

UC Rally Committee Meeting Agenda: September 1st, 2010

Welcome everyone! My name is Becca Canote and I'm your Secretary this year. As I'm sure you know, I write the agendas each week for you to read if you didn't catch everything in the meeting, or if you weren't able to attend, to see what went down.

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Welcome!

Your Chairman, Ryann Pollack, welcomed everyone to the 2nd official UC Rally Committee meeting of the year! YAY! That means we've all made it through Welcome Week and nearly one full week of class AND THAT FOOTBALL COMES BACK ON SATURDAY!!!!!! We've got an absolutely amazing week ahead of us, so read on to see what went down at this week's meeting.

Noon Rally!

This Friday, at noon, the Committee will be hosting the season's 1st NOON RALLY!! Join the Band, Dance Team, Oski and the Mic Men on the steps of Sproul Hall to kick a little life back into every one's mid-day slump!

Wear your rugbies and come a few minutes before 12:00 to help Director of Rallies, Laurel Johnescu, get Sproul ready for the Rally! Contact Laurel at ucrc.rallies@gmail.com with any questions.

C is for Cookie!

Following the Noon Rally, Katie Strehlow, will be hosting **Cookie Baking** at her apartment! Join her for the making of om-nom-nom delicious cookies that will be enjoyed later that evening at Midnight Singing. You'll have bowls of tasty cookie dough at your finger tips, and will later be able to enjoy the cooked version of your labors with milk!

Katie will be leading a group to her apartment following the Noon Rally, but if you can't make it right then, she lives at 2319 Prospect Street. Prospect is up near the stadium, around the frats and sororities. Contact Katie at ucrc.traditions@gmail.com with any questions.

Pajamarino Rally!

You all know that there is nothing more satisfying than spending all day in your pajamas after a long week, and believe me, the first week of classes is just the start of many long weeks to come for us, UC Berkeley students. SO! Spend Friday night in your Pajamas at the beyond amazing PAJAMARINO RALLY!

The Rally will begin at 7PM, and will be followed by a concert by William Fitzsimmons. William Fitzsimmons has a beard blessed by the beard gods, the kind of beard you could store a crayon in for later use and no one would know, and you definitely DO NOT want to disappoint his beard by not attending. The concert is held on the steps of Doe Library, which is the coolest place after the Greek Theatre, to see a concert in Berkeley. Maybe even more cool because, did I mention its TOTALLY FREE!?!?!? Invite your fiends, floor, department, undergraduate college, etc. and come out for a good time!

Where: Steps of Doe Library/Memorial Glade

When: Members need to arrive at 6PM, but tell your friends 7PM. We arrive early to help with set-up for the event, since the UC Rally Committee is putting on the event!

Why: Because its hella awesome and when else will you be able to see a live concert in your pajamas!?!

Contact Laurel Johnescu, Director of Rallies, at ucrc.rallies@gmail.com with any questions.

Midnight Singing

The Committee traditionally rings in each home Gameday by hosting Midnight Singing on the Campanile Esplanade. We welcome the coming gridiron battle with Cal songs and the nom'ing of the fabulous cookies that were made earlier in the day at Cookie Baking! Song Books will be provided to help you learn all the Cal songs you'll come to know and love, and milk will also be provided for the proper pairing of cookies with their delicious companion beverage.

Midnight Singing is not an official Committee event, so please leave your ruggies at home. But obviously, bring your love of Cal with you, and join Katie Strehlow, your Director of Traditions, and many of the Committee's older members at Midnight since this Friday at, well, midnight!

Contact Katie at ucrc.traditions@gmail.com with any questions!

ARE YOU READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL???????

Megan reminded us that it has been **251** AGONIZING days since the last time we saw Cal football. **251!!!** Gaah! How did we make it this long!?!?!?! BUT! There is a light at the end of the tunnel, because this Saturday, September 3rd, the Bears will be returning to the turf in Memorial Stadium in a UC vs. UC clash against UC Davis. Cal hasn't played Davis since 1939, and both teams have been chomping at the bit for a rematch ever since. Well.....Davis was chomping at the bit, Bears are much more inclined to rip Aggies to shreds than chomp at bits....but regardless! Before we can all scream our lungs out this Saturday, there are a few things you need to know about Gameday with the UC Rally Committee....

Gatetime!

9AM. Plain and simple. You need to be at North Tunnel, aka the NORTH side of the Stadium, closest to Bowles Hall, at 9AM. If you're not there at 9, its likely that you'll miss the reading of the Gate List and so won't be able to get into the game with the Committee. That would totally blow, so be sure to double check your alarm clock and be to Memorial Stadium by 9AM. We need time to set-up the awesome card stunts that Kendall designed before the rest of the fans arrive, AND the time to claim our totally primo front row seats in the Student Section.

To get in with the Committee at Gatetime, you need to be on the Gate List! If you signed in OR joined at today's meeting, you were asked if you wanted to be on this list. If you do not have season football tickets, and want to go to the game on Saturday, you need to have said 'Yes' to being on the Gate List. If you were confused and messed up OR didn't sign in, simply e-mail Megan at ucrc.membership@gmail.com saying that you'd like to be included. **You need to be a Dues Paying Member to come to the game with the Committee!!!**

Game Day Job Uniform:

If you are doing a Game Day Job (flags, banner guard, walking banner) this week, you'll need to be wearing the official Committee uniform to the game. The uniform consists of....

- Your Rugby, worn with khaki pants or shorts. Your rugby cannot hang longer than your shorts.
- Close-toed Shoes: No flip-flops, sandals, etc.

If you're not dressed appropriately, you might not be able to do your Gameday job this week, which would be sad since they are all super awesome! If you aren't doing a Gameday job, wear what ever you'd like under your rugby, as long as it is street legal, not red and doesn't read "UC DAVIS" across the front.

Also note, if you are doing SPELLOUT or CANNON CREW, that you should refer to the e-mail you'll get from that job's leader(s) regarding what you should wear to work those particular Gameday jobs.

Rugby Policy:

Additionally, if you are coming to the game with the Committee, you'll need to follow the Committee Rugby Policy, which is....

- You need to have your Rugby with you at the game if you come with the Committee. If you are not with the Committee, don't bring your rugby.
- No drinking and/or illegal substances in or before wearing your rugby. If you are in an altered state, Ryann will take your Rugby from you and ask you to leave.
- We're a respected organization on campus, many many people know us. No fighting, stealing, cursing, acting like a total douche in your Rugby.

How to Cheer, Golden Bear Style

Once we knew how to get to the game with the Committee, Patrick Shibley, your Vice Chair of Spirit, taught us a little about cheering for our Golden Bears. In brief...

- Only cheer when our team is on DEFENSE!!!! It messes with the opposing team's head, especially their puny little red shirt sophomore QB.
- Always be as loud as you can! Losing your voice at a Cal football game is a mark of honor.

-Follow the Mic Men, they'll keep everyone together and will help you to learn the cheers.

Gameday Jobs:

So in addition to cheering like crazy people for our Bears, the Committee also works several important Gameday jobs around Memorial to help keep up the California Spirit. They are...

Flags!

The grace and majesty that is a Cal Flag blowing in the breeze can only be achieved when Committee members like you sign up to be flag wavers. You'll work one quarter down on the field, waving the flag whenever the Band plays a Cal song or the Bears put points up on the board. You may also participate in Walking Banner or Banner Guard during the same game you wave one of the flags, since you'll only be waving for one quarter. Contact Ryan at ucrc.athletics@gmail.com to sign up if you missed tonight's meeting. Gameday uniform applies.

Cannon Crew!

The roar of the crowd, the smell of the woodsy air, the deafening BANG!!! of a Class 1.4G concussion charge as it shakes the very foundations of Memorial Stadium itself. In essence, Cannon Crew, certainly the most explosive of all Gameday jobs. Spend the game up at the Cannon Platform with Matt and Kristin, helping them to set-up and fire the California Victory Cannon. Oski's Mighty Thunder, as the deafening roar is known, rings out whenever the Bear's put points up on the scoreboard, and you can be the one who pushed the button and made it all happen.

You cannot do another Gameday Job if you sign up for Cannon Crew, since you'll be sitting high above the Student Section with a bird's eye view of the game. Gameday uniform doesn't apply either, since the hill is big and outdoorsy.

Contact Matt and Kristin at ucrc.cannoneers@gmail.com to sign up or ask about Cannon Crew.

Banner Guard

Like food? Like a breeze? Like looking like a total bad ass mother f*****er? Then sign up for Banner Guard.

Contact Nick at ucrc.security@gmail.com with questions.

Walking Banner

One of Cal's most unique traditions, the Walking Banner is kept by the Secretary and is brought out before every home football game to lead the procession of the Cal Band, Dance Team, Mic Men, Flags and fans from the Pre-Game Kickoff Rally on Sproul Plaza to the stadium. The walk from Sproul to Memorial is one part stroll, one part mad-cap race for our lives and one part totally amazing. You'll also get to help blindfold the statue of Coach Lynn "Pappy" Waldorf, so that he'll focus on the football game at hand, and not on oogling the alluring nymph statue who sits across from him on Faculty Glade.

Contact your Secretary and the author of the agenda, Becca Canote, at ucrc.secretary@gmail.com if you'd like to sign up or have any questions about Walking Banner!!

Spellout!

Get naked, get painted, and get in the very front row of the student section!! Every game, the Committee hosts a Spellout where we paint our bodies to read something like "GO BEARS!" or the script "California" in blue and gold. Go home looking like a truly dedicated Cal fan, since you will get an awesome letter tan on your chest. Patrick needs 16 people for this week's spellout, so e-mail him at ucrc.spirit@gmail.com if you're interested. You cannot do another Gameday job if you do Spellout, and girls, you'll need to wear a white sports bra that you don't mind getting paint on.

Post-Game

Following the game, the Committee will be hosting its first "Post-Game Celebration" of the year!!! Jackson Jewett, your Wizard of Member of Events, waved his wand and conjured up a **Fantasy** themed post-game for this weekend, so start thinking about an awesome fantasy-themes costume now!!! And if anyone steals my wizard ninja costume, I'll be mighty angry. Just kidding, but seriously it would be an awesome costume.

To get into the post-game celebration, you'll need to have come to the game with the Committee (aka be on the Gate List) and have stayed until you were excused following the Game (aka an ExComm member has checked you off AFTER the game). While we love our fellow Golden Bears, the Fantasy Post-Game is just for Committee members, so leave your floor mates, amigos, lab partners, etc. at home when you come celebrate with us. The celebration will be at 9:30PM and the location will be revealed following the football game.

DO NOT BRING YOUR RUGBIES TO THE POST-GAME!
NO! LEAVE THEM AT HOME!

Sports!!!

Ryan Barlow, your Director of Athletics, was back with a new round of small sports for this week! Definitely check them out since these Cal athletes deserve hard-core fans in the stands at every game they have! Also, Water Polo is full of pretty boys, for all of you who like pretty boys.

Friday Sep. 3:

- Field Hockey vs. Michigan State, 2PM, Maxwell Family Field
- Women's Soccer vs. Rice, 4 PM, Edwards Stadium
- Cal Tennis Kick-off Event, 6 PM, Berkeley Tennis Club

Saturday Sep. 4:

- Men's Water Polo vs. UC Davis, 10AM, Spieker Aquatics Complex
- Football vs. UC Davis, 1 PM, Memorial Stadium!!!**

Sunday Sep. 5:

- Men's Water Polo vs. Santa Clara, 12 PM, Spieker Aquatics Complex
- Field Hockey vs. UC Davis, 1 PM, Maxwell Family Field
- Women's Soccer vs. Hawaii, 3 PM, Edwards Stadium.

Big C Hike

Tonight, immediately following the meeting, Nick Iturarran, Director of Security and thus Keeper of the Big C, led a hike up to the Big C. Well, he advertised it as a Big C sprint, but I'm assuming that most people probably walked. Nick probably ran. And then ran back down and then back up again since everyone else was being slow, but for the most part, it was a hike.

Website (Sasha)

Sasha Degtyar, your Director of Multimedia, has spent the summer updating and reorganizing the official UCRC website AND Facebook page. Both are being regularly updated with the Committee's upcoming events, procedures, policies and all the info about ExComm that you could ever want, so be sure to check it out at www.ucrc.berkeley.edu and get your stalk on!

Also, be sure to become a 'Fan' of the UC Rally Committee on Facebook! All of our events also get posted there, so not only can you let everyone know how awesome the Committee is, but you can also invite them to come to our events and get the California Spirit pumping!

Touchdown Mondays!

Do you love free stuff? Do you love hella discounted stuff more than non-discounted stuff when free stuff isn't available????? WELL DUH. So on this coming Monday, and every other Monday of the Fall Semester that follows a foot ball game, take advantage of TOUCHDOWN MONDAYS!!

Each Monday, you'll be able to her 3% off per touch down (4=14%, 5=15%, etc.) at the CAL STUDENT STORE and MARIO'S LA FIESTA! The discount will apply to all general merchandise (aka Cal Gear and other fun stuff) at the Student Store, and to ALL menu items at Mario's. Show your Cal ID at the register and ask about the Touchdown Mondays discount to keep you bank account a little more in the green and your parents thinking you're a mature, money-wise young adult.

Contact Matt Schreiber at ucrc.marketing@gmail.com with any questions.

Joining the Committee

Megan Gritsch, your Vice Chair of Membership, went back over how you can join the Committee if you haven't already done so. Anyone can become a member of the UC Rally Committee by paying their Membership dues and purchasing a Rugby at any one of our weekly meetings. There is no application process, and you can be as active or inactive as you'd like, so definitely tell your friends and your floor mates that its not too late to join the greatest spirit group on campus!

John Clemons, your Treasurer, also chimed in about Dues and Rugby payments, reminding us that the Committee accepts only CASH or CHECKS. Checks need to be made out to

"UCRC/ASUC." We are currently selling only our package of rugby + dues to New Members, so to join the Committee, you will need to pay John \$80. That's \$20 for your dues, and \$60 for your rugby.

Also, regarding rugbys, we are currently out of extra small, medium, and large sized rugbies!! If you are in need of one of these sizes, you can pay John for your rugby now, and he will issue you a receipt that you will present to pick up your Rugby once it arrives. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE YOUR RECEIPT, YOU WILL NOT GET YOUR RUGBY!!!! So, don't lose your receipt and be patient, John will let you know when the rugbies arrive from their China--> NZ-->CHINA-->Mars-->LOL-istan---> Berkeley adventure.

Slideshow/ Photo of the Game!

Historians, Dani & J-Bear, not only showed us their awesome Welcome Week Part 2 slide show, but announced that they are hosting a "PHOTO OF THE GAME!" contest! Take pictures at this weekend's game, and send them to Dani and J-Bear at ucrc.historian@gmail.com following the game. The Historians will include their favorite photo in their slide show for next week's meeting, and the owner of that photo will be an awesome prize for snapping the winning shot!

Bear Basics: Cal Facts for the thoroughly educated Golden Bear

This week, Katie Strehlow, your Director of Traditions, closed the meeting with "Golden Bear," Cal's first song. Written by Charles Mills Gayley in 1895 to commemorate a massive track meet win by the still fledgling University of California. The men of the track team routed the prestigious Ivy League schools of the East Coast, winning all meets but one. At the time, the University of California had no mascot, so the men competed under a blue and gold banner that featured a golden representation of a Grizzly Bear, the state animal of California. When the men returned to Berkeley, they were met by a massive, jubilant crowd at the train station and marched back to campus under their blue and gold banner. Inspired by the sight, Gayley write the song "Golden Bear," and the University of California adopted the Golden Bear as its official mascot shortly after 1895.

Hope everyone has a terrific end of their week, and see you at 9AM on Saturday! GO BEARS!!!! MILK THE AGGIES! :D

-Becca Canote

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