals are not left on the field as this will impede Council contractors who come to mow, paint and in general maintain the fields of green. If you are the last team on your field for a game or training, please put your goal back to the concrete pad by the bridge and return your nets to the gear shed.

As always, we are grateful to all of our sponsors.

Have a look at who our sponsors are, especially those within our Business Network Group. Using our sponsors and mentioning you know they sponsor the Club is really good value for money for the sponsors.

Both our Mens and Womens 1st teams are half way through their seasons. The Men, who play in the NRFL Championship (one below Premier League), when they play at home will play Saturdays at 3pm, with the Mens U23 team playing the curtain raiser. The Women who play in the Premier League will sometimes play their home games at North Harbour Stadium at 7pm on a Friday night or Sundays at the Club 1pm kick off. Bring the young players down to watch or just come down yourself. The Clubrooms and bar are open for all Senior home games, rain or shine.

All the best for the season and bring on another 50 years!

Yours in football.

Scott Beard Club President <u>president@hbcafc.org.nz</u>

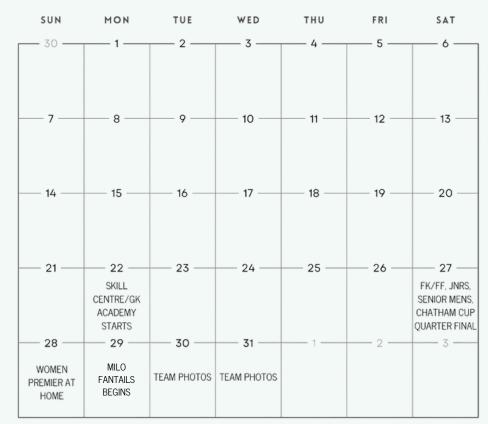


## **CLUB HISTORY**





# JULY



2024

# AUGUST



2024

# SEPTEMBER

SUN	мон	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 —	3	4 —	5	— 6 —	7 —
FINAL WOMEN PREMIER AT HOME						FK/FF, JNR, SENIOR MENS
8	9 —	10	11	12	—— 13 —	14 —
						FK/FF, JNR, SENIOR MENS.
15	16	17	18	19 —	20	21 —
CLARRIE MORGAN						FK/FF, JNR, JNR PRIZEGIVING, CLUB DAY SENIOR MENS
22	23 —	24	25	26	27	28
	SKILL CENTRE/GK ACADEMY ENDS					
29	30 —	1	2	3 —	4	5
	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL HOLIDAYS					

2024

# OCTOBER



2024

Dates and times are 4pm-7pm,
Tuesday 30th July, Wednesday 31st July, Thursday 1st August

An email has been sent out with all info, if you did not receive it please send an

email to admin@hbcafc.org.nz

#### Players need to wear:

- · Their usual club shorts and socks
- · Clean boots (shin pads not needed)
- · Something warm it can get cold while waiting.

#### On the night of your photo

- · Arrive 15 minutes early
- · Please keep track of the time and line up at the clubrooms in time for your booking.
- · Coaches/Managers give club shirts out on the night and collect again after.
- · There are club hoodies and jackets for Team Managers and Coaches to use if needed.
- · Nominate someone who can help identify the players by full name after the photo is taken.



#### SKILL CENTRE

Our Skill Center Programme runs for grades 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th. It's main aim is to provide a structured programme for players, in an enjoyable environment that maximises player development. It is highly likely that the game in the future will be quicker, more technical and tactical, and the demands on our younger players will be elevated. Through a planned, consistent approach to training, based around principles of Long Term Player Development, Skills Centres will provide a perfect start for players wishing to reach the highest level.



#### **GOAL KEEPER ACADEMY**

Led by our own Mens Championship GK Joshua Precious this is an awesome opportunity to gather top-tier skills while having fun and developing a tactical approach.



#### FOOTBALL FUNDAMENTALS

Our Football Fundamentals programme is for players of all abilities. It allows them to work on their co-ordination, learn football skills by way of fun activities, playing games and participating in football matches.

Sessions take place on the school fields, making it easy for children and parents to access. We run after school and lunchtime sessions for kids in years 1 - 6.



#### **MILO FANTAILS**

If you've got young girls looking to give football or futsal a go in a fun and safe environment, MILO Fantails is the programme for you!

MILO Fantails is a programme designed to attract new female players aged 4–9 years old to the beautiful game through sessions focused on helping girls make friends, having fun, improving their skills and being active through football.

Sessions will take place throughout the remainder of the year, and are now rolling out all across Aotearoa New Zealand.



#### **CLARRIE MORGAN**

The Clarrie Morgan tournament has been running for over 25 years. It is well organised with supplied referees. The event is held by the beach on one of the most pictures que grounds in the country!

This year there is an option of either a Festival or a Tournament. The festival is a no competitive fun day of football. The Tournament is competitive with prizes.

These will be run as mixed (for all boys or a mix of girls and boys) and a separate girls draw.



#### **ANNUAL QUIZ NIGHT & SILENT AUCTION**

This will be our 3rd annual quiz night, which has sold out in prior years. During the night we hold a silent auction in between the 5 rounds of the quiz. You won't want to miss out on this night as it's always a well remembered time. MC'd last year by Wayne Hughes who is looking to make a second appearance.



#### WEIR ROSE BOWL TOURNAMENT OCTOBER 5-7

The Weir Rose Bowl has been a feature of the junior football calendar for well over 60 years with the first event being held in the early 1950s. It was first introduced when prominent Auckland Junior Football Committee member, Tom Weir, donated the Weir Rose Bowl trophy that bears his name. The event is held annually at St Peters School, Cambridge during the October school holiday period. The school provides a magnificent setting for the event as well as a limited amount of onsite accommodation and meals for teams that wish to stay at the venue.

The aim of the Weir Rose Bowl is to provide a structured event for players, coaches and referees in an enjoyable environment that maximises learning opportunities. For the players, this period in their development is recognised as being the 'Golden Age of Learning' and it is therefore important that we maximise every opportunity available to support skill acquisition.

#### MCCARTNEY INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT OCTOBER 11 - 13

The McCartney Invitational Tournament in 2024 will be the 20th anniversary of this hugely poular event. Established in 2004, the McCartney Invitational Tournament is the largest Junior Football tournament in Australasia, organised and run by a select few from Taupo AFC. Held in October each year it attracts over 120 nunior teams from all over New Zealand and Australia. One of the original aims of the McCartney Invitational Tournament is to encourage participation from as many junior teams as possible.

The tournament is a sell out each year. Teams are invited from a number of sources, from direct contact, from previous participants, and by referrals. The tournament caters for Grades 9 through to 15, with both girls and boys teams. Originally a 2 day weekend tournament, covid restrictions had us move to a three day tournament, starting around 11am on Friday. This has worked well for a number of years and we have now adopted that format going forward.

MORE INFORMATION FOR TRY-OUTS TO THESE EVENTS TO COME

## **CLUB HISTORY**

#### HIBISCUS COAST

Founded: President:

Secretary: Publicity Officer: Senior Coach: Ground:

Garry Skyrme Christine Warren Marilyn Stafford Arthur Jones Stanmore Bay Park

Colours: Club Strength:

Emerald Green with White Trim Senior Men -4 teams

- 1 team Juniors

Midgets

-6 teams - 10 teams

It is 20 years since the Auckland Football Association asked senior Birkenhead club member Bob Jones to form a soccer club on the Hibiscus Coast. At that stage rugby was the only football code available on the coast and there was a need for soccer to attract some of the growing area's youngsters to the sport.

Jones had been a junior coach at Birkenhead in the '60s and approached his ex-juniors, now in their early twenties, and the bulk of them formed the first senior team. Clarrie Morgan, life member of East Coast Bays, started the

junior side of the club going with five teams.

The newly formed soccer club was seen as a threat to rugby and on one occasion club members arrived at their playing field at Brunton Park, Orewa, to find the goalposts sawn off a metre above the ground. "And if you kicked the ball from the field in the kids' games and it went into someone's garden, they'd keep it," recalls Bryn Jones, son of the late Bob.

The senior team was not disgraced in those early days. In 1975 the side gained promotion to the northern league third division. The 1976 squad was a strong one but couldn't hold its own against the more established clubs in the division and eventually returned to division four where it is now one of

The club colours of green and white were chosen after the Scottish club Hibernian, though not the traditional Hibs hooped jerseys which the club didn't feel would be passed by the Auckland FA.

#### WHANGAPARAOA SPORTS & CYCLES

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The area known as Hibiscus Coast covers Orewa, Silverdale and

The club spent its early years being shunted around by a disinterested local council. One of the first grounds it used was part of the local War Memorial Park that was also used for sheep grazing. When competition from the sheep became too intense the council gave the club a piece of land across the road from the beach in Orewa known as Western Reserve.

Sheep caused no problems there but the incoming tide from the Orewa river did, and also the fact they were playing on reclaimed land previously

Debris from the incoming tide and building rubbish, bottles and tin cans that came up through the paper-thin layer of topsoil, had to be cleared from the pitch before play could commence. Nearby toilets doubled as changing rooms and in mid-winter either the tide or the weather frequently left the pitch

Some fixtures were switched to Orewa College but that involved a long

wet grass on match days.

A delegation comprising Bob Jones and long-time club stalwart, former secretary and treasurer Tom Sutcliffe, met with the council to see if the club could be granted use of land next to its pitch with which to expand and was currently in use as a sheep paddock. The council produced plans showing the land was designated for a future Orewa by-pass. At this point exactly where the by-pass is going to be built is still being hotly debated - 15 years later!

Poor drainage put Victor Eaves Park out of commission for much of the winter with the result that most "home" matches were played on opponents

Bob Jones and his willing family took on the task of laying scoria drains -the job to be spread over a number of years. By this time the juniors had been permitted to play on Stanmore Bay Reserve alongside the beach. With the senior ground still having waterlog problems the senior team unofficially transferred to Stanmore Bay to avoid its matches being cancelled.

After a time the council grudgingly gave permission for the seniors to use the reserve as by that time the club had four senior sides and only one pitch. Players had to use the beachfront public changing rooms and the ocean to

The club then applied to build clubrooms which raised may objections as it would be sited on a public reserve. In the end permission was received on the understanding the clubhouse could be moved sometime in the future.

Plans were approved and a two-storey building finally erected. Some councillors then objected that the building looked too permanent and forced the club to demolish half the ground floor.

That is where the club stands at present but as long as the mortgage is paid

on time the clubrooms cannot revert back to the council.

Unfortunately Bob Jones and Clarrie Morgan, both posthumously elected life members of the club, are unable to witness 20 years of progress but they can be happy to know someone had to get things started.

## JUNIOR CLUB CAPTAIN

It's hard to believe we are three quarters of the way through the football season already. We've been very lucky with the weather this year however we are equally fortunate we have some of the best drained fields in Auckland. It's been awesome to see so many boys and girls running around on Saturday mornings decked out in green and white.

Walking throughout the fields each weekend it's been awesome to hear so much positivity throughout the club. Our numbers for the Fun Footballers/First Kicks are up by 5% on last year, our numbers in the 9th to 12th grade teams are also up by 12% and our youth space has also improved on last year by 13%.

We've also shown great improvement in our female space and have seen a 25% growth in the last year. This is in part due to our hardworking newly formed female committee.

Our development teams throughout our 9th-12th grades have also increased this year. Nathan has created 2 Development teams in 9th, 11th and 12th grades with 4 operating in the 10th grade space. I was down at training for our juniors this week and the kids were buzzing with the Chatham Cup quarter finals on Saturday. As this is the first time the club has made the quarter finals in our history, a big crowd is expected with stands being put up to accommodate everyone and the game streamed live on the FIFA+ Youtube channel.

Good luck to everyone this weekend and I'm sure I'll see some of you at the big Chatham Cup game at 2pm at Stanmore Bay.

Angus Goodrick
Junior Club Captain
<a href="mailto:angus@hbcafc.org.nz">angus@hbcafc.org.nz</a>

## KANGA CUPERINCE 1974

In the July school holidays our 12th Grade Development squad flew to Canberra and competed in the Kanga Cup. The Kanga Cup is the largest football tournament in the Southern Hemisphere and features teams from all over Australasia . After an excellent opening ceremony on Sunday the boys played 8 games over 5 days with 5 wins, 1 draw and 2 close defeats. There were many highlights however beating Northern Tigers, a representative team from Sydney on Friday 4-3 was an incredible game played at a very high standard and led to the boys finishing 6th out of 28 teams. A great experience for the HBCAFC football club. A big thank you to all of those involved including our sponsors Mitre 10 Silverdale and ZeBuild.









## **GIRLS UNDER LIGHTS**

On Friday 5th July we had our annual Girls Night Under Lights event. It was a massive succuss and it was amazing to see so many girls having a great time playing in groups with their friends, getting distracted by the drone taking footage and snaffling lollies that were being handed out! Following on from this event we have had a significant uptake in our Fantails programme for girls aged between 4 and 9. If you would like to know more on this programme following the <u>link here</u>

Our newly established female committee has done an amazing job with this event and growth in our junior female numbers at the Club. We would like to give a particular shout out to event planner extraordinaire Jenni Schanschieff and communications/organiser extraordinaire Lisa Smith for all their help and contribution to all the events so far this year.

#### Member Feedback

"Wanted to say a massive thank you for the Girls Night Under the Lights."

My five year old loved it! The drills were fun and focused and she especially loved the games when it was kids vs coaches.

The encouragement, lollies being handed out and the music playing (she loves moving to any sort of beat) kept the energy going after a long term at kindy before moving into school kid mode this term. She is also really inspired by women who play sport so to see more age groups right up to the teens/adults coaching was a fab way to highlight the importance of turning up and practicing. It actually was a great way to finish off term 2.

And nice to meet more of the female committee and coaches Really well organised Thanks and I hope we get to do it again sometime in the future

## **GIRLS UNDER LIGHTS**















## **PAPAMOA**



A combined 9th Grade team played in the Papamoa tournament. They played great football and took out the plate final 2-0 after coming 3rd in a tight group. The boys got better each game they played and should be very proud of their efforts.



11th Grade Development squad took out the plate final 1-0. Scoring 14 goals throughout the tournament and only conceding 1. Great effort by the team with some fantastic performances.

-David Self



So much respect for these U12 girls, 5 hours of Great Football at the Papamoa Tournament! They may not have taken away the cup 'this time' but their sportsmanship and kindness towards each other is next level Evan Peters, Kelly Peters. Thank You

-Karina Pauling



## **SENIOR TEAMS**

Hibiscus Coast's Premier Women are battling for a top 4 position to end the season but they have proven to be resilient and strong. Danica Urlich-Beech is currently at the top of the NRFL Golden Boot with 13 Goals



Hibiscus Coast has 4 Senior Men's teams in their respective Knockout Cups. Kiwa in the Men's Community Cup, Cyclones in the Men's Consolation Cup, Heroes in the Master's League Plate and current defenders of the Master's Cup, Deadballs.



Within the 9 Senior Men teams we have several teams doing well in their respectful divisions. In open grade, Kiwa is in second place for their Div 6 Harbour, with one point separating them from first place. In Div 10 Harbour, Stylahz are 2nd, one point ahead of our own Forgone Conclusion.

In the over 35M, in which we have teams facing eachother in two different divisions, the first being Masters Div 1, where Deadballs are 3rd and Invaders are 5th. Rovers and Heroes are in Masters Div 8 together at 5th and 6th place with only GD putting Rovers ahead.

### **CLUB HISTORY**

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## Extra Time For Soccer Extra time was needed for a result in the acn packed Hibiscus Coast v Mt Albert Ponsonby nior soccer match on Saturday. With a two-all

tion packed Hibiscus Coast v Mt AlbertPonsonby senior soccer match on Saturday. With a two-all draw at full time, Mt AlbertPonsonby capitalised on the weary local defence in the 30 minute playoff to take out the Chatham Cup game 5—2.

Playing in the northern league second division for the second qualifying round of the Adidas Chatham Cup competition, it was no walkover for the Mt Albert-Ponsonby side.

Our senior soccer writer, Bob Jones, said Mt Albert must have been in a state of shock when Hibiscus put up such a good showing on a pitch which was not in good condition after the reserve game.

Hibiscus were the dominant side in the first half, and Jimmy Kelly finished a move into the back of the opposition's net to lead one nil at half time.

Hibiscus again took control at the start of the second half and Jimmy Garnett, who had been firing consistently well in the first half, was rewarded with a fine goal seven minutes into the second half.

Hibiscus had won a two-nil lead over Mt AlbertPonsonby. But as the game progressed, the pressure on Hibiscus by a well-drilled opponent began to tell on the Hibiscus 'youngsters'.

Mt Albert brought on a substitute, a move which was to virtually decide the game. Ex-New Zealand rep. Jenkins made a tackle on Grant Salmond which virtually put Salmond out of the game.

It certainly weakened the Hibiscus defence and with 12 reach a high standard of fitness to capitalise on obvious ability.

Bob Jones said it would be impossible to pick out a 'man of the match' as every player performed well.

Coach Barry Coleman and captain Steve Howell must be more than satisfied with the response they're getting from the senior squad

Hibiscus reserves enjoyed a good win over Ellerslie, 5 nil.

There's no soccer locall next week. The New Zealan World Cup squad will pla the League of Ireland at M Albert.

May 15 sees the resumption of the competition when Hibiscus seniors play Kelston West at Victor Eaves Park at 2.45pm. The reserves meet Waitematicity at 1pm at the same venue.

5+6 May 1982

## **CHATHAM CUP**

Hibiscus Coast AFC, have made it into the Quarter Finals of the Chatham Cup taking on Christchurch's Coastal Spirit. This is the furtherest both teams have made it in Chatham Cup history. Hibiscus Coast were lucky enough to score a home game for this history making match, taking place Saturday July 27th, 2pm, at Stanmore Bay Park.





## **CHATHAM CUP**







11 May Hibiscus Coast v Waiuku	6:0
12 May Coastal Spirit v FC Twenty 11	3:0
1 June Bucklands Beach v <b>Hibiscus Coast</b>	2:3
1 June Coastal Spirit v Cashmere Techincal	3:1
15 June <b>Hibiscus Coast</b> v Taupo	3:0
16 June Coastal Spirit v Nomads United	1:0
5 July Ferrymead Bays v <b>Coastal Spirit</b>	3:5
6 July Melville v <b>Hibiscus Coast</b>	0.1

#### **PROFILE**

Name Stacey Martin

Place of Birth New Zealand

**Playing position Midfield** 

**Years at coast** 15+ years (not entirely sure)

Previous club (if any): Norwest, Forrest Hill



#### **QUICK FIRE**

Favourite club Liverpool FC

Favourite player Cameron Martin

**Favourite food** Burgers

Favourite song Pre game to get the girls pumped for the game - Hey Baby (Uhh, ahh) by DJ Otzi

Favourite TV series: The Office

What is your favourite memory at Coast? Winning the double in 2022

#### **INSPIRATION**

**Do you have any pregame rituals?** Going out for coffee and walking the dog in the morning.

What do you do when you're not playing footy? I work as a Rehab Coach at Hibiscus Neuro Rehab

What is your favourite saying? "Whether you think you can or you think you can't, you're right."

What is the best advice you have received as a player? Master the basics first!

#### **PROFILE**

Name Dan Cyra

**Age** 31

Place of birth London

**Playing position** Midfield / every position utility

Years at coast 24

Previous club 2 years at Albany but they dont count so leave them out



#### **QUICK FIRE**

Favourite club other than coast Auckland FC

Favourite player Adam 'The Sinhaman' Dickenson

Favorite food Mild butter chicken

Favorite artist Chopin

Favourite song "Mike Cyra, Cyra. No matter how hard he tries! He just cannot be...

Dan Cyra, Cyra!!"

Favourite actor Emmanual Darkwa on a Saturday afternoon

Favourite movie The Pianist

Favourite memory at Coast? Winning the league in 2012/2022 but Hopefully

that changes this weekend!

#### **INSPIRATION**

Do you have any pre-game rituals / good luck habits? Subway, Giving Cam Martin the side eye to borrow some of his tape, left sock always goes on first

What do you do when not playing footy? Talk about the political and economic state of the world..

What is your favourite saying? "You see footballs.. I see money!"

What is the best advice you have received as a player? Always ask yourself the question!

#### **PROFILE**

Name Danica Urlich-Beech
Place of Birth Auckland
Playing position Striker/Winger
Years at coast 15 years at coast



#### **QUICK FIRE**

Favourite club Arsenal FC

Favourite player Lionel Messi & Beth Mead

Favourite food Pesto Pasta

**Favourite artist** The Eagles

Favourite song Dancing Queen

Favourite actor Kevin Hart

Favourite movie Harry Potter

Favourite memory at Coast? Winning U19s Napier Tournament in 2023

#### **INSPIRATION**

**Do you have any pregame rituals?** I have the same routine before every game. Sauna & Spa + Meditation is two of my pre-game rituals.

What do you do when you're not playing footy? When I'm not playing football, I'm football coaching and spending time with family & friends

What is your favourite saying? I don't think I have a favourite saying

What is the best advice you have received as a player? Best advice I received as a player from a coach was, anyone can give up and quit when times get tough, and most people take the easy road too. But the ones who don't give up, who stick with it no matter how challenging, are the ones who get better and succeed

#### **PROFILE**

Name Trent Mayes

**Age** 29

Place of Birth Auckland

Playing position Wing/Striker

Years at coast 22

Previous clubs Forest hill Albany 1 year at each



**SINCE 1974** 

#### **QUICK FIRE**

Favourite club Bahama hut (Football club) arsenal

Favourite player James '7head' Lawson

Favourite food Anything I didn't have to make

Favourite artist Ziggy Alberts

Favourite song Tennessee whiskey

Favourite actor Denzel Washington

Favourite movie Shutter island

Favourite memory at Coast? Winning the league at home 2022



**Do you have any pregame rituals?** Sauna for 30mins in the morning and Physio for 30mins because my whole body hurts.

What do you do when you're not playing footy? Pretend to be busy and talk a lot of crap

What is your favourite saying? "Want a beer, I'll get you one"

What is the best advice you have received as a player? You're faster then them, get it out of your feet and run



## **GIRLS AUCTION**

Our female committee has been working overtime fundraising for our female members, where they have set up an awesome auction with some amazing deals and incredible prizes so make sure you don't miss out!

#### **CLICK HERE TO BID NOW!**









## **CLUB SHOP**

With it being our 50th Jubilee, our new sponsor Dynasty has made these new shirts for you to purchase! There's an option to put your name on some of them and the pre-sale for deliveries Mid-Septmber ends July 31st so don't miss out!



Our clubrooms are available to hire! With one of the best views on the coast our venue is the perfect place to book for your event.

To book or for further info email: admin@hbcafc.org.nz

## **CLUB HISTORY**

Originally founded in 1973 and incorporated in 1974, Hibiscus Coast AFC has been offering football to anyone from the of age 4 and up to both men and women. The Club colours, green and white, chosen after the club of Scottish Hibernian because of founder Clarrie Morgan's connection to that Club.

In 1975 the Men's First Team gained promotion to the Northern League Third Division. In 2003 the Club gained promotion to the NRFL 2nd Division where they stayed for 10 years before gaining promotion to NRFL Division 1. The Club remained in Division 1 until 2019 when they relegated to 2nd Division, after coming close to a promtion in the covid years but missing out due lockdowns, they promotion goal was finally achieved in 2022 to Division 1 now known as Championship which is where we play today.

Our earliest records of our Women's First team is 1988. The team was promoted to Premier League in 2007 underneath the coaching of Peter Brett for a year before being relegated to the conference/championship league. After coming very close to promotion in 2019 missing out on the title and promotion by a single point, followed by the tumultuous seasons of 2020 and 2021 as football navigated the pandemic, the Club was ecstatic to move up to the LOTTO NRFL Women's Premier Division in 2023. Our Women's First Team, were undefeated that season which resulted in the double (league champions and Carol Waller cup winners).

## **CLUB HISTORY**





## **SPONSORS**



AJ Electrical Services Ltd is a privately owned and operated company based on the beautiful Hibiscus Coast in Auckland, New Zealand. Andre Jon Dixon formed his business in 2011 and now proudly has an entire team working along side him. A local Hibiscus Coast man himself he is happy to work in Whangaparaoa and beyond.

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**Mainsail** Originally from the north of India, Lucky has lived in NZ, and been a chef, for 22 years. After opening Bombay to Goa in Gulf Harbour, Lucky moved across the block to open Mainsail Bar & Bistro in November of 2022. A gorgeous restaurant and bar with views of the marina it's an amazing place to enjoy a meal and drinks with a friend or two.

## **BUSINESS GROUP**

#### The Business Network Group (BNG) Supporting the Hibiscus Coast Football Club

We are local businesses to the Hibiscus Coast with a passion for football and a desire to support the Hibiscus Coast Football Club. The Business Network Group was formed 7 years ago as a mechanism to provide affordable sponsorship for local businesses while offering a measurable return on investment. The BNG provides its members with business support, advice, networking and referrals, while offering the club a unique mechanism to fund projects which would otherwise be unachievable.

Membership is just \$500 + gst per year.

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For more information contact Rob Howarth 021 925 489 rob@futureprooflife.co.nz



## THANK YOU

With such amazing sponsors varying over many trades and needs, Hibiscus Coast AFC is honoured to be working with so many different businesses. We want to thank all new and existing sponsors and encourage all club members to use them when they can. A special thank you to Carla Newman and Iain Douglas for their awesome capturing of moments and memories that enable us to have the photos we have today.























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