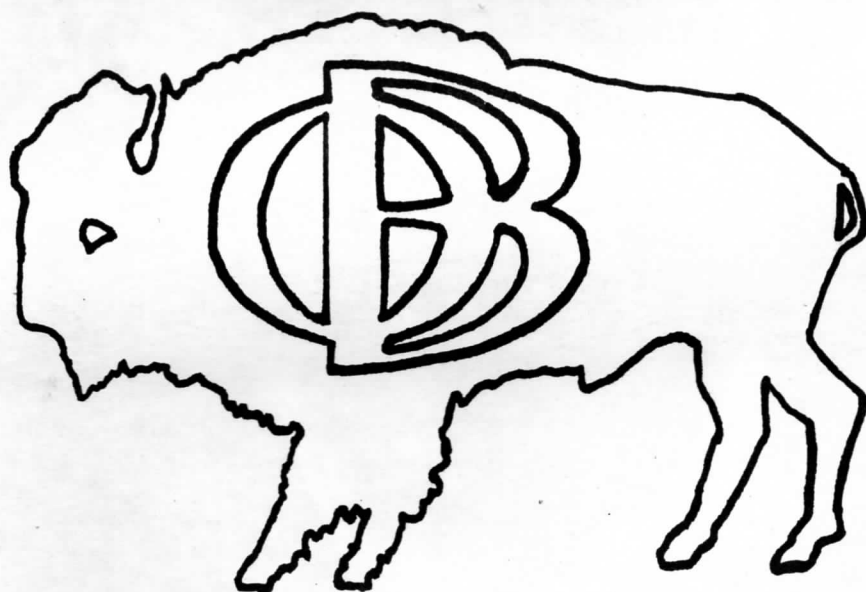


BATTLE IN BUFFALO

"THE KNOCKOUTS"



OCT. 8-9 1983

DELAWARE PARK
BUFFALO NEW YORK

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Saturday October 8th

11:30 AM	Referee's Meeting
12:15 PM	Captain's Meeting
12:45 PM	Opening Ceremonies
1:00 PM	Buffalo Old Boys vs. Syracuse Rogues - Field #1
	Brockport State vs. Buffalo State - Field #2
3:00 PM	Albany Knicks vs. Binghamton Barbarians - Field #1
	Cortland State vs. Siena College - Field #2
6:00 PM	Dinner Party - Buffalo Naval and Serviceman's Park (see map)

Sunday October 9th

11:00 AM	College Championship - Field #1
1:00 PM	Club Championship - Field #1
3:00 PM	Awards Ceremonies - Park Meadow Lounge

Attending Physicians - Saturday Dr. John B. Stevens
Sunday Dr. Thomas Little



County of Erie

Edward J. Rutkowski
County Executive

Rath Building, Buffalo, N.Y. 14202

City of Buffalo

James D. Griffin
Mayor

City Hall, Buffalo, N.Y. 14202



October 8, 1983

Participants and Guests
Annual Championships
Upstate Rugby Union

Dear Friends:


On behalf of all the citizens of Buffalo and Erie County, we are pleased to extend a warm and hearty welcome to all the guests and participants in this year's championship games.

The opportunity to host the 1983 tournament is a compliment to our area and its resources. We are extremely honored that the Upstate Rugby Union selected our community as the site for this most exciting event.

During your visit, we urge you to take some time to enjoy our fine facilities and friendly hospitality. Our many diverse cultural institutions, ethnic foods and restaurants, growing theater district, abundant recreational facilities and revitalization of Buffalo's waterfront have placed Western New York on the map as being one of the finest communities in the country.

Best wishes to all in attendance for a highly successful, enjoyable and sportsmanlike competition.

Sincerely,


EDWARD J. RUTKOWSKI
Erie County Executive


JAMES D. GRIFFIN
Mayor of Buffalo

PAIRINGS

CLUB DIVISION

INITIAL ROUND

FINALS

CHAMPION

Buffalo Old Boys

Sat. Field #1 1:00

Syracuse Rogues

Albany Knicks

Sat. Field #1 3:00

Binghamton Barbarians

Sunday Field #1 1:00

COLLEGE DIVISION

Brockport State

Sat. Field #2 1:00

Buffalo State

Cortland State

Sat. Field #2 3:00

Siena College

Sunday Field #1 11:00

UPSTATE RUGBY UNION

The Upstate Rugby Union is one of twelve member unions of the Eastern Rugby Union of America. The ERU is one of four major territorial areas which comprise the United States Amateur Rugby Football Union. The Amateur laws of the USARFU are enforced through the powers given to each Union within the ERU.

The Club Championship being held in Buffalo is the initial qualifying round for competition in the United States National Championship.

The other unions within the ERU will hold similar "Knock-out" competitions to determine each individual champion. Contests between the member unions will eventually determine the Eastern Rugby Union Representative at the National Championships. Last year's representative was Boston RFC. The winner of the National Title was Old Blues from Berkley, California.

UPSTATE RUGBY UNION OFFICERS

President	Steve Jones	Schenectady Reds
Secretary	Gerard Maney	Albany Knicks
Treasurer	John Germanow	Rochester Aardvarks
Western Director	Tom Surwill	Buffalo Old Boys
Central Director	Paul Lumia	Syracuse Harlequins
Eastern Director	John Adams	Albany Knicks
College Director	Mike McNerny	Buffalo State
Director-At-Large	Dick Aikens	Rochester Colonials
Women's Director	Mary Beth Franko	Syracuse University

OLD BOYS' HISTORY

The Buffalo Old Boys RFC originated as a college side at the State University of New York at Buffalo in 1967. Due to the lack of University funds, the club, under the leadership of President Chuck Koltoff, became a city side in 1971, establishing Delaware Park as its home pitch.

As the former university players fell by the wayside, the Old Boys began to take a more diverse personality from City-wide talents. The early years experienced a rude awakening to the higher level of play with club sides from both the Upstate Rugby Union and the nearby Ontario Rugby Union.

With more courage than experience and skills, the Old Boys ventured to the United Kingdom in 1974. While the scores of the matches were what we expected, many new post game talents were discovered which added a new dimension to our social activities.

That same season saw the Old Boys' admission to the Ontario (Canada) Rugby Union. As the only U.S. team in the Union, the Old Boys quickly became a dominating force, capturing league honors for three seasons. The Buffalo withdrawal from that union was a result of the union's refusal to promote the Old Boys into the more advanced and competitive divisions.

The tour bug hit the Old Boys again in 1978, so we packed our bags and headed for the Emerald Isle. Once more, the victories the boys experienced were at the post game celebrations. Nevertheless, it was evident that the quality of our play had progressed tremendously.

As we extended our influence across the seas on two occasions, we took advantage of the opportunity to reciprocate the true rugby hospitality. We have hosted sides from Tullamore, Ireland; Sale, England; Birminham Un-

Participation in tournaments has become especially rewarding for Buffalo. Currently ranked number two in the Upstate Rugby Union, the Old Boys repeatedly find themselves in the thick of each race in the pursuit of a tournament title. In 1980, the Old Boys placed second in the prestigious Cherry Blossom Festival Tourney in Washington D.C. The Buffalo 7 aside team (The East Lake Erie Hawaiians) took top honors in the 1981 Can-Am Tournament at Saranac Lake, N.Y. Other tournaments have included, the Lilac Festival, the Montreal Invitational, and the Dead Ants Annual.

As the Old Boys have developed into both a power and skillful side, individual efforts have not been overlooked. Ron Astridge, Larry Ksionzyk, Pat Giles, Jim Hess, Jim Dale, Bear Kuzinik, Gerry Wojcik, Paul Frauenhofer, Al Donatelli, Mark Martin, Ed Lawrence, and Tom Surwill have been named as select players for either the Upstate Union Side or as Western Region Representatives for the Empire State Games.

Not to be forgotten is the social cohesion among the boys. As well as rucking and mauling on the pitch, other activities are centered around the club. Basketball, hockey, volleyball, soccer and mudwrestling teams are fielded throughout the year. It is a group that is rarely apart, on the field or out socializing.

It is with this spirit and comradeship that we play and party. It has a rich tradition and a firm foundation for continued growth.

TEAM PROFILES

CLUB SIDES

ALBANY KNICKS

The Knicks, one of Upstate New York's most powerful clubs has won the Upstate Club Championships for four of the past five years.

Known for its domination of forward play, the Knicks are expected to use these talents to their fullest in the championships. Albany currently has 8 positions on the 15 man URU Select Side.

The Knicks have been champions of the Portland (Me.) Tournament, Mad River Ruggerfest, and the Montreal Labor Day Invitational. A balance between fine rugby and appropriate social activities has always been the Knicks' strong suit; and they seldom have been outshone in the "third half."

The Knicks play includes a hardnosed defense and an explosive 15 man attack. They promise they will give any opponent 80 minutes of all the rugby they can handle.

BINGHAMTON BARBARIANS

Organized in 1973, the Barbarians have made rapid development in establishing themselves as a force to be reckoned with in Upstate competition. They have participated in the Gainesville, Florida Tourney, the Portland Tourney, and are regulars at Saranac Lake.

The strength of the Barb's game is timely and well placed kicking. They pose a threat to score any time they cross mid field.

BUFFALO OLD BOYS

The Old Boys are hosting the Club Championships for the first time and are fielding one of their best sides in recent years.

Coming off a successful and educational tour of England and Ireland, the Old Boys are verging on the perfect balance between a control forward game and the backline of speed and savvy. The addition of key players to pivotal positions has provided the Old Boys with a well rounded game.

As the Old Boys make preparations to host the visiting clubs, they have not forgotten the importance of the games.

SYRACUSE ROGUES

The Rogues were founded in 1973 and has always been one of the best clubs in the Upstate Union. The profess that the addition of years is not a problem. They just want their backs to know the difference between right and left.

The Rogues' honors include; Binghamton Tourney '74, George Washington Invitational '77, Upstate Rugby Tourney '78, Matt's Invitational Cup '77, '79, Inspectors Cup '76-'78. '80-present, URU Knockout Cup '81.

COLLEGE SIDES

BROCKPORT STATE

Brockport has prided itself through the years on the rough and tumble game they will provide for any opponent. Their game is played with an emphasis on the importance of the basic elements of good hard rugby.

Brockport attended the first annual College Nationals Tournament in Virginia and have played the best collegiate sides in the East, including Army, Penn State, and Cornell.

BUFFALO STATE MAD DOGS

The Mad Dogs bring a well organized and finely tuned side to the Championships. The Buff State boys have learned to discipline themselves enough for effective forward play while still being opportunistic in every phase of the game.

The Buff State strength comes from the number of experienced players that have continued playing throughout their collegiate careers

CORTLAND STATE

The Cortland State Rugby Club has been in existence for 13 years. Its list of honors includes 4 Upstate Championships and 6 SUNY Championships. While taking these honors, the Cortland Club has not lost the zeal and regard for a good party. They promise that their presnecs will be known both on the field and afterwards.

SIENA COLLEGE

Siena returns to the Upstate Club Championships seeking to improve on last year's performance where they lost the first game to the eventual champ.

The 1983 team will rely on its overall team quickness and experience. Four year players are at vital positions and will provide the key plays that makes them anticipate this years event.



BUFFALO OLD BOYS

FALL SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>SITE</u>
Aug. 6,7	Can-Am Tourney	Saranac Lake
Aug. 12	Empire State Games	Syracuse
Aug. 27	Akron	Akron, Ohio
Sept. 3,4	Montreal Tourney	Monreal, Quebec
Sept. 10	Syracuse Rogues	Delaware Park
Sept. 17	Binghamton Barbarians	Binghamton
Sept. 24	Cleveland Rovers	Cleveland, Ohio
Oct. 1	Cornell Univ.	Delaware Park
Oct. 8,9	Upstate Championships	Delaware Park
Oct. 15	Youngstown	Delaware Park
Oct. 22	Rochester Aardvarks	Delaware Park
Oct. 29	Brockport State	Brockport
Nov. 5	Dead Pheasant Tourney	Niagara Falls
Nov. 12	Pittsburgh	Delaware Park
Nov. 26	Alumni Game	Delaware Park

OLD BOYS OFFICERS

President	Tom Surwill
Vice President	Jim Dunnigan
Secretary	Joe Wright
Treasurer	Franz Ross
Match Secretary	Bruce Marzhan
Equipment Manager	Mike Maguire
Song Leader	Rory O'Conner
Captain	Jim Hess

HONORARY OLD BOYS

1982	Richard Harris	Thespian
1983	Stan Barron	Sportscaster

Good Luck Old Boys



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Park Meadow

— Across From The Park —

Where

Ruggers Suck Up!