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# NELSON PINE LVL TASMAN UNITED V HAWKES BAY UNITED

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We have around 18 teams in the Nelson Bays Football winter leagues from 1st Kicks (5yr olds) to Masters (35yrs +).

We pride ourselves on having a family friendly atmosphere, and have a strong club vision;

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With a club our size, we rely heavily on volunteers, and we have a wonderful group of people who commit and give up their own time each year to help organise and run Richmond Athletic AFC. We have a comprehensive junior and youth development programme and regularly enter teams into tournaments to improve and further the players experience.

If you would like to know more, or are keen to get involved please contact our Club Co-ordinator Nicole on [admin@richmondathletic.co.nz](mailto:admin@richmondathletic.co.nz).



## Current league table...

Team	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
Auckland City FC	4	2	1	1	7	7
Waitakere United	4	2	1	1	1	7
Hamilton Wanderers	3	2	0	1	3	6
Eastern Suburbs	3	2	0	1	-2	6
Canterbury United Dragons	3	1	2	0	2	5
Wellington Phoenix U-20	3	1	1	1	0	4
Hawkes Bay United	3	1	0	2	-1	3
Team Wellington	3	1	0	2	-3	3
Tasman United	3	0	2	1	-4	2
Southern United FC	3	0	1	2	-3	1

## Upcoming draw...

20 Nov 2016 – Tasman United v Hamilton Wanderers, Porritt Stadium 2pm

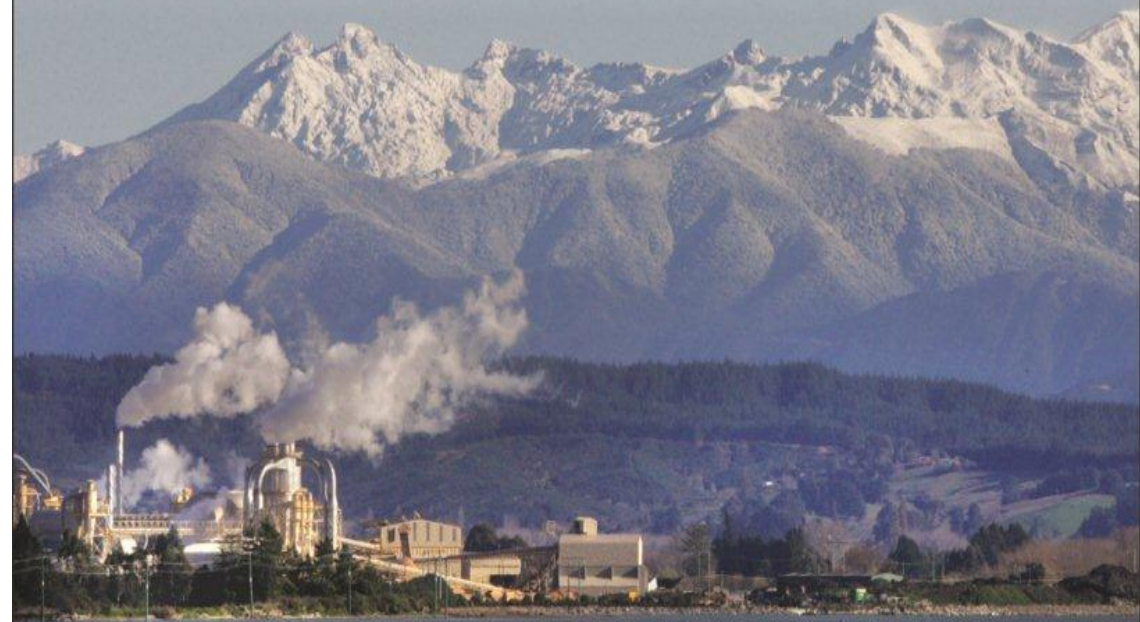
**27 Nov 2016 – Tasman United v Waitakere United, Trafalgar Park, 2pm**

4 Dec 2016 – Tasman United v Eastern Suburbs, Bill McKinlay Park, 2pm

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## Chairman's report...



A big welcome to Brett Angel and the Hawkes Bay United Team to Trafalgar Park today for our first home game. The last time I saw a Hawkes Bay and Nelson team meeting was in 2000 when Nelson Suburbs took on Napier City Rovers in a 3 – 3 thriller, so it's good to have you back and hopefully we will have an entertaining fixture again today. Both regions have traditionally delivered strong teams over the years and for us, we are glad to be back competing again at this level so we can measure where our players are.

We are very excited to have our first home game. As I write this the weather forecast is dire, but hopefully the fans turn out in force. The support from the community has been fantastic and there has been a real buzz which hopefully the players are enjoying.

Brett comes with a reputation for having a very organised squad, and as runners up last year, Tasman United are expecting this to be a tough fixture. It is also good to see the return of Sam Mason-Smith who was a feature in a very handy Richmond Athletic side a few years ago, and it's great to see him establish himself as a top quality national league player and will be a threat no doubt today.

We have managed to get two draws from the first three fixtures, and although the boys were a little disappointed last week not to take the win, we the committee are pleased with the progress that has occurred. We have 10 players and two coaches from out of town in the squad of 23 and the logistics of getting them all together will take some time to bed down. However, the football that has been played and the quality of the players cannot be denied and we are confident that we will win our fair share of games.

I'd also like to mention our sponsors. This game is brought to you by local business Hybrid Homes, who have fabulous award winning homes. Nelson Pine LVL as naming rights sponsor, Sprig & Fern and Bayley's as major sponsors, as well as Football World who supply our apparel and sponsor. Plus 4, NZME, Absolute Energy as commercial partners. On top of this have around 30 additional businesses and 40 individuals who have signage, player sponsorship, and foundation membership. Thank you all for your support and in turn we ask all our fans and players to support these local businesses.

Enjoy today and thanks for helping Tasman United create history.  
Mark Sheehan, Chairman

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## Coach's comments...

Hello and welcome.



On October 23rd history was made. Canterbury's English Park played host to the first ever match for Tasman United and rewarded the foresight, ambition and hard work of a small group of dedicated people to return National League football to Nelson. Together we get to contribute to the ongoing history of Tasman United, by being the first to see the team play a National League game in Nelson, in what will hopefully be a long, successful and enduring franchise. But the team and I appreciate that the goodwill and intrigue that comes with being a new franchise will soon fade. Four weeks into the season questions turn from "Can they compete as a National League franchise?", to "Now as a National League franchise, can they be successful?" It is now up to us to play a style of football that wins, that excites you, and leaves you wanting to come back in two weeks time against Waitakere United (and beyond) wanting more.

There is no question that we have had to battle through a tough start to the season. Three consecutive away trips taking in matches against three of last year's top 4, along with a fixture against a rejuvenated and more experienced Wellington Phoenix u20 side full of aspiring young professionals, sees us still awaiting our first victory. There is no question that last weekend we created enough opportunities in the second half to comfortably win the game, and this gives me great encouragement that our first victory is within sight.

Turning to today's game, I'd like to welcome Brett Angel and his Hawkes Bay United players and staff to Trafalgar Park. Hawkes Bay United arrive as last season's league runners up, a feat achieved through unrivalled organisation and discipline out of possession, allied to a potent goal threat in the form of Sam Mason-Smith. Whilst this season hasn't started in the manner with which I'm sure they would have liked, their performances to date suggest that to achieve a result ourselves this afternoon we will have to match their level of organisation, and start to demonstrate greater control in possession.

I hope you enjoy today's game and are looking forward to joining us on this journey through our inaugural National League season.

Regards, Richard Anderson (Head Coach)

## Player profile... Ermal Hajdari

Reporter Phillip Rollo spoke with the Ermal Hajdari earlier this week.

**You came close to scoring your first goal on the weekend, hitting the frame of the goal in the 1 – 1 draw with the Wellington Phoenix reserves. Can it get frustrating as a Striker to go the first three games without finding the back of the net?**

I was close to scoring my first goal and an important goal for the team and club. But we both know football is sometimes like that – the ball doesn't want to go in. I don't get myself stressed or frustrated, I keep myself cool and I believe in myself and just keep working hard every day. That's the only thing I can do and hopefully next time it is between the posts.

**Do you have any pre-game routines and how do you spend the hours leading up to kick off?**

I have a good meal and relax, drink a lot of water and get myself ready for the game. I try to act professional outside and on the pitch, in training and games. I just take it easy at home and relax, and when I put my match shirt on that's when I leave everything on the pitch and go 100 per cent for the game.

**How are you enjoying living in Nelson and what do you do away from the football field?**

I enjoy Nelson. I like it so far. It's a nice place with very nice people here. I like the weather. Where I come from it's cold now and snow. So I feel good. In my free time, well I chill with my teammates, play FIFA, and walk on the beach.

**How much are you looking forward to playing at Trafalgar Park in front of the home fans for the first time?**

I am looking forward to it very much. Playing at home is always special and of course now being the first home game for the new club and everything. Hopefully we can make them proud and have a good game and get the three points we need.

**What do you think needs to improve for the team to beat Hawke's Bay United today?**

We just need to keep working hard and believe in ourselves and play how we can play. If we do that then it will be a good game for us. We are a good team, we have good players and staff, so it will be very nice to play at home. This is our place and we need to protect our place.



### Ermal Hajdari

Position: Striker/Winger

Hometown: Kristianstad, Sweden

Instagram: [ermalhajdari](#)

Occupation: Football Player

Date of Birth: 4 December, 1992

Previous Club: FC Infonet (Estonian Premier League)



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## About our visitors...

**Hawkes Bay United** was founded in 2005 under the name of Napier City Soccer. In the inaugural NZFC season (2004–2005), they finished 5<sup>th</sup> out of 8 teams.

The following season, Napier City Soccer was renamed to Hawkes Bay United, and changed their kit colour to the Hawkes Bay provincial sporting colours of white and black, as part of an effort to better represent the greater East Coast instead of just the city of Napier. Last season they finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the regular season.

Today, we welcome the players and management of the 2016 Hawkes Bay United team, and also welcome back Sam Mason-Smith to the region where he began his football in New Zealand.

Good luck today to both teams.



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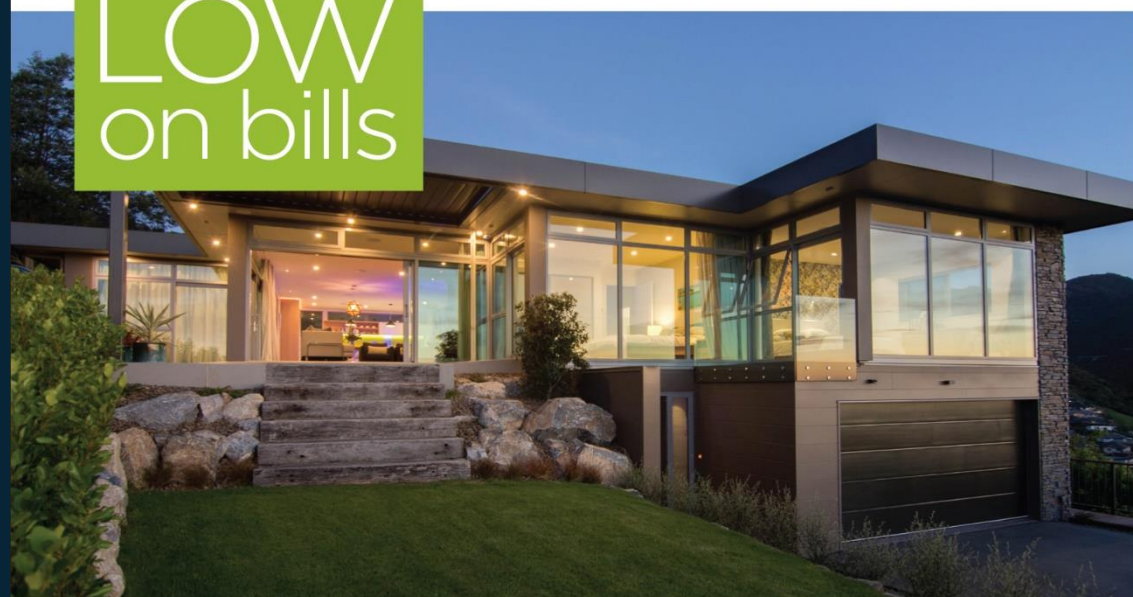


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# Hawkes Bay United



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Coach: Brett Angell  
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 Video Analysis: Tim Motu  
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 Referee Assessor: W. Stapley