

# Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

## *The Buffalo Old Boys Rugby Football Club*

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### *Newsletter*

December 1987

Happy Holidays. Well, after working for Rupert Murdoch for the last three years, the BOB executive committee has bought out my contract and once again named me as team scribe. Your new officers for the 1988 season are:

Chuck(Emir) Mosey - President  
Ferguson(Bow Tie,Contrasting Socks) Neale-Vice President  
Lex(Invest In Stocks) MacCubbin -Treasurer  
Gerry (The Peoples Voice) Wojcik-Secretary  
Jackson (All Home Games) Schweigel- Match Secretary  
Joe (the Other) Mosey and Dan (Cha Cha) Chiacchia - Dual Appointed Social Chairmen.

The above slate of officers was elected by over 50% of the dues paying body of the club. The term for these positions are for one year or assassination, whichever comes first. Two new committees have been added to the club. The constitution committee is headed by Mike MacNerny for the purpose of establishing the clubs laws,by-laws,and policies. Dan Chiacchia is taking over the Alumni Committee. (see below)

### *Select Side: Best Representation In Club History*

Once again the Upstate Union's select side is heavily represented by Buffalos; Carter Mann, Sean Corcoran, Mark Nowaczyk, Jim Walier, Charlie Derose, Bill Laczkowski, Tim Lucca, and Mike MacNerny. Jim Walier and Carter Mann will be representing the junior and senior select side in this years North-South match. Bill Laczkowski also was chosen as an alternate. Our last representative at this level was Ron Astridge who was a Northern alternate when Jim Walier was learning how to walk.

### *Tour 1989:*

With 10 players at select level,and 45+ players coming off one of our best seasons ever, it might be well advised to take our show on the road. Suggested was a 1989 winter tour to the U.K. with an International test match to be included. Interested parties should contact Ferguson Neale with suggestions and questions.

### *Tour to Rich Stadium:*

The BOB in conjunction with Coles will have 45 available tickets to the Dec. 20 Bills-Patriots game with bus service to and from Coles on Elmwood Ave. Interested parties should contact Joe Mosey at 837-4681.

### *Dues:*

We are still one of the cheapest teams to play for. We also have the cheapest players in the union. Dues for the Spring 1988 Season are:

\$35 per player

\$30 if paid by 1-1-1988

\$25 social member

\$25 fulltime college\high school student

The real bonus is that you if you pay your dues it also includes a one year subscription to Rugby Magazine FREE. You will also receive a personalized digital quartz sports bag wristwatch telephone FREE. Get your money in for all past-due game fees, dues,etc. and get the new 1988 Buick Riviera FREE.

## *Give Blood; Don't Play Rugby!*

December 13th marks the first annual BOB blood drive. The drive will begin on Sunday morning with cocktails and a social gathering to follow at a local pub. Remember you cannot get Aids from giving blood, but you are taking your chances at the pub. This also gives us a chance to get some positive community press while maintaining our ne'er do well status.

## *A New Year with the X-Duce*

Dan (Trail of Tears) Drury has once again sacrificed his home for the annual New Years Day party. The party begins at 3pm and for the first time ever, a baby sitting service will be available at Dan's house. Food donations are mandatory for admission. Come see Dan's presidential library and read his memoirs of his past presidency at \*\*\*\*84 Lancaster, Buffalo\*\*\*\* Jan 1 1988.

## *Alumni News: (from Cha Cha)*

It is time for the Old Boys to become reacquainted with their past - the alumni. We will regularly send quarterly newsletters to former players. Currently an "Old Timers Game" (?) is trying to be arranged with Niagara. We hope for other such games. A questionnaire is going to be sent out to elicit names and addresses of alumni that we do not have in our mailing database. This will open up participation in club activities for alumni and help provide a sense of continuity and direction. Please forward any address or telephone changes to Gerry Wojcik A.S.A.P. for 1988 directory.

## *Coming Next Issue:*

Club Banquet at Coles

Thursday night basketball

Spring Schedule

Better Content{I promise} Gerry {Slap} Maxwell

## *USA Today Statistics*

Area colleges contributing to 1987 squad:

Buffalo State-17{includes Mike Maguire}

Buffalo Univ. 10 {inc. Mike Maguire}

Canisius Coll.-5 {inc. Mike Maguire}

RIT-5{inc. Mark Nowaczyk who slept in a janitors closet there}

Niagara Univ-1

Medaille Coll.-1 {inc. Mike Maguire}

Largest employer of rugby manpower in WNY:

Coles-5\*

Buffalo School Board-5\*

\* Based on Jack Bacchia's actual hours worked multiplied by people he bounced, divided by students who feel he is competent (almost 0) + or - 20% margin of error.

## *Trivia:*

What were the first team colours of the Buffalo Old Boys?

Answer next month.

## *Fact :*

Based on a recent article in the Wall Street Journal, there are an estimated quarter of a million rugby players in the U.S. representing 3,000 clubs. Rugby is also the largest participatory sport on college campuses nationwide today.