

# The Rogue Report

## Savannah Tour and the Tournament



### COVID-19 Updates

Josh DeSantis  
March 26th, 2020

**Windsor, ON** | With these unprecedented times upon us, Rugby Ontario and Canada have asked that we cancel all sanctioned events. Therefore, as most of you already know, our indoor training and workouts are cancelled for the foreseeable future.

Unfortunately, the same goes for outdoor training and we will not be participating in any activity until we have been approved by higher authority.

As for the tournament, the executive board has put out an email to existing teams that we will be making a decision to postpone (or cancel) on April 13th, 2020. Ontario Rugby has notified us they will have an update around April 10th, 2020 regarding our season.

We would like to thank everyone who was willing to sponsor us this year! We had returning sponsors Team Cush Re/Max and Primerica and a new sponsor Gray Wolf Pest Control.



However, with the future unclear, the executive board has decided to push all sponsorship packages back a year.

Thank you for understanding, self isolate and Rogue Family, please stay safe!



PICTURE CAPTION: Old Boys in Savannah

## Rogues and DRFC Take on Savannah!

J. DeSantis  
March 9, 2020

**Savannah, GA** | On March 6th and 7th, members of the Windsor Rogues and Detroit Rugby Football Club packed their suitcase and duffel bags to travel down to Savannah Georgia to play in the annual St. Patrick's Day Tournament. 61 players including 29 from Windsor represented the team well on and off the field.

On the field, the "Borderers" had two teams, an old boy (35+) and a social division team which held their own in competition.

The first game on Saturday was the social division, a nice 8am game to get the day started against the Tobacco Road. The Borderers started strong but were overmatched by the talented opposition. Unfortunately for the team, they only managed a try while the opposition put on quite a few. First game for the social team a loss, 25-7.

Then the old boys took the field. After a night of reminiscing about how great

they were in the old days, it was time to show everyone they could put their money where their mouth was. They did just that, coming in with



a four try game and beating the Cardinals. It was surprising because everyone seems to forget about the mesmerizing try that Andrew Turner scored to push the game within one try. It was so perfect it was like it did not even happen. The first game for the old boys, a win which put them at 1-0.

The second game for the social team took place against the Newport News of Virginia known for the famous football player Michael Vick. Newport was fast and big, with most of these former football players knowing how to tackle. Our boys started off very strong but could not keep the pace getting dealt a second loss on the day to put their record at 0-2.

## Savannah Trip a Success!

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The second Old Boys game was a bit of a miss match as the Borderers moved the ball with ease. Throughout the course of the game, the Old Boys protected the ball with great rucking and offloading allowing the boys an easy win. The Old Boys finished the day 2-0.

Sunday started early for our social side because of their Saturday record of 0-2. So the 9am game quickly and it turned into a 7s game since the opposing Greys did not have enough players to play. The Borderers took the win on forfeit but still decided to play a 5 minute halves game. The boys played well scoring multiple times with Pirate leading the charge on the wing. Unfortunately, after a fun Saturday and a better Saturday night, the opposition was just too much to handle and the Borderers ended the tournament 1-2 on paper.

The Old Boys final started at 11:00am

and took on a team from Atlanta known as the ORBS. This was a hard hitting defensive battle for much of the game with the first half ending without a single try. Scott Murphy and Chris Patten were dishing out punishment while carrying the ball and Liam Hacker, Spencer Bryant, and Greg Barbiaux commanded the backline. Unfortunately, a Borderers penalty try and yellow card were just a little too much to handle and the Old Boys had to settle for second place.



## Rose City Tournament Is Officially FULL!!!

Joshua DeSantis  
March 15th, 2020

**Windsor, ON** | The Rose City International Rugby Tournament that is to take place on May 2nd and 3rd is officially full. With payments into the club, we can now begin creating the schedule for the tournament.

After a couple months of enticing teams with our monetary prize (thanks to sponsorship of Anchor Hydro), we have six teams in our Frain Division (premier) and six in the O'Brien (social).

The defending champions of the Frain Division, the Detroit Tradesmen's will be competing in both divisions again along side with Grand Rapids (Frain Division), and the Detroit RFC (O'Brien Division) representing the USA.

Rounding out the Frain Division includes the London St. George, Waterloo County Rugby, Barrie RFC, and lastly the Oakville Crusaders.

The tournament will also see some familiar teams with Kent Havoc and the

Toronto Dragons RFC appearing the O'Brien Division. With the sixth and final team a being newcomer, the Toronto Saracens.

### Frain Division



### O'Brien Division



## 2020 Board Members

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## 2020 Season Schedule

May 2 & 3: *Rose City International Rugby Tournament*

May 23: @ Stoney Creek RFC

May 30: vs *Sarnia RFC*

June 6: vs *Fergus RFC*

June 13: @ Niagara RFC

June 20: vs *Norfolk RFC*

June 27: @ Stratford RFC

July 11: vs *Hamilton RFC*

July 18: @ Sarnia RFC

July 25: vs *Stratford RFC*

August 8: @ Fergus RFC

August 15: NRU Wrap Up

August 22: @ Kent RFC

September 12: vs *Toronto Buccaneers*

**2021 and 2022 Sponsorship opportunities are now available!!!**

**Please contact Joshua DeSantis, Spencer Bryant or Scott Murphy for more information!!**

<https://www.windsorrugby.com/sponsorship-package>