Good evening all and welcome to the AGM of Cambuslang Rugby and Sports Club.
Sincere apologies that due to work commitments I am overseas but I do want to communicate my appreciation and thanks to the Trustees, sports sections, members, staff and fellow committee members for the continued help and support I received during my time as President.
Over the 7 years that I have served on the Senior committee, as a club (and community) we have achieved fantastic things.
We have grew in numbers successfully.
Our reputation in sport and in the community I believe is at an all time high and our facility continues to be invested in to support this.
The second floodlight program in 7 years spearheaded by our Junior section is almost complete and adds a tremendous extension to our training and playing capabilities.
The heating and hot water system will be concluded this month also seeing a £50k SRU grant investment being used to upgrade and future proof our shower and heating system once and for all. This is state of the art commercial systems replacing domestic appliance that were simply not fit for our purpose.
Our sections have grown with TCH joining us and Harriers swelling their numbers as well as the introduction of The Glasgow Rugby league during the summer.
In addition we continue to support the local schools at the facility and delighted to have our very own DO working hard at the local schools to develop our sport and the good name of Cambuslang Rugby and Sports Club.
All in all a busy place and one we should all be very proud of.
On the field we finish our senior season on a high with promotion back to West 1.
Can we all thank Big Gav and Ross for the continued coaching effort of our senior section and to the captains and players who responded to the challenge we set out at the start of the season. The goal was to get promoted, however the style of play we adopted for most of the season was impressive and great to watch and worthy of west 1 and beyond, dare we to dream … thanks again to you all boys.
I step aside this year to allow new energy and ideas to come through our club as I believe I probably held the role 1 year too long as work and family commitments started to become my priorities. We were blessed to have a man like our VP to help get me through my final year. Thank you Frank.
Thank you also to all the past presidents who afforded me an attentive ear during my time. Jan and Nas in particular.
To my rock.., Marlyn, thanks for putting up with all my ups and downs and absences, and eventually joining me on the committee… as the old saying goes if you can't beat them join them.
As an institution we had our challenges and changes to make over the last few years and despite some tough times I believe the club is in far better shape because of it , with lots more to come I'm sure….
I also believe our future success is a "one club"approach and with the talent and ambition that exists through out the ranks of the Rugby Sections the future is definitely bright.

Big Thank you and well done to all the exiting committee members and

Good luck to all the incoming ones,… I look forward to continuing to work and support you and our new president in the future.

John (Johnny) McLaughlin