



DCGAB Presentation

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HRFC History

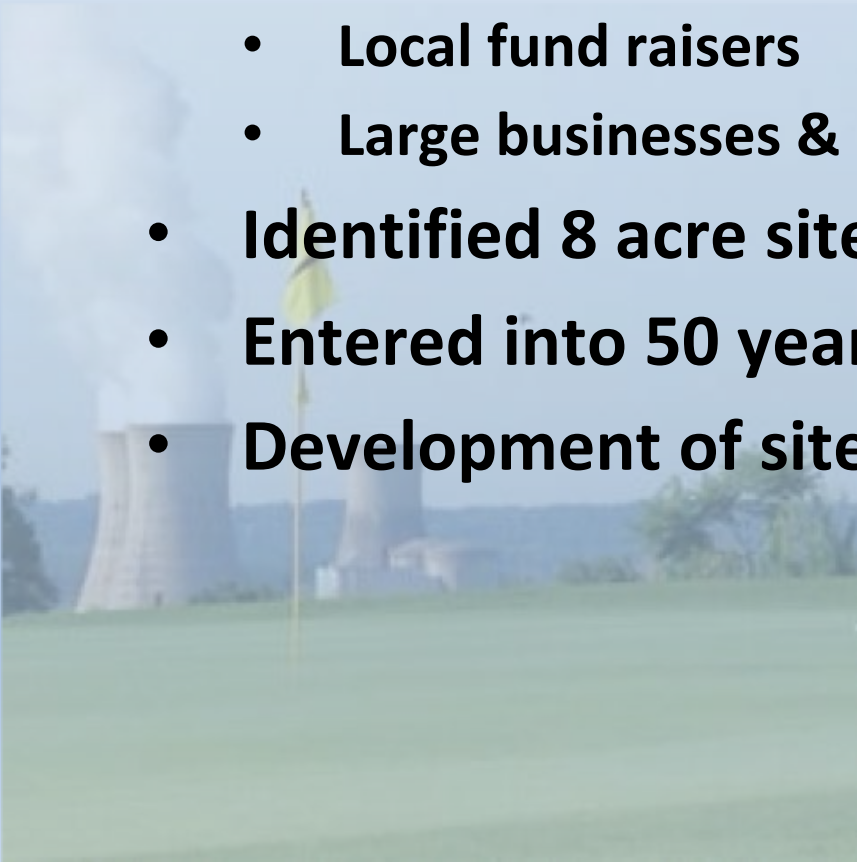
- Founded by 2 doctors in 1969
 - Dr John Riedell
 - Dr Bill Mann
- Women's team in 1999
- Generated development of rugby through high school coaching programs
 - 7 schools currently
Dauphin HS, Halifax HS, Cedar Cliff HS, Redland HS, Trinity HS, Cumberland Valley HS, Harrisburg HS
- Nomadic field use throughout history
 - Currently at Memorial Field in Highspire



Future & Development



- **Futures Committee set-up to seek a home**
- **Fundraising through varied avenues**
 - Annual 7's Tournament with 30+ teams
 - Local fund raisers
 - Large businesses & organizations
- **Identified 8 acre site at Sunset Golf Club**
- **Entered into 50 year + 25 renewable lease**
- **Development of site began in summer 2017**



The Complex





Complex Build Phases

- Phase 1
 - Clear land of debris and tree stumps
 - Remove top soil and grade land
 - Build retaining walls
 - Run wire ducts and install flood lights
- Phase 2
 - Develop car parking & walk ways around fields
- Phase 3
 - Build full club house facility (Locker rooms, showers etc.)



Who benefits from facility

- Rugby, Soccer, Lacrosse, Field Hockey
 - Not limited to these but interest already shown
 - National, Club & School levels
- Local community
 - Township to utilize facility for general use
 - Club house to be used by retired community
- Diverse group of children & adults from all walks of life



Budgets and Running Costs

- Total cost of build \$800K to \$1M
 - \$255K raised and pledged so far
 - Grants and other corporate donations applied for directly & through township
- Enough cash in hand to complete majority phase 1
- Phase 2 likely to be through township funded grant
- Phase 3 is on-going to raise funds
 - Many skills exist in the rugby club to undertake much of the build
- Yearly running costs estimated at \$30K after final build



Board Questions

The Application states that at least \$225,000 in reserves and private donations will be generated by January 1, 2018. What is the status of these efforts?

- The club has generated \$239,013 as of today.
- A further pledge of \$40,000 has been committed over next 2 years
- A renewed effort to raise addition funds currently moving ahead
- Professional Marketing Co. Engaged
- Other private benefactors committed to donating once we break ground



Board Questions

Has the Club pursued any other grant programs? If so, please identify the program(s), requested amount(s) and award(s), if any.

- The club has made an application to DCNR for a grant of \$250,000 as a matching donation.
- The club are actively pursuing other government and business donations

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Board Questions

If the project were to receive a portion of the amount requested or no grant, how will the remainder of the project costs be funded?

- Should a portion or no grant be made, the project will go ahead with lights being phased in as part of phase II of the plan.



Supporters & Donators



Perseverance Lodge #21



Support Letters

- PA Governor Tom Wolf
- PA Representative Delozier
- Penn State Health
- #21 Perseverance Lodge
- Scarves Happen
- Former State Senator Teplitz
- The Tattered Flag
- USA Rugby
- Dauphin County Commissioners
- Dauphin County Planning Commission
- Middletown Township





DCGAB Grant Importance

- Strategic to get lights installed as fields are developed
 - Ducting for cables added during development
 - Avoids disturbance at later date
 - Ensures that full use of facility year round
 - More use will generate income towards running costs





DCGAB Grant Benefits

- Additional Benefits
 - Use of facility by PA or National bodies increase business revenue
 - Hotel use by sporting teams and families
 - Restaurant & shop business increases
 - Fulfills directive for more recreational land use
 - Offers the area a complete premier facility at Sunset



Questions?

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We thank you for your time and consideration