On February 1st and 2nd, College Station played host to not one, but two youth tournaments hosted by our Sport Clubs. Women’s Volleyball and Women’s Lacrosse each hosted the “Aggieland Classic” for their respective sports.

The Women’s Volleyball Club’s annual tournament featured over 80 club teams made up of members aged 13 to 16 from all around the state of Texas. The tournament was broken up into two days, showcasing the 13 and 14 year old group competing on Saturday, while the 15 and 16 year old age group played on Sunday. This year’s Tournament Director and Vice-President of the Women’s Volleyball Club is Ginna Lowe.

Lowe said that it was a very busy two days, “full of a lot of work and running around, but in the end it is definitely worth it.”

This tournament was considered by the club to be one of their most important events of the year. It delivered a great deal of exposure to youth volleyball clubs and youth players across the state, which was huge for recruiting purposes. The Aggieland Classic was also a huge fundraiser for the club, providing funds that help the club pay for the tournaments they attend as well as the associated travel expenses. “This year’s tournament was a great success,” added Lowe. The Women’s Volleyball Club looks forward to hosting this event for years to come.

Women’s Lacrosse hosted a comparably impressive tournament across campus at Penberthy REC Sports Complex, including 61 teams divided into three divisions: middle school, junior varsity and varsity. The tournament was comprised of teams primarily from the Houston, Dallas and Austin areas. Despite some unfortunate weather conditions, 106 games were completed in the two day tournament with seven games being played at any given time.

Co-ordinators of the tournament were club officers Shivani Patel, Esther Jung and Brianna Bozon. Patel said, “This [hard work] pays off.”

All members of the club helped to staff this large tournament acting as timer, scorekeepers, and concessions/t-shirt sales tables. The club depends on the success of this tournament to fund their season and travels. With good team attendance and exceptional t-shirt sales, Women’s Lacrosse reached their goal.

Despite having rain delays and transitioning into the rain delay schedule, the tournament came off with minimal hiccups. Patel said, “It was a bit of a headache transitioning into the rainout schedule and reworking some of the pool brackets due to game rescheduling.” Patel and her fellow officers were thankful for their pre-event planning that allowed them to make quick adjustments and keep the tournament rolling.

Women’s Lacrosse travels to Santa Barbara, California for the Santa Barbara Shootout on February 14th, 15th, and 16th to take on University of San Diego, Virginia Tech, and San Diego State University.

We would also like to wish both teams the best of luck as they complete their season and go on to compete at Nationals. Gig’em Ags!
**Save the Date!**

The Amazing Race is an annual end of the year event hosted by SCA that involves sport club members racing around campus, completing different challenges, and trying to exert their club’s domination over others. This year’s race will be the 5th annual race and will be bigger and better than ever before! Amazing Race V will be held on **April 30th**. The race is still in the planning phase so the location and time have yet to be determined. Don’t miss this great opportunity to end your year with a bang!

**T-Shirt Design Contest**

The Executive Committee needs your help in designing the T-shirts for this year’s Amazing Race! Club’s that submit quality designs will earn points that could help their club in this year’s Sport Club Cup. Feel free to be creative with your design, but all entries must incorporate footprints in some way, as footprints are a tradition on Amazing Race T-shirts. All designs are due on March 7th and should be sent to Gregory Cook, as well as any questions, at stuckon289@aol.com.

**Women’s Soccer Gets Rained Out at Nationals**

The Aggies traveled to Arizona on November 21st for National Tournament after coming off of an undefeated season in conference and regional play. The women played their first match against Clemson where they won 3-2. They fought hard in their next game against Delaware. After going down 3-1, graduate student Caitlin Hendler received the ball after kickoff and carried it the length of the field before answering with a goal of her own. Despite the efforts of the Aggies, they fell to Delaware 3-2. Because of rain delays, their game against Florida was to be decided by penalty kicks, however, weather conditions did not improve. Having rain in Phoenix is like having snow in Aggieland; it causes chaos. Therefore, the tournament was cancelled, knocking down the three days of competition to one. Despite the impromptu ending to the National Tournament, the Aggies had a great season and have high hopes for a chance to return to the National Tournament next year!