

The Chronicle 🛭

ST ANDREW'S, THE WORLD'S OLDEST YOUTH CLUB

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elcome to edition 3 of The Chronicle – an update of all that has been happening at St Andrew's over the last six months.

We were delighted that Duncan Sandys spent his last evening as the Lord Mayor of Westminster visiting St Andrew's. Peter Scott, Chairman, presented Mr Sandys with a commemorative photograph to thank him for selecting the Club as his mayoral Charity of the Year before members queued up for one last attempt at beating the Lord Mayor in a game of pool! The partnership has been greatly beneficial for St Andrew's – not only as a huge boost to our fundraising efforts, but also allowing our members many exciting opportunities including taking part in the New Years Day Parade, behind the scenes trips to museums and attending the turning on of the Trafalgar Square Christmas lights as VIP guests!

A number of new donors have added their support to the Club including the Anglo-American Foundation and the Hoare's Philanthropic Trust. In addition, we are very pleased that Land Securities, Rolls-Royce PLC and the John Lyon's Charity have continued funding our activities. St Andrew's simply would not exist if it weren't for the generous support of our donors and we are hugely grateful for all the help we receive.

"Despite being one of the oldest youth clubs in London, St Andrew's are clearly forward-thinking. The enthusiasm of the staff and volunteers is infectious, and their passion for helping young people is clearly making a real difference."

James Cleverly, Youth Ambassador to the Mayor of London

ST ANDREW'S MINI-DOCUMENTARY

Club alumni, who now work for Sky News, have kindly donated their time and expertise to produce a three minute film on the work of St Andrew's. If you'd like to view this insight into Club life check it out at www.standrewsclub.com

MEMBERS SET SAIL ABOARD HMS WESTMINSTER

As part of our affiliation with HMS Westminster a group of members took part in an away day with a difference when they set sail aboard the ship for a six hour trip around the Isle of Wight. St Andrew's members, along with representatives from the Army and Air Cadets and London Underground, were given the VIP treatment including learning various naval manoeuvres and witnessing a helicopter rescue display. We also



collected a cheque for £200 from Lieutenant Commander Richie O'Rourke who raced to raise funds for the Club.

SUMMER PROJECT

We are thrilled that, thanks to a donation from the Welton Foundation, St Andrew's will be running an action packed programme during the summer holidays. As well as activities as diverse as DJ workshops,









football coaching and yoga, members will also have a chance to go on lots of exciting day trips.

SNOW-CAMP

"The best experience of my life – I will never forget it". Omar. 18

In April twelve members embarked on a trip of a lifetime to the French Alps. All members chose to learn to snowboard during the day and in the evenings took part in life skills classes. St Andrew's attendees were commended on their performance during the week and, out of a party of over 220 young people, one member returned with the accolade of being voted 'female participant of the trip'. Since their return the group have donned their glad rags to visit a West End cinema for a special screening of Snow-Camp – the Movie! Thank you to the Newman's Own Foundation and Westminster Almshouses for funding this special trip.

FROM STORE MANAGER TO DECORATOR

As part of the Club's partnership with the New West End Company, some of their staff and a group of managers from Oxford Street stores gave up a day of their busy schedules to decorate two rooms at the Club. In addition, Marks and Spencer generously donated a number of decorative items to enhance the work undertaken by the team.

SUMMER SPORTS

Now that the football season is over, our gym is being used every evening for a variety of sporting activities. A grant from the John Lewis Partnership has enabled us to run established activities such as archery and badminton as well as golf – new to our programme and already proving very popular.

PARTIES GALORE

Two keen supporters have held events to raise funds for St Andrew's. In February the Embassy Club in Mayfair was transformed into a School Disco when Richard Berry and colleagues from Stockbrokers Charles Stanley organised a fantastic party which raised £11,000. April saw the Women for Westminster Youth party — organised by Jane Ridley — which celebrated all things female and raised over £4,000 for St Andrew's. We are hugely grateful to all involved with organising these fun and beneficial parties for the Club. If you would like to organise a fundraising activity, or be kept informed about future events, then please contact Naomi Roper on 020 7222 6481 / naomi@standrewsclub.com.

CLUB WALK

On a sunny Sunday in June, St Andrew's members, staff, parents and friends took to the streets of London on a 13km walk in aid of the Club. A great, if tiring, day was had by all and we are on target to raise nearly $\pounds 2,000$ from the event. Please contact the Club if you would like to register for next year's walk.

We are delighted with all that we have achieved in the Club recently, and the articles in this newsletter highlight just some of the range of activities in which St Andrew's members are involved. None of this work would be possible without the kind support of our many donors and we would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our supporters longstanding and new. If you would like to add your name to our list of benefactors — to join our Circle of Friends — then we would love to hear from you. There are many ways in which you can help St Andrew's continue to cater for the needs of its 700 members and our Development Manager Naomi Roper would be delighted to talk to you about them — naomi@standrewsclub.com / 020 7222 6481