



Dear Members, Guests, and Friends of Raleigh Sports Club:

We've gotten a little behind in our communications, but rest assured, the RSC Board continues to be involved until we can meet in person.

Way back at our July Board meeting Bob Kennell proposed that the Raleigh Sports Club recognize Bobby Purcell on his retirement. A Clinton native, it should be noted that Bobby earned his undergraduate degree from the UNC Chapel Hill and his Master's Degree from the U. of Georgia before spending time on the NCSU Football staff.

Bobby went on to become the Executive Director of the NCSU Wolfpack Club. He also served as the President of the National Association of Athletic Directors, receiving its Lifetime Achievement Award. That Association also named their prestigious mentoring program the Bobby Purcell Mentoring Program.

Bobby has been a long time supporter of sports in our area and the state of North Carolina and has been selected to be inducted into the N.C. Sports Hall of Fame! Our Board unanimously voted to recognize Bobby for his long time contribution to the world of sports and honor him with a Lifetime Membership to the Raleigh Sports Club.



In these times it seems to take a little longer to bring things together, but at our second take-out lunch we honored Bobby. It was truly a COVID/19 era presentation! Bob Kennell invited Bobby for a drive-thru lunch without his knowledge of the award. In the Church parking lot, masked, socially distanced and outdoors we presented the resolution.

Interestingly, Bobby shared with us that as an assistant on the NCSU football staff he spoke to our Club a couple times in the mid 1980's. He was most appreciative and looks forward to meeting with us in the future.

Thanks Bobby and congratulations!

The Board has also decided to have our 3rd rodeo. Mark your calendars for November 18 for another take-out lunch with the Forks Cafeteria. More to come on this and other activities of the Raleigh Sports Club. Until then....

Best Regards,

The Raleigh Sports Club Officers and Board of Directors