

SPIRIT SCRAMBLE

Pep Band shows Tribe Pride by leading rousing music at sport games

William & Mary Pep Band, also a "scramble" band, was composed of anyone interested in participating. Pep Band performed two field shows, called "scrambles." The first was during Family Weekend where Pep Band made use of a new video board for their script. The second was during the last football game against University of Richmond in November. Pep Band also put on a parade at the Homecoming Game, with band members devoting eight hours of the day to participating in the festivities. Despite the continual rain and the team losing the game, Pep Band did not lose spirit in their performance.

With an increased number of over 90 members, the scramble band continues to bring in members excited about supporting Tribe sports. "I love mixing together my enthusiasm for Tribe athletics, while simultaneously playing music," freshman trombone player Monika Bernotas said. "I love that it's not competitive and that we all have a

great time just being excited about the Tribe!" Members enjoyed cheering on their teams at both basketball and football games. The new director, sophomore Christina Millson, ran rehearsals up until the end of the basketball season. "With Tribe sports you never know how a season is going to go. It is always an exciting event to attend, and with the pep band it just becomes more fun," Pep Band librarian and alto saxophone player Samantha Meadows said.

This year marked the first full decade of Pep Band as a completely student-run band. Band members enjoyed being able to make their shows entertaining. "I really enjoy the freedom of a student-run band," junior drumline member Christopher Colligan said. "It allows the drumline to get funky with our cadences, and create general, ear-splitting havoc." Proud havoc that often led the team to victory.

>Jessica Miller



The drumline marches in the Homecoming Day Parade. Pep Band members met at 8 a.m. to prepare for the parade and finished at 4 p.m. after playing at the football game.

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Chris Colligan directs with his baton at the second Pep Band field show. Although the football team lost to Richmond, Pep Band still brought spirit to the game.



Brandon Powell plays the trombone at a winter basketball game. Pep Band played at both men and women's basketball games until the season ended the first week of March.



The Pep Band cheers when the football team scores a field goal. Pep Band allowed musicians to join without an audition; only an ability to play an instrument and a readiness to show spirit was necessary to participate.



The Pep Band spells out "Hi" to welcome President Reveley at their field show. Pep Band performed two field shows, called scrambles, during Family Weekend and at the last football game of the season.

The drumline meets in their old marching band uniforms. The William & Mary Pep Band had a full drumline, something most college pep bands could not lay claim to.