

BILL TAUTE
NOMINEE FOR DIV 1 MEN'S CLUB REP

As a nominee for the Division 1 Men's Club Representative, I would like to bring my experience of 37 years of rugby, as a player, administrator, coach, and fan, to the TRU Board. As the Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Austin Blacks, I manage an annual budget of approximately \$150k, which encompasses a thirty acre facility with clubhouse, changing rooms, and three regulation rugby pitches, along with three sides of players, coaches, and social membership. I manage the rental of fields and the clubhouse, sponsorship acquisition and agreements, concessions, parking, and maintenance of all the facilities. I feel these skillsets will all be beneficial as a TRU Board member.

My love of the game drives my motivation to make the TRU and the all the competitions of the TRU to be the best in the USA, so our players and clubs get the recognition they deserve across the nation. I spent years coaching at the high school and youth level to develop the next generation of rugby players, and I am currently working to help retain the former high school players in the 18-21 year age group, that we are losing at an unacceptable rate. I would love the opportunity to help manage all these young men's success at the men's club level, and make the TRU and RRRC competition the best in the nation. Please feel free to contact me by email at billtaute@mindspring.com or by phone at 512-940-0666 at any time to answer questions about rugby. Thanks for your time and your support in this effort.

Bill Taute Rugby CV

Administrative

Texas A&M-President 1980-82

Austin Rugby Club – Board of Directors 1998-2002, 2010-2016

Chairman of Board of Directors 2012-16

TRU – First Collegiate Secretary & Select Side Coach 1980-85

TRU Board 1995-99 (Served under Dave Jenkins regime. Four years in this approximate era)

USA Maccabiah – Selector and National Recruiter – 1999 – 2005

Coaching

Texas A&M – Head Coach 1981-82

TRU Collegiate Selects – Head Coach - 1980-85

Austin Blacks – Head Coach 1994-96

Austin Area Youth Touch – 1996-2003

Austin Area HS – Head Coach 2003-08

Central TX U-19 Selects – Head Coach 2005-12

TRU U – 19 Selects Asst Coach 2005-14

Player

Texas A&M 1978-82

Houston Old Boys 1982-83

Austin Blacks 1984-97

Midland Counties Selects 1979-82

Southern Counties Selects 1982-83

TRU Selects 1979-88

Western USA Selects 1980-82

USA Maccabiah 1996-98