For your reading enjoyment here is the current club news and information, game reports and stories to follow as the season progresses,

Any club member who wishes to make a submission, please email myself at davidrmillard@shaw.ca. I will be issuing a biweekly newsletter on the 1st and 15th of each month.

Current Club Information

2017-18 Rugby Canada Registration From Darren (updated)

Rugby Canada Registration is up and running. We have had a few successful registrations now. The link to start registration is: https://reg.sportlomo.com/rugbycanada

You will be registering from scratch as none of the registration information nor accounts were transferred from previous years; it is a new registration platform Sportlomo.

I have a link to demonstation video if you find that useful.

http://www.bcrugby.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/Sportlomo-Member-Registration-User-Version.mp4

Note: payment screen will look different. In addition payment at this time is via credit card VISA or M/C (don't know about American Express). PayPal is not setup properly at this time. The cost is \$60.85 total for Masters registration. That is the only membership offered at this time for our club. Let me know if you are looking for a different membership type; e.g. Coach or Seniors membership.

Good luck and let me know if any problems. I should get email notice if you are successful. Darren Kovacs Ebb Tide Registrar

Club Dues 2017-18

Ebbtide club dues are unchanged at \$200 for the upcomming season this amount covers the operational expenses of the club, members earliest payment is required.

For past members who wish to support the club efforts the social dues is \$50.00 and your support is appreciated.

Note: If you need to make arrangements for payments contact Jim Capron the Club Treasurer.

<u>Please pay your dues to Jim Capron. Make cheques payable to Ebb Tide RFC. Interactransfers are also accepted.</u>

Thrifty's Smile Card

Our fundraising application has been accepted by Thrifty Foods for another year. Members can use the same cards. When using the card, Thrifty Foods gives back 5% of the purchases to the club up to a maximum of \$2000. There is **no cost to use the card**. You simply load it like a prepaid card with your credit card. If you shop at Thrifty Foods and would like a card, please send an email to Knoxie at daveknox@shaw.ca

Ebbtide RFC League Schedule 2017-18 updated (Incomming Tour Dates Added)

Current Events

1. Kelowna Ten Aside Preseason Tournament

The club is participating in a 10-aside old boys tournament in Kelowna on Saturday, September 9th. We will walk on the 7 AM Ferry to Vancouver on Saturday morning, be pickup by the bus on the otherside, bus up to Kelowna for games Saturday afternoon, then stay overnight before bussing back on Sunday. If you are available, get your name in on Teamer if you haven't done so already.

2. Ebbtide RFC League Schedule 2017-18

League play begins September 24th with Ebbtide RFC vs Nanaimo Yoos To Bees it is an away game in Nanaimo. It will be a Dunbar Challenge Cup match for "**Bragging Rights**" for the first half of the season are on the line. **Let's get off to a good start to the season**.

3. Maori All Blacks - Canada game

Courtesy of Steve Baron a small number of reserved seat tickets are available for this game in BC Place on Friday November 3, kick off @7pm. They are \$78 per ticket and located on the midfield side of the 22 m line.

First come first served by e-mail glenok@shaw.ca or phone 250-813-2281

4. HSBC Vancouver Sevens 2018 Tickets

Once again Steve Barron has booked and organized a section of 985 seats for the next Vancouver 7's this coming March 10/11, 2018. Tickets are \$160 for the 2 day event.

Steve has allotted **80 tickets** for **Ebb Tide** and maybe more to come. Seating for us similar to last year too. **So first come first served**. Already have 16 spoken for and they are going fast as it is a hot item so make plans early

Let Jim Capron know by email (<u>JCapron@shaw.ca</u>) if you are interested and how many tickets you need. Jim will relay this info back to Steve requesting a block of tickets for Ebb Tide as well as requesting a lower seating arrangement than last year.

5. Incomming Tours

We have two incomming tours confirmed in May 2018 they are Osaka Gentleman and Wheatley Hills Veterans there will be two completely different styles of hosting, club members are ask to step up and assist with the hosting, as usual "many hands makes light work".

Osaka Gentlemen RFC

The Gentlemen from Osaka will be arriving in Victoria on Saturday April 28th 2018 and playing the Ebb Tide on Sunday April 29th 2018.

Details of a welcome on Saturday evening and venue and kickoff time for the game are still to be worked out nearer the date.

For those of you who attended the banquet the last time the Gentlemen came here in 2015 you will attest that it is an exceptional event. So mark your calendars and plan to attend and celebrate this next visit and represent the Ebb Tide.

This will be the third visit from the Gentlemen in since our 2012 40th Anniversary celebration and the last time we were in Japan was 2006. There were 105 Ebb Tide members and partners in 2015 so let's make it another grand hosting for our Japanese guests.

Wheatley Hill Veterans

The Veterans are, a Yorkshire club, this will be a competitive game but fun casual event, we may need Andy Dunstan to act as our interpeter, more information with be provided as the hosting is defined and developed.