



"I do not agree with what you have to say, but I'll defend to the death your right to say it." - Voltaire

### Club Watch By: Sara Messina

St. Andrews has many social opportunities on campus, but with everything else going on in the average student's life, keeping track of everything creates a lot of stress and some major headaches. Club Watch is an article written to keep the campus community informed about the projects and progress of clubs. Normally, I would feature a couple clubs and their activities, but this past month the club fair took place in front of Belk. For those of you who missed the opportunity, I've gathered basic descriptions and information on as many clubs as I could. The following descriptions include a rating of low, medium, or high concerning commitment levels.

Low requires few meetings and not much activity on the part of students. These clubs typically meet monthly, or for short periods weekly. Medium status means the club has regular meetings with an increased amount of work for students, but nothing that would burden or conflict with active social and academic schedules. High status suggests the students will be expected to do quite a bit of work, yet not necessarily over long time period. These clubs take up a lot of energy, however, and it may take a bit of consideration to fit them into a schedule.

**Model UN:** The Model United Nations presents an opportunity for future leaders to work together. The representatives work to prepare for a conference in Atlanta, Georgia in November. This year the conference will be held from the 15-17th. The club will make sure members are ready to give presentations on topics that will be discussed during the conference. For information regarding the club and students various roles at the conference contact Ian Gitata at gitatai@sapc.edu. The club ends in November after the conference and requires a low amount of commitment from members.

**Black Student Union:** BSU seeks to foster relationships between racial groups and promote awareness of African-American roles in the community both historically and in the modern context. The club plans to be meeting Mondays at 9 p.m. in Knight Life. However, this is subject to change, but students of all races are welcome to attend. Contact Samuel Hemingway at hemingways@sapc.edu for information on the club, activities, sponsored parties, and guest speakers.

**Psi Chi:** This club is for all who are interested in psychology. Past events have included speeches and movies exploring topics in psychology. Meetings are currently planned for Wednesdays at noon in Knight Life.

Contact Deihlia Nye at nyedm@sapc.edu for more information. This club cites a low commitment level.

**EcoAction:** EcoAction is dedicated to maintaining an awareness of environmental issues and to creating an environment where we can all feel responsible for protecting Mother earth. At the date of this article, there has been no meeting time or schedule announced. Contact Deihlia Nye at nyedm@sapc.edu for more information. This club cites a high commitment level.

**Therapeutic Horsemanship Club:** All therapeutic horsemanship majors are encouraged to gather and communicate. This club helps TH students form connections and get assistance at events. The club meets every two weeks in Knight Life at 7 p.m. on Thursday. Contact Pebbles Turbeville at turbeville@sapc.edu for more information. This club cites a medium level of necessary commitment.

**Highland Players:** Theater lovers and thespians will feel welcome with the Highland Players. Members are part of productions on campus; however, if you are still working off the stage fright, no worries. The Players are a low commitment club and if you want to stay off the main production, you can attend meetings and play theater games. Contact Sarah Dunaway at dunawaysl@sapc.edu for meeting times, place, and other information.

**Christian Student Union:** This club serves as a medium for fellowship and fun. Members can attend a limited handful of retreats. A collegiate retreat is scheduled for September 29th to October 1st. Fifteen people may attend. Another retreat will go to Washington D.C. over spring break. Meetings will be held at 9 p.m. in the chapel on Mondays. Contact Lyndsey McCall at mcalllm@sapc.edu. This club has a low commitment level.

**Yearbook:** The Lamp and Shield is the yearbook of the Knights. They could use assistance with a range of jobs, including: photography and layout. Since this is an important project for the campus community the yearbook staff asks for a high level of commitment. They may be contacted on weekdays in their office located downstairs in Belk center in the old Safety and Security office. For more information, contact Lyndsey McCall at mcalllm@sapc.edu.

**Campaign for a Cause:** This club's main purpose is to raise money for worthy causes and lend a hand to those in need. The two main benefits are the Winter Formal in December and the Evolution of Dance party in February. Meetings will take place in Knight Life. Contact Lindsey

McCall at mcalllm@sapc.edu. This club has a low commitment level.

**Ganza Core:** Ganza is the biggest week of parties on campus and you can help set it up. Contact Saadya Kurland at kurlandss@sapc.edu. This club is high commitment level; however, it isn't as labor intensive as one might think.

**History Club:** This club is planning activities based on the number of members that attend. Since their main activity is visiting historical sites, a head count is necessary before they take action. The club is a lower level commitment and information is available from Dan Dupree, dupreedh@sapc.edu.

**Riding Council:** Riding Council allows communication between student riders and the Equestrian staff. Riding Council meets monthly and constitutes a low commitment. Fundraisers are held on campus, including the must-see, Air Band competition. Contact Christina Kalinski at kalinskice@sapc.edu.

**Paintball Club:** This general interest club sponsors a good time. Members meet once a month and a low amount of commitment is required. Contact Patrick Sheegog at sheegogpj@sapc.edu for more information.

**Anime Club:** If you like anime, manga (Japanese comics), or anything about Japanese culture, you should definitely attend this club. Members watch anime and anime music videos, Friday from 6-9 p.m. in Albemarle main lounge. The club will have fundraisers and conducting lessons in Japanese language while referencing important cultural aspects. Students wishing to study abroad in Japan are highly encouraged to join. The club will meet once during the week (time and place to be announced) to discuss business. Contact Sara Messina at messinasl@sapc.edu.



(Lyndsey McCall, Bonnie Riehl, Melissa Whitetaker and Thomas Martin at Club Fair. picture in courtesy of Lyndsey McCall)



(Sara Messina and Heather Hay with the Anime Club. Picture courtesy of Lyndsey McCall)



(Saadya Kurland with Ganza Core. picture courtesy of Lyndsey McCall)



(Members of the Riders Council. Picture courtesy of Lyndsey McCall)