

NEW PLYMOUTH RANGERS FOOTBALL CLUB

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In a busy afternoon of football at Merrilands Domain there are four matches being played across the senior grades. We welcome Versatile Wanganui City for the Lotto Federation League match here as the main fixture. It's been a couple of seasons since Wanganui City visited us here.

Like us they had the week off last weekend to refresh the legs but arrive here on the back off a defeat by 3-1 from second placed North End who incidentally visit here next weekend.

In the earlier fixture in the season at Wembley Park, Wanganui City came from two goals down to win 3-2, a result our lads will be hoping to reverse today.

In the last home game we overcame a stubborn Red Sox team whose performance belied the bottom of the table position. Hakuto Uno gave Red Sox a surprise early lead in the 8th minute before Jairo Aquino scored a cracking free kick 10 minutes later on his debut. Despite dominating much of the match we had to wait until the last 15 minutes to win in a rush of goals at both ends. Dom Squatriti looked to have knocked in winner only for Red Sox to bounce back with an equaliser through Ben Jourdain. Skipper Wade Randall struck the winner a minute later.

All credit to the lads for fighting all the way for a hard earned victory after a few weeks of struggling. Paul Stuart also made his debut after recently arriving from Northern Ireland.

Two successive wins have seen us climb the table into joint third with Wanganui Athletic and Hokowhitu. Two weeks ago saw us defeat Wanganui Athletic 3-2 in Wanganui inflicting Athletic's first home defeat in 18 months. After falling two quick goals behind from ex Rangers and TT player Josh Smith and Scott Burney, Jairo Aquino got his second goal in as many games just before half time. An early second half goal from Taku Warren levelled the scores before Dom Squatriti struck the winner with fifteen minutes to go.

Juliano Schmeling had a job on his hands turning the season around but tinkering with team set up, the new arrivals and two successive wins has surely given the team a lift. Here's hoping for more of the same this afternoon.

In the game against Red Sox Devan Leggett suffered a broken arm after falling badly. This is the 2nd broken arm in the club in a matter of weeks as Will Hong broke his elbow in a recent 2nd division game. We wish Devan and Will a speedy recovery.

Hopefully we welcome John Sigurdsson back from representing Iceland at the World Cup today. No not true – he and Tracy have been on holiday in Ireland and Iceland!

CASINO NIGHT

The club are having a casino night in the clubrooms tonight. Get dressed up in your gambling outfit and enjoy the night. A warm up for a trip to Vegas! They use the slogan here in Taranaki 'a place like no other'. Believe me that only applies to Las Vegas having been there a few times.

Happy hour starts at 7pm. Tickets are \$10 – chips to play with and your first drink.

Next Home Federation League Match



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Around the teams

PREMIER DIVISION

What can we say about the premier division team this season? Consistency is not their middle name. To be fair to the players there have been changes to the team almost every game. Last Saturday the team started only 5 from the previous weekend with injuries and unavailabity taking their toll.

Despite dominating large parts of the game at home to Woodleigh last Saturday JLE NP Rangers lost 2-0. Reinforced by Fed league players there seemed a lack of edge. It didn't help that Woodleigh had little more than two chances and scored with both.

Shaan Cory was in goal with the unavailability of Jeff Yates and Daryl Foreman and acquitted himself well having no chance with either goal. James Graham was back from a 4 game suspension and cut a frustrated figure at times as the team failed to find any rhythm.

The previous Saturday saw a hard fought win against Woodleigh 2nds in the Duff Rosebowl. Despite numerous chances Ryan Munro scored the winner after coming on as a second half substitute. The Woodleigh goalkeeper was in the form of his life as other chances passed. Irishman Ray McEvoy on his return from injury was all class in the centre of the park alongside Jason Osborne. Neither was available for last Saturday's game.

The team has a tough game at Eltham in the quarter final in a few weeks time.

Prior to those matches, Francis Douglas College proved a tough nut to crack as the teams shared the points in a 1-1 draw. Skipper Gordon Davenport scored the Rangers' goal.

Today JLE NP Rangers are at home to Rampage Fitness FC Western.

NEXT WEEK they are away to NP Boys High School at the Webster Field.







LEAGUE TABLES

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SMITHS SPORT SHOES PREMIERSHIP									
	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts		
MOTUROA	11	10	0	1	28	4	30		
FC WESTERN	10	7	1	2	24	9	22		
HAWERA	11	6	3	2	31	16	21		
NP BOYS HIGH	11	6	1	4	21	20	19		
ELTHAM	8	5	1	3	28	15	16		
NP RANGERS	10	4	2	4	12	14	14		
FDMC	10	3	2	5	13	24	11		
WOODLEIGH	11	2	2	7	15	27	8		
PERINGA	9	1	2	6	13	23	5		
INGLEWOOD	10	0	0	10	5	38	0		
SMITHS SPORT SHOES CHAMPIONSHIP									
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NP RANGERS	11	11	0	0	32	8	33		
PERINGA	11	7	0	4	22	23	21		
KAPONGA	10	6	1	3	40	19	19		
NP BOYS HIGH	11	6	1	4	32	17	19		
WOODLEIGH	11	5 5	3	3	32	21	18		
MOTUROA FC WESTERN	10	3	2		31	16	17		
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NP RANGERS	9	9	0	0	39	5	27		
KAPONGA	10	8	0	2	63	28	24		
HAWERA	9	7	0	2	36	16	21		
WAITARA	9	3	1	5	23	23	10		
MOTUROA	10	3	0	7	16	32	6		
PERINGA	9 10	1 1	1 0	7 9	16 6	41 54	4		
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STRATFORD	10	9	1	0	35	9	28		
FC WESTERN	9	5	2	2	26	16	17		
HAWERA	9	5	2	2	22	17	17		
NP RANGERS	10	3	4	3	25	25	13		
PERINGA	10	2	2	6	21	39	8		
WOODLEIGH	9	2	1	6	19	25	7		
WAITARA	9	1	0	8	8	25	3		
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WAITARA	10	10	0	0	68	5	30		
MOTUROA	10	8	0	2	60	15	24		
NP RANGERS	10 10	8	0	2	55	13 12	24 24		
INGLEWOOD	9	4	0	5	27	19	12		
ELTHAM	9	2	1	6	18	32	7		
PERINGA	11	2	1	8	12	73	7		
STRATFORD	11	0	0	11	1	85	0		
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CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

10 out of 10, It doesn't get any better than that for TREEHOUSE NP RANGERS.

Despite the setback of losing to the Moturoa Premier side in the Duff Rosebowl 4-0 recently the league form continues to truck along. As the finishing line gets closer the challenge is to remain unbeaten and clinch the league title for the 2nd time in three seasons.

Either side of the Moturoa games have seen two satisfactory victories. Firstly a comfortable 3-0 win at Francis Douglas College. Sam Halliburton-Ritchie got his first goal of the season as did Jared Wilson. Luke Anderson netted the other goal.

Last Saturday saw a tougher encounter in beating Woodleigh 2-1. Top scorer Nick Betteridge 'bagged' (or should it be tea bagged) his 8th of the season. Jason Rowe chipped in with the winner. Coach Shanan Duffell expressed that it has been a real team effort in securing all these results. The team are 11 points clear of Kaponga with seven games remaining, needing 4 wins to secure the title. No pressure!

Today TREEHOUSE NP RANGERS are home to Millwards Roofing FC Western.

Next week they are away to the NP Boys High School 2nd X1.

DIVISION ONE

Like their Championship counterparts **RIMU ELECTRICAL ODDBODZ** RANGERS are leading their competition. Having played one game less than Kaponga, Oddbodz lead the table by three points. They still have fixtures against Kaponga and Hawera amongst their remaining games.

Comfortable wins are the order of the day having conceded only two goals in their last 8 matches. None more so than last Saturday with a 6-0 win at Peringa. Matt Ander has found his scoring boots in the last couple of weeks scoring a hat trick with goals from Ben Dowman, Matt Brown and Josh Barrett completing the rout.

In the previous league match they routed Inglewood 7-0. In between they beat Peringa 3rd's by a conservative 3-0. Goals came from Moritz Hartmann, Scott Pritchard and Matt Ander.

Like the Championship side they rely on all round team performance but with only 5 goals conceded all season Stu Belgrave, Luke Tuckett and George Wareing are the spine of the team. Oddbodz average 4 goals a game and although the goals have been spread across the team, Josh Barrett (9) and Matt Ander (6) lead the way.

Today the Oddbodz are at home to Pro Glaze Waitara.

Next week they are at home to second placed Kaponga.



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DIVISION TWO

CONVEYORQUIP NP RANGERS got back to winning ways last week with a good 2-1 win over Waitara. An early goal from Manju Kodandaram and a late winner from Chris Whale sealed the points. It could have been better had Monty Ammundsen scored from his 40 yard chip which the Waitara goalkeeper managed to hold onto – just! Another old timer, Craig Caldwell showed us why he has only one goal this season missing a sitter from 6 inches!

Talking of keepers what were you doing Stephen Lewis for Waitara's goal? Keep those legs shut! Two successive matches were played against Stratford in the previous fortnight. At a cold Stratford the team snatched a 2-2 draw to see Stratford drop their first points of the season. Manju and Ash Peat scored for Rangers.

As would have it Stratford were the opponents in the Nimmo Cup this time going down 2-3 in another close game. Manju again scored while Craig Caldwell scored his first of the season albeit a rebound from a missed penalty!

Today the team are at away to 4U Computer Solutions Hawera.

Next week they are at home to Peringa United.

WOMENS DIVISION

WASTE MANAGEMENT NP RANGERS continue to perform well in the Women's Competition. The girls have now had five league wins in a row including an impressive 4-3 win at Moturoa. These five games have produced 28 goals – fantastic!

It's been some time since the club Moturoa in the women's' competition so much to celebrate there. Goals from Paige Adams, Darcy Holden, Jacinta Perry and an own goal sealed a great win. This was followed up by an emphatic win over Stratford 12-0. It wasn't that long ago our girls were on the wrong end of that sort of scoreline so we can enjoy that too! Kerri-Ann Jones continued her fine goalscoring run with seven goals to put the pressure on Paige Adams for the Golden Boot. Reem Lashin and Aimee Wisnewski both scored while Darcy Holden continued her good run of goalscoring form with one.

Last weekend saw the team grind out a 1-0 win down at Eltham to draw level with Moturoa in second place on the table.

Tomorrow the team are at home to table topping Waitara in what should be another tough match.

Next week they are away to Inglewood.

Following that the Duchess Cup knockout starts with a home fixture against Stratford in the quarter final.







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LEAGUE GOALS ONLY

PAIGE ADAMS	WOMEN	18	MATT ANDER	DIV ONE	5
KERRI-ANN JONES	WOMEN	15	DARCY HOLDEN	WOMEN	5
JOSH BARRETT	DIV ONE	9	DOM SQUATRITI	FEDS	4
NICK BETTERIDGE	CHAMP	8	TAKU WARREN	FEDS	4
WILL HONG	DIV TWO	6	JASON ROWE	CHAMP	4
REEM LASHIN	WOMEN	6	GEORGE AREING	DIV ONE	4
TOM MAYSON	CHAMP	5	KURT LEUTHART	DIV ONE	4





FIXTURES FOR 7TH JULY 2018

TEAM	OPPOSITION	GROUND	TIME
Federation League	NORTH END FC.	Merrilands	2.45pm
Premier	NP BOYS HIGH	Webster Field	2.45pm
Championship	NP BOYS HIGH	Webster Field	12.45pm
Division One	KAPONGA	Merrilands	12.45pm
Division Two	PERINGA	Merrilands	12.45pm
Women	INGLEWOOD	Karo Park	10.30am

CUP DRAWS

The Quarter Final draw has been made for the men's cup competitions.

DUFF ROSEBOWL

JLE NEW PLYMOUTH RANGERS v ELTHAM (AWAY) KICK OFF 2PM

NIMMO CUP

RIMU ELECTRICAL NP RANGERS ODDBODZ v FC WESTERN (HOME) KICK OFF 12.00 PM





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Juniors

Today the juniors have a one day tournament being played at Peringa Park.

All 28 club teams will be playing. Next week we will have a report on how the teams went. Following a successful trip to the Wynton Rufer tournaments at Stop Out Football Club in the Hutt Valley, the next adventure for young up and coming players will be the Wanganui Athletic tournament.

Later in the year will be the Taupo FC tournament so plenty of experience of playing against teams from outside of Taranaki.

In the local competition, in the 13th grade youth league **NPR Aces** are top of the league with **NPR Colts** in 3rd place.

In the 12th grade Division One the **NPR Cosmos** are top of the table by some margin having won all eight matches to date. In the 12th grade Division Two the **NPR Chiefs** are second in the table only a point behind league leaders Hawera.

No league tables are held for the teams below this level.







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ONE TO ONE WITH JULIANO SCHMELING

We at New Plymouth Rangers are very fortunate to have secured the coaching services of Juliano. As well as taking the 1st team, Juliano is overseeing all the senior teams. In addition he has been taking sessions with our juniors. I caught up with Juliano to find out a bit more about him.

Can you tell me a bit of your background?

I'm originally from Brazil. I graduated and did my Post-Graduate in Brazil which I'm specialised in Development of Football and Futsal players.

I started my career as a coach in 2003 and did 7 seasons at Professional club in Brazil. After that I have experience in New Zealand, China, Australia, Solomon Islands plus tournaments in different continents such as Asia, South America, Europe and Oceania.

Prior to coming to Taranaki where were you coaching and what level are you at coaching wise?

I have been working in Solomon Islands for the last 3 years. We had a very nice project over there. We started from nothing and reached the semi-final of OFC Champions League this year. I'm currently doing my AFC licence in Australia and I hope to get my A Licence next year.

How come you ended up in Taranaki?

My wife is from here and we are building our family in the Taranaki region.

I hear the players have responded to you well. What's your secret?

Working honestly with all the players plus my experience as Head Coach in different countries and all my experience from Brazil are helping me a lot here in New Zealand.

What are your plans for New Plymouth Rangers?

To get as far as we can this season but I hope to be able to build a nice project with Rangers for the next few years.

Would you like to take the club to a national level?

Definitely I would like to do that but this is all about a good plan first.

LOTTO FEDERATION LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts
MARIST	9	7	2	0	31	14	23
NORTH END	8	6	0	2	28	18	18
WANGANUI ATHLETIC	8	4	1	3	25	13	13
HOKOWHITU	8	4	1	3	20	16	13
NP RANGERS	9	4	1	4	18	25	13
MASSEY UNIVERSITY	8	3	2	3	22	20	11
WANGANUI CITY	9	2	0	7	21	34	6
RED SOX	9	0	1	8	5	30	1



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The following article was in the local Wanganui newspaper (which incidentally gives terrific coverage to their local football teams) prior to the recent Wanganui Athletic v NP Rangers game. I don't think our players saw it but no team talk would have been required – just pin this on the changing room wall!

It's nice to know that we can get under the skin of our nearest rival outside Taranaki. I think Moturoa might take offence at not being called our biggest rival! It's been going on for over 50 years.

Nice to know we are feared more than their traditional local rivals who visit us today.

I'd like to know who all these players who 'moved north to ply their trade' are. Other than Josh Smith and Nick Hayward (joined Moturoa) I can't think of any. That's not to say we wouldn't have minded if Matt Calvert or Ryan Holden had come to New Plymouth last year but opted to stay in Wanganui.

ATHLETIC & RANGERS. RANGERS & ATHLETIC

Say what you will about current Lotto Federation League leaders Palmerston North Marist coming down from Central League this season, or the unexpected rise of the "People's Team" North End AFC as title contenders, but today's match at Wembley Park between the GJ Gardner Wanganui Athletic and their Taranaki opposition is the true rivalry for this division. North End's upset loss to Massey FC at the start of the second round last Saturday has put the spotlight on just how crucial Athletic's 1-0 defeat to Rangers was back on April 14 in New Plymouth.

Three competition points went begging on that occasion after a mucky game, and had Athletic pulled the match out, they would currently be ahead of North End in second place on the league table, while approaching touching distance of leaders Marist with an extra game in hand.

Going back to 2014 when Athletic lost a controversial Lotto Federation Cup final to Team Taranaki – the now-defunct side which was fed by Rangers players and then in turn reinforced them in later seasons for Cup fixtures – any Athletic success always seems to be at their northern rivals expense and vice versa.

Athletic already got some payback for April's defeat by dominating Rangers 3-1 in the Chatham Cup preliminary round on Anzac Day, after their neighbours Versatile Wanganui City did them a big favour by running the northerners ragged five days earlier with a 3-2 upset league win.

It tells a similar story to 2017.

Athletic ultimately claimed superiority in the rivalry as despite dropping the first match (2-1) and then losing a heartbreaking Chatham Cup extra time war (5-4), they then came roaring back against Rangers with a 5-4 win and then a 5-0 hammering in their other league games.

But even here, Rangers had the last laugh, as they still finished ahead of Athletic in second place after the Wanganui side stumbled against lower tier teams in their last two games and couldn't manage a solitary point – coach Jason King needing some alone time after the final loss to Gisborne Thistle in Napier.

King said the origins of the Rangers feud go back a number of years when several expat Wanganui players headed north to seek greener pastures, a trend continued when the talented Josh Smith played for Team Taranaki despite still living at home.

"There's always that little connection there somewhere.

"Even before I took over and Rangers were just in Premier, there was always that little rivalry and a bit of banter," King said. "It's a well-played match in the right spirit, but certainly it has an edge. "It really is all about the win – even Athletic's derby matches with Wanganui City have taken on a more respectful tone in recent seasons, which is helped by the fact King and City coach Kelvin Francis are friends and representative co-coaches, sharing a vision of wanting the best for football in Wanganui all-around.

Case in point; after last weekend's riveting 3-2 win by Athletic over City, Francis gave Athletic his blessing in the aftermatch function.

"He said, 'make sure next weekend you give Rangers hell because they don't like coming to Wembley'," said King.
"These guys from up north, they want to come down here? We'll send them home with their tails between their legs."
Rangers have a new coach and King acknowledges there could be some fresh faces in their line-up, however a motivated
Athletic can only play whoever turns up and he is determined they will not kneecap their own chances like they did at the
Merrilands Domain. "We're a better team than to do that again."

DATATALK NEW PLYMOUTH RANGERS

COLOURS: BLUE & BLACK STRIPES

VERSATILE WANGANUI CITY

COLOURS: YELLOW SHIRTS

BLACK SHORTS

- 1 JAMES BURROUGHS
- 2 TATE HOLDEN
- 3 ISAAC BAILEY
- 4 ETHAN BIRD
- 5 JOEL WILLETTS
- 6 PAUL STUART
- 7 WADE RANDLE (C)
- 8 NIALL LEGGETT
- 9 JAIRO AQUINO
- 10 DOM SQUATRITI
- 11 ZIAN POPATA
- 12 BEVAN LEHRKE
- 14 TAKU WARREN
- 16 TYLER SNOW

93 JOHN SIGURDSSON

- 23 GLEN GRAHAM
- 2 ALEX JUDD-NUTTALL
- 3 MARCUS JONES
- 4 MAX DAVIDSON
- 6 THOMAS SINTON
- 10 JOHN NGAPEKA
- 11 KYLF GRAHAM-LUKF
- 12 DANIEL APLIN
- 13 JACK JONAS
- 15 ELI FLEMING
- 16 JAMES BARNES
- 19 LATHAM BERRY
- 8 JAKE LOCKETT
- 5 BEN HUSSEY
- 14 ADRIAN NGAAU

COACH: JULIANO SCHMELING COACH: KELVIN FRANCIS

