

Welcome back to the 2017/18 season at Aylesbury RFC.

Having had the honour of being elected Chairman of Aylesbury Rugby Football Club, I find myself in the unenviable position of taking over from the much loved, and highly respected Clive Woodfall, a man who has successfully taken on pretty much every single role the club has to offer.

I thank Clive, not only for the sacrifices he's made and the unwavering commitment he's given the club, but also for the help, advice and friendship he's afforded me as I've worked alongside him over the years.

I look forward to bending his ear over a couple of cold drinks during my time in the role and will do all I can to guide the club in the right direction with the help of my colleagues on the Senior Management Team and more importantly, you, the membership.

The 2016/17 season saw us take on another demanding yet worthwhile project with the installation of the RFU 3G pitch.

With that now up and running and proving to be the huge benefit to our club that we knew it would be, we can focus again on what we do well as a club and what improvements we can make.

Club communications and strengthening and supporting our volunteers are areas we have already begun working on.

As a volunteer run club, we wouldn't be what we are and couldn't do what we do without the countless hours you give.

The Senior Management Team are always around the club and keen to hear your thoughts on how we can enhance your experience as club member.

If you need to get hold of one of us, our contact details can be found on the club website or in the entrance to the clubhouse.

Thanks to all our players, coaches, managers, supporters, staff and sponsors for the work you've already put into getting us ready for the season.

I expect it to be another year of progress across all sections of the club and know that we are in good shape to make the 2017/18 season one of our best.

Paul Milham

Chairman