



# 2017 Queen City 7's Rugby Tournament Team Information Packet

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#### **Introduction:** Return to Top

We are pleased to welcome you to the Matthews Sportsplex. Our goal is to assist in providing a safe, enjoyable, and professional-grade day of competition for all athletes, coaches, match officials, and supporters.

Please review and distribute the following information so all participants and fans and informed of important policies, procedures, and amenities that are critical to the success of this event. Also, there will be a section on the <a href="http://www.nchsra.org/events/2017\_queen\_city\_7s">http://www.nchsra.org/events/2017\_queen\_city\_7s</a> website dedicated to this tournament that provides information about hotels, parking, local activities and additional amenities. Please visit our website for updates and valuable information.

Event: 2017 Queen City 7's Rugby Tournament

Event Date: June 17, 2017

#### **Schedule updates will be provided closer to the Tournament:**

- Saturday, June 17 8:30am (Coaches/Captains Meeting at the Sportsplex)
- Saturday, June 17- first matches begin promptly at 9am (EST), last match is expected to start at approximately 3pm

### Matthews Athletic SportsPlex: Return to Top

Located at <u>1505 Tank Town Road, Matthews, NC</u>. There are five synthetic competition fields at this venue, 3 with regular full-size rugby poles and 2 with football poles. The Sportsplex provides for standing room viewing, with restrooms.

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• P-J Anderson – Tournament Director

Phone: 704-941-7310 Email: panderson6@carolina.rr.com

Preston Buckman – Mecklenburg County Park & Recreation - Athletic Facility & Event Coordinator

Phone: 704-529-3273 Email: <a href="mailto:Preston.Buckman@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov">Preston.Buckman@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov</a>

#### **Registration Brackets & Entry Fees:** Return to Top

<b>Divisions &amp; Entry Fee:</b>	Entrance Fee	Cash Prize
Men's Adult CGRU Qualifier	\$250	N/A
Men's Open/Club Division	\$250	\$200
Men's Social Division	\$250	\$200
Women's Adult CGRU Qualifier	\$250	N/A
Women's Open/Club Division	\$250	\$200
Women's Social Division	\$250	\$200
Boy's (U19) HS/club Division	\$150	\$100
Girls (U19) HS/Club Division	\$150	\$100

#### **Registration Payment:** Return to Top

Click **HERE** to be directed to the on-line PayPal registration page. Included in the registration fee:

- Four (4) games guaranteed
- Cash Prize-Money to winning team in each men's, women's and U19 divisions
- Queen City 7's Trophy to winning team in each men's, women's and U19 divisions
- High school players, under the age of 15, playing for a U19 team, are required to complete a <u>USA</u> <u>Rugby Waiver Form</u>.

- A minimum of five teams is necessary to form a division.
- A competition team may only enter ONE division

### Rosters, Eligibility Paperwork and Team Check-In: Return to Top

All teams must submit all required paperwork to the tournament director prior to the tournament. Paperwork can be turned in at the team 'check-in', at the Matthews SportsPlex starting at 7am on Saturday morning or by emailing the completed documents to the tournament director, P-J Anderson (panderson6@carolina.rr.com)

#### Team Requirements: Return to Top

- All players, coaches, administrators and referees must be USA Rugby members and teams must provide their membership CIPP number when registering online and on-site, on their <u>Team Rosters</u>.
- Minors under the age 18 require a qualified parent or legal guardian to complete **Participant Waiver Forms.**

#### Age Eligibility: Return to Top

- Players may only register and play for ONE team
- U-19: must be 18 years or younger on 31st August, 2015

#### **Tournament Format & Pool Scoring:** Return to Top

Divisions will be broken down into brackets/pools of 4 or 5 teams each. Pool games will earn points (Win = 2; Tie = 1). Teams will be seeded after pool play based on total points. If at the end of pool play, two or more teams are equal on total points, the seeding order will be determined as follows:

- Team with highest point differential between for and against; if still tied,
- Team scoring the most points; then if still tied,
- Toss of a coin

Seeded teams will play knock-out games towards divisional winner

#### **Accommodations:** Return to Top

All teams may opt to reserve their hotel rooms through <u>VROOMZ.com</u>, a professional hotel booking service that has been retained specifically for this event. VROOMZ has done extensive research relating to teams' needs and is holding a sufficient number of conveniently located rooms for team and fan accommodations. To make your team reservation, contact Amy Miller at Vroomz.com (877-326-7666, or service@vroomz.com). Please reference the Queen City 7's rugby event.

#### Families/Fans: Return to Top

Please encourage your families and fans to utilize the VROOMZ service to book accommodations as well. VROOMZ staff has researched the needs of our rugby teams and fans and has negotiated the guaranteed lowest prices for these hotels. In addition to contacting Amy Miller directly, there will be a link at <a href="http://nchsra.org/events/2017\_queen\_city\_7s">http://nchsra.org/events/2017\_queen\_city\_7s</a> for reserving hotel rooms in Charlotte.

### Matthews SportsPlex Facility Policies and Procedures: Return to Top

- No tents allowed inside the fence. All tents must be setup around the perimeter for fields 3, 4 and 5
- No dogs allowed on the turf
- No gum allowed on the fields
- No throwing or kicking balls into the fence
- No metal cleats on the fields
- No food allowed on the turf

#### **Competition Passes/Stamps:** Return to Top

All CIPP'd players, coaches and medical staff will be issued free access into the complex. A Gate Fee will be charged for all spectators – see Gate Fee section below. Paying spectators will receive a hand stamp.

#### Team Areas & Team Tents: Return to Top

Team areas with tents must be setup around the perimeter for fields 3, 4 and 5. No team tent setups are permitted inside the enclosure fence. Teams (and fans) are restricted to 10 x 10 size limit to ensure space for all participants

#### Trash and Clean Up: Return to Top

Please keep the team sites and all areas clean by using the trash and recycle bins inside and outside the SportsPlex. Teams must clean up their sidelines, restrooms and team tent areas at the end of their use.

### Gate Fee: Return to Top

A \$5 gate fee will be charged for all spectators and guests. Cash and credit will be accepted at the gates. Guests under 7 and over 70 get in for free. Hand stamps will be provided so patrons can leave and return each day.

#### **Concessions/Restrooms:** Return to Top

The SportsPlex will have food and beverages in the complex areas. Food options range from hot dogs, sandwiches, burgers, BBQ and sides. Beverage options include water, Powerade, and sodas. Restrooms are located at the main entrance of the SportsPlex.

#### **Ice and Water:** Return to Top

The Sportsplex does NOT offer access to ice. Each team is encouraged to bring their own ice. A water hose/spigot is available at the main entrance, in the corridor, outside the restrooms.

#### Warm up Area: Return to Top

Warm-up areas are available. Teams may warm-up on un-occupied fields or at the back of playing fields, without hampering any current games being played.

#### **Restrooms:** Return to Top

All teams will have opportunities to change in the available restrooms at SportsPlex and then move gear to the team tents or bench areas. When you depart the restrooms, you must take all your belongings with you. The Sportsplex is not responsible for any damaged, lost, or stolen property in the restrooms. Users of the restrooms are expected to place all of their garbage in the trash cans and remove personal items.

#### Match & Event-Discipline: Return to Top

Queen City 7's tournament directors and match officials, have the final say on all on-field issues. Local police will be on site for event security as well as special security, so patrons are asked to please obey their requests. Teams are expected to control all fans, players, and coaches at all times, and act in a manner reflecting the ethos of the game. Individuals not complying with SportsPlex policies may be asked to leave the facilities and grounds.

#### Medical & Emergency Action Plan: Return to Top

Certified Athletic Trainers will be on location for this event. <u>Teams must bring their own taping supplies if they expect to receive pre-match taping</u>. The CAT's will not supply these materials except for emergency situations. The Urgent Care facilities and hospitals closest to the SportsPlex are included in the Emergency Action Plans (directions will be on site at the tournament HQ and medical tents). In the event of any injuries on site, whether during play or otherwise, must be immediately reported to P-J Anderson, Tournament Director, Phone: 704-941-7310 Email: <a href="mailto:panderson6@carolina.rr.com">panderson6@carolina.rr.com</a>



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#### **Driving Directions to the Matthews SportsPlex Complex: Return to Top**

#### From I-77:

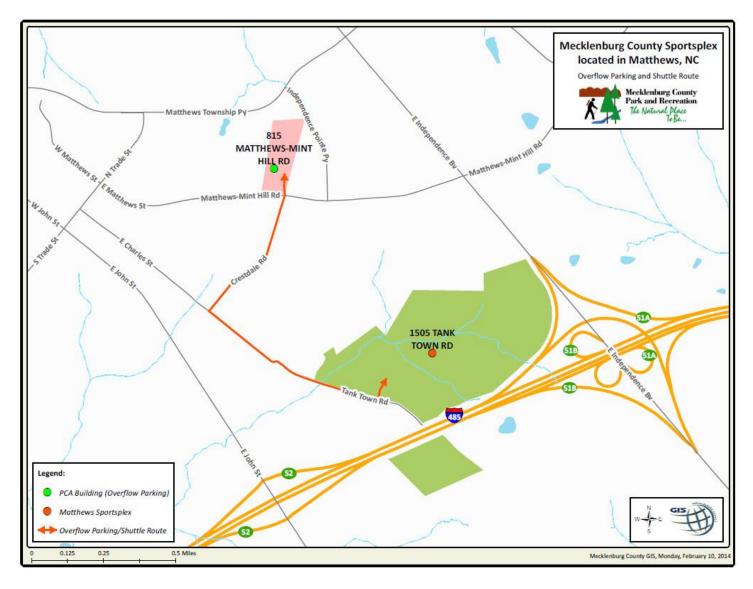
Heading North or South on I-77, take exit 7 toward Clanton Rd. Keep right at the fork at top of Exit, follow signs for North Carolina 49 and merge onto Clanton Rd. Turn right onto S Tryon St. Destination will be on the right in 0.2 miles.

#### From I-85:

Heading North or South on I-85, take exit 38 for I-77 heading South toward Charlotte. Then take exit 7 toward Clanton Rd. Keep right at the fork at top of Exit, follow signs for North Carolina 49 and merge onto Clanton Rd. Turn right onto S Tryon St. Destination will be on the right in 0.2 miles.

#### Parking: Return to Top

Please be aware that **parking is limited at the SportsPlex**. Specified parking areas for permit holders have been identified – please see map below (~ 20 car spaces). All other parking will be on a first-come-first-serve basis. SportsPlex Overflow Parking will be catered for, approximately 7 minutes from the complex. Shuttle bus services (3 of) will be operating between the SportsPlex and Overflow Parking Facility (Located on the corner of Crestdale Rd and Matthews Mint Hill Rd. – follow the signs). Please add an additional 20 minutes to your planning routine for this. If you are not playing first thing in the morning, you should assume that parking at the SportsPlex is already full and it is recommended that you go straight to overflow parking. PLEASE notify all of your parents and players guests of the parking situation.



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## **Matthews Restaurants**

#### Beantown Tavern

130 Matthews Station St. 1.5 miles from Sportsplex

Serving the classic foods of Boston, MA. Lots of televisions to watch your favorite sports.

111 Matthews Station St. 1.5 miles from Sportsplex moesoriginalbbq.com

Moe's Original BBQ is a Southern soul food revival where great food is served in an atmosphere that is relaxed, spontaneous, yet civilized... well, sometimes.

Subway 131 Matthews Station #1 1.5 miles from Sportsplex subway.com

> Grab a quick and nutritious meal the whole family can enjoy. Don't forget to ask about their \$5 foot-long Every Day Values too.

## Royal Café & Creperina 131 Matthews Station #E

1.5 miles from Sportsplex rovalcreperina.com

Focused on using local, high quality ingredients and prepared in a way to make healthy eating fun. They also serve specialty coffees that are roasted locally.

#### Kristophers Bar & Restaurant

250 N. Trade St. 1.6 miles from Sportsplex kristophers.com

A family style restaurant and sports bar serving pizza, burgers and sandwiches. Enjoy time on the patio and catch a game on the 58 flat-screen televisions.

#### Jet's Pizza

920 Park Center Dr. 1.6 miles from Sportsplex

Swing by and pick up a pizza, salad or wings to take back to the park or hotel. We deliver too!

#### Finz Raw Bar & Grill

142 E. John St. 2.0 miles from Sportsplex finzrawbar.com

A casual restaurant in Matthews serving fresh seafood and American fare like burgers, wings and pizza.

1904 Matthews Township Pkwy. 2.0 miles from Sportsplex panerabread.com

Quick and casual dining that features bakery items for breakfast and sandwiches for lunch and dinner.

#### **Fuddruckers**

1643 Matthews-Township Pkwy 1.8 miles from Sportsplex

Home to the World's Greatest Hamburger and Build Your Own fresh produce bar to top off your burger. A great place for the family or team.

#### Chipotle Mexican Grill

1909 Matthews-Township Pkwy 2.8 miles from Sportsplex

Food served with integrity. Their menu isn't long, but it's long on options. Start with the basics and customize as needed to build the perfect meal.

#### Carrabba's Italian Grill

10408 E. Independence Blvd. 3.0 miles from Sportsplex

Family-friendly Italian restaurant where everyone can enjoy the flavors of Italy.

9905 Matthews Park Dr. 3.0 miles from Sportsplex chick-fil-a.com

Home of the ever popular chicken sandwich, waffle fries and milk shakes. Closed on Sundays

### Boardwalk Billy's Raw Bar & Ribs

1636 Sardis Rd. North 3.3 miles from Sportsplex boardwalkbillys.com

Come in, kick back and get away for a while. Enjoy coastal favorites like the low country boil, oysters, peel & eat shrimp and Alaskan snow crab legs.

9330 E. Independence Blvd. 3.5 miles from Sportsplex crackerbarrel.com

Known for providing a friendly atmosphere, delicious Southern dishes and an old country store.

## Buffalo Wild Wings Grill & Bar

2530 Sardis Rd. North 4.2 miles from Sportsplex buffalowildwings.com

If you like wings, this is the place to be. Choose from 16 signature sauces and 5 seasonings to find your favorite wing combination.

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2521 Sardis Rd. North 4.3 miles from Sportsplex

Serving classic American dishes and their well-known margaritas 7 days a week.







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