

# THE POINT AFTER CLUB

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**FOOTBALL**  
POINT AFTER CLUB

## MISSION

To engage alumni, family and friends in a life-long relationship of support for StFX University and X-Men Football.

## OBJECTIVE

To provide meaningful and sustainable financial support to StFX University and the X-Men Football program. Our primary objective is to narrow the annual operating budget gap that exists vis-à-vis other successful mid-size, student-athlete focused U SPORTS football programs, ensuring that our student-athletes, coaches and staff are equipped to maximize their potential on the field, in the classroom and in their communities.

## CHAIR'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all alumni, family, and friends of X-Men Football. Thanks to your generosity, the POINT AFTER CLUB exceeded its fundraising target in 2024, raising \$161k in support of the University and X-Men Football. In addition to annual donations, we received a one-time legacy gift of \$50k, matched by a one-time transfer from the stabilization reserve fund, which enabled us to launch the Point After Club Endowment. With your support, StFX continues to provide one of the best student-athlete experiences in all of Canada.

In just five years, the POINT AFTER CLUB has firmly established itself as one of the most meaningful and sustainable alumni-led support mechanisms in all of U SPORTS. It's an impressive accomplishment:

- **\$750k raised**
- **\$400k of incremental support for X-Men Football**
- **\$120k gifted to StFX for campus projects**
- **\$100k PAC Endowment established**
- **\$130k in reserve funds**



The success of the POINT AFTER CLUB would not be possible without the financial support of our donors and the continued support of the University - Administration, Advancement, and Athletics. For that we are grateful. And I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge and thank the members of the PAC Advisory Council for their dedication, commitment, and support of the cause. It is a collective effort that continues to produce results where it matters most - on the field, in the classroom and in the community.

Looking ahead, we remain focussed on building the donor base, increasing the PAC Endowment, and strengthening our impact, all to enhance the opportunities and experience of our student-athletes and members of the wider StFX community. This will require continued broad-based support from alumni, family, and friends. Thank you again to all of our donors. For those that have yet to engage, we invite you to join with us in support of StFX University and X-Men Football.

Hail & Health,

John Caplice '87  
Chair, on behalf of the Advisory Council

## COACH'S MESSAGE

To all alumni, family, and friends of X-Men Football. I am thrilled to once again provide you with an update on the outstanding progress of the Point After Club.

Each year, I am amazed at the generosity of our donors, as well as the PAC Advisory Council. Together we have created a powerful and sustainable program that is the envy of many U Sports football teams.



As the head football coach, I have a front row seat to the ways the PAC is enriching the lives and experiences of our student-athletes. From enhancing our Athletic Financial Award program, to bolstering our ability to recruit impressive prospects, to providing supports to our current players, the Point After Club is making an impact on campus every single day.

This program has been a game-changer for the X-Men Football team.

I'm happy to report that we're having an outstanding offseason here in Antigonish. Our players are hungry and ready to work after falling short of our on-field goals in 2024. They are working hard in the weight room, in our training sessions, and in the classroom.

Our mantra is to "Win all four seasons". Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall.

The way our players and staff are attacking the offseason, I'm confident we will achieve that goal.

Hail & Health,

**Gary Waterman '92**  
X-Men Football  
Head Coach



## MESSAGE FROM ADVANCEMENT

On behalf of StFX Advancement, I would like to extend our sincerest gratitude for your continued and generous support of the Point After Club. Your commitment to this important initiative has had a far-reaching impact, not only on the X-Men Football program, but also on StFX University as a whole.



Your philanthropic contribution plays a vital role in ensuring the success of our student-athletes, enabling them to excel both on the field and in the classroom. Through your generosity, we can provide the resources, training, and support necessary to help them reach their full potential. This directly translates to a stronger and more competitive X-Men Football team, one that embodies the values of teamwork, dedication, and resilience that are central to the StFX experience.

By helping to sustain the Point After Club, you are also investing in the growth and vitality of our university and its surrounding community. StFX is a place where education, athletics, and community engagement are intertwined, and your contribution ensures that these areas continue to flourish. The ripple effect of your generosity touches not only our athletes but all students and alumni, fostering a sense of pride and connection within the broader StFX family.

Thank you to John Caplice, and the members of the PAC Advisory Committee. Your continued efforts behind the scenes do not go unnoticed.

Once again, THANK YOU all for your unwavering support. We are deeply appreciative of your commitment to the Point After Club.

Hail & Health,

**Michelle White**

Athletics Fund Development Officer, StFX

## MESSAGE FROM ATHLETICS

On behalf of the entire X-Men Football program and our student-athletes, I want to extend my deepest gratitude for your generous support. The success of the Point After Club and your commitment to our program has had a profound impact on the success and growth of our student-athletes, both on and off the field.



Many of our X-Men football student-athletes are not only excelling in football, but they are also excelling academically with a record number of Academic All-Canadians.

Furthermore, a number of them participate in our STFX Leadership Academy, where they are honing skills that extend beyond sports and into every aspect of their lives. I have the good fortune of teaching them in the academy and these dedicated young men are working tirelessly to build and

maintain a strong, positive culture within our program—a culture rooted in hard work, discipline, and leadership.

Your contributions help make all of this possible, allowing us to provide the resources for success on the field, in coaching, and providing the training necessary for their overall growth and development. Your support strengthens not only our team, but also our community, as these athletes are developing into leaders who will make a lasting impact wherever they go. Additionally, the support that PAC gives to other university projects makes a difference in the lives of everyone on campus.

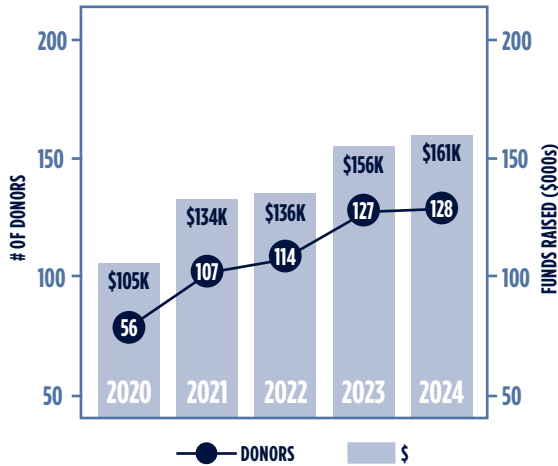
Once again, thank you for your generosity and commitment and a special thank you to the PAC executive for their leadership. We truly appreciate everything you do for our football program, and we look forward to celebrating many more successes together in the future.

Hail & Health,

**Leo MacPherson '89**

Director of Athletics & Recreation

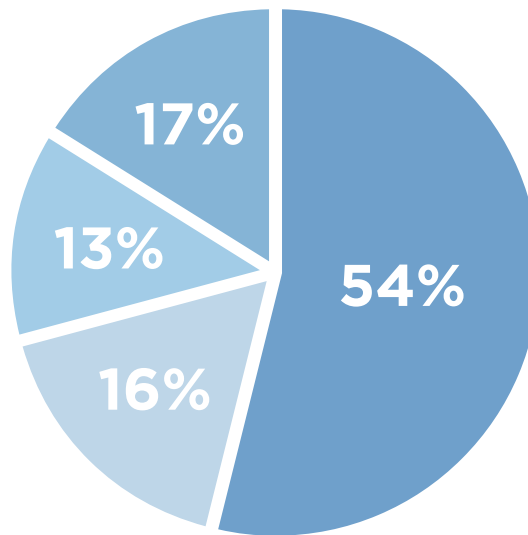
## 2024 FINANCIAL RESULTS



- **Annual donations of \$161k**
  - Up from \$156k in prior year
  - Exceeded budget (\$150k) by \$11k
- **128 donors**
  - Up from 127 in prior year
- **Distributions increased to \$143k**
  - Up from \$122k in prior year
    - \$75k for Athletic Financial Awards
    - \$23k for Coaching & Development
    - \$23k for Recruitment & Communications
    - \$23k for Campus gift
- **Stabilization Reserve Fund of \$128k**
  - Versus \$160k at end of prior year
  - One-time transfer of \$50k to PAC Endowment



## CELEBRATING 5 YEARS THANK YOU DONORS!



- **\$750k raised**
  - \$400k of incremental support for X-Men Football
  - \$120k gifted to StFX for six campus projects
  - \$100k PAC Endowment established
  - \$130k in reserve funds
- **54% X-Men Football Operations**
- **16% Gifted to StFX**
- **13% PAC Endowment**
- **17% Stabilization Reserve Fund**

## STABILIZATION RESERVE FUND & DISTRIBUTION POLICY

The Stabilization Reserve Fund facilitates planning and further solidifies the long-term sustainability of the POINT AFTER CLUB.

With the Stabilization Reserve Fund in a healthy position, the distribution policy of the POINT AFTER CLUB is unchanged. In 2025, annual donations will be allocated, as follows:

- **50% to Athletic Financial Awards**
- **15% to Leadership & Development**
- **15% to Recruiting & Communications**
- **15% to StFX For Campus Projects**
- **5% to Stabilization Reserve Fund**

## 2025 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

- **Committed to raise \$150k** in support of the University and X-Men Football
- **Expand the donor base and increase the PAC Endowment**
  - Will require additional broad-based support from alumni, family and friends



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# A SPECIAL THANKS TO THESE X-MEN FOOTBALL ALUMNI, FAMILY & FRIENDS FOR THEIR 2024 CONTRIBUTIONS TO **THE POINT AFTER CLUB.**

## ADVISORY COUNCIL

John Caplice '87 (Chair) • Paul Kane '84 • Adam Kuntz '18 • Pat Jancsy '85 • Tom McKenna '88 (Treasurer)

## EX OFFICIO

Gary Waterman '92 (Head Football Coach) • Michelle White (Athletics Fund Development Officer)

### LEGACY DONOR

**(\$25,000+)**

Robert Harvey '54 & Theresa Wilhelmy

### CHANCELLOR'S RING

**(\$10,000+)**

John '63 & Adrienne '63 Peacock  
CIBC Foundation

### PRESIDENT'S TABLE

**(\$5,000-9,999)**

John '87 & Ambrosia '87 Caplice, P '19/ '22  
Neil '91 & Cathy Greene  
Robert McClure '88 & Donna Matheson,  
P '21/ '23/ '25  
Sam '91 & Pauline Moreau  
Martin '86 & Nadia Rochon, P '18  
Bill '60 & the late Laura '60 Shea

### COACHES' CIRCLE

**(\$2,500-4,999)**

Michael '93 & Teresa '93 Caplice, P '24  
Paul '84 & Lorraine Dundon  
Michael '87 & Heather Gillis, P '20 '22/ '21 '23  
Patrick '85 & Karen Jancsy  
The Kuntz Family  
(Adam '18; James & Romonda, P '18)  
Paul McFarland '65  
Tom '88 & Natasha McKenna, P '19/ '23  
Jadran '87 & Diana Mlinarevic  
Frank '84 & Debbie '83 '84 Muller, P '12 '13/ '15  
Michael Nugent, P '19  
Patrick '92 & Cathy O'Regan  
In Memory of Sean O'Regan '92 '93  
Paul '83 & Lisa Rogers

### HONORARY CAPTAIN

**(\$1,500-2,499)**

Don Dempsey '85  
Glenn Doncaster '83

Jason Elliott '00 '01  
Tony Grassa '82  
Jonathan Hood '08  
Paul '84 & Cheryl Kane, P '20  
Frank '82 & Janet Shea, P '11/ '12/ '18  
The Smith Family  
(Richard '11; Robert & Theresa, P '11)  
Dan Toews & Stephanie Kubik, P '26  
Al Tracey '85 & Terese MacDonald-Tracey '85,  
P '17/ '20/ '21  
Jim '78 & Cindy (Murphy) '80 Zien

### HONORARY STARTER

**(\$1,000-1,499)**

Andre Arlain '98  
Dave Austin '85 & Kim MacInnis '86, P '19  
Mike '10 & Liana '09 Cahill  
Dennis Caplice, P '87/ '93; G '19/ '22/ '24/ '25  
Greg Chiasson '84  
Harris Fricker '86  
Mike Gerrior '73 & Sally Burks  
Phil '66 & Karen Hughes  
Larry Kelly '71  
Bill '67 & Bernice '78 Kiley  
Mike Kushnir '98  
Murray '87 & Cathy '87 Kyte, P '13/ '15/ '18/ '23  
Daniel '00 '01 & Lorelle Muller Lumsden  
Kent MacDonald '86 '93 &  
Mary-Ellen MacPhee '87 '05 '22, P '13/ '17/ '19  
Leo '89 & Heather MacPherson, P '13/ '14  
Michael '94 & Kimberley McCarthy  
Scott '95 & Lori Ann '95 McEwen  
Jim & Tina McGill, P '25/ '26  
Burns McPherson '70  
The Molinaro Family (Mitchell '12;  
Walter & Barbara, P '12)  
Sean Musselman '98 & Jane Proctor '96  
Shawn Northfield '85 '86 '02  
Kevin O'Brien '61  
Jamie '98 & Michelle '99 '01 O'Reilly  
Dave Skillen '10 & Chantele Joordens

Manos '05 '07 & Beverley '06 Volikakis  
Gary '92 & Andrea '92 Waterman, P '15 '17

### SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER

**(\$500-999)**

Anonymous (2)  
Patrick Donnelly '90  
Tim '91 '92 & Kelley Grose, P '27  
Mike Joyce '86  
Joe Jurus '91 '14  
Gerry '81 & Sue Knap  
Greg Knap '86  
Tim Lang '87 & Sandra Nunes  
Mike Lidstone, P '28  
Ian '84 & Carole MacArthur, P '21/ '23  
William '59 & Marion (St. Martha's Nursing '57)  
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Montana McKenna '23  
David '87 and Gill Muller  
James '66 & Eleanor '67 Muska  
Jeff '85 & Gina '85 Stanley  
Jesse Stevens '15  
Marcel '87 & Mary St. Pierre  
Robert '88 & Martha St. Pierre  
Gerald '67 & Jantine Strong  
Ted '65 & Ann '65 Turcotte  
Elizabeth & Peter Van Den Heuvel  
Ken Wong '91 & Cathy Green, P '22

### PATRON

**(\$250-499)**

David '68 & Marianne '67 Austen  
Peter Fitzgerald  
Joseph Franciose '64  
Joe and Nanci Gaff  
Andrew Gannon '10 & Jennifer Leighton  
Liam Gillan  
David '92 & Anne '91 Graham  
Jordan Hoolihan '10  
Sandra Johnston

Maki Katsube '90  
Dan Logan '82  
Mark Royale '98  
Dave Serwatuk '92, P '21  
Ed '87 & Lynsey Sober  
Jon & Danielle Svec  
Donna & Peter Whyte, P '20  
Alex Yakimenko '19

### YOUNG ALUMNI

**(\$100-249)**

Dezain Brooks '20  
Erin Caplice '19  
Mary Caplice '22  
Sam Caplice '24  
Michael Champ '15  
Will Chapman '24  
Tivon Cook '17  
Paolo Edwards '16  
Jeremy Fagnan '19  
Scott Ferris '18  
Sam Gan '18 '19  
Matthew Jemmett '19  
Zak Karim '23  
Ethan Mastin '22  
Liam McConville '22  
Sean Mellor '16  
Craig & Priscilla Nichols  
Jeremy Pike '19  
Connor Ross '23  
Justin Searle '21  
Chris Shibley '15  
Derek Smith '22  
Riley Stephenson '23  
Chris Verheyen  
Ben von Muehldorfer '19 '22  
Tyler Wilson '19 '21

### OTHER DONORS

John "Jack" Coughlin '56

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