

# The Chronicle

Spring 2022



150 YEARS

St Andrew's - the world's oldest youth club



Elizabeth Cuffy

## Message from the Chair

The seasons come and go, global issues rumble worryingly on, but St Andrew's Club remains steadfastly open. Located in an area of high deprivation, with few affordable opportunities for young people, the Club continues to enrich young lives. As always, this Spring issue highlights member and staff achievements, as well as how our fantastic community continues to support us.

Thank you.



A week of enrichment



## February Half-Term Fun

The Club welcomed members for a fantastic February Half-Term Project, which included five days of fun activities in the social space, as well as trips out, sports, and cookery. Junior and Senior Club members had a wonderful, enriching week socialising with friends and youth workers.

Members enjoyed off-site trips – bowling and visiting the Slime Factory in Brixton to make their own slime. St Andrew's hosted a football tournament amongst the Youth Hubs - teams from Fourth Feathers and The Avenues competed in a round robin tournament. St Andrew's came out on top!

With your help, this safe and welcoming environment will continue to flourish.



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## International Women's Day 2022

On 8 March, the Team celebrated International Women's Day with an inspiring breakfast in Whitehall's beautiful Banqueting Hall, hosted by the Victoria and Westminster BID. The Team heard from the distinguished panel, with the most important take-away being to 'call it out!'. Inappropriate behaviour and anti-levelling up must not be tolerated.

The Club is diverse and inclusive, but there's always more to be done. We continue to help our staff and members understand that equality is not only everyone's right - but is good for everyone too.

#IWD2022 #BREAKTHEBIAS



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# STAFF NEWS

## CEO Handover Plans

A twelve-month succession plan has begun for current Chief Executive, Annette Fettes to hand over to Sarah Nicholls, current Youth Club Manager, who will take on the role of Chief Executive from January 2023.

**Read more about the plan in our news story:**  
<https://www.standrewsclub.com/news/ceo-handover-plans>



Annette and Sarah

## Sarah's Degree

There's nothing harder than studying while holding down a full-time job, so we are doubly proud of Sarah Nicholls, our fantastic Youth Club Manager, who has successfully completed and passed her third and final year of her degree course (BA (Hons) Children, Young People, and Families).

Sarah finished the last two years of her degree during the pandemic while working full-time at the Club and caring for her young family – she's a superwoman and we are immensely proud of her.



Sarah, BA (Hons)  
Children, Young People,  
and Families



Amina



## Staff Recognition Award

Since returning to face-to-face sessions at the Club, Youth Worker Amina, 21, has taken over delivery of Wednesday Night Cookery at times when Louise is not able to. She has done so without ever complaining, even though it was sometimes at the last minute, and she has always done it with a smile and enthusiasm.

Amina has been inventive with her recipes and always makes sure the staff are not forgotten! Amina focuses on Arts and Crafts when she is not delivering Cookery, using those sessions to connect with members in a natural and reassuring way. As a former Snow-Camp apprentice, she has also supported those members who have participated in the Snow-Camp programmes.

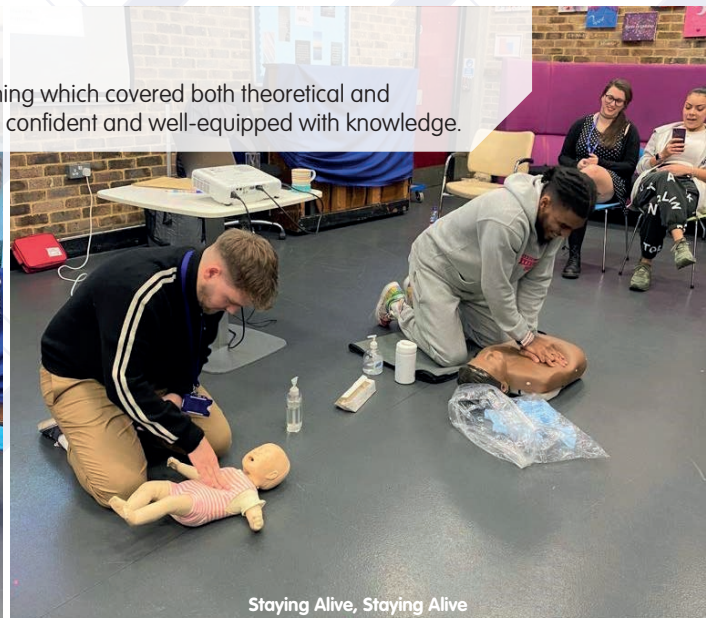
Amina is a huge asset to the Club and the St Andrew's Club family.

## First Aid Training

In January, eleven members of staff took part in an intensive day of First Aid training which covered both theoretical and practical First Aid protocols for adults, children, and infants. The Team left feeling confident and well-equipped with knowledge.



Qualified in Level 3 Emergency Paediatric First Aid



Staying Alive, Staying Alive



# WORKING WITH PARTNERS

## Forsters' Art Challenge

Our fantastic partners at Forsters LLP have been working with Club members to create art work for their office based on the theme of 'Hope and Togetherness'. Members came up with some amazing ideas on what these themes mean to them, and we can't wait to see their artwork in the Forsters' offices!



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Members working with Forsters' staff on the theme of 'Hope and Togetherness'



## Blue Orchid and Debating Matters

Our fantastic partners at Blue Orchid Hotels organised a team from Debating Matters to visit the Club. This valuable new experience, taught members the best way to argue with friends and get across their points of view. The topic was the hotly debated 'school uniforms'. It was impressive to see the self-confidence gained over the course of the evening by members having adults listen to and respect their views and opinions.

## Snow-Camp

Junior Youth Worker Indie, age 16, has recently advanced from Snow-Camp's Graduate Programme to the Excel Programme. Indie will be assessed for the BASI Level 1 Ski Instructor qualification after completing ten sessions **(plus an exciting residential in the Italian Alps!)**.



Indie, 16, off soon to the Italian Alps with Snow-Camp

## Lightfield London

Members went on a tour of the Lightfield London offices. This dynamic studio 'makes incredible content accessible to all', and members were shown the process behind digital marketing campaigns and even had a sneak peek of exclusive campaigns for Gucci and Jaguar. Lightfield London is also generously supporting the Club's marketing team in developing fresh and innovative online content.



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# SUPPORTER EVENTS

## 55 Broadway Exclusive Event

Thanks to the generosity of our partner, Blue Orchid Hotels, the Club organised a small informal event at the historic 55 Broadway on 2 March to thank our regular givers for their continued support of the Club throughout the Covid-19 period. **Read more about the event here:** <https://www.standrewsclub.com/news/st-andrews-55-broadway-event>



55 Broadway



## Dinner, Dance & Auction

28 April 2022

We're looking forward to the Dinner, Dance & Auction, which will be held at Westminster Kingsway Catering College on Thursday 28 April 2022. The event is fast approaching, and the Club still seeks more auction lots to help raise funds for the Club on the night. Please contact [callum@standrewsclub.com](mailto:callum@standrewsclub.com) if you can help.



Do you have an auction lot?

## Yuletide Comfort and Joy

8 December 2022

After a two-year hiatus, Yuletide, Comfort and Joy will return on Thursday 8 December 2022. The top-class performances will be generously arranged and sponsored by JBGB Events. The concert and reception will be in the Wellington Hotel by Blue Orchid, who also sponsor the evening. It will be a fantastic musical Christmas event. Watch this space for limited availability tickets.



Seasonal joy returns

## London 2 Brighton: 28 May 2022

Sarah, Youth Club Manager, is taking part in the London 2 Brighton Challenge on Saturday 28 May to Sunday 29 May 2022. If you'd like to sponsor her: <https://localgiving.org/fundraising/sarahlondon2brighton/> Go Sarah!

## Ride London-Essex 100 29 May 2022

We have 3 places for the RideLondon-Essex 100 challenge – a unique opportunity to ride 100 miles on traffic-free roads through the heart of London and neighbouring Essex and raise funds for the Club.



Supporter Challenges

## St Andrew's to St Andrew's Club 21 August to 27 August 2022

In August, the Club will take a crew of experienced cyclists to St Andrew's, Scotland. They will cycle 500 miles to St Andrew's Club in Westminster over the course of a week to raise funds for the Club. This will be the first time this event has been held in 10 years! Watch this space on how to support this fantastic fundraising opportunity for the Club and how to take part virtually.

## The Big Half 2 September 2022

We have 3 places for The Big Half Marathon: 13.1 miles starting at Tower Bridge and finishing at the historic Cutty Sark in Greenwich.

Please contact [callum@standrewsclub.com](mailto:callum@standrewsclub.com) to express your interest in participating in any of these supporter challenges.

## Shout Out of Thanks for Christmas Fundraising

Burberry – Regent Street Store; Carlisle Place, SW1; Forsters LLP; Julian Thomas, PT at St Andrew's Club; Lee Bolton Monier Williams; Marsham Court, SW1

## Thanks to our Funders

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