



Chattanooga Rugby Football Club Bi-Weekly Newsletter

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CRFC LOSSE TO BIRMINGHAM VULCANS



Nooga traveled to Birmingham this past weekend to take on the Birmingham Vulcans and while the final result of the match (Nooga lost 33 - 29) wasn't great, the experience and time on the field for new players is what counted most! The first half was very positive for Nooga, who were able to put multiple phases together, linking veterans and new players alike, and score several well worked tries. The score at half time, 26 - 7 in favor Nooga. The second half brought with it some experimentation with positions and a real loss of flow, which allowed the Vulcans back into the match and the ability to ultimately take the lead. Guys played hard and for the win, but experience and opportunity to try out some new things was the real purpose. Tries were scored by tight-head prop Ethan Winel (2), center Troy Wood, loose-head prop Eric Johnson, while several conversions & a penalty were scored by scrumhalf Ethan Powers. Several players were noted as playing very good matches, which included Jake Richardson and Ethan Powers, but the Man of the Match award went to Ethan Winel.

Nooga Rugby Beats Sewanee 54 - 7

CRFC vs. Sewanee U.

The CRFC traveled to Sewanee University to start the fall 2011 season two weeks ago and came away with a 54 - 7 victory over the Purple Haze. The match, which was played over three 30-min periods so that both sides could work through different combinations, started well for Nooga with two tries from center Troy Wood, one from center Tom Snow, one from hooker Abner Casavant, and the final try from rookie winger Ben Wagner. After one period the score was 29 - 0 thanks to two conversions from flyhalf Jeff Bollig.

The second period saw more new players and a re-ordered lineup, so the flow was somewhat flat. This opened the door for a hard working Sewanee side to score their first points of the match with a quick kick and a score in the corner. Unfortunately, Nooga wasn't able to respond and the second period ended 29 - 7.

The third and final period created opportunities for more shuffling of positions and Nooga were able to find some combinations that worked. Tries were posted by converted flanker Tim Mayberry, lock Matt Killebrew, and hooker Derek Hilley. A bit of bath and forth ensued for the next 10 minutes or so until Nooga was able to cash in two more tries from Ben Wagner and Tim Mayberry.

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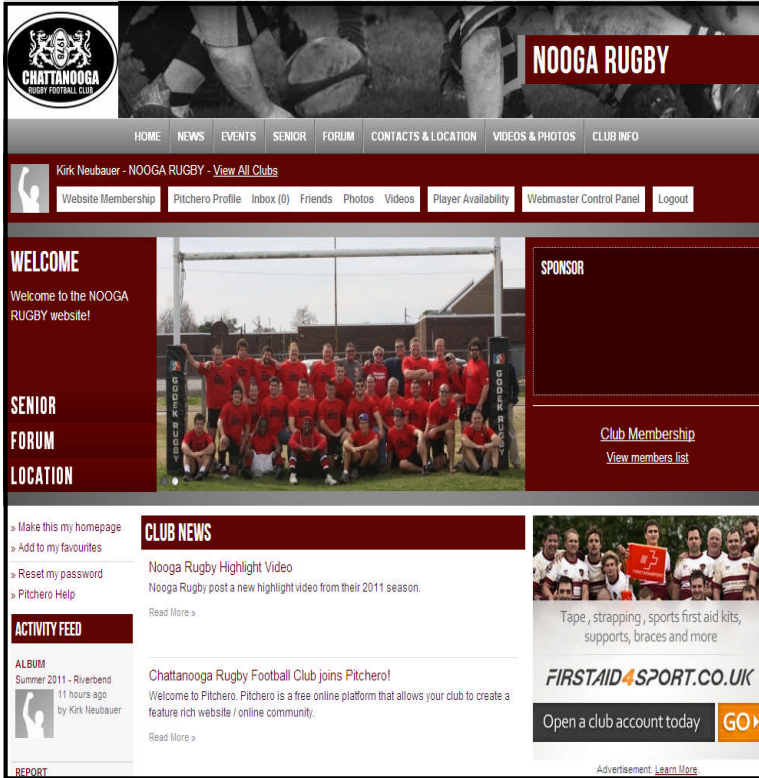
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Nooga Rugby Creates New Web Site



Over the past month, Nooga Rugby has been working with Pitchero.com to create a new web site; one that's able to be updated quicker & with more ease than the past site. To date, the site is approximately 75% complete with the following added:

- Current player bio's
- Schedules from Spring 2011 & Fall 2011
- Recaps & statistics of recent matches
- Photo's from all 2011 events
- News releases from all 2011 events
- Nooga Rugby highlight video

In the future, this site has the capability to include sponsorships, online merchandise, & the ability to pay dues online. We still got a ways to go, but we're getting there!

We're hoping that all Nooga Rugby players, Old Boys, & Supporters checkout the site and register to be members. It's easy, free, & will keep you up-to-date with all your Nooga Rugby news. We hope you like it!

www.pitchero.com/clubs/chattanoogafootballclub

Player Profile



Name: Ethan Powers
Position: Scrumhalf, Fullback
Hometown: Chattanooga, TN
Age: 27
Yrs Playing Rugby: 5
Previous Club: None
Hobbies: Graphics Design

CRFC Practice Jerseys

CRFC supporters, we will be ordering practice jerseys for the 2012 spring & fall seasons and are looking for supporters to help cover the costs. As we did last year, we are selling spots on the practice jerseys for logos, web site addresses, etc. If you're interested, please let us know.

- Large logo on the front of the jersey \$500
- Large logo on the back of the jersey \$500
- Logo on the front chest (left or right) \$200
- Logo on the shoulder (left or right) \$100

2011 Rugby World Cup Update



The 2011 Rugby World Cup is continuing with over 20 matches already played (half way through the pool play). Currently, the United States Eagles are at 1 - 1, with a 22 - 10 loss to Ireland and a 13 - 6 victory over Russia. They still have two matches to play, one against Australia on the 23rd and one against Italy on the 27th.

	Wins	Losses	Ties
Australia	1	1	0
Ireland	2	0	0
Italy	1	1	0
Russia	0	2	0
USA	1	1	0

To date, there have been close matches, blowouts, & upsets. Chief among them is Ireland beating Australia, New Zealand putting 80+ points on Japan, and Canada beating Tonga. All matches are available online at rugbyworldcup.com (free after a delay) and on universalsports.com (for a price). Several matches are also scheduled to be on television with the next match being New Zealand vs. Canada on NBC on Oct. 2nd.



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