



Chattanooga Rugby Football Club Monthly Newsletter

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NOOGA RUGBY WORKS RIVERBEND

As part of our continued fundraising efforts, the CRFC operated two beer tents at this year's Riverbend Festival. With over 40 people from the current team, CRFC Old Boys, family & friends helping out, we were able to generate a little over \$7,000 for the club. It should be noted that this is substantially more than Nooga Rugby has been able to generate with any fundraiser over the past 10 years!

The efforts put in at the small-scale UNUM Stage beer tent and the large-scale Bud-Light Stage beer tent were significant, but special thanks must be given to Jack Head and Doug & Angie Casey for their help. Without them, we wouldn't have been as successful, or even had this opportunity.



CRFC Plays in Hotlanta 7's



With 11 Nooga Rugby players and 2 fill-in's from Lee University, your CRFC traveled to Atlanta to take part in the 2nd annual Hotlanta 7's tournament hosted by Atlanta Old White & the Atlanta Harlequins Women's Team.

The decision was made early in the 90+ degree day that everyone would get to play equally and that while winning was the goal, having fun was more important. In the first round of the men's social division pool play, Nooga beat the Old White Manside squad (their heavy boys) 3 tries to none. The second match saw Nooga defeat a younger Lee University side by 6 tries to 1. In the pool B finals, Nooga took on a 2-0 High Country squad for a place in the social division finals. Nooga kept with their "everybody plays" mentality and ultimately lost 4 tries to 2. It was a good day of rugby, albeit hot as hell, and everyone seemed to have a really fun time. Tries on the day went to Troy Wood, Tom Snow, Clayton Parr, Darius Goodman, Kirk Neubauer, unknown player!

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2011 Pitch A Tent 7's Tournament



Chattanooga Rugby will host the 2011 Pitch A Tent 7's Tournament the weekend of July 29th & 30th. All current players, Old Boys, friends, & family are invited out to watch the matches, play some games, etc. The cost is \$20 per person. (nobody under-21 is allowed up at the camp site).

Here are the details:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Thursday	Pre-Welcome Party (6 pm)	The Honest Pint
Friday	PAT 7's Rafting (10 am)	Raft1 (www.raft1.com)
Friday	Welcome Party (5 pm)	Tournament Camp Site
Saturday	Old Boys Breakfast (8 am)	Tournament Camp Site
Saturday	PAT 7's Tournament (9 am)	Tournament Fields

As in year's past, camping is free all weekend, 70+ kegs will be flowing, and the DJ will play Saturday night for the post-tournament social. We hope to see everyone there! Visit www.noogarugby.com for more info.

Player Profile



Name: Jeff "Copper" Bollig
Position: Flyhalf, Scrumhalf
Hometown: Hendersonville, TN
Age: 29
Yrs Playing Rugby: 10
Previous Club: Western KY RFC
Hobbies: Cats, Watching Rugby

Player Profile



Name: Wayne Anderson
Position: 8-Man, Flanker
Hometown: Mt. Pleasant, IA
Age: 26
Yrs Playing Rugby: 4
Previous Club: None
Hobbies: Rugby

Old Boys Update

For those of you able to attend this year's Red & Black Ball in mid-April, you were able to see three (3) Nooga Old Boys inducted into the CRFC Lifetime Member's Club. They are:

- Steve Lofty - Steve played with Nooga Rugby through the early to mid-80's and off-and-on for the past couple seasons but more importantly has been the driving force behind securing Montague Park as our future home. He's worked tirelessly with the mayor's office, the City of Chattanooga Parks & Recreation, & various local engineering / design firms. Steve has been a huge asset to Nooga Rugby and is setting our platform for the future.
- Smokey Caldwell - Smokey is the owner of Cherokee Farms down in Lafayette, GA and while he's never played for Nooga Rugby (or rugby for that matter) he has allowed our club to utilize his farmland for our annual Pitch A Tent 7's tournament. Because of his generosity, we've been able to build the most popular social tournament in the south and create a revenue stream that's kept our club afloat for the past 6 years.
- Don "Fred" Oliver - Fred as many people knew him played for Nooga Rugby throughout the 80's and early 90's, for UGA rugby, & the Blind Pigs Old Boys. He's been active in various efforts for Nooga Rugby the past couple years and was the key liaison in securing Cherokee Farms for our Pitch A Tent 7's tournament back in 2005.

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