

OSURFC ALUMNI SOCIETY

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ANNUAL OLD BOYS EVENT—9/23 & 9/24

The fall is fast approaching, and for the first time in recent history there was no mass-alumni gathering this past “first weekend of June”. It’s obviously a transitional time for our Club and our Alumni. The University’s switch to semesters means school will be out well before June 1. The fact that the Collegiate Summer 7’s Tournament has also been held the first weekend of June the past two years made it an obvious decision for the board to make a complete transition from the summer to the fall for the Annual Old Boys Weekend. It was a change that we all knew was coming, and that our Alumni were open to based on our initial survey. That means let’s get ready for a great fall event! The weekend has been set for September 23rd & 24th. The football team plays Colorado that weekend, there will be a pregame tailgate with food and drinks and the Society has secured a block of 30 tickets for our OSU Alumni members available on a first come basis, email Tom Rankin - tsrdds@ameritech.net to purchase. The annual golf outing has also been moved to the fall, so we’ll be hosting an outing and banquet on that Friday the 23rd. It is also the Club’s 45th anniversary so we’ll be sure to acknowledge our rich history at all events. This will be a huge, event-filled weekend with details on the Golf and Banquet to come so please start sending RSVPs for the weekend to russ-howland4@yahoo.com so we can properly prepare. If you pick a weekend to come back to Columbus, make it this weekend!

OSURFC ALL-ERA PLAYERS: NOMINATIONS NEEDED!

It’s a conversation that comes up in every sport, and OSU Rugby is no exception: Who are the best to ever play the game? The Alumni Society decided to take on the task of answering this question, but we can’t do it without your help! We will hold a vote for the starting 15 from each 5 year era of OSU Rugby. We hope to do this at least twice a year until we’ve covered all eras in our history. The first two eras for vote are 1966-1970 and 2005-2010. Any player from these eras can be nominated. Nominations must be made via email by someone other than the player, and must include an explanation for the nomination (qualitative and quantitative achievements). They must have played at least 1 full year (2 seasons) for the Bucks. As the nominations are received a Committee of alums will whittle the nominations down to a short list of 3 to 4 players for each position. Those 3 to 4 players will then be sent out as an easy-to-use online vote via email, facebook and twitter to tally up all the votes. Most votes for each position wins. This is not highly scientific, and hopefully it will cause a lot of great debate amongst our alumni! The plan is to have a top 15 for each era, but high participation and # of votes could lead to a top 22. The Committee will have the power to nominate players for vote, but the teams will be named purely based on the power of the vote. Please start getting nominations in ASAP so we can honor the first two

OSURFC All-Era Teams at this Fall’s Old Boys Weekend. Nominations and requests to be on the Committee can be sent to OSURFCAlumni@gmail.com until August 20th, when the Committee will begin to narrow down the players. Committee members can likely complete these tasks via phone/email, though over a cold beer could be a lot more fun! Email all nominations, questions and requests to OSURFCAlumni@gmail.com.

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UPCOMING ALUMNI EVENTS

7/23 OSU ALUMNI DAY @ CINCINNATI REDS

7/23 OSU ALUMNI DAY @ COLUMBUS CREW (\$1 DRAFTS)

TBA OSU RUGBY @ COLUMBUS CLIPPERS

9/23 RUGBY ALUMNI GOLF OUTING & 45TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET

9/24 TAILGATE & OSU VS COLORADO FOOTBALL - TICKETS AVAILABLE!

RSVPS & QUESTIONS TO OSURFCALUMNI@GMAIL.COM

OSURFC FALL SCHEDULE

9/24 OLD BOYS WEEKEND

10/1 VS MICHIGAN ST

10/8 @ DAVENPORT, IA

10/15 BOWLING GREEN

10/22 PURDUE

TBA @ MIAMI, OH

11/5 @ INDIANA

Go to OSURugby.com to update your contact information and stay connected!

Visit OhioStateAlumni.org for all Ohio State Alumni updates.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Since it's inception in November of 2010, the Capital Campaign has taken in more than \$15k with pledges running through 2013 totaling well over \$45k. We have received donations from alumni all over the country, ranging from guys who played 40 years ago to former players just a few years removed. We have had some extraordinary donation commitments to the top tier levels, as well as guys giving what they can out of their pocket. Every penny received is used to help OSURFC prepare for the 2nd full season of the Collegiate Premier League (CPL), to enhance the alumni experience through events and additional benefits and to support other efforts that will strengthen the club both on and off the field. Below are some things YOUR money has gone towards recently:

- Paid for live game streaming feed for spring CPL games - \$700
- Paid for new website - \$3500
- Contributed \$3000 to the team for additional CPL travel
- Secured tickets for alumni to home football game (vs. Colorado) in fall of 2011
- Multiple home football game tailgates
- We continue to add to this list

While the amounts already contributed are impressive to start, we are far from our target. The CPL alone will add approximately \$20k in additional costs per year to the club. This campaign has a goal of getting to \$30k per year in annual donations to cover that amount and aid in focusing in on some areas of improvement. We already have an impressive list of generous donors, but to get to our goal, we need much more broad alumni support. To this point, our donation chart has the look of upside down pyramid. To succeed long term, we need to broaden the base of that chart. It may not sound like much, but a direct deposit of about \$20 a month puts a donor in the A-Side tier, which includes benefits found on the new website. Please consider letting your former teammates know that they can help in a big way with a small donation; and, consider contributing yourself if you haven't already. If you have any questions about ways to contribute or taxability issues, please reach out to the Society.

Eagles:

Bob Trice
Joe Rosenbaum
Rocco Detomo
Mike Cline

All Americans :

Matt Brammer
Jason Henry
Bill Burlingame
Mark Hirth

A-Side:

Gary Rundio
Ron Kyser
Alynn Nathanson
Tom Rankin
Bob "Rapid" Storey

Club Man:

Barry Adelman
Erik Schulte
Lou Westinghouse
Richard Willatt
Chris McClellan
Don Gorman

B-Side Brawlers:

Gary Henry
Jesse Little
Dean Panik
Grant Hughes
Eric Adler
Doug Olson

OSU OVER RUTGERS 48-22 IN CPD FINALE

The Bucks ended their first College Premier Division season on a high note, pulling away from the Scarlet Knights of Rutgers at home 48-22. Tries were scored by Tighthead Andy Krieger, Fullback Kyle Harmon, Lock Dan Holzworth, Open-Side Flank Jeff Walsh, Wing Robert Rhodes Jr and Flyhalf Gareth Willatt who also slotted four conversions. The Bucks were led by graduating Captain Chad Cochran, who in his last game led the Bucks to their first CPD victory scoring 2 tries with 2 try assists. Chad played excellent, providing great defense and even better leadership by keeping the team focused in a back-and-forth match that didn't break free until the last 18 minutes. Definitely his best game of the year. Chad's play earned him the CPD Eastern Conference Player of the Week honor. The Alumni Society would like to congratulate and wish the best of luck to this year's graduating seniors (and newest Society members, free for the first year of course): Chad Cochran, Josh Griffin, Josh Barkhurst, Jason Suhy, Joey Lotozo, and Saeed Saleh.



OSURFC Operating Code for University Donations: # 205414

Use this code to ensure your PRESIDENTS CLUB donation is appropriated to the Clubs endowment fund.

CALL TO ALUMNI-BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED

Our current board members are coming to the end of our tenures. A few of us will stick around to ensure a smooth transition, but per our constitution must rotate members to ensure that our Society captures new ideas. The board meets monthly and is a great way to give back to the club and have some fun while doing it. Being a board member allows you to help improve alumni events and the Club, as well as to meet alumni of different generations. Surely a number of you have ideas and suggestions that you believe would improve the Club, and the alumni's support of it. If so please send an email to OSURFCAlumni@gmail with the information below. As always you can send any suggestions to the same email. Even if you cannot commit to serving on the board we value your suggestions and there are a number of committees established that also need support.

- 1) Name & Years Played/Club Affiliation:
- 2) Position of Interest (all board seats listed on last page):
- 3) Ideas/Suggestions:

2010-11 PAID SOCIETY MEMBERS: THANK YOU AND DON'T FORGET TO RENEW THIS SEPTEMBER!

Eric Adler
Corey Allenbach
Josh Barkhurst '11
Brian Berry
Matt Bigham
Adam Bittner
Matt Brammer
Dave Bruck
Bill Burlingame
Ben Casey
*Tom Caldwell
Jason Christiansen
Mike Cline

Chad Cochran '11
Ted Dehaan
Rocco Detomo
John Dever
Mike Dresser
Brian Ebersole
Barry Ferguson
Kyle Flower
Joe Granzier
Steve Gutkoski
Dan Hamilton
*Buck Henry
*Jason Henry

Mark Hirth
Rusty Hill
Mike Hudak
Grant Hughes
Elliot Korsen
Ron Kyser
Jay Lee
Jesse Little
Joey Lotozo '11
Conor Malloy
Brent Mathie
Mark McCalla
Chris McClellan

Dave Millet
Alynn Nathanson
Ted Nevits
Mark O'Shaughnessey
Carl Price
Tom Rankin
Matt Rings
*Tom Rooney
Joe Rosenbaum
Gary Rudio
*Tim Rudolf
Saleed Saleh '11
Doug Saunders

Erik Schulte
*Rocky Saxbe
Bob "Rapid" Storey
Jason Suhy '11
Jeff Torrence
Bob Trice
Dan Walsh
Rob Zuercher

*Denotes Lifetime Membership

Not on this list? It only costs \$30/year, less than your player dues! Email osurfc alumni@gmail if you should be on the list.

OSURFC FLASHBACK- 1969



THE 1969 BIG 10 CHAMPS POSE WITH MS. ANN ARBOR-EMAIL US IF YOU KNOW THE NAMES OF ANY OF THESE PLAYERS!

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Board Members:

Officers

- o President – Jason Henry
jhenry15@woh.rr.com
- o President Elect – Lou Westinghouse
lwestinghouse@hotmail.com
- o Treasurer – Tom Rankin
tsrdds@ameritech.net
- o Secretary – Joe Granzier
jgranzier@tmpfa.com

Committee Chairs

- o Communications – Conor Malloy
dconormalloy@gmail.com
- o Planning & Events - Russ Howland
russhowland4@yahoo.com
- o Scholarship – Rusty Hill
hilleng@verizon.net
- o Membership – Brian Ebersole
brianebersole@msn.com
- o At-Large – Kevin Talebi
ktalebi@ctn.net
- o Coaching Rep – Tom Rooney
- o Player Rep – Tejas Sinha
- o OSU Alumni Rep – Craig Little

Alumni Society Email And PayPal Account:
OSURFCAlumni@gmail.com

SOCIETY BOARD MEETING MINUTES: JULY 11, 2011

1. Decided to go with Eric Adler to purchase gear for the society
 - a. Use UPS to send out gear direct from source
2. Slight revision of CPL Donor tier rewards
3. Change society membership from June-May to Sep-Aug. All those that paid for this year will have their membership extended to Sep 11 to coincide with the main Alumni event.
4. Alumni Leadership Conference is 23 Sep, we need at least one representative and keep in mind that this is the same day as our golf outing.
5. Clippers game on Saturday 30 July. If we can get a group committed and some tickets purchased then we can put it in the newsletter. If you are interested please let me know.

Attendees: Conor Malloy, Tejas Sinha, Jeff McClellan, Tom Rankin, Jason

HELP US FOR FREE!

You can contribute immediately! We are looking for alumni updates, stories, reflections, and embellishments of past accomplishments to provide to Old Boys in our newsletters. We need similar Alumni recounts and Memorabilia to start putting together our Club's History in greater detail. Send any and all stories, writings and memorabilia to OSURFCAlumni@gmail.com.

-----DETACH AND MAIL-----

Note: Please make checks payable to The Ohio State Rugby Alumni Society and mail checks to Tom Rankin, 5515 Scioto Darby Rd., Hilliard, OH 43026 or Send to PayPal Account: OSURFCAlumni@gmail.com

First name	Middle name	Last name	Nickname

If married, spouse's first name	MI	Last name	

Home address			

City	State	Zip code	
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Home Phone	Cell Phone	Email address	
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Years played	Academic Major	Profession	
_____	_____	_____	
OSU Alumni Association ID #			

MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

- 1 year membership
\$30.00
- Lifetime membership
\$600.00
- Graduating senior
membership \$0
- In addition, I would like
to contribute a tax de-
ductible donation of
\$ _____

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