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# The Far Post

## Takapuna AFC

### Junior Football Newsletter 2017/08

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It was one of the coldest nights of the year so far when we welcomed North Shore United to our Harcourts Cooper & Co First Kicks programme last Friday. The cold and wet didn't dampen the spirits of the kids though, as they played out of their socks. I saw one of the best individual goals of the season as Cash dribbled like Leo Messi through the whole team and slotted it into the back of the net.

Thanks to everyone for making the North Shore teams feel so welcome. They all commented on how much fun the kids had. Please make sure you bring a warm jacket for your kids to the First Kicks programme. The temperature can drop dramatically at night. We play 5 a side maximum, and will therefore need subs for the bigger squads. If they are warm on the side-line they'll be much happier.

We were very lucky to have Ilse Evans from Harcourts Cooper & Co attend the night's presentations. Thanks Ilse!

Thomson Nkoy and Callum Simmonds, Takapuna AFC First Team players, also helped out with the Player of the Day awards which was great.



*Chris Bryson presents Player of the Day awards with the help of First Team players Thomson Nkoy and Callum Simmonds*



*Takapuna and North Shore teams in action*

Thomson and Callum are both keen to see as many people supporting the club at their next home game this Saturday as they verse Ngongotaha, who are currently sitting 2<sup>nd</sup> from bottom. First team manager Joe Daw is also keen to have ball boys and girls help out at some of the upcoming home games. Keep posted for more info on this.

I'm looking forward to this weekend as we have lots of home fixtures being played. 9th grade Juventus, Jaguars and 11th grade Wolves all play at 10am and look to keep the momentum going from some impressive training and games. 14th grade Fury have a local derby game against Glenfield at 11am and the Ironmen take on Kristin at 11.15am. I'll be there to help out in any way I can, so if you want to talk tactics, need a ref, or want me to help with the warm up please just let me know.

Good luck to everyone this weekend. Play with passion, play with pride, try your best and have fun!

Chris Bryson  
Director of Football



*Takapuna and North Shore teams eagerly await the Player of the Day presentations*

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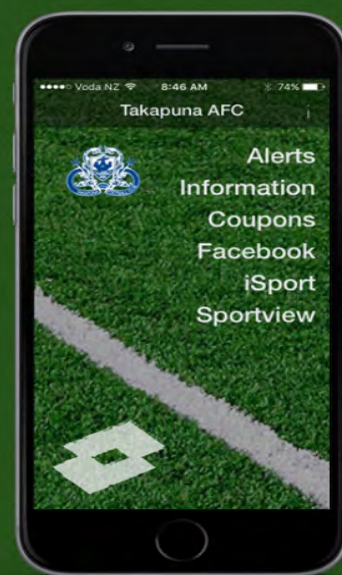
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# Match Reports

## Friday 19 May 2017

### 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Takapuna The Blues

**Coach:** Mat Dunne  
**Played:** Takapuna Rangers, Takapuna Yellow Submarines and North Shore Liverpool  
**At:** Taharoto Park

**Player of the Day:** Jaiden Ah Wong-Edwards

#### Match Report:

On a cold and wintery night we had a full turnout from The Blues which was great. We started the night against the Rangers, which saw a lot of work from our team on defence.

We then moved on to our friends and rivals, The Yellow Submarines. Goal, Goal, Goal, The Blues got one in the back of the net, with such a flurry from the entire team on attack we are all unsure on who finally tapped it in.



Our final match was North Shore Liverpool and a special thanks goes to Thomas and Scarlett for joining the opposition to make up numbers. In the spirit of keeping warm we played 6 a side, William got off to a flyer down the field and knocked in a goal to cheers from the crowd. Thomas also scored a goal to round off an exciting night for us on attack.

Jaiden got out of her comfort zone tonight and was seen at both ends of the field on attack and defence and earning Player of the Day. Scarlet and Lucas were everywhere running the ball down at every opportunity. Peter was once again in and out of play causing havoc with the opposition. Elias and Nadav also had great nights with commanding runs on their own up the field and tireless work on defence.

Thanks again everyone for a fine showing on a cold night



### 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Takapuna Rangers

**Coach:** Hayden Pethybridge  
**Played:** Takapuna The Blues, North Shore Liverpool and North Shore Tottenham

**At:** Taharoto Park  
**Result:** Won 7-0, Won 2-1, Lost 1-3  
**Player of the Day:** Joshua Reid

#### Match Report:

The Rangers were hit by illness this week but managed to mostly keep up our winning ways with a big effort from our available players.

We were all excited by our first training at Planet Sports, it was fun to train indoors out of the weather and on the astro turf and there was a real racket with all the kids running around expending energy.

We were met by a wild and blustery Friday night, but after the first kick off it was down to business. Special thanks to our Manager Anne for rushing Toby across town to ensure that we had five players to start this match.

Our first game was against the Blues. The team played well together and created early opportunities. A quick hat-trick from Josh and the game was blown wide open. The team played some nice attacking football and chased hard on defence. Further goals to Matthew and Toby followed in a nice win.

After a short break, we started the second game which saw us up against our first opponent from North Shore – North Shore Liverpool. This was a tight match, with the opening goal boomed home by Lachie and a timely late goal from Toby proved the difference as we won 2-1.

The third match was a physical encounter. The North Shore Tottenham team came out strong and the action moved from end to end. We were able to apply early pressure but couldn't get past their strong defence. We lost our focus a little as we tired and conceded several counter attacking goals from Tottenham who were the deserving winners.

Well done to Taka Rangers for another strong effort and a special mention to Player of the Day Joshua who showed a steely determination all night.







# Match Reports

## Friday 19 May 2017

### 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Takapuna Yellow Submarines

**Coach:** Simon Hill  
**Played:** North Shore United Tottenham, Takapuna The Blues and Takapuna Magpies  
**At:** Taharoto Park

**Player of the Day:** Lucas Foster



#### Match Report:

Considering testing conditions with the cold, wet weather, The Yellow Submarines had an enjoyable evening.

With a full team we rotated to keep the players warm and had some good results. The team are playing well and are working together - managing to score goals and defending well.

We had a tight game against North Shore United Tottenham - which was a good gauge against another club.

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Takapuna Liverpool

**Coach:** Eduard Popescu  
**Played:** Takapuna Newcastle, North Shore United Inter and Takapuna Barcelona

**At:** Taharoto Park  
**Result:** Drew, Drew, Drew  
**Player of the Day:** Tony Popescu

#### Match Report:

This Friday night the weather was a bit too much for the kids. They played for the first time on a windy and rainy night. However, they were very determined to win all three games and they have fought very well in all three games.

We played for the first time against a team from NSU. Welcome guys to Taharoto Park.

All three games were very tight and especially the last game against a very good team - Barcelona. The boys and girls fought until the last play and they drew after Barcelona scored a few goals and were up 4-1. In the last few minutes, our team came right back in the game and managed to score a few goals. Well done to all the players! Go Taka Liverpool!

Our Player of the Day was Tony Popescu who has started to pass well to his team mates and he had quite a few saves in defence.



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# Match Reports

## Friday 19 May 2017

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Takapuna Newcastle

**Coach:** Michael Roberts and Luke Henshall  
**Played:** Takapuna Liverpool, Takapuna Real Madrid and North Shore Inter  
**At:** Taharoto Park  
**Result:** Drew, Won, Lost  
**Player of the day:** Augie Allan

#### Match Report:

**Game One:** Newcastle vs Liverpool - Draw  
Despite the windy and wet conditions, Newcastle and Liverpool both got stuck in and really enjoyed this nail biter. Liverpool have some strong players in their side and our boys had to work hard to hold them to a draw. James scored a great goal, and Augie's ball control skills were a highlight.

**Game Two:** Newcastle vs Real Madrid - Win  
We had some solid periods of passing and ball movement in this match - William, Oscar and James had a particularly good partnership in the mid field. James, William and Reuben each scored a goal - resulting in a pleasing 3-0 win.

**Game Three:** Newcastle vs North Shore United Inter - Loss  
This was a very close, evenly matched game - comparable skill levels saw plenty of free running and passing end to end. Carter made some good saves in the opposition's territory and Joe's swift, long range goal was impressive. A good effort from all, and a well deserved 4-3 win for NSU Inter.



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### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Takapuna West Ham

**Coach:** Fraser Cameron  
**Played:** Takapuna Tuataras, Takapuna Barcelona and North Shore AS Roma  
**At:** Taharoto Park  
**Result:** Won, Lost, Won  
**Player of the Day:** Will Cameron

#### Match Report:

West Ham had a drastically improved outing this week. We played the Tuataras, Barcelona and NSU AS Roma for a win, loss and another win. We're really starting to play some great footy and learning to be a real team. Will Cameron was man of the match.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Takapuna Arsenal

**Coach:** Paul Foster  
**Played:** North Shore Sevilla, Takapuna Titans and Takapuna Kings  
**At:** Taharoto Park  
**Result:** Won, Won, Drew  
**Player of the Day:** Diego Foster

#### Match Report:

Fantastic to see another full turnout of players and this week we welcomed new opponents from North Shore. The boys were in a playful mood in the warm up so were not quite switched on for the start of the first game and quickly went 1-0 down. This seemed to spur the boys on and they started to play with some real purpose. Before long the passing was flowing and the goals soon followed with 5-1 the final score. This was followed by another convincing win and then a hard fought draw.

Player of the Day went to Diego who worked hard and was always trying to work on the right pass.

The boys are really starting to gel with some excellent passing, movement and determination for each. Most importantly they are having lots of fun. You are a real pleasure to coach boys and let's keep it going!!





# Match Reports

## Saturday 20 May 2017



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### 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Takapuna Wolves

**Coach:** Rob Masters

**Played:** Waitemata Cubs

**At:** McLeods Park

**Result:** Lost 0-1

**Player of the Day:** Daniel Martin

#### Match Report:

This week saw the Wolves travelling out to the Windy West and I mean Windy!! From start to finish the wind was a really big factor in the game. The passing and kicking of the ball by both teams was fairly scrappy because of the wind, the ball was kicked one way and ended up going in another direction which made it really difficult for both teams. However, the Wolves gained early possession but finding it hard to keep the ball as the Cubs were strong on defence. There were plenty of goal opportunities for Takapuna, however these did not come to fruition.

Half way through the first half the Cubs picked up a gear and took possession of the ball and were strong on attack, keeping the Takapuna defenders busy. Unfortunately for the Wolves we conceded an own goal towards the end of the first half making the score 1-0 to the Cubs.

After a pep talk from Rob during half time the boys lifted their mood and their game and created more opportunities for shots at goal, but again we just couldn't land one. However we managed to defend strongly and stop the shots at goal from the opposition.

Well done to Daniel Martin who earned the Player of the Day for his great handling and running of the ball.

So not a great day of the office this week, but the boys will stay positive and look forward to facing HBC on Saturday.

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# Match Reports

## Saturday 20 May 2017

### 14<sup>th</sup> Grade Takapuna Ironmen

**Coaches:** Peter Auckram  
**Played:** Greenhithe Rebels  
**At:** Wainoni Park  
**Result:** Won 1-0  
**Player of the Day:** Mackenzie Miles



#### Match Report:

The boys were not happy to be playing in such atrocious weather, but I'm sure there were many that felt that way. But I think their attitude was to keep warm by being very energetic.

David scored early in the first half and it stayed this way for the rest of the game. Although there was a lot of kicking and unsuccessful attempts by both sides throughout.

Macca, in particular, was very enthusiastic in defence, working hard to keep opposition ball away from the goal. This earned him the Player of the Day this week.

### 14<sup>th</sup> Grade Takapuna Fury

**Coach:** Tim Staines and Adam Edgar  
**Played:** Greenhithe Lightning Strikers  
**At:** Wainoni Park  
**Result:** Won 2-0  
**Player of the Day:** The Brave Supporters

#### Match Report:

Greenhithe, lovely place, except for last Saturday when the weather turned to miserable and we were hypothermic before a ball had even been kicked.

The game didn't live up to any expectations as the wind and the cold completely distracted the objective of playing any decent football. Chances were few and far between and our technique let us down on many occasions when bearing down on goal. At the defensive end, stand-in goalkeeper Tara Beale kept up a vigorous regime of star jumps and burpees to fight off the cold and was only called into action on a couple of mad moments when we forgot how to put our foot through the ball and clear our lines.

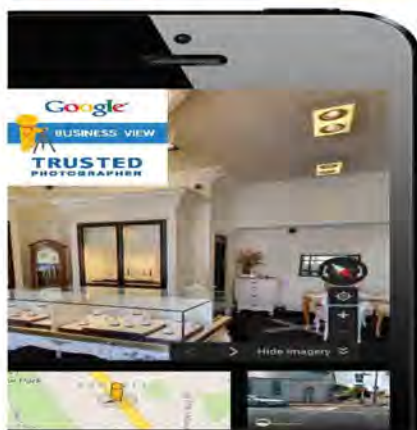
The one slight smile that one did manage to raise was Olivia Anderson's goal just before the half when a lack-luster "worm burner" shot which beat the frozen Greenhithe keeper. We'll take that!

A few choice words at half time had some effect and we gradually began to resemble something of a cohesive outfit with some better play down the flanks. The introduction of Amber Willis gave us some much needed go forward and direction but alas five weeks off dancing and singing had stripped her of her shooting super powers. Bea Wood was turning her opponent inside and out and deservedly got us a second before the final whistle. But it was a game to forget as we made a rush for the cars at the final whistle.

Player of the Day went to all our supporters who braved the elements to watch "that"!!! Hopefully the girls will have their heads on when we take on Glenfield on Saturday.



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# Match Reports

## Saturday 20 May 2017

### 17<sup>th</sup> Grade Takapuna Demons

**Coach:** Ray Search

**Played:** Oratia Forest

**At:** Taharoto Park

**Result:** Drew 1-1

**Players of the Day:** Harry Davis



#### Match Report:

On Saturday the Takapuna Demons played Oratia at Taharoto 2. It was a very windy and wet day, making playing conditions tricky. Oratia started very strongly and had the Demons pinned inside their half for the first 15 minutes and forced numerous corners. However, Takapuna defended bravely to keep them out. After 20 minutes, when we were starting to get back into the game, Oratia were awarded a lucky penalty, which they converted to put them 1-0 up. The score remained at this until, after 30 minutes, Jayden pressured their defence into a mistake, gained possession and shot from the edge of the box past their keeper, who was off his line, into the net. The score remained level at 1-1 until half time.

The second half was quite even with play switching from end to end. With the wind behind the Demons, they had better field position, but we struggled to thread through our final pass and to get decent shots on goal. Jayden and Chris created some half chances, while a free kick from Jack sailed just over the cross bar. Meanwhile our defence of Harry, Caitlin, Nico, Zachariah, Gina and Nathan was just as tight as the first half and prevented Oratia from scoring again, and the game ended up a 1-1 draw.

This was our best game of the season so far, with everyone putting in 100% effort. Player of the Day went to Harry for his work in defence.



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## Saturday 20 May 2017

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Takapuna Jaguars 9th Grade	Hibiscus Coast Wilson 9th Grade	4	1
Takapuna Juventus 9th Grade	Albany Windsor Warplanes 9th Grade	0	0
Takapuna Juventus 9th Grade	Albany Windsor Warplanes 9th Grade	0	2
Takapuna Wolves 11/5	Waitemata Cubs 11/5	0	1
Takapuna Fury 14G	Greenhithe Lightning Strikers 14G	2	0
Takapuna Hammers 14/2	West Auckland Warriors 14/2	4	2
Takapuna Ironmen 14/3	Greenhithe Rebels 14/3	1	0
Takapuna Demons 17/1	Oratia Forest 17/1	1	1

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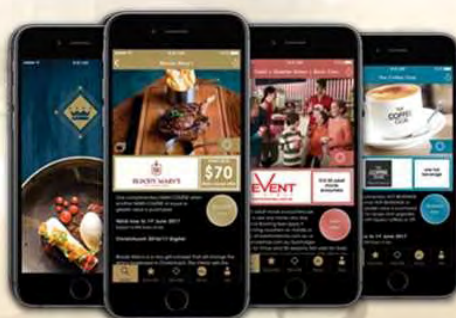
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# Harcourts Cooper & Co

## Friday Night First Kicks Football

### 26 May 2017

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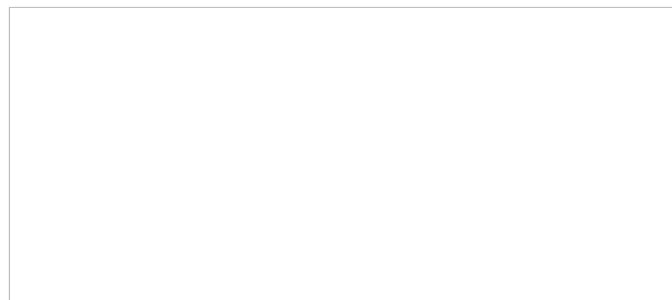
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Taka The Blues vs NSU Manchester City
6:15pm
Taka Rangers vs NSU Manchester City
6:30pm
Taka Magpies vs NSU Manchester City

**Pitch 2 - 5th/6th Grade**

6:00pm
Taka Yellow Submarines vs NSU Everton
6:15pm
Taka The Blues vs NSU Everton
6:30pm
Taka Rangers vs NSU Everton

**Pitch 3 - 5th/6th Grade**

6:00pm
Taka Magpies vs Taka Rangers
6:15pm
Taka Yellow Submarines vs Taka Magpies
6:30pm
Taka The Blues vs Taka Yellow Submarines



**Pitch 4 - 7th Grade**

6:00pm
Taka Barcelona vs NSU Napoli
6:15pm
Taka West Ham vs NSU Napoli
6:30pm
Taka Liverpool vs NSU Napoli

**Pitch 5 - 7th Grade**

6:00pm
Taka Real Madrid vs NSU AC Milan
6:15pm
Taka Newcastle vs NSU AC Milan
6:30pm
Taka Tuataras vs NSU AC Milan

**Pitch 6 - 7th Grade**

6:00pm
Taka Liverpool vs Taka Tuataras
6:15pm
Taka Real Madrid vs Taka Liverpool
6:30pm
Taka Real Madrid vs Taka West Ham

**Pitch 7 - 7th Grade**

6:00pm
Taka West Ham vs Taka Newcastle
6:15pm
Taka Barcelona vs Taka Tuataras
6:30pm
Taka Newcastle vs Taka Barcelona

**Pitch 8 - 8th Grade**

6:00pm
Taka Arsenal vs NSU Las Palmas
6:15pm
Taka Kings vs NSU Las Palmas
6:30pm
Taka Titans NSU Las Palmas

**Pitch 9 - 8th Grade**

6:00pm
Taka Kings vs Taka Titans
6:15pm
Taka Titans vs Taka Arsenal
6:30pm
Taka Arsenal vs Taka Kings





# Junior Football Fixtures

## Saturday 27 May 2017

**This draw is correct at the time of print so please check with your Coach/Manager to see if there are any changes. Coaches: After 5pm on Fridays any further fixture changes will be emailed to you so please forward on to your team if any changes are relevant to you.**

**Coach/Manager please text or email your score to Pete Helsby on 021 0246 6565 or [petehelsby@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:petehelsby@vodafone.co.nz) no later than Saturday evening.**

Date/Time	Home Team	Away Team	Competition	Venue
27/05/2017 10:00	<b>Takapuna Jaguars 9th Grade</b>	Birkenhead Blackpool 9th Grade B3	SW 09th Kaipara Div Grading	Taharoto Park 2
27/05/2017 10:30	<b>Takapuna Jaguars 9th Grade</b>	Birkenhead Blackpool 9th Grade B3	SW 09th Kaipara Div Grading	Taharoto Park 2
27/05/2017 10:00	<b>Takapuna Juventus 9th Grade</b>	East Coast Bays Kitchener's Strikers 9th Grade	SW 09th Matangi Div Grading	Taharoto Park 2
27/05/2017 10:30	<b>Takapuna Juventus 9th Grade</b>	East Coast Bays Kitchener's Strikers 9th Grade	SW 09th Matangi Div Grading	Taharoto Park 2
27/05/2017 10:00	<b>Takapuna Wolves 11/5</b>	Hibiscus Coast Beckham 11/5	SW 11th Div 5 Grading	Taharoto Park 1
27/05/2017 11:00	<b>Takapuna Fury 14G</b>	Glenfield Rovers Opals 14G	NFF Girls Only 14th Grading	Taharoto Park 1
27/05/2017 12:00	North Shore Chile 14/2	<b>Takapuna Hammers 14/2</b>	HW 14th Div 2 Grading	QBE Nth Hbr Stadium Domain 4 FT
27/05/2017 11:15	<b>Takapuna Ironmen 14/3</b>	Kristin United Spurs 14/3	HW 14th Div 3 Grading	Taharoto Park 2
27/05/2017 13:15	<b>Takapuna Demons 17/1</b>	Bye	HW 17th Div 1 Grading	



## We ♥ Volunteers



We are always looking for volunteers to help our great club, whether it's joining our committee, coaching, assisting our coaches, refereeing, helping with our fundraising efforts or even assisting with the setting up of the fields on Friday nights or Saturday mornings etc. If you can help in any way, please contact us at:

[takapunafootball@gmail.com](mailto:takapunafootball@gmail.com)

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# Senior Football Fixtures

## 27 and 28 May 2017

Date/Time	Home Team	Away Team	Competition	Venue
<b>SATURDAY</b>				
27/05/2017 15:00	<b>Takapuna NRFL2</b>	Ngongotaha NRFL2	NRFL Men's 2nd Division	Taharoto Park 1
27/05/2017 12:30	<b>Takapuna Reserves NRFL2R</b>	Ngongotaha Reserves NRFL2R	NRFL Men's 2nd Division Reserves	Taharoto Park 1
27/05/2017 13:00	<b>Takapuna Boca Seniors M1</b>	Albany Red M1	NFF Men's 1st Division	Taharoto Park 2
27/05/2017 13:15	<b>Takapuna Gunners M3</b>	East Coast Bays Thomas M3	NFF Men's 3rd Division	QBE Nth Hbr Stadium Domain 4 FT
27/05/2017 13:15	East Coast Bays Olla M4	<b>Takapuna Bombers M4</b>	NFF Men's 4th Division 2017	Bay City Park 3
27/05/2017 13:00	<b>Takapuna Raven Hunters M4</b>	Glenfield Pre-Finished M4	NFF Men's 4th Division 2017	Onepoto Domain 2
27/05/2017 15:00	<b>Takapuna Allgood FC O35/4</b>	Glenfield Mutineers O35/4	NFF O35s 4th Division 2017	QBE Nth Hbr Stadium Domain 4 FT
27/05/2017 14:45	Western Springs Kosmos O40/C	<b>Takapuna Brasilia O40/C</b>	AFF/NFF O40s Conference 2017	Seddon Fields 3
27/05/2017 14:45	<b>Takapuna Cavaliers O45/1</b>	East Coast Bays Mum's Mob O45/1	NFF O45s 1st Division 2017	Taharoto Park 2
<b>SUNDAY</b>				
28/05/2017 13:00	Te Atatu WCH	<b>Takapuna WCH</b>	AFF/NFF Women's Championship	Te Atatu Peninsula Park 1
28/05/2017 10:45	<b>Takapuna Social W2</b>	Warkworth W2	NFF Women's 2nd Division 2017	Taharoto Park 2
28/05/2017 10:45	Ranui Swanson W2	<b>Takapuna AUT Titans W2</b>	NFF Women's 2nd Division 2017	Starling Park 2FT (Artificial)
28/05/2017 13:00	<b>Takapuna Farts</b>	ECB Brownsons	Sunday Social	Taharoto Park 2
28/05/2017 14:00	University of Auckland	<b>A2 AUT FC</b>	ASFA 2017 Championship	Cox's Bay Reserve
28/05/2017 12:00	Nixon Park	<b>A3 AUT FC 2</b>	ASFA League 1/2/Conference Cup	Bill McKinley Park

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