



## Itinerary and Financial Obligations For the 2015 Campaign

All,

Everyone needs to be prepared well in advance for the 2015 season. The season is highly compressed compared to previous years which means there will be little time between venues and little time to complete all the necessary items to be able to compete. Of importance is your ability to have all the days off from work necessary. Please start that process now and report any problems you may have. .

There will be an open camp on January 24-25, 2015 and everyone is urged to participate. However, those that did **not** participate in the October 2014 camp **must** participate in this camp. There is a \$20 camp fee. This fee will be collected online.

Soon after this camp, many will be selected to participate in the Fort Lauderdale Ruggerfest on February 21-22, 2015. You must attend the Ruggerfest to be eligible for selection into the NACRA competition squad. Upon selection for Ruggerfest, everyone will have five days to remit a Two Hundred Dollar (\$200.00) deposit to the Panther program. This deposit can be made online also. Everyone must arrive in Fort Lauderdale no later than Friday morning 2-20-2015 for a practice on Friday afternoon. Motel accommodation has been reserved and room assignments will be made in advance.

At the same time, you must obtain a Passport if you do not have a current passport or your passport expires within 6 months of March 5, 2015. If you are selected into the NACRA squad after Ruggerfest and do not already have a passport, you will not have time to obtain one in time for the game against the Mexican National Team in Mexico City. Make sure you have a passport in your possession prior to the Ruggerfest.

Immediately after Ruggerfest, a team will be selected to compete against Mexico in two weeks time. Once selections are announced, those selected will have two days to purchase air fare to Mexico and to report their flight purchase to Gary Kent. Selectors will be told to replace anyone not able to show purchase of air fare within two days of selection. Air fare could likely be \$700-\$800. Everyone will be told how to schedule their Mexico flights.

Two weeks after the Mexico game on March 21, we play the Cayman Islands in Atlanta, GA at Life U. The team selected for that game could be different than the team selected for the Mexico game and everyone needs to be prepared for selection with short notice.

The NACRA Championship game will be played on April 25, 2015. More information about this game will be forthcoming at a later date.

Below are some estimated costs that everyone needs to be prepared for:

Kit - \$110

January Camp

Travel to Atlanta - ??

Camp Fee - \$20

Hotel Cost per night - \$15-\$30

Travel Home - ??

Fort Lauderdale Ruggerfest

Travel if by car - \$100 ??

Travel if by Air - \$300

Hotel Cost - \$60-\$75

Panthers v Mexico

Air Fare - \$750

Hotel - \$120 - \$160

Panthers v Cayman Islands

Travel to Atlanta - \$??

Hotel - \$80

Hosting Cayman Islands - \$75

Travel Home

When we make the NACRA final game, it will be played in Atlanta or Guyana. The cost if played in Atlanta will be similar to the game v the Cayman Islands.

Costs if played in Guyana could be:

Air Fare - \$750 - \$1000

Hotel - \$150

**NACRA offsets some costs for away games and we could receive back about \$400 - \$450 per person for the Mexico game and if we travel to Guyana, we may receive back a similar amount per person. The actual amounts available can change however.**

Panther Management