Don't F---- Complain

Don't Fuckin' Complain . . . That's about the attitude you are going to encounter when you criticize your fellow students who are trying to make things happen around this grave-yard we call a campus.

No, this is not going to be an appeal not to be apathic. Who cares about apathy? Certainly not the majority of people at UNB. So now the people on this end are beginning to care less and less too.

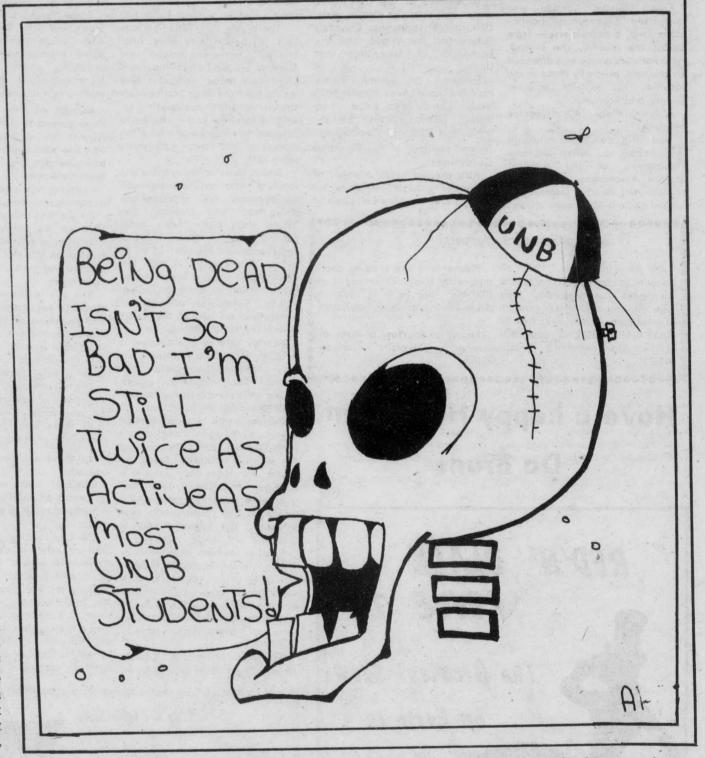
Last week the SRC brought in a band, as good if not better than any around town. Shooter has two gold records and can get a good crowd at \$4. a head anywhere but Fredericton. Here, they got 222 people, about one half the ballroom capacity. The SRC lost \$400 for their efforts. The price at the door was \$2, certainly not beyond the range of the average university student.

The SRC has a policy of running events on a break-even basis, so that the saving can be passed on to you, but do you support these events; NO. So in the future there will be very few pubs put on by the SRC.

The SRC has the opportunity to get an even bigger group for Winter Carnival. The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band is available at a cost of \$15000. What do you think the chances of the SRC attempting a project of that magnitude in light of the participation of the student body of this campus? Damn slim, that's what.

There was a bus scheduled to go to Mt. Allison University for the football game last Saturday. The cost of the round trip was \$5. about \$20. cheaper than the cost of commerical bus fare if you could get connections. So the bus was packed, Right? Bullshit! 18 people signed up, leaving 25 seats empty. The bus was cancelled because costs were not met.

Most of the seats in the last SRC election were filled by acclamation. For the few seats which were contested the voter turnout was approximately 26 percent. Just how much trouble would it have been to vote? Or is it that it is easier to complain about people in positions if you can say you had nothing to do with putting them there. Well in the future when you complain, you may find that no-one is listening.



Then there was a beard growing contest put on by the SUB management and merchants. A free album was given to each contestant (there was no entry fee). Prizes were to be donated by the SUB merchants. How many people entered? 12 and one was female (but give her marks for trying). So, once again the event was cancelled due to lack of support.

There are still student representatives needed for various seats on Senate Sub-Committees but what concerned student has a few hours a month to provide a student voice in the administration of this University. It's easier to sit back and wait till the time comes in the spring when tuition and residence fee increases are announced. Then, all the concerned students can jump up and complain. Big deal.

In fact, the only thing people really enjoy doing around this campus is complaining. Every week we have some concerned soul who comes in and tells us how to improve this rag. Granted we need improvement, but we aren't setting any records for staff overflows either. So every week we ask this concerned soul to come in and help us out. "Oh no, I'm a student and I don't have time" is the usual reply. Well . . all of us up here are students too and we don't have time either. But we're here. If we had some help, the time drain would not be so great on individuals.

The moral of this is; if you don't think you're getting your money's worth on this campus, look at yourself. How active are you? If you are not actively supporting the things that do happen around here, then don't complain.