



## **Stoney Creek Rugby Football Club**

### **Field Requirements Summary**

The Stoney Creek Rugby Football Club is a well established and growing organization that is looking to build a new facility, a place where children, youth and adults can play our fun sport within our community. For the past forty years the Stoney Creek Rugby Club has played at a local high school (Saltfleet High School). Unfortunately, we do not have access to changing rooms or bathrooms and find it difficult to promote our sport to new players without such facilities. Also, Saltfleet has not guaranteed that we may continue to use their field, so we are looking for a more permanent solution, with better facilities.

Currently, our rugby teams compete amongst the best in our province of Ontario. We have several "mini rugby" teams for children who play flag rugby. Not having access to washrooms at our current field obviously poses a significant problem for our young rugby players and their families. We also have numerous youth teams for both boys and girls as well as two men's teams and one women's team. Our club has expanded significantly in the past five years, and we have outgrown our current field. We would like to build a new field with appropriate facilities in order to allow our sport to grow in the Stoney Creek and Hamilton area.

We are looking to build a new state of the art field with stands as well as a clubhouse with showers, bathrooms, equipment storage, office space and a snack bar. Our goal is to be able to host anything from international matches to local games and tournaments.

Rugby is a special sport that promotes active participation of people of all shapes, sizes and talents. Rugby builds character, discipline, sportsmanship and community. We love our sport and would like it to be more accessible to more people!

We would like to explore the opportunities on the land currently owned by Arcelor Mittal Dofasco on First Road East in Stoney Creek.

### **Land Requirements Summary**

2 rugby playing fields each requiring approximately 2.5 acres

Club House with showers, bathrooms, equipment storage, office space and a snack bar

Bleacher seating and spectators area

Parking

In order to facilitate the requirements for 2 playing fields, the space around the fields for spectators and safety, a club house and parking, SCRFC will require approximately 8 to 10 acres of land.

### **Land Lease or Purchase Options**

Stoney Creek Rugby Club would require a long term commitment. Options include:

- a) Long-term lease (50 year minimum).
- b) 25 year lease with purchase option.
- c) Donation of land outright.
- d) Direct purchase with long-term payments.
- e) Other?

### **Option to Share Facilities**

SCRFC would prefer to have the facility for the sole purpose of accommodating and promoting the sport of rugby. With the mini, junior, senior men's and women's rugby programs as well as the increase in interest in rugby 7's (a new Olympic sport in 2016 and part of the 2015 PanAm games) SCRFC hopes to design and build a facility to allow these rugby programs to play and practice seven days per week and to optimize its' growth. We would be willing to explore a shared arrangement with another sporting organization, but more details would be required.