



ANNUAL REPORT

RENEGADES FOREVER 2022

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RENEGADES FOREVER PRESIDENT

“WITH YOU” a phrase we all heard so many times during our playing days. As cliché as it may seem, it is one of the most important phrases anyone can hear on and off a rugby pitch. Communication and Trust are the most important aspects of WITH YOU. This is what we hope to hear from the entire Renegade Family.

The goal of this annual report is to ensure that you hear from us and know that you can trust us. Since we started the conversation of how to move this the Renegades Forever fund forward, the questions I have heard most often are, “What is really happening with my money?” and “Who is working to find this land?” We want all of you to understand just that. Our goal is to provide a permanent home for the Renegades in an effort to grow the game we love across all age groups and communities.

Just like in Rugby, it takes all 15 players to be successful. This endeavor to raise our first \$1 MILLION toward a permanent home is going to require participation from every Renegade past and present. We have been very fortunate to have some extremely generous donors go well and above the call of duty. However, the reality is we need everyone to make the Renegades Forever one of your top three giving destinations. Together we can make this happen!

Many thanks to all of you for being a part of this. I look forward to seeing you at a game this Spring and ultimately at Renegades Field, our forever home!

PATRICK FLAHERTY



CLUB PRESIDENT'S LETTER

To the Renegades Faithful

Thank you all for reading this and for your undying support of our fair rugby club. Despite facing many hurdles, The Fall season has been good to the Renegades! Our A- Side is sporting a 4-1 record, 3 current players received superlatives competing with the Rugby ATL Academy in the ARP Conference. Daniel Medina is growing the game by volunteering to coach the new 2.0 Selects Women's Team. Through all of these highlights we still face challenges finding a full sized training pitch. Hard-fought matches with Chattanooga, Columbus, Gwinnett, and Huntsville prepared the boys for giving reigning National Champions, Charlotte, a run for their money. Losing 21-19 to Charlotte fueled many hard training sessions during this winter break. The guys have been hitting the pitch and the gym thinking about making a splash this year, trying to piss some people off by winning it all with a "f you" attitude.

During the fall season, while fielding a full side for social matches, the Renegades sent several players to the Rugby ATL Academy. Chris Bagby, Jason 'Eugene' Paul, Coop 'HustleTeam' Jackson, Jullian Skinner, Murray Alford, Andreas Rodriguez, Austin Parrish, Evan Taylor, Sean Johnson, A.J. Maiorana, and myself Sean 'Ronnie' Gilfillan all represented the Renegade Crest at a higher level of competition. Jason Paul received the Back of the Year Award due to his heads up play and blazing speed on the edge. Not only did he study his opponents, JP also understood the structure of our game plan and did his best to teach teammates. Coop Jackson won the Adversity Award for being the hardest player on the pitch at any given time. Coop came into the season playing in the backs, was recruited to the forwards out of necessity, then proceeded to give a man of the match performance at lock. Concluding this ARP season, JP and Coop both have taken what they have learned with the Academy and brought it to our Renegades. Myself, Sean 'Ronnie' Gilfillan, took home the Club Player of the Year Award.

Getting a full sized training pitch is something I have actively been seeking but, have had no luck with the insane hourly rates for space. That being said, I am still searching to get a place where we can run phases. Support from our Old Boys keeps a lot of guys invested, they want to make y'all proud. We would appreciate it if a larger following could make it out to our matches or The Wing after training to share stories of the way things used to be. Any bit of time, effort, or help is greatly appreciated! Thank you all again!

Our next home match is against Charlotte, February 11th at 1:30pm @ Silverbacks Park. Please come out and support the blood thirsty COBRAS that are our Renegades. My aspirations before this crucial match would be to have a scrum against the ORBS, followed by one hell of a social. Let us all come together, put all of our eggs in this basket, go all in, let it ride on black! I love this club and all the people that make it so special. FOW!

Thank you,

SEAN 'RONNIE' GILFILLAN



TREASURER REPORT

To Renegades Enthusiasts -

Patrick reached out to me as a 24 year Renegade and CFO by trade to join the BOD as Treasurer in April. A lot has transpired in the intervening months. We went through a vendor selection process to find a wealth management firm that would be the best possible fit for this venture. The Board voted on and contracted with Sullivan & Schlieman LLC based in Alpharetta. You can read all about the firm on their website at: <https://www.sswmlc.com/>. The firm and its managing partner Andrew Sullivan have both 20 years of experience in wealth management but also in partnering with non-profits to raise money. The partnership has been fruitful and a Board vote led to an investment direction of medium risk with a primary emphasis on domestic based Mutual Funds, not individual stocks. Beside, you will find the great progress to date since the investment account was established in July. My hope & fervent desire to drive this initiative forward is that the balance will be over \$1 million in next year's report. If you have questions regarding our Treasury, please reach out to me at the contact points provided below.

PETE EMBS

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BEGINING BALANCE 2022
\$11,134

DONATION BALANCE 2022
\$262,203

**INVESTMENT RETURN
(NET OF FEES)**
\$3,039

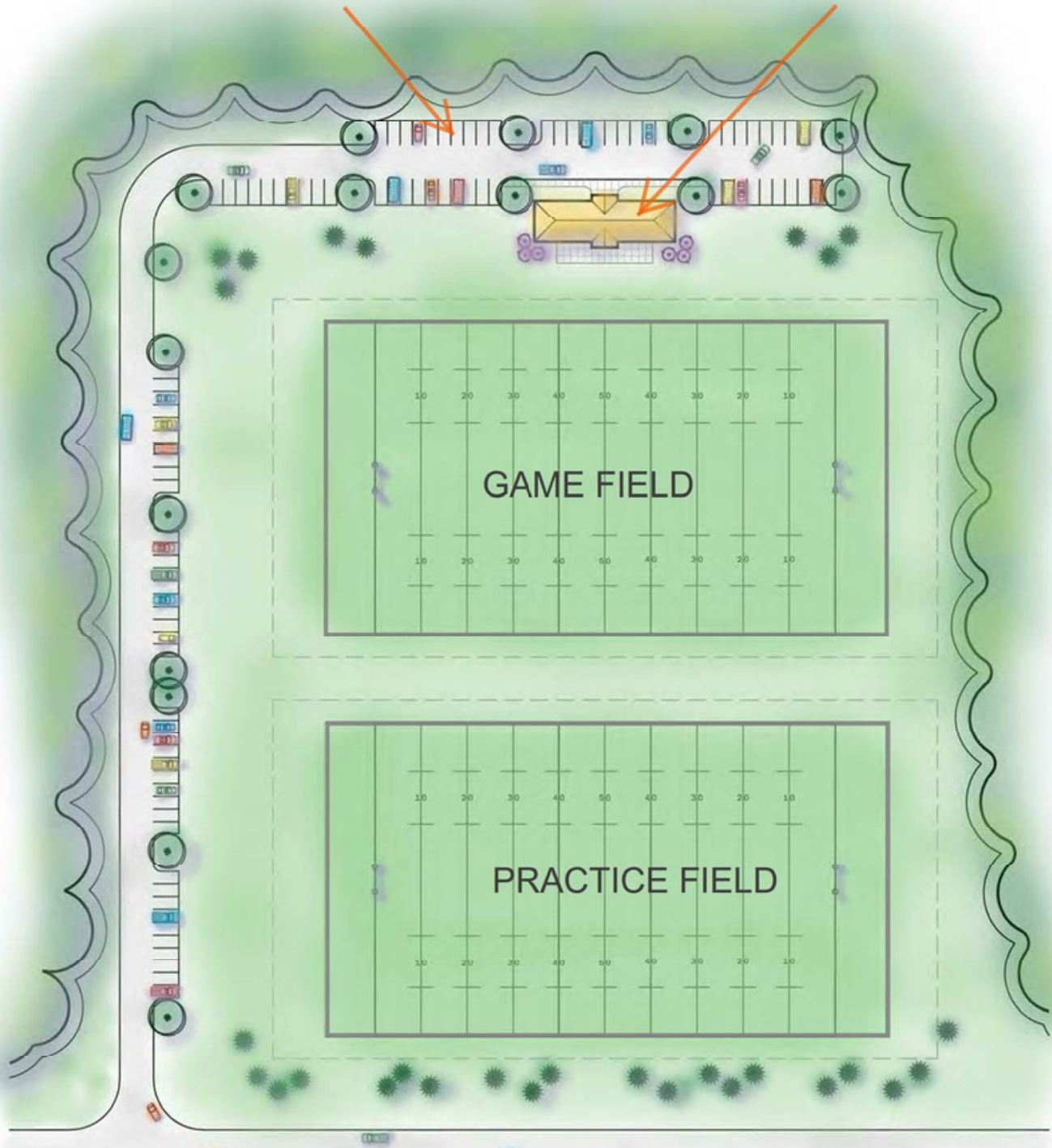
\$276,376
TOTAL



CONCEPT PLAN: RUGBY FIELDS & CLUB HOUSE

GRAVEL PARKING LOT
APPROX. 100 SPACES

CLUBHOUSE / SOCIAL 2nd FLOOR
LOCKER ROOMS/ STORAGE 1st FLOOR



THE RENEGADES FOREVER HOME...

KEVIN GRASS

The land identification committee was established to identify potential sites for the development of permanent facilities benefiting the Atlanta Renegades and the entire rugby community in Atlanta. Ideally, the site would accommodate at least two fields and a clubhouse in various configurations. The initial focus would be on the land acquisition with subsequent efforts to add improvements. The committee is fortunate to have several developers with the relevant skills and experience to vet potential sites, negotiate purchase and sale agreements, perform appropriate diligence, procure debt, and close. The search includes sites sufficient to accommodate the rugby facilities and sites that could be developed for multiple uses (Athletic, Multifamily, Hotel, retail). The committee is in place and active, but our success is 100% dependent on the fundraising efforts. Please consider a meaningful contribution to Renegades Forever so we can all stand together on a pitch we call home.



LAND IDENTIFICATION COMMITTEE



KEVIN GRASS

Mr. Grass is a managing principal and head of development at Noble Investment Group. He is responsible for leading Noble's Project Management team to execute renovation, redevelopment, and new construction projects. Before joining Noble in 2005, Mr. Grass was executive vice president for the Winter Construction Company. He is a LEED Accredited Professional with the US Green Building Council and has nearly 30 years of development experience. He has personally overseen over 3.0 billion dollars of construction and development. Mr. Grass earned a BS in Construction Management from the Georgia Institute of Technology and is a past board member of the Associated Builders and Contractors of Georgia and the Construction Education Foundation of Georgia. Kevin is a former captain and club president for the Renegades.

Kurt is an accomplished multi-family development and construction professional. His project experience has ranged from high-rise condominiums to garden style apartment developments from the Mid-Atlantic to Southwest regions with over 30 plus years of experience. In 2010, He joined Trey Massey and Pablo Diego to form TRG. As a principal of the firm, he successfully directed the development over 4,000 units with a market value in excess to \$1.1 billion. Prior to TRG, Kurt worked as a Project Manager for Winter Construction, and as a Civil Engineer with Eberly & Associates. He received his bachelor's in civil engineering from the University of Alabama. He, his wife Alison and their four children reside in Marietta, GA. Kurt is a former captain and joined the Renegades in the 1990s.



**KURT
ALEXANDER**

LAND IDENTIFICATION COMMITTEE



**SCOTT
HUTCHISON**

Mr. Hutchison has worked in commercial real estate since 2002, specializing in industrial facilities and land. He worked for Tom Wilson and Associates, LLC until he formed the partnership Wilson Hutchison Realty, LLC at the end of 2008. Wilson Hutchison Realty, LLC is a full-service brokerage firm specializing in Landlord Representation, Tenant Representation, Land Acquisition, Site Service Selection, and Lease/Purchase Contract Negotiations. Since embarking on a career in real estate, Mr. Hutchison has successfully negotiated and closed more than 800 commercial and industrial transactions totaling more than \$600 million in value. As of 2022, Scott is actively managing close to 120 properties and 350 tenants. In 2015, Mr. Hutchison founded Southeastern Traffic Supply, LLC to provide a higher standard of service in the traffic control industry throughout Georgia. Mr. Hutchison is also involved with many philanthropies and is on the Board of Directors for several different organizations. Scott joined the Renegades in the early 2000s and has been a tremendous asset to the club ever since.

Chris has been in the residential home building business for over 30 years. He holds a General Contractor license for both residential & commercial construction in the State of Georgia and is a graduate of the Georgia Institute of Technology. Chris teamed up with Eric Love to start Spencer-Love Homes, and over the past decade they have built over 250 homes & numerous apartment & residential rental units in downtown Atlanta & the surrounding areas. Chris is a member of the Metro Atlanta Home Builders Association. He is married and has 2 grown children. He became a Renegade in the early 90s and was successful a scrum-half.



CHRIS SPENCER

WAYS TO GIVE

DONATING HIGHLY APPRECIATED STOCK

By donating stock, instead of cash, you are able to avoid paying capital gains taxes on the sale of the stock. You are also able to deduct the full fair market value of the stock you donated from your income taxes (up to the overall amount allowed by the IRS.) What if you own a stock that you love, but has a large gain? You can get the benefit of donating the stock, writing it off and then repurchase and resetting the cost basis.

REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTION FROM YOUR IRA

Did you know that you can donate directly from your IRA to a charity? By doing this, you are able to avoid paying income taxes on that withdrawal up to \$100,000 per taxpayer. The funds need to be paid directly from the IRA to the charity. You must be 72 years of age or older to donate this way.

LEGACY GIFTS

Legacy gifts, which are part of estate planning, are donations of money or assets that are planned prior to death. They are meant to help establish an ongoing philanthropic legacy for the giver. If decided, please ensure "Atlanta Renegades Forever Inc." is identified as the beneficiary along with the amount intended.

CHECKS



Please ensure checks are made payable to "Atlanta Renegades Forever, Inc" and mailed to:

Sullivan and Schlieman
Wealth Management, LLC
5755 North Point Parkway
Suite 207
Alpharetta, GA 30022

VENMO



A new Venmo account has been created for your convenience under our treasurers name Pete Embs. Please scan QR code with phone to donate or use the @ address in the app.



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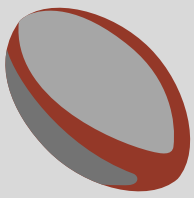
@renegadesforever

PAYPAL



For those who are more comfortable using a credit card, the PayPal account is still open and we certainly appreciate all of you that continue to donate on a monthly basis.

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DONOR LIST



KURT ALEXANDER

TOM BAKER

PAT BEAIRD

JOHN BELLUS

CLEA CALLOWAY

RANDY CROYTS

MIKE DUGGAN

PETE EMBS

PATRICK FLAHERTY

JUSTIN GERMANY

KEVIN GRASS

CLAY HAYDON

SCOTT HUTCHISON

KRISTIAN JONES

RANDY JOSEPH

ROB KORNAHRENS

DAVID LEMCOE

NORM LITWACK

MIKE ROCK

JAY SHIELDS

J. SNYPP

CHRIS SPENCER

JOSH STONE

BOB TAYLOR

CHRIS WILLIAMS

YOUR NAME HERE!

BOARD THANK YOU

On behalf of the Renegades Forever board, I would like to thank all the donors who have given towards making our combined dream into a future reality! The Atlanta Renegades has been an integral part of my personal and professional life for the past 30 years (first practice at Panther's Field Fall 1993). I can never repay the Renegades and Rugby for the joy and friendships they have blessed me!

The Renegades Forever 501(c)(3) was created to honor those who came before us (too many amazing friends to mention) and to pave the way for future generations to experience the Renegades' camaraderie and the greatest team sport! We hope to build a pitch and facility to serve as a legacy for all Renegades!

Thanks again to those that have donated so far! I look forward to seeing participation in this endeavor from every single Renegade, Past and Present!!

John "Brillo" Bellus

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

PATRICK FLAHERTY – PRESIDENT

SCOTT HUTCHISON – VICE PRESIDENT

PETE EMBS - TREASURER

KEVIN GRASS – SECRETARY

BOARD MEMBERS:

KURT ALEXANDER

JOHN BELLUS

JAY CALDWELL

J. SNYPP

JOSH STONE

ATLANTA RENEGADES RUGBY CLUB

2023 SPRING SCHEDULE

11
FEB

RENEGADES
VS CHAROLETTE
HOME

18
FEB

RENEGADES
VS OLD WHITE
AWAY

18
MAR

RENEGADES
VS GREENVILLE
AWAY

01
APR

RENEGADES
VS OLD WHITE
HOME





RENEGADES FOREVER