



Old Glory DC Announces Signing of Michael Fletcher

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(Washington, DC – April 11, 2019) – Old Glory DC is proud to announce the signing of backrow player Michael Fletcher. As a naval veteran and long-time member of the D.C. club rugby community, Fletcher is a leader on and off the pitch.



Michael grew up in Wilmington, Delaware in a family of 9 siblings and graduated from John Dickerson High School. He began playing rugby in 2005 with West Potomac RFC, and today he plays for the Washington Irish RFC as well as the All Navy 7s team, where he has been selected to the All-Service team several times.

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A Navy Seabee and construction electrician in the DC area, Michael has served our country for 12 years, including deployments in Guam, Lithuania, Spain, Andros Bahamas, and Iraq. Michael is also a coach for Rouge Samurai RFC, and he attends and coaches at youth rugby clinics throughout the DC area.

“Nothing feels better than signing a guy I've known on the pitch myself – as a teammate, a fellow club member, and even sometimes as an opponent. I have the full confidence that he's got the talent, the skills, and the character to deliver,” said Old Glory chairman Chris Dunlavey. “I expect to see Mike emerge as a leader as we pull together this team from so many different clubs and states.”

Michael will be joining the backrow as a flanker and Number 8 for Old Glory.

About Old Glory DC:

Old Glory DC is a professional rugby club based in Washington, DC that officially joined Major League Rugby in November 2018 and will begin league play in MLR's 2020 season. The club will play a series of exhibition games throughout the first half of 2019. As a recent addition to the fabric of the nation's capital and the entire mid-Atlantic community, Old Glory DC's vision is to grow the sport of rugby in our region by 50% by 2023. The club is owned by Paul Sheehy and Chris Dunlavey, who are proud to bring professional rugby to their home town for the first time ever, and the Scottish Rugby Union. For more information, visit www.oldglorydc.com

Cheers,

Old Glory DC

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GAME 1 VS. SHANNON RFC SUNDAY MAY 19	GAME 2 VS. SCOTLAND U20 MONDAY (Memorial Day) MAY 27
HOME VENUE: Cardinal Stadium at Catholic University, Washington DC	
GAME 3 VS. USA RUGBY SOUTH SATURDAY JUNE 1	GAME 4 VS. ONTARIO BLUES SUNDAY JUNE 9
AWAY GAME VS. New England Free Jacks on Saturday, June 15	

GAME DETAILS COMING SOON: Curtain raisers, half-time entertainment, and more

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