Amstelveen, July 2015

Dear club members and youth parents,

After a successful 2014-2015 season, your Board and subcommittees are gearing up for the start of the new season that kicks off towards the end of August.

As you know, our volunteers are our lifeline. They are the cornerstone of our club and make it possible for us to stage a large number of activities, both on and off the pitch. We’re delighted that we can count on the support of many of you, and that is much appreciated. The club is growing on all fronts and in order to be able to channel that process properly this season, we need more volunteers. Too much is being done by too few for too many. That means we need you to make your presence felt!

In our youth department, parent participation is required and our senior members (18+) are expected to play their part too. We would like every club member and youth parent to step up to the plate. Many hands make light work. Helping out - on and off the pitch - is part and parcel of club membership.

Every club member and every youth parent should fulfill a modest voluntary task.

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Helping out at the club is part and parcel of your membership.

Attached please find a reply form in which you can fill in the voluntary task(s) you would like to fulfill this season. Your Board requests you to complete the form as quickly as possible but no later than 16 August 2015 and to return it to us as indicated on the form.

We will do our best to take your preferences into account in the allocation of voluntary tasks, although it may not always be possible to honour your first choice.

We are also interested in other ideas you may have to use your talent and possibilities to the club's advantage.

Our point of departure is that every club member and youth parent must be prepared to fulfill a modest voluntary task this season. We fully understand, however, that there may be circumstances that make it difficult or impossible for club members or youth parents to fulfill a modest voluntary task. Should that be the case, we offer you the choice of supporting the club with a financial contribution of € 100 so that we can pay for this work to be carried out professionally. Should you elect for the financial contribution instead of a modest voluntary task, please indicate this in the reply form.
We are sending this letter to all club members and youth parents. For team trainers and managers, committee members and honorary members (ereleden), this letter is for information purposes only.

Club members or youth parents who stood their bar shift or assumed other responsibilities in and around the clubhouse last season are kindly requested to indicate their preference for this season. Please refer to the options in the reply form for more information.

We are doing our utmost to be well prepared for the new season and we would much appreciate it if you would return the form at your earliest convenience. Once we have received all the forms, we can start the planning process and let you know which modest voluntary task has been allocated to you and the day and time we would like you to make yourself available. We trust this early-warning system helps you plan your diary dates.

In order to ensure we can stay in touch with one another, it is important that your contact details are up to date. Please forward any changes in your contact details to secretaris@arcrugby.nl

Should we not have received your reply form by 16 August 2015, we take it to mean that you are not in a position to fulfill a modest voluntary task and will invoice you for the financial contribution of € 100.

We count on your support. Should you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact my fellow Board member Henk Boelrijk, faciliteiten@arcrugby.nl

We wish you happy holidays!

With all best wishes,
On behalf of the Board of the Amstelveense Rugby Club,

Nick Gale, chairman

PS Our clubhouse is open every Thursday evening from 20:00 hours during the holiday period and everybody is welcome in the ARC Rugbycafé!