



Mission



To develop upstanding student athletes and men through the sport of Rugby. To play the game with inspiration, cultivate a close knit family within the club, and promote commitment, discipline, and respect on and off of the field.

Soiled Meat and Sand est. 1959

A Note from Club President Mahmoud ElNaggar



To the UMRFC Community,

As we celebrate our 60th anniversary, we have seen this organization persevere through a multitude of internal and external challenges, and from my experience as a player and President over the past 12 months, this determination to build on the success of our predecessors has not wavered.

Despite a rough start to our season last fall, we reorganized and utilized our youth to our advantage, growing and improving with every game. We played our rivals, MSU, under the bright lights of the Cooley Law Stadium in Lansing in front of 2,000 people as part of the largest collegiate rugby event in Michigan. We overcame our early losses at the end of the season against Minnesota in a decisive victory at the BTU Championships. We also saw our 7s players battle it out in the spring, although with a small roster size, to finish 4th place at the BTU Championships. We saw recognition of our players by the broader rugby world as Jamie Demers, our 2018-19 Captain, was nominated as Club Sports Male Athlete of the year and invited to join the Collegiate All-America camp this summer.

Off the field, we continued to build our players into better men and contributed to the community. Our service efforts were recognized by the University with our nomination for the Club Sports Community Service Award. We've also seen the continuous growth and contributions of the Michigan Rugby Foundation, our 501c(3) fundraising organization, as our endowment fund surpassed \$120,000 this year. Furthermore, we watched some of our alumni defend their spot as MLR Champions as members of the Seattle Seawolves.

Overall, we have seen our efforts over the past five years to keep Michigan Rugby a sustainable, long-lasting organization, come to fruition. Thank you all for your help and contribution to this cause. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any questions.

UMRFC President Mahmoud ElNaggar
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The footers of this presentation will contain quotes from current players illustrating their favorite part about being a Michigan Rugby player.

Introducing our new Head Coach: Matt Trenary



Dear Michigan Rugby,

As the summer days tick off, our season of rest gives way to the anticipation of another Michigan rugby season. We look forward to the reuniting chatter of the first practice, the first toss of the ball, the first tackle; the enthusiasm of the freshmen, the precision of the seniors. And as a former Michigan player and coach, now coach again, I share the feelings of many of our players, freshmen and seniors alike.

Whether young or old, in town or afar, our players are hard at work weightlifting, conditioning, and maintaining their skills, all in preparation for another special fall in Ann Arbor. We're also busy recruiting new players, some of who will show up early to school just so that they can learn the game with us.

Team success always requires this deep commitment from many. Players, coaches, alumni, and family all play an important role in our program and I thank you for everything you do. I'm also grateful for the opportunity to contribute this season and I look forward to reconnecting at OBW60 and games this fall.

Go Blue.

2019-2020 Coaching Staff



Matt Trenary
Head Coach



Zach Simkins
Assistant Coach



Drew Vecchio
Assistant Coach



Mike Renwick
Assistant Coach



Christian Mentzer
S&C and Asst. Coach



Matt Kasten
Assistant Coach



Kyle Patmore
Assistant Coach



Andrew Stevick
Assistant Coach

“The opportunities on and off the field to become a better player and better person day in and day out”

Season Highlights



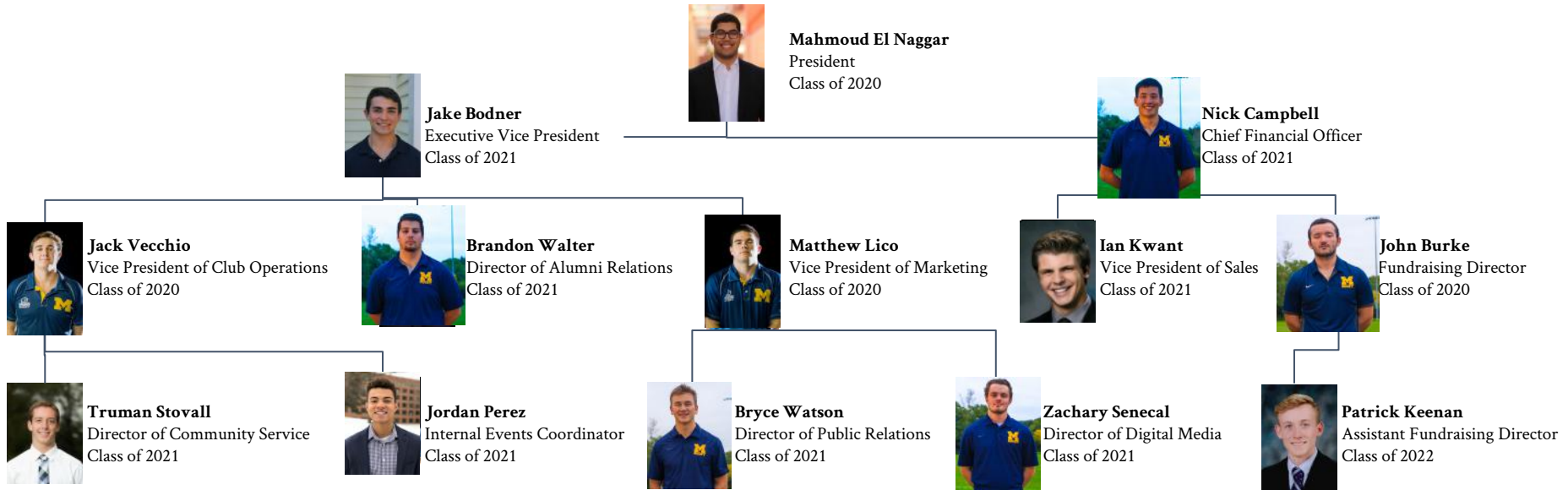
- Advanced our S&C program through team lifts with Coach Austin McBee
- Received the “Walk to End Alzheimer's” Club Sport Award
- 2018 President Lyric Kleber received the Janet K. Wells Club Sport Leader of the Year Award



- Won the bowl at Michigan 7s
- Toured England and played at Cambridge University
- Played in the First Annual Battle for the Mitten against our rivals in front of 2,000 people

“Being with a group of people that will consistently push me to my highest potential”

2019 Officers

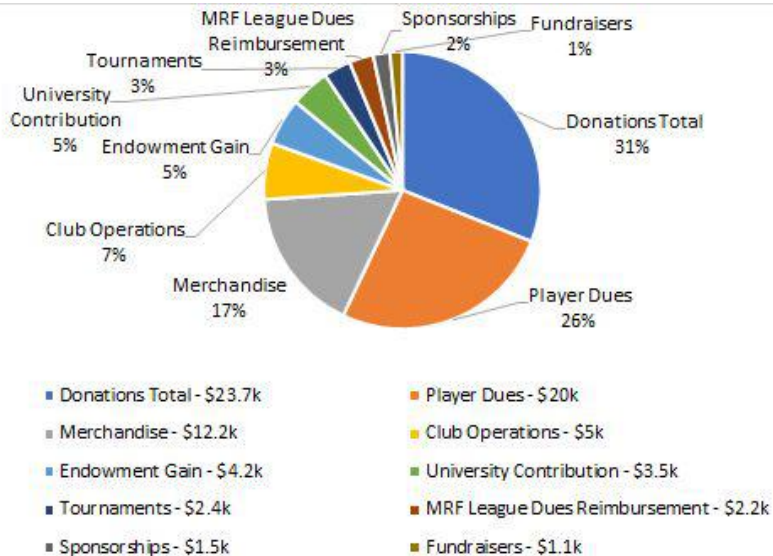


“The people I get to call my brothers”



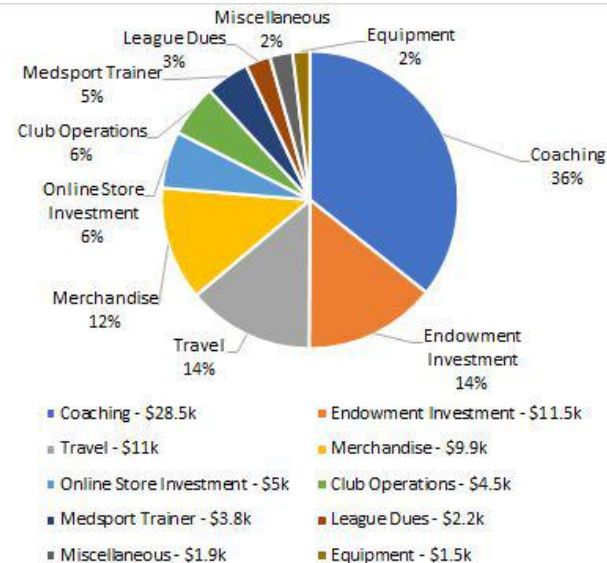
Financial Summary

Total 2018-2019 Revenue: \$76.5k



Total 2018-2019 Expenses: \$79.8k*

*Includes 5K initial investment into online store (see below)



If you have financial questions, please contact CFO Nick Campbell - nkcamp@umich.edu



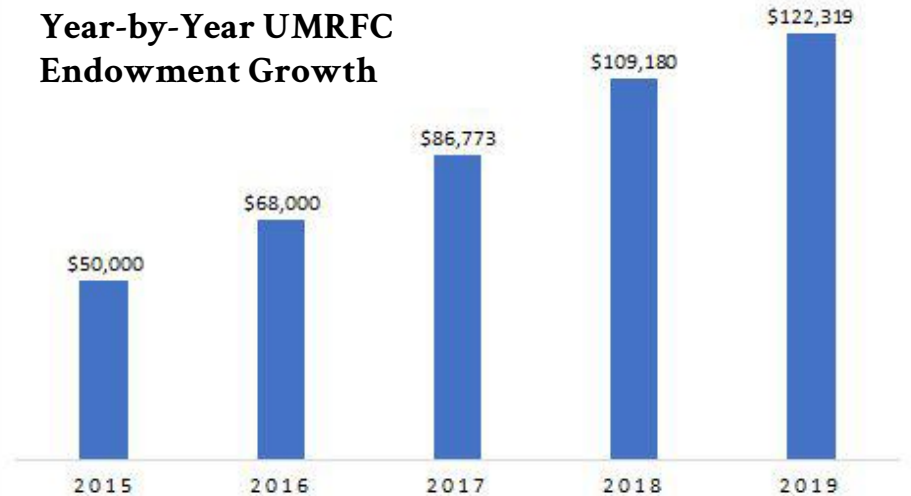
Donations and Endowment Growth

The club received **over \$23,000** in donations in 2018-2019, **\$11,000** of which went directly into the endowment fund

We **received \$4k** in interest from the endowment in 2018-2019

The endowment fund **grew by 10.76%** in 2018-2019

Year-by-Year UMRFC Endowment Growth



Michigan Rugby Foundation



Official 501(c)(3) that provides flexible support and strategic guidance to the University of Michigan rugby community.

- Raised \$8,863 from alumni and friends to:
 - Fund individual travel to New Zealand and USA Rugby Collegiate All-American camp
 - Cover USA Rugby and BTU Rugby dues
 - Grow the official endowment
- Supported the online store and head coach transition
- Strengthened Michigan rugby's relationship with U-M Development and Club Sports



Visit us and donate at michiganrugbyfoundation.org

Support us through [Amazon Smile](#)



“To shed blood and sweat with your brothers every lift, practice, and game, and to be the best team possible and to pass the legacy of Michigan Rugby to the next generation.”

Thank you to our Donors and Supporters!

179

Donors in
2018-19

\$23,000+

Raised over the past
year

146%

Increase in
Endowment over 4
years

If you're interested in contributing to the growth and sustainability of Michigan Rugby, feel free to make a tax-deductible donation at this URL:

<https://leadersandbest.umich.edu/find/#!/give/basket/fund/312092./>



If you would like to get involved in other ways, don't hesitate to reach out to Aaron Turk (aaronmturk@gmail.com) or Matt Trenary (matttrenary@gmail.com)

UMRFC in the Community



- Buying and wrapping Christmas presents with Samaritan's Purse
- T. Wall Foundation's Victor's Day
- 2019 Walk to End Alzheimer's (over \$3,000 raised)
- Food Gatherers Rockin' for the Hungry
- 4 participants in the K-Grams pen-pal program
- Michigan Rugby at K-Day 2019
- Weekly visits to CS Mott Children's Hospital
- Sorting clothes at the Washtenaw County Foster Care Closet
- Polar Plunge (\$1,280 raised)

"Being a part of something much bigger than just a game"

2018-2019 Off-Field Statistics

23.1% Freshmen
31% Sophomores
35% Juniors
11.5% Seniors

Average GPA

3.39

57.7%
Of players have a
major requiring
Calc II or higher

2400
Miles traveled for
matches

46%
Played rugby in
HS

58%
Have a job on
campus

~\$4,000
Dollars raised for
philanthropy
events

35%
Have more than 5
years of Rugby
Experience

Thank You Sponsors!

Our club wouldn't be possible without the generous support of all our sponsors. You are what allows us to keep performing on the field and have such an impact in our surrounding community!



If you know of an organization interested in sponsoring UMRFC, reach out to mnaggar@umich.edu

We are excited to announce our online store:

shop.mrugby.com



- Buy all the latest UMRFC merchandise!
- Various designs and sizes to fit any style
- Contact umrfc-store@umich.edu if you have any questions

See you this Fall!

Fall Schedule

August 31 - TBD

September 7 - Central Michigan

September 14 - OBW60

September 21 - @ Minnesota

September 27 - @ MSU (Battle for the Mitten)

October 11 - @ Ohio State

October 19 - Wisconsin

October 25 - Notre Dame

November 2 - Indiana

November 9 - Big10 Championships



Home games are played at Mitchell East

Go Blue!!