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Dear Jim,

Happy New Year! We've moved into 2013 with great excitement and energy to help the Clemson Rugby program accomplish their goals. The students have been back at it for several weeks preparing for another semester of tests in the classroom and on the pitch. The Clemson Rugby Foundation has been reviewing the many generous contributions as well as our efforts to raise support for rugby at Clemson. We would like to share with you how we did last year and some exciting news for 2013.

CRF Fundraising Results - 2012

Matching gifts can get us to \$30,000

We closed out the year just under the \$29,000 mark in contributions collected and known matching gifts in process. There is a great opportunity to see additional contributions from matching gift programs from your employer. This is an easy way to double your contribution and impact your gift has on the teams. Check with your Human Resource department or manager if your company has a matching gifts program. We are familiar with the paperwork associated with completing a matching gift request. While we missed our goal of \$35,000 in 2012, the shortfall is not due to a lack of interest or support. Contributors from every generation of Clemson Rugby are represented in our membership and supporter list. What is truly incredible is that we reached this figure with only 64 contributors. These generous contributors include members of Clemson Rugby's first team in 1967, to women's team alumnae, student families and professors. We have reached out to all associations of the Clemson Rugby experience to gain their support. The stories we hear are incredible and the on-going passion for Clemson Rugby is inspiring. We have continued to add new supporters to our membership and we will tackle the challenge of reaching all of our alumni, past supporters and family in 2013.

We surpassed \$100,000 in 2012

Right around homecoming, we reached the \$100,000 mark in total funds raised by the CRF since 2007. This achievement is a testament to the impact that Clemson Rugby has had on so many students. The dedication and passion for continuing rugby's great legacy at Clemson University is shared by many generous supporters.

Join us in supporting Clemson Rugby

The list below recognizes the members and contributors to the Clemson Rugby Foundation in 2012. There are many who have contributed to Clemson Rugby through the Clemson Fund over many years. The Clemson Fund is a another way to support the team however, we have no oversight or visibility on the Clemson Fund account. We thank you for your generosity and hope we can recognize you more appropriately in the future.

2012 CRF Members and Supporters:

Andras & Caroline Bende
Jim & Erin Gaine
Rich Saunders Jr.
Dutch Jones

Matthew & Abby Brown
James Baxter
Michelle and Tom Johnson
Ken Kershner
Mary Jeanne Bende
Reed Brogan
Jason Clarke
James Brogan
Reade & Sally Baxley
Ted Chapman
Robert Bortins
Patrick Psarras
Colton Thompson
Jon & Julie Mullikin
David Konopnicki
David & Lori Raad
Andrew VanEvera
Vince Atkinson
Blake Allen
Tim Mayberry
Bill Barrett
Jeffrey & Laurianne Matheson
Bretton Swope
Wayne Smith
Tyson Campbell
Michael Fitzgerald
Christel & Rick Carpenter
W. Carlyle & Suzanne Blakeney
Chris Guest
Mike Ireson
Douglas & Linda Moore
Michael & Molly Honeycutt
Beau Choate
William Phillips
Shawn & Alison Hanna
Douglas "Trey" Moore
Rebecca & Jonathan Horace
Brett Ferreira
Eric Tate
Phuc "Jon" Nguyen
Mike Spacil
Dawn Collins
Henry Wolfe
Derek Gallardo
Heath & Maureen Cobb
Rod Fry
Geoff Clott
Brad Davis
George Stewart
John Fetty
Stacie Phan
Jeff Epps
Allen "AP" Powell
Tim Stovall
Andrew Pelland
Mark Swancy
Frank Reiss
Sean Tynan
Anna Runck

Noah Webster

New fields approved by Trustees Outdoor Wellness and Fitness Center moves forward

Last week, the Clemson University Board of Trustees approved the conceptual plans for a \$7 million project that includes two new athletic fields. These fields have been developed with rugby competition in mind and University leaders have been engaged with the student ruggers for several months seeking their input. The plans for the space call for two natural grass surfaces with irrigation, competition lighting, as well as proper grading and drainage. The fields are part of a larger plan to redevelop the old Y-Beach and Recreation Area. There is an incredible opportunity to create a home for Clemson Rugby at this facility and the University is seeking our support.

If supporting this project interests you, or you have questions, please [contact us](#) to learn more.

CRF Goals for 2012:

- Initiate 2nd CRF Scholar Award
 - ACCOMPLISHED!
- \$35,000 in contributions collected
 - Reached ~ \$29,000 [Join the CRF today!](#)
- 150 supporters at \$150 giving level or higher
 - Reached 57 (Average gift: \$450)
- Establish Clemson Rugby Family Boosters
 - ACCOMPLISHED!
- Double newsletter distribution
 - ACCOMPLISHED!
- Create the [Clemson Rugby photo web archive](#)
 - ACCOMPLISHED!

It is with your generous gifts that the Clemson Rugby Foundation is able to support the student rugby players at Clemson and enable them to achieve their goals for years to come. Please consider how you can get involved and become an integral part of achieving the CRF's goals in 2012 and beyond.

[CONTRIBUTE TO THE CRF TODAY](#)

*Contributions can be mailed to:
Clemson Rugby Foundation
c/o National Tax Service
PO Box 1667
Clemson, SC 29633*

CRF Contribution Levels:

CRF Supporter level

- 10 members in 2012
- Contribution of less than \$150 / yr.

CRF Member (Dues) level

- 19 members in 2012
- Contribution of \$150 / yr.
- Full membership and voting privileges
- Can be considered for Board position or Committee Chairperson

CRF Touch Line level

- 15 members in 2012
- Contribution of \$250 / yr.
- Honored at homecoming - "Founder's Dinner" Invitation

CRF Try Line level

- 12 members in 2012
- Contribution of \$500 / yr.
- Invitation to annual "Founder's Dinner," honored at dinner
- Name on CRF "Try Line Level" contributors listing on plaque in Fike trophy case

CRF "First 15" level (Scholarship Club)

- **6 members in 2012**
- Contribution of \$1,000 / yr.
- Name on CRF "First 15" plaque in Fike trophy case
- Linked to individual scholarship recipient - contributors receive special "thank you" notes
- Invitation to annual "Founder's Dinner," honored at dinner
- Honored at Sunday match and social, plaque presentation and photo with team

CRF Founder level (Club 1967)

- **2 members in 2012**
- Contribution of \$2,500 / yr.
- Name on CRF "Club 1967" contributors listing on plaque in Fike trophy case
- Yearly "thank you" note signed by entire Clemson Rugby team
- Invitation to annual "Founder's dinner," honored at dinner
- Honored at Sunday match and social, plaque presentation and photo with team and alumni

Please remember all contributions to the CRF are eligible for matching gifts from your employer if they participate in this program. Your HR Manager should be able to help you. This is a great way to increase or even double your contribution.

[Visit the CRF web site here!](#)

Thank you for supporting Clemson Rugby and considering a gift to the Clemson Rugby Foundation. We hope to see you at a match this spring.

GO TIGERS!

Sincerely,

Jim Gaine
President
Clemson Rugby Foundation

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