

## December 4, 2021

It has been an honour to serve as the Edmonton Rugby Union President this past year. I would like to thank the ERU clubs, their respective boards, the referees and all volunteers for their support and hard work through these unusual times. I as well want to thank those of you who have helped us by participating in scheduling the games for this season with short notice as well as those on the field use subcommittee. I also want to thank the ERU board who have done a great job this season under difficult circumstances, it has been an honour and pleasure to work alongside.

The board, as in every year, is undergoing a change in representation. I would encourage anyone interested in the roles up for election to step forward and support the Edmonton Rugby Union in growing and developing our sport in northern Alberta.

## Season Highlights:

**Potential Sale of ERP:** The ERU will be holding a special meeting to vote on a motion to proceed with the sale of Ellerslie Rugby Park on December 8<sup>th</sup> after a coupe of false starts. To address concerns raised, the ERU has created a subcommittee to develop a Field Use Agreement, a review of the ERU Bylaws is underway as well as a detailed Use of Proceeds Plan.

This effort is to ensure that the legacy of Ellerslie Rugby Park will enable our union to develop and grow amateur Rugby in Northern Alberta for many years to come.

**Rugby Alberta AGM:** I would also like to remind every member that the Rugby Alberta AGM will be held on December 4<sup>th</sup>. As in every year, it is important to the long-term success of our union that all clubs participate. This is also an opportunity for our members to participate on these boards and have our voices heard. If you are interested, you can be directly involved in improving the development of our sport.

Lastly, I want to acknowledge our VP Ellerslie, Judy Seddon. It was an honour to work with someone whose dedication, competence, hard work, and love for our sport are missed and has left a huge void in the Rugby community.

Regards,

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