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Editor's letter



by Rob Gascoigne

Anyone who has played in a sports team with me could be forgiven for finding it very funny that I had anything to do with a Sports Issue. I am not athletically gifted, but, let's face it, you don't become a student journalist because of your top backhand.

Be that as it may, I still consider Sport to be a remarkable phenomenon. I like it because it drives human beings to reach their peak through (mostly) non-violent competition. And what better time is there to look at sport than during the Commonwealth Games? They're just like the Olympics, except Australia wins everything.

Or at least we should. As Flick Strong outlines in her feature, Australia has managed to keep a consistently amazing dedication to its sporting life. You'd be amazed at just how intense the devotion has been. At the Olympic level, Australia has been one of the two most sports-mad countries in the world for more than 100 years.

On a much smaller (though no less impressive) level, Alex Serpo has gone through the history of sport at UNSW. If, like me, you've managed to avoid exercise throughout your uni career, you'll be surprised by the variety of activity – and the success of competitors – on campus. We've even produced Olympians (check out Snapshot).

If you are completely disinterested in sport, there's still plenty to keep you entertained. For the audiophiles, there's an interview with Aussie hip hop royalty: Hilltop Hoods. They're actually playing the Roundhouse in early April and you, lucky reader, have the chance to win tickets. For the arty-farty types, there's information on the Source's pottery studio, while for all those gastronomic gurus (and your numbers are legion) there's info on the International Cookbook, my second favourite Source publication. Check it out.

Have a great Week Four.

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President's Report



I'm sure that you are all aware by now that this week marks the first week of the Melbourne Commonwealth Games. What you might not know is that the Source is going to be screening the Commonwealth Games in the Roundhouse Unibar. So if you've got a break in class, or you're bored on your day off, grab some friends and come to the Roundhouse to have a beer and kebab and enjoy the Games. The Games will be screening every day this week, so head down whenever you get a chance.

Also, this week is the final opportunity for you to get entries in for the Source's International Cookbook competition. The Source runs this competition annually; the winners each year are published in the Source's International Cookbook, available free for UNSW students. The competition is judged by a panel including a celebrity chef and is entirely produced and edited by a team of student volunteers.

If you're not a chef yourself, keep an eye out later this session (Week Thirteen) for the launch of the 2006 Cookbook – not only can you pick up an advanced copy of the publication, you can try some of the delicious recipes that the book contains! And it's all free from the Source, which makes it better.

Don't forget, if you haven't picked up your FREE Source Discount Card, head down to the Source reception ASAP, as this is the last week you will be able to get your student discount with your normal UNSW student card, as opposed to your Source Discount Card. 10% sure can add up over the duration of a semester plus, with all the added off-campus benefits that the Source Discount Card offers, it is definitely in your interest to get one.

Kirstin Hunter
Source President
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Do you know someone who has made an outstanding contribution to student life at UNSW?

If so, nominate them for the Source's prestigious Heinz Harant award.

Heinz Harant started his service to the UNSW community before UNSW even existed – completing his degree at the NSW University of Technology (the precursor to the University of New South Wales) in 1955. As a student, Heinz was actively involved in developing the campus community, and his involvement did not stop with his graduation. He spent a grand total of 28 years on the Source Board of Directors, served over 29 years on the University Council, was a founding member of the Students' Guild Council, and helped to establish UNSW's Alumni Association.

Heinz died in June 1992, whilst still holding office as a member of the University Council and the Union Board of Directors. For the past 13 years the Heinz Harant Award has been presented in his honour. It is an annual event to celebrate the achievements of the University's most dedicated volunteers.



To be eligible for the prestigious Heinz Harant award, your nominee (there are no self-nominations) must have participated in one or more Source (or Union) volunteer programs over three or more years. Nominations will be judged on the volunteer's leadership skills, dedication to the program, and overall contribution to the volunteer program, the Source, and to the UNSW community.

For more information, or to download a nomination form, follow the link on the "Latest News" section of the Source website – www.source.unsw.edu.au. Nominations close Friday 24 March 2006 (end of Week 4). The presentation to the winner(s) of the award will be made at the Source's Annual Dinner, and an announcement will follow in Blitz magazine.

Ask **CONTACT!**

Contact is a student enquiry and referral desk that is run by student volunteers. Drop into Contact with your inquiry, big or small, we'll know where you can find the answer.

I need to finish an assignment, where can I find a computer on campus?

The following locations have computers with word and internet capabilities.

Library – The black computers on Level 2. These are provided by the Source and are free for student use. The Library is open Monday – Thursday 8am-10pm, Friday 8am-8pm, and, Saturday and Sunday 10am-6pm.

Blockhouse – Once again, the Source steps in to save you! The Blockhouse has two computer labs on Level One for student use. See Source reception to get



access. These computers also have word and Internet and are free for all students. They are available 9am - 4.30pm.

36Zero – Brand new X-Box Gaming Room proudly brought to you by the Source. Alongside the X-Box gaming consoles, you can find computers to help you complete your assignments. Look out for opening hours in Blitz. 36Zero is located opposite the Pavilion's eatery, near the Mathews Building.

Your Faculty – Nearly all faculties have computer labs just for students within their faculty. Ask at your faculty office, or come and ask us at Contact!

Contact: Level 2, East Wing, Quad building. 10am-4pm weekdays during session, or email contact@unsw.edu.au website www.contact.unsw.edu.au.

Food Glorious Food

by Xuan Dang



We've been hearing since childhood, from our parents and government ads, that good food and plenty of exercise is the secret to a happy and healthy life. Well, I'm sure you'd agree that most of us aren't that diligent in the exercise department, so, good health often becomes an issue of eating plenty of good food.

As a young adult fresh out of the parents' nest, great food can quickly become a bit of a luxury. Speaking personally, being blessed (or rather, cursed) as the daughter of a chef, my standards when it comes to food are inconveniently high. It's not that I don't cook, but quick and tasty isn't easy to achieve. Sure, you could always eat out, and you could have a week of catered dinner at restaurants on and around campus for about \$40, but eating out permanently can be bad for you. And your wallet. Sometimes, you have to be your own cook.

So, in the spirit of sharing and caring, send me your recipes. Send them in to be included in the Source's International Cookbook. Come on, I

know there are a few Nigella Lawons and Jamie Olivers walking the Kenso corridors. I need student recipes that are tried and tested to be healthy, cheap and good-tasting. I can compromise on the healthy thing if they taste good.

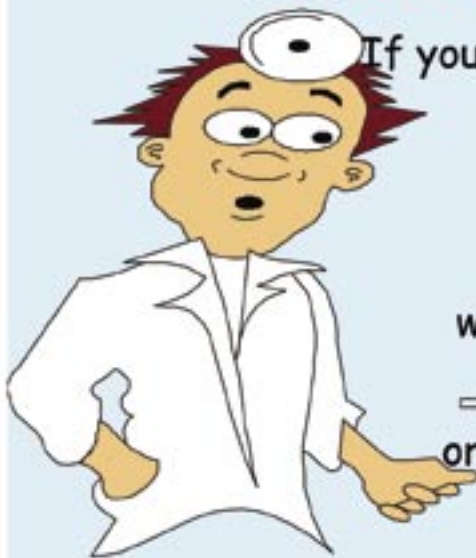
The International Cookbook is one of the most popular publications on campus. It features a lip-smacking smorgasbord of international cuisines from the students, for the students. What's more, if you submit a recipe, you stand a chance to win great prizes. The competition closes this week so get on it! Entries close March 24.

To enter, or for further information, email cookbook@source.unsw.edu.au or visit www.source.unsw.edu.au



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IT PAYS TO PLAY

It's said that 'all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy'. Whoever the hell Jack is, perhaps he should play a little sport. Then perhaps he might get fit, feel good about himself and make some new friends. At an off-chance even the girls might fancy him a little. In fact, maybe there is a little Jack in all of us, as we struggle with study and work, it might pay to stop occasionally and remember we should have some fun in life.

By Alex Serpo

SPORT is fun. Even the nerdiest of us, playing World of Warcraft on a Saturday night, have enjoyed kicking a ball around at some stage. No one can deny sport is good for you, and it would be hard to say that you weren't moved if you saw Cathy Freeman power home in the 400 metres in the 2000 Olympics. It's a valuable part of the human condition.

Since UNSW is indisputably the best university in the universe, and sport is good for everyone, it follows that sport should have a place on campus. To demonstrate UNSW's superiority, and to highlight the importance of sport at Kenso, consider the following example.

In the 2004-2005 cricket season, UNSW played Sydney University in first grade cricket. UNSW won the limited overs match, but lost the longer version by just one wicket. What's

really interesting about this little titbit is that the UNSW team was composed almost entirely of undergraduate students, while the Sydney Uni team consisted of professional international players and about half the NSW State team. Indeed, many of Sydney's players had no academic link to the university. That a team of undergrads could come within one wicket of toppling professional players demonstrates the enormous sporting capacity of this university.

Sport has always been part of UNSW's history. Richard Cashman, Anthony Hughes and Zolton Zavos have documented a complete history of the Sports Association in their work *The Pavilion on the Village Green*. Beginning way back in the 1950s when UNSW was the University of Technology, the book provides some interesting trivia leading up to the present day.

Sport had a pretty strong start at UNSW. The 1950s

saw significant successes in rugby (the university was thoroughly male-dominated at that time). In the 1960s, things began to diversify. In 1965, the newly opened squash courts hired out 8,088 rackets. But it was in the 1970s that UNSW sport really began to thrive.

Gough Whitlam made everything at university free. Everything. Everyone loved him for it so they made it a huge party. In total, the university more than tripled its budget during this decade. Some of this went into advancements in sport: It was at this time that UNSW fielded its first all-female sports team, in soccer.

In the 1980s funding was taken away again, and everyone became extremely upset. So upset in fact, that they thought Madonna was cool, and, in sheer desperation, started wearing shoulder pads and growing mullets. The supreme distraction, sport took on a more competitive and professional ethos. Identities such as Kerry

Packer championed the idea that sport was a commercial enterprise and this filtered down to a university level. The upside of this commercialism was additional funding that led to the Olympic-size swimming pool we have today and the formation of the Ben Lexcen sports scholarship. Previous Lexcen scholars have been to the Olympics and won Gold medals at the Commonwealth Games.

In the mid 1990s the Howard years began. Despite remarkable economic growth, funding for universities declined in real terms. The emphasis shifted to success in more commercial, higher-level sports.

Since 2000, the big issue in university sport has been VSU. This has been particularly bad news for the Sports Association. The Sports Association has been reliant on student fees. Indeed, approximately 72% of the Association's funding comes from compulsory fees. With this source of funding now uncertain, it potentially means very bad news for people engaged in university sport. Our stellar first grade cricket team, for example, may find themselves attempting to play without a bat, or a ball.

Sport has been an interesting part of the VSU debate. There was internal dissidence within the Coalition over abolishment of funding to sports associations. Senator

'The best thing about being part of sport at UNSW...[is] the diversity of people'

Joyce, the rebel Nationals Senator, threatened to veto the legislation over the issue of sports associations, and did so in the final vote. The senior administration of the university has also been sympathetic to the Sports Association. Two previous Vice-Chancellors have been serious sportsmen. John Niland played Rugby and Rory Hume was in the

Australian Eight in rowing in the world championships.

Despite all this sympathy, the future of the sports association remains uncertain.

Warren Rosser, who has been part of the UNSW Judo club for twenty-six years, has witnessed much of this history. Warren is now the senior coach and reflects that he has remained at UNSW because he feels that there is a 'really good and friendly atmosphere', which he agrees is probably due to the university's friendly atmosphere more generally. The best thing about being part of sport at UNSW for Warren has been 'the diversity of people [he has] met'.

Warren reflected that there is indeed a sports culture at UNSW, however over the years, 'it has gone up and down', and it is 'not as strong now as it has been in the past'. This is because 'the university itself had gone towards a business-centric way of learning', and so 'people lose out, as they don't get to meet as many people in a social environment, and they don't get that healthy physical activity. [Sport allows you to be] an all-round student'.

Kate Skinner was part of the sports culture at UNSW for her entire senior education. She started playing Water Polo in the under fourteen squad and continued to play until she graduated. She reflects that there 'absolutely' is a sports culture at UNSW, and that 'It's awesome being part of that culture'. Being part of Water Polo helped Kate, as it made 'university seem not so large and daunting'.

If Jack had ever attended UNSW during its long history, he would have always found a sports culture to engage in. One can only really speculate as to whether Jack really is a boring boy. Being part of UNSW's long and illustrious sports history may have made him more friends, and could have made him a more rounded individual. Sometimes, it pays to play.



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ELECTION TO: University Council

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AVAILABLE POSITIONS:

- 4 Academic Staff Members
- 1 Non-Academic Staff Member

Term of Office: 2 years
1 July 2006 - 30 June 2008

ELECTION TO: Academic Board

The Academic Board is the principal academic body of the University. It furthers and co-ordinates the work of the Faculties and other academic units, encourages scholarship and research, and advises the Vice-Chancellor and Council on matters relating to teaching, scholarship and research within the University.

AVAILABLE POSITIONS:

- 12 Professors
- 12 Non-professorial academic staff

Term of Office: 2 years
1 July 2006 - 30 June 2008

ELECTION TO: UNSW Union Board of Directors

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The Union [also trading as "Source - UNSW Campus Life"] is the main provider for community activity within the University. It has a mission to enhance the lifelong skills of its members and provides a range of services including catering, entertainment, recreational activities, retail services, and childcare.

AVAILABLE POSITIONS:

- 1 Life Member to the Board of Directors
- 3 Ordinary Members to the Board of Directors

Term of Office: 2 years
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NOMINATIONS

Nominations must be made on nomination forms (which contain detailed election information) available from:

- The Internet at <http://www.elections.unsw.edu.au/>
- The reception counter at the main entrance to The Chancellery
- The reception counter, University Union, The Blockhouse
- The Elections Office, Room 132, the Chancellery

Nominations must reach the Returning Officer before 5.00 pm on Thursday 6 April 2006.

If more nominations are received than there are positions available, ballots will be conducted.

BALLOTS

University Council and Academic Board: If necessary postal ballots closing at 5.00 pm on Tuesday 30 May 2006 will be conducted. Ballot papers will be dispatched by Friday 5 May 2006.

UNSW Union Board of Directors: Life Members - If necessary a postal ballot closing at 5.00 pm on Monday 12 May 2006 will be conducted. Ballot papers will be dispatched by Friday 21 April 2006.

Ordinary Members - If necessary, a ballot will be held in week 10 of Session 1 2006 (Monday 8 May - Friday 12 May 2006).

Only ballot papers which reach the Returning Officer by close of ballot will be counted in the elections.

2006 UNSW STUDENT ELECTIONS

NOMINATIONS OPEN: MONDAY 20 MARCH 2006 NOMINATIONS CLOSE: THURSDAY 6 APRIL 2006

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

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AVAILABLE POSITIONS:

- 1 Undergraduate Student
- 1 Postgraduate Student

Term of Office: 2 years
1 July 2006 - 30 June 2008

✓ ELECTION TO: Academic Board

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AVAILABLE POSITIONS:

- 2 Undergraduate Students
- 2 Postgraduate Students

Term of Office: 12 months
1 July 2006 - 30 June 2007

✓ ELECTION TO: Faculty Boards

Faculties are groups of schools that conduct research in related disciplines and supervise teaching. Each faculty includes academic staff members headed by a Dean appointed by Council, a presiding member elected by academic staff and elected student representatives. Faculty Boards examine, for example, student admission, the awarding of honours, degree rules, course revisions and advanced standing criteria.

AVAILABLE POSITIONS:

- 6 students to Arts and Social Sciences
- 4 students to the Built Environment
- 4 students to the College of Fine Arts
- 5 students to Commerce and Economics
- 4 students to Medicine
- 4 students to Science

Engineering, Law, ATAX and AGSM elections are in S2

Term of Office: 12 months
May 2006 - April 2007

✓ ELECTION TO: UNSW Union Board of Directors

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AVAILABLE POSITIONS:

- 1 Life Member to the Board of Directors
- 3 Ordinary Members to the Board of Directors

Term of Office: 2 years
June 2006 - May 2008

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- Student Guild
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BALLOTS

University Council: If necessary postal ballots closing at 5:00 pm on Monday 19 June 2006 will be conducted. Ballot papers will be dispatched by Friday 12 May 2006.

Academic Board: If necessary postal ballots closing at 5:00 pm on Tuesday 30 May 2006 will be conducted. Ballot papers will be dispatched by Friday 5 May 2006.

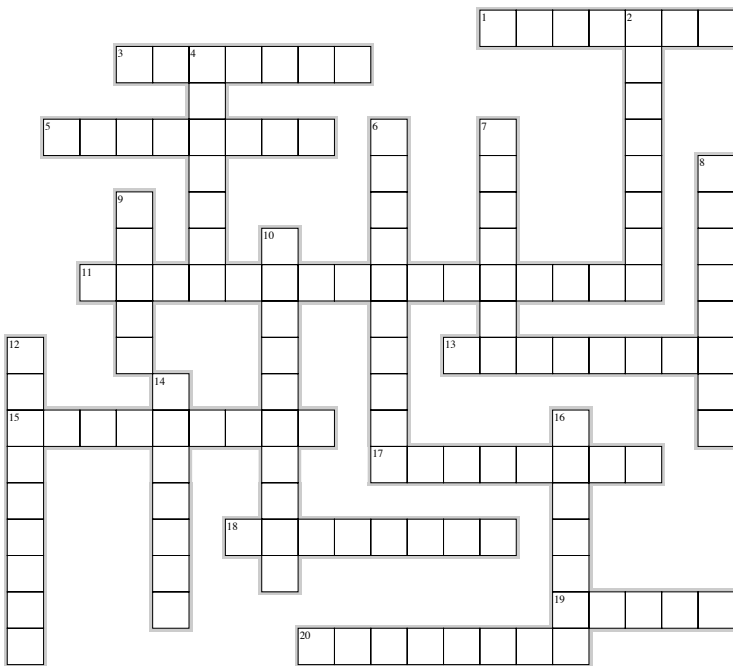
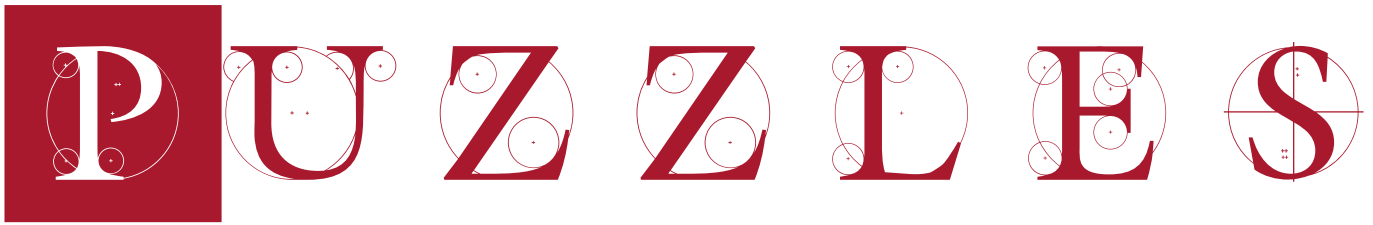
Faculty Boards: If necessary, online ballots will be held in week 12 of Session 1 2006 (Monday 22 May - Friday 26 May 2006).

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Ordinary Members - If necessary, a ballot will be held in week 10 of Session 1 2006 (Monday 8 May - Friday 12 May 2006).

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Across

1. We watch sport in this giant venue (7)
3. Lance Armstrong is a champion of this sport (7)
5. The American version of rugby (8)
11. This type of football is very popular in Melbourne (10, 5)
13. It takes a lot of this to get to the top (8)
15. A euphemism for agility (9)
17. Ian Thorpe is this sport's champion (8)
18. The biggest stage for sport (8)
19. Competitors come off the field covered in this (5)
20. These will be representing countries from throughout the world at the Commonwealth Games (8)

Down

2. These can end careers prematurely (8)
4. A sport which Australians, British and Indians are fanatical about (7)
6. This sport is famous for amazing flexibility and aerial manoeuvres (10)
7. The surname of the number one ranked male tennis player (7)
8. Weightlifters are the pinnacle of this physical attribute (8)
9. Professional athletes are regularly tested for these (5)
10. It helps to be tall in this sport (10)
12. Marathon runners have a lot of this (9)
14. A sport played, most commonly by women, on a court (7)
16. Sport improves this attribute, positively correlated with health (7)

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To win, just tell us the answer to Number 7 Down in the above crossword. Send your answer to comps@source.unsw.edu.au with the subject "Akmal Saleh". Good luck.



THE HARD ROAD BEGINS

On Saturday, April 8, Adelaide hip hop sensation Hilltop Hoods will be coming to UNSW! The trio will be rocking the Roundhouse with their unique blend of fresh beats and slick rhymes. It will be an exciting show – the boys have just put the finishing touches on their highly anticipated new album “The Hard Road”. To find out more, Flick Strong sat down with DJ Debris.

After more than ten years “underground” how does it feel to be recognised?

It feels great! The positives definitely outweigh the negatives. There is the inevitable thing that happens when some of your listeners that knew you when you were “underground” all of a sudden start dissing you. But our music hasn’t really changed and our shows have only improved. We’re still doing what we love for a living, how can that not be the best thing ever?

Hip hop is has been making a lot of noise on commercial radio at the moment, why do you think that is?

Who knows why anything is ever the ‘in’ thing. The scene has been around for decades now. I think that older generations have just been schooling the newer ones and the awareness is more out there and with that comes a growing appreciation.

What are you guys listening to at the moment, and who are the up-and-coming Aussie hip hop artists that we should be looking out for?

To be honest we’ve been listening to a lot of our own music lately ‘cos we’re in the mixing stage of our album right now. But I have been listening to a few of the artists that are going to be performing at the Blues and Roots Festival with us this year, like Damian Marley... As far as local hip hop goes, the Funkoars from Adelaide are just about to drop a new release and we’ve got them coming on tour with us which should be cool.

What advice would you have for any up-and-comers on trying to get their first break?

Don’t try to take the fast way to the top. The experience from doing years and years of gigs is priceless.

Who would make it on the bill for your ultimate gig?

For me personally Braintax, but speaking for all of us, probably KRS One, or Masta Ace.

Giveaway: Hilltop Hoods



Adelaide hip hop sensations Hilltop Hoods are coming to UNSW! On Saturday, April 8, the boys will be rocking the Roundhouse with their unique blend of fresh beats and slick rhymes. They’ve just finished putting together their new album and will be performing some of their new tracks for your listening pleasure.

Luckily for you, we’ve got two double passes to give away to Blitz readers. To win, just tell us the name of Hilltop Hoods’ new single.

Send your answer to comps@source.unsw.edu.au with the subject “Hilltop Hoods”.

If you miss out, don’t worry. The Roundhouse is offering ridiculously cheap entry to the show. Tickets are \$22 + bf for Students, \$25 + bf for everyone else. Tickets are available from the Unibar in the Roundhouse and from Ticketek. See you there.

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1pm - 3pm
Queers of all varieties meet up for some free food and drinks which is accompanied by stimulating conversation and occasional updates on the Queer Department's activities.
Queerspace, Applied Sciences 920
Free

D2MG Beginners Breaking taught by YJ

3pm - 4pm
Breaking is a mixture of Brooklyn Uprock, Capoeira, Gymnastics and many other dance forms. Sounds to new and daring to try? No way! Come down to YJ's cool foundations class to learn some top rocks, footwork and even head spins!
Blockhouse
\$10 for non-members. \$8 for member and further discounts on bulk buys!

Happy hour


5pm - 6pm
The happiest hour of the day!
Unibar, Roundhouse

Debating Internals and EGM

6pm
Monday night is debating night. We welcome students from all faculties and we cater for all standards. We are also electing a first year representative at 6pm before we debate.
Law Foyer
Free

UNSW Professional Speakers Club AGM

6.30pm
Uncover the key to confidence, leadership & Success in a friendly & supportive environment. All welcome. Contact Jim Chuang on 0424 068077 or toastmasters_unsw@yahoo.com.au
Quad 1001

Tuesday 
21 March

Ping Pong

11am
Play the game with the silly name
Roundhouse
Free

Thoughtful Foods Food Co-operative

11am - 3:30pm
Thoughtful Foods is UNSW's food co-operative, offering cheap, ethically produced, organic food to staff and students. Pop in and have a look!!
Roundhouse
Free

Understanding low mood - Compass Workshop

11am - 1pm
This one-off workshop will help you to gain an understanding of the signs and symptoms associated with low mood. You will also find out about how some types of thoughts and behaviours can interact to keep you feeling low. This workshop provides an opportunity to talk with others who have also experienced low mood.
www.counselling.unsw.edu.au
Quad 2008

Queerboys

12 - 2pm
A group specific to queer boys, food and drink are provided. Come along to ask questions, exchange stories, meet new people or just procrastinate!
Queerspace, Applied Sciences 920
Free

Trivia

1pm
Make friends, and influence people with your bottomless pit of trivial information
Unibar, Roundhouse
Free

Campus Bible Study talk - Jesus the Shepherd

1 - 2pm
Join us for a talk on Matthew 9: 18-38, and join us for afternoon tea afterwards. For more information, visit <http://www.campusbiblestudy.org>
Science Theatre
Free

Chess

1 - 4pm
"Chess is the gymnasium of the mind" -Blaise Pascal. Beginners through advanced players welcome.
QUAD room 1001
Free for members. \$2 for non-members.

D2MG Open Hiphop Styles taught by Miranda

4pm - 5pm
A new class is taught by our talented crew member Miranda.
Blockhouse
\$10 for non-members. \$8 for member and further discounts on bulk buys!

Happy hour

5pm - 6pm
The happiest hour of the day!
Unibar, Roundhouse

Pool Comp

5pm
Win prizes for playing with balls and a stick.
Unibar, Roundhouse

Tuesday Night Roast

5.30pm
Good ol' fashioned meat and three veg. Can't go wrong really.
Clems, Roundhouse
\$5

Filmsoc Screening - The Karate Kid

6.30pm
Revive your inner Pat Morita with our screening of pop-culture classic Karate Kid!
Location details at www.unswfilmsoc.r8.org

AnimeUNSW Launch Party.

6pm - 9pm
An alternative venture to Japanese animation, prizes, give-aways, pizza and drinks. Visit www.animeunsw.org for more details.
Cougar Club Bar, Roundhouse
Free for members

Wednesday 
22 March

Ping Pong

11am
Play the game with the silly name!
Roundhouse
Free

Thoughtful Foods Food Co-operative

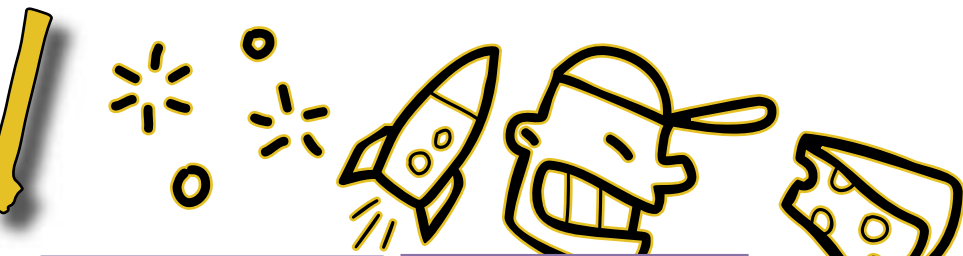
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Roundhouse
Free

International Exchange Expo

11am - 4pm
Are you Interested in Studying Overseas? UNSW has over 170 Exchange destinations in 32 countries, across all faculties and types of degrees. If you want to experience a different culture and have the Time of Your Life then come along to find out more!
Scientia Building, Gallery rooms 1&2
Free

POLiSOC Discussion Forum

12 -1pm
Associate Professor David Reeves speaks on the topic of "Australia's View of Asia in the 20th Century". Come and be enlightened!
CLB 1
Free!



Servsoc AGM
 12pm - 2pm
 Get active and have a mad time while volunteering! Servsoc gives you the opportunity to meet new people and challenge yourself; all while making the world a better place, through local, state and international service projects.
 Civil Engineering G1 (CE G1)
 Free

Library Lawn Band: Claude Hay Band
 1pm
 One of the risings acts at the Australian Live Music Awards 2002, the Claude Hay Band have played at locals festivals such as Newtown and Enmore and have carried out two tours of the NSW North Coast. Having made the top 3 unsigned finds on Triple M in March 2002, their self titled EP also sat in the top ten of the AIR Charts in that period.
 Library Lawn
 Free

Bar Bingo
 1pm
 Bar Bingo improves your reflexes. It's true!
 Unibar, Roundhouse
 Free

POLiSOC BBQ
 1 - 2pm
 Food and fun for everyone!
 Library Lawn
 \$1 per sausage

D2MG Beginners Hiphop taught by Kenky
 1pm - 2pm
 Kenky, one of the world's most elite dancers, is in Australia to spread his passion for hip hop dancing. Come and see for yourself!
 Blockhouse
 \$10 for non-members. \$8 for member and further discounts on bulk buys!

Style: D2MG Girl's Hiphop taught by Erico
 3pm - 4pm
 This class is especially created for the ladies who want to learn how to shake it like a polaroid picture! What are you waiting for!
 Blockhouse
 \$10 for non-members. \$8 for member and further discounts on bulk buys!

Poly Pasifika AGM
 3 - 4pm
 Were finally bringing Pacific Culture to UNSW! The meeting will cover the final selections for the executive committee and a report on the aims and activities for Poly Pasifika. So come, sign up and be a part of something wonderful.
 Quadrangle Lawn
 Free

Capoeira S.A.L.S.A.
 4 - 5pm
 Capoeira is a unique Brazilian art form which incorporates acrobatics, rhythm, music and self defence in an alternative martial art. It has no barriers or pre requisites, for life is about progression and Capoeira is about life.
 Dance Studio 1
 Individual lessons are \$10 or Three lessons are \$23

Garden Beats
 5pm
 Better than a CD, and makes your beer taste better
 Beergarden, Roundhouse
 Free

Trivia
 5pm
 Unibar, Roundhouse
 Free

Happy hour
 5pm - 6pm
 The happiest hour of the day!
 Unibar, Roundhouse

Pub Grub
 5.30pm
 Less time cooking, equals more time drinking, score!
 Clems, Roundhouse

Thursday
 23 March 

Thoughtful Foods Food Co-operative
 10am - 6pm
 Thoughtful Foods is UNSW's food co-operative, offering cheap, ethically produced, organic food to staff and students. Pop in and have a look!!
 Roundhouse
 Free

Ping Pong
 11am
 Play the game with the silly name!
 Roundhouse
 Free

Back on Track - Compass Workshop
 11am - 12pm
 Back on Track is a program for students who find themselves on academic referral or probation at the end of their first year. Back on Track will help you to find out what went wrong and provide you with support and skills to start over. www.counsellorng.unsw.edu.au
 Quad 2008
 Free

UNSW Careers Expo
 12 - 6pm
 12 - 1pm is the priority hour for final year students. Final years may enter from 1pm - 6pm and all other students may enter from 4pm - 6pm
 Free parking is available at the Racecourse. Shuttle buses will operate from Gate 2 and Gate 9, High St. Also see participating organisations, workshop schedules and tips on preparing for the Expo. Make sure you remember to bring your student card! Register at www.careers.unsw.edu.au
 Randwick Pavilion, AJC Convention Centre, Royal Randwick Racecourse

Queergirls
 12 - 2pm
 A group just for the girls - free food and excellent company! If you are a female queer or are bi-curious, come along and we'll answer any questions you may have.
 Queerspace Applied Sciences 920
 Free

Chess
 12 - 3pm
 Advance infantry, charge with knights, fortify the castle, or unleash the mighty queen. What happens next is up to you!
 QUAD room 1001
 Free for members. \$2 for non-members.

SKILL Lunchtime Series: How to travel around Australia
 1-2 pm
 Run by the UNSW International Student Services. Bring your lunch and learn something new. YHA Australia will come to discuss travel options around Australia!
 East Wing Red Centre
 Free

FREE yum size Crikey or Red Ripper with any hot beverage @ Coffee Republic Cafe Fixx Colonnade Esmes



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Campus Bible Study talk - Jesus the Shepherd
 1 - 2pm
 Join us for a talk on Matthew 9: 18-38 and afternoon tea. Please check the posters on campus for location details. For more information about CBS, visit <http://www.campusbiblestudy.org>
 CLB 6
 Free

Beg/Int Hiphop taught by Mel
 3 - 4pm
 Blockhouse
 \$10 for non-members. \$8 for member and further discounts on bulk buys!

ChocSoc ~ Screening Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
 4pm
 Want to watch Charlie and the Chocolate Factory? Chocolate society invites all chocoholics to our welcome night! Food and Drinks are provided! This is your chance to become a new member as well for only \$4!
 Cougar Club Bar, Roundhouse
 Free for members, \$2 non-members

Beginners Breaking taught by Hideboo
 4 - 5pm
 Breaking is a mixture of Brooklyn Uprock, Capoeira, Gymnastics and many other dance forms. Hideboo is a well respected bboy in both Australia and Japan. He is known to stir great breaking battles. Come and try it for yourself!
 Blockhouse
 \$10 for non-members. \$8 for member and further discounts on bulk buys!

UNSW Waterski and Wakeboard Club - Crazy Weekend

Saturday/Sunday
8am
Unlimited skiing/boarding, accommodation, dinner, breakfast, gear provided. Plus a Saturday night party, all drinks included. Beginners welcome, training provided. You can't get a better deal than this. For Bookings please contact Alex on 0410639627
Cliftonville Lodge Resort
\$70 (plus a \$10 refundable bond, ad \$15 if transport required)

Beer Garden Band: Butterfly 9

4.30pm
When classic pop songwriting, beautiful vocals and scintillating production combine, the magical result is butterfly 9. The Sydney duo of Suzy Connolly and Matt Fell revitalize and reassure with their beautifully crafted music.
Beergarten, Roundhouse
Free

Speechcraft workshop UNSW Toastmaster club

6pm - 8.30pm
This is a short course in Public Speaking, designed for beginners. The course is conducted in a friendly and supportive environment dedicated to personal improvement.
Quad Room 1001, UNSW
Student \$95, UNSW Staff \$130, Public \$160

AnimeUNSW Screening

5pm
Haven't had enough Japanese animation for the week? Join us for a free screening of the latest anime from Japan. Visit www.animeunsw.org for more details.
Venue TBC (Check website)
Free for all.

Spocksoc Enterprise Screening

5pm - 11pm
We will be screening the final episodes of season four of Star Trek: Enterprise. Dinner is \$5 for half a pizza and a drink. Join our mailing list for more details. <http://www.spocksoc.unsw.edu.au>
Quad G031
Free for members, membership \$5

Crave Dance Party

10pm
Its big! We have DJ Pulsar, Stanley, Mirage, and more! Free drinks! Free CDs! RNB and Trance! Joint with societies by Usyd, UTS and Club Mac. For more info or to purchase tickets contact Kevin Foong at foongkev@gmail.com or 0421946991
Space (Above Shark Hotel)
\$15 presale, \$20 at door

Capoeira S.A.L.S.A.

6pm - 7pm
Capoeira is a unique Brazilian art form which incorporates acrobatics, rhythm, music and self defence in an alternative martial art. It has no barriers or pre requisites, for life is about progression and Capoeira is about life.
Dance Studio 1
Individual lessons are \$10 or Three lessons are \$23

Friday
24 March 

Ping Pong

11am
Play the game with the silly name!
Roundhouse
Free

Friday Arvo Sessions with DJ Cadell

4:30 pm
Dragonfly, Roxy, and Soho, regular DJ Cadell starting your weekend off right
Beer Garden, Roundhouse
Free



LAW & ORDERLIES



This week, in the Figtree Theatre, a cast of Law and Med Revuers, both veteran and novice, will be performing some of the best skits ever included in thirty years of UNSW Law and Med Revues. To find out more, Flick Strong sat down with the Director Adam Hochroth.

Why are you holding a “Best of” Revue? Where did the idea come from?

We’re holding a Best of Revue because our fond memories of time spent doing Revue have never faded! Med Revue has held a “Best of” show at roughly five year intervals since 1990. It is now five years since the last Best of Med Revue, held in 2001. We decided to make this Best of Med and Law Revue for a few reasons. First, our time in Revue has been marked by a fair degree of cross-over between the two shows. Secondly, a Best of Law Revue has never been held, which is a shame. And thirdly, it is the approximate thirtieth birthday of both shows - Med Revue started in 1975 and Law Revue started in 1976.

How have you chosen which sketches are resurrected?

There are a few different considerations. Obviously our first concern is to get the funniest material possible. We’ve also tried to select a range of different styles of humour. So it doesn’t matter whether your preference is for toilet humour, political satire, slapstick or concept pieces - this show has something for everyone!

Some sketches which were very funny at the time have simply dated too much and were rejected for that reason. And all other things being equal, we’ve tried to give a representative sample from the last 5 or so years of shows, plus old material. Overall, we had an enormous amount of very, very funny sketches and songs to choose from, and the hardest part was choosing not to do stuff we knew was funny because we just won’t have time.

What constitutes a good sketch?

Wow, so many things - a sketch can have brilliant word play, great characters, funny visual moments. I personally really like clever, unexpected humour - I hate being able to see where a sketch is going ahead of time.

What’s the most embarrassing thing you’ve ever had to do on stage?

I’ve been naked a few times. I’ve also had to pretend to masturbate while a guy in hot pants gave me a lapdance. Plus my dancing is pretty embarrassing! A sense of shame is not an asset in a Revue!

Law & Orderlies” The Best of UNSW Med and Law Revue will be showing from Tuesday to Saturday at 8pm. There will also be a 5pm matinee on the Saturday. Tickets are \$10/\$13 for Tuesday, Wednesday and the matinee and \$12/\$15 for Thursday-Saturday. Tickets are available from the Library Lawn, or you can book online www.bestofrevue.org.au

Lose Your Head



Sometimes your head gets so full of facts and figures it’s difficult to comprehend anything further. At these times a short, and entirely absorbing change is recommended. Your Source Discount Card provides a number of options.

A brief and healthy distraction is more productive than an afternoon of procrastination so we’ve listed a few proactive ways you can schedule in a cure for “intellectual overload”. See your Source Discount Directory or the Source Website for these offers:

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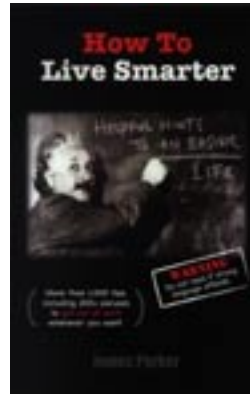
Film:
Aeon Flux

Set in 2415, this film tells the story of Aeon Flux, one of the few underground 'Monican' revolutionaries, seeking revenge on Trevor Goodchild, leader of the 'perfected' government of Bregna. Aeon is positive it is Goodchild who killed her sister, but she discovers something about Trevor and herself that disrupts the entire mission. Just as Trevor says: "nothing is as it seems." Something mysterious — something sinister — is lurking within every civilian, Aeon and Trevor included.

I enjoyed this movie. I generally don't mind watching sci-fi action films, so seeing Aeon (played by the robust and acrobatic Charlize Theron) twist, turn and tumble whilst simultaneously snapping the necks of mindless minions wasn't half-bad. And Aeon isn't the only thing to twist and turn, as the plot makes a few attempts at ambushing the audience. But, let's just put it this way: I didn't jump out of my seat at any time. Despite this, the ideas unfolding throughout are certainly thought-provoking. The film's futuristic design superbly projects a more sanitised, deceptively attractive vision of things to come, rather than the dark, dingy and dystopian cesspool of movies like Blade Runner. It's a fairly simple, fun movie.

But what do I know? Peter Chung, creator of the animation series, found the movie "a travesty". Watching it in the cinema made him feel "helpless, humiliated and sad". The point is, regardless of our opinions; if you're thinking of seeing Aeon Flux, just see it. It's fun.

-Iain Murray



Book:
How to Live Smarter
by James Parker

Self-help books often get a bad rap - and rightly so. A book that claims to solve all your problems is virtually guaranteed to fall short of your expectations. Despite its possibly deceptive title, this is not a self-help book. James Parker's book is a reference tool full of bite-sized bits of advice for pretty much anything you can think of.

There's a lot in here that will appeal to students. The tips on negotiation, renting and public speaking are of obvious use, but the advice on how to properly appreciate wine is no less valuable; it can be handy to know how to out-wank the wankers. The information is quite comprehensive: you'll be surprised how much there is to know about choosing vegetables.

Despite this, it has to be said that some of these points of advice are a little silly. And some of it is a little useless. It's kind of a no-brainer that "you should probably listen to your conscience" and there are many areas of life that are more important to consider than "how to win a chess game in four moves". But, on the whole, the information is handy to have around you.

This is not a book you would read cover to cover. It's the kind of book you keep to occasionally dip into, maybe before a job interview or before a big night out. It's a handy little manual to have around.

- Rob Gascoigne





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here's an old saying that tells us to 'work smarter, not harder' but why does it only refer to work? What about your life outside of 9 to 5? Don't you want to be smart about that too?

Let's face it - these days it seems people are focusing all their efforts on their job whilst neglecting the thing that matters most - their personal life. After all, your efforts should focus on the bigger picture - you.

Wouldn't you like to determine whether the person you're talking with is lying or know how to give the right excuses when chucking sickies? And why put up with hangovers when there are ways to prevent them or pay less for things than you would normally?

How to Live Smarter is your true gateway to knowledge on a silver platter for you to improve anyone's life in some way or another - included yours! Open your eyes, and your mind, to new things that you will remain aware of for the rest of your life.

To win, tell us what the "C" in Einstein's famous algebraic equation "E= MC²" stands for. Email your answer to comps@source.unsw.edu.au with the subject "How to Live Smarter". Good Luck.

SNAPSHOT



Photo courtesy of James Rankin/JRP and the NSW Institute of Sport

William Hamyn-Harris can really throw a javelin. The former UNSW student is an athlete who has competed on an international level at the Olympics and has been selected to go to the Commonwealth Games. Alex Serpo spoke to him about what it means to be a real sportsman.

How much training is involved in being a world-class athlete?

I train six or seven times a week and each training session will probably go for about two hours.

What do you have to sacrifice?

You have to give up a lot of income from full-time work. When you get to the top level, the further along you get, the more work you have to put in to improve your skills. You start to have to sacrifice going out with friends so frequently.

Is it ever hard to make these sacrifices?

I think athletics in Australia is a bit of a roller coaster. [Javelin-throwing] is not a high profile sport so when you're down, you don't really have team members to pick you up. It can be hard. Knowing that you are doing it for fun rather than as a

money earner means when you're down the enjoyment isn't there anymore. You just have to look at the greater picture of competing at the Commonwealth Games; you are working towards a light.

What is it like competing at the Olympics?

It's the biggest stage that there is in sport. I think it's just about self-pride and knowing that you made it to the top level, being able to strut your stuff against the best in the world.

Are you anxious about the Commonwealth Games?

I am not anxious about performing in front of a big crowd; I can adapt to a situation and perform at my best. The anxiousness I have is over the injuries I have, and whether I can overcome them.

If you know a person or group that would be of interest to UNSW students and should be profiled here, tell us about them. They should be presently or formerly affiliated with UNSW. Send an email with subject "Snapshot" to blitzeditor@source.unsw.edu.au.



“Nowhere in the world have I encountered a festival of people that has such a magnificent appeal to the whole nation. The Cup astonishes me.”

Mark Twain, of a visit to the Melbourne Cup in 1895

by Flick Strong

It's been the subject of a Nick Hornby book, numerous movies and the demise of many a relationship. Hard-core sport fanaticism. We've all been guilty of it. Cathy Freeman wins the gold, Australia loses the Ashes, or the Socceroos sink that final penalty to transport them to German glory, and suddenly the whole country is glued to the box and everyone is an instant sporting genius. But what is it about sport that gets us riled up? And why are Australians known as such sports mad freaks? I'm guessing it's not just about the beer consumption and Mexican waves!

With the Commonwealth Games opening this week, Melbourne has gone sports mad. But this seems par for the course for our southern neighbours. Quite apart from the yearly sporting delights of AFL, the Australian Open

and the Grand Prix (poached from Adelaide), Melbourne is one of the few places in the world to hold a public holiday in honour of a sporting event: the Melbourne Cup. If that's not sports mad, I don't know what is!

The Melbourne Cup was first held in 1861, with a grand total of 4000 spectators. The following years saw the popularity of the event rise considerably, thanks to the increasing abundance of communication systems, and, by 1881, over 100,000 people across the country tuned in to hear the race. By 2003, the Cup, which has been dubbed 'the race that stops a nation' was broadcast to a potential global audience of 700 million and you are now hard pressed to find a work place that doesn't shut down and disappear to the pub at 3pm on Cup Day!

Melbourne is also home to Australia's largest and oldest sports stadium, the

Melbourne Cricket Ground, which has a capacity of 100,000. The MCG was last year listed on the National Heritage List, ensuring its survival along with Australian icons like the Harbour Bridge and the Opera House. This says a lot about Australian culture and tradition.

Adrian McGregor, a sports journalist and biographer, contends that sport helps to link Australians, regardless of geographical isolation. According to McGregor, sport "informs the national character, is paramount in the culture, and is one of the ... ways Australians measure their international status".

The MCG has been integral to the growth of Australian sporting culture. Built in 1853, the first inner-colonial cricket match between Victoria and NSW was played there in 1856, and the first Test match between Australia and England took place in 1877. It was also the home of the



1956 Olympics. But perhaps its greatest significance to Australian sporting culture is its position as the spiritual home of Australian Rules football. The first (professional) Australian Rules football match was played at the 'G' in 1859 and, since then, it has been host to the AFL Grand Finals even when the finalists aren't Victorian. Though it sometimes gets forgotten about in Sydney (except when the Swans make the finals), AFL is Australia's most popular sport. According to research conducted in 2000, it had the third highest number of registered players of any Australian sport, at 443,978.

Australian's aren't just football mad however. The Olympics capture the country's attention every four years and, of course, every Australian boasts to anyone who will listen that the Sydney 2000 games were 'the best Olympics ever'. Not to tout our own horn but Australia

does perform extraordinarily well in comparison to much larger countries. The 2004 Athens Olympic games finished with Australia taking home 17 gold, 16 silver and 16 bronze medals. This achievement had Australia ranked fourth overall in the medal tally behind the United States, China and Russia. Considering Australia's size in relation to these countries, the achievement is quite extraordinary. Our performance at the Paralympic Games had Australia ranked fifth in the world with a total of 100 medals: 26 gold, 38 silver and 36 bronze. Australia is also one of only two countries that has competed in every Olympics since 1896, and one of only five that has hosted the Olympics more than once.

McGregor believes that obsession with sport has its foundations in colonial settlement when Australia's small population was geographically isolated from the motherland. He contends that "initially unable to make much impact on the world stage through trade, art or politics, people turned to sport, driven by a national egalitarianism—a belief our athletes were as good as those from larger nations". And hey, what else is there to do in a large hot barren land?

In his article, McGregor asserts that this geographical isolation has meant "idiosyncratic sports blossomed—Australian Rules and Rugby League or [Australian Rules] football instead of soccer." The weather also has a lot to do

'Australia is also one of only two countries that has competed in every Olympics since 1896'

with our success in sport, with year-round sunshine and kilometres of coastline, Australians were naturally drawn to outdoor sports like swimming, tennis and surfing.

Australia is a very active country. Statistics from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade cite that almost 13 million Australians aged 15 years and over participate in some form of physical activity for recreation or sport. Approximately 11 million of those exercise at least once per week and about 4.2 million exercise at least five times per week. It also lists Australia's most popular physical activities which are ranked as follows: walking—5.9 million; aerobics/fitness—2.5 million; swimming—2.3 million; cycling—1.5 million; tennis—1.4 million; golf—1.3 million; running—1.2 million; bushwalking—902 500; soccer—669 300; and netball—614 000.

We are not adverse to watching sporting events either. Sport is the most commonly watched genre of television after news and current affairs. A survey conducted in 2002 found that about 48% of Australians aged 15 years and over had attended at least one sporting event during the year.

This sporting madness does not go unrewarded or unassisted either, in 2004–05, the Australian Government committed approximately \$170 million in sports funding. The Australian Institute of Sport was also set up in 1981 after an appalling result in the 1976 Olympics in Montreal, where Australia won no gold medals whatsoever. The Australian Olympic Committee has even allocated \$17 million to prepare Athletes for the 2008 games in Beijing.

So next time you attend a sporting match, think about the Australian culture and psyche you are contributing to. It reaches back into the very foundations of modern Australian history. It's the product of huge, sprawling distances in a vast arid land and the drive to show that we, though geographically distant and possibly forgotten, could do things just as well as the rest of the world. Then again, it's about the beer too!



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The Blockhouse's
Hidden Cave
of Wonders

by Associate
Reporter
Karen-Anne Coleman



You remember the scene in Aladdin when the roguish-yet-lovable young protagonist is taken deep into the desert by the evil Jaffar? The villain does his special thing and the door to the Cave of Wonders is revealed. Perhaps I have an overly fond memory for my Disney movies, but this is how I like to imagine the Pottery Studio, hidden away upstairs in the Blockhouse.

I'm not suggesting that I, as your guide, am an evil villain plotting to take over your Kingdom (who'd want it anyway? – too many stairs) nor can I really compare the sliding glass doors at Blockhouse reception to a great mound of talking tiger-sand; the people there have smiley faces and are willing to

help. Hand them your student card and begin the pilgrimage up two flights of stairs to the third level, turn left, past a hip hop dance troupe, and all the way to the end of the corridor.

Hardly anyone knows about it, but the 'treasures untold' of this little cave are available to everyone. The resident

expert, Tony Orford, will take you through a short induction and you're ready to begin. For the beginners, Tony can show you where to start, with simple moulds for a platter or bowl while anyone more experienced is given a free creative reign. The induction is free and courses are held 12.30-1pm Wednesday and

Friday but if you can't make it then you're more than welcome to come in and arrange a time that suits you. Your first clay and firing is free and after that you can buy a couple of kilos of recycled clay for around \$3. If you want to learn more there are night courses in hand building or wheelwork offered by Eastern Suburbs Community College, but if you just want to go in for a regular play, use of the studio is free and open Monday to Friday during business hours.

Best of all the Pottery Studio is a haven from the hassles of a hot and confusing day at uni. The room is cool and calm, the sound of Roundhouse reggae and the smell of good coffee and toasting bagels wafts through the open windows. The feel of squelchy clay beneath your fingers is one of those instinctively satisfying sensations and at the end of the day you get to take home your creation!

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JUGGLING LECTURE NOTES AND NAPPIES

By Emma Macdonald

You might spot them in any discipline: those harried-looking individuals who always seem to be rushing into class late, and running off early. They seldom have time to stay for drinks in the bar (but look like they really could use one!), and they always seem to be carrying some "excess baggage", like a baby pacifier, a Wiggles backpack or a Dr Seuss storybook. Believe it or not, these slightly sagging, tired-looking people are students too.

A large number of student-parents can be found on campus, particularly in postgraduate programs. Their reasons for returning to study are varied but often relate to career development. There's nothing quite like looking towards the future and realising that you don't have the estimated \$260,000 required to raise each of your little ones, to motivate you to work harder. And it's amazing how much time you can suddenly squeeze out of life when the incentive is there. Every student knows what an intense period a university semester can be, and how quickly one can fall behind. So how do student-parents manage this juggle with their other responsibilities?

A number of student-parents take on the triple juggle of work, study and family. Fandy is an international student completing his doctorate full-time in the School of Marketing. He has two sons, one who also attends UNSW's "House at Pooh Corner" childcare centre. With the family breadwinner back studying, his family has had to make some sacrifices. Aside from money-management, Fandy says that time-management is the real challenge. When it comes to study, Fandy waits until his boys have gone to bed, which often means a late night start and only three-four hours sleep.

Margaret is doing a Masters in Education and her husband Peter is doing his Dip Ed in Social Sciences. They are also both working. Margaret works four days and Peter works two nights as a taxi driver. They have two children, one at school and one who attends childcare on campus. Margaret says the biggest challenges for them is "having the energy and the focus to be consistent with the children" when they're under pressure with work and study deadlines.

Cliff is a Masters by coursework student with a two-year-old daughter and an infant son. His wife, Camilla who has a degree in Philosophy, is amazed at how he juggles parenting, work and studying. "He is really disciplined and has usually read the entire textbook before semester starts".

These parents are the lucky ones. Many other student-parents are unable to obtain a childcare place for their children on campus. There are waiting lists at all of the centres and the wait can be as long as two years. These parents get by using a mixture of family, friends and occasional care to get their study completed.

So next time you see a student rush in late to class with too many bags and maybe a spot of dried cereal on their shirt, well, don't be too hard on them. They've got a lot of balls in the air. While they are juggling lectures, textbooks, assignments and timetables, they are probably also working at least part-time and struggling to raise decent little human beings that will one day be running this world.

Emma Macdonald is a full-time PhD student in the School of Marketing. She has a two-year old daughter who now attends House at Pooh Corner childcare centre, and previously attended Honeypot childcare centre part-time. Emma was elected to the



Postgraduate Board (PGB) this year and in this role hopes to highlight the needs of student-parents. If you are a student-parent with any concerns, particularly if you have had trouble obtaining a childcare place, then please email me on: emma.macdonald@student.unsw.edu.au

UNSW has two childcare centres on campus which give priority to student-parents. Up to mid-2006, the PGB along with the Student Guild and UNSW Source have subsidised childcare at "Honeypot" which offers permanent part-time care and the PGB and Student Guild have subsidised "House at Pooh Corner", a long day care centre.

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Heinz Harant Nominations are now open!

Put your friend's hand up!

If you know someone who has been an outstanding UNSW Union (now UNSW Source) volunteer, nominate them now and they could be rewarded with the prestigious UNSW Source Heinz Harant Award!

Nominees must have participated in one or more UNSW Union volunteer programs over a number of years. Nominations will be judged on the nominee's leadership, dedication and overall contribution to the UNSW Union.

The nomination form can be downloaded at www.source.unsw.edu.au – look for the link on Latest News.

Nominations close
Friday 24 March 2006
(end of Week 4)

Do you know someone who has made an outstanding contribution to student life at UNSW?

If so, nominate them for the Source's prestigious Heinz Harant award. Nominees must have participated in one or more Source volunteer programs over a number of years. Nominations will be judged on the nominee's leadership, dedication and contribution. For more information, or to download a nomination form, follow the links at www.source.unsw.edu.au. Nominations close Friday 24 March 2006 (end Week 4).

Employability skills courses

UNSW Source provides a selection of vocational programs at cost price to provide students with skills which enhance employability options. Courses include Bar skills, Barista and Coffee Art, Responsible Service of Alcohol and First Aid. Student members are eligible for concession rates. Enrol now! See www.source.unsw.edu.au for course dates and prices or email employability@source.unsw.edu.au.

Cybersoc AGM

3:30pm on Saturday 8 April 2006 (end of week 6) in room 160, Anzac Huts B9. There will be a LAN Party from 10am to 11pm – BYO computer and cables. Contact cybersoc@gmail.com.

Vaucluse High School Reunion

Vaucluse High School is closing forever and to commemorate a whole school reunion is happening on 9th April 11am – 3pm. Register your interest or ask questions at vhsreunion@vincero.com.au.

Get paid to talk about UNSW as a Student Ambassador

We are looking for outgoing and enthusiastic UNSW students (second year and above) to assist with our activities promoting UNSW to prospective students. Contact the Student Recruitment Office on studentrecruitment@unsw.edu.au or 9385 1844 / 1866 / 2413 for more information and to request an application package.

Do you want experience in promotions and advertising?

Got some spare time? Fancy a free lunch and t-shirt? Volunteer for the Hypesmiths and promote events that are provided FREE to students by the Source. Sessions run for half an hour and the minimum commitment is one session each week. For more information call 9385 7667 or email hypesmiths@source.unsw.edu.au

Easters Debating

UNSW Debating Society is going to ANU over the Easter long weekend for the Australian Novice Debating Championship. Trials are this weekend. www.debsoc.unsw.edu.au.

Are You the Next Big Thing?

The new Quad Performance Space is now open. If you or your CASOC club are interested in strutting your stuff, whatever that may be, contact the Roundhouse office TODAY on 9385-7630 or venue@source.unsw.edu.au

Lord Mayor's Welcome for International Students

The Lord Mayor of Sydney, Ms Clover Moore, invites all new commencing international students to attend a special welcome reception at Sydney Town Hall on Wednesday, 22 March at 4pm. Transportation to Town Hall will be provided from UNSW.

Free entry; students must register at International Student Services reception.

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VOXPOPS

Q1 *What is your most embarrassing sporting moment*

Q2 *What sports would you like to see more of at the Uni Roundhouse?*



Kate

1. When my netball skirt fell off playing in the netball grand final!
2. The three-legged race and the potato sack race. Those type of fun party sports.

Bec

1. Falling upstairs not down them
2. Bring back the mechanical bull

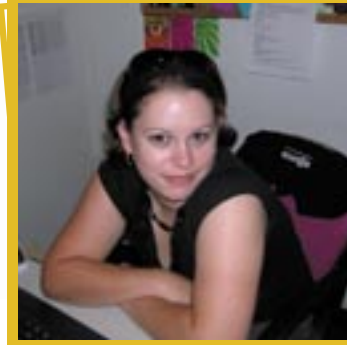


Amanda

1. I stacked it playing football with a group of guys at my school.
2. Hip Hop

Bridget

1. I was at a dance recital and I did the wrong dance move in the front line and everyone saw
2. Hip hop



Emma

1. Being tripped over during a game of roller hockey, falling over on the pavement and splitting open my chin.
2. More tennis oh, and soccer...indoor soccer.



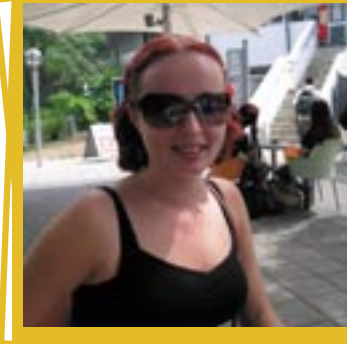
Adrian

1. I was in a downhill mountain race and fell off during the easiest section of the race in front of about twenty people.
2. A lot of Rugby Union



Hong

1. Once I went hiking in the Snowies and there was a barbed wire fence and I thought I'd jump it and I didn't really make it!
2. Snowboarding



Julia

1. I fell off a climbing frame and crashed into a tree
2. Soccer and maybe wrestling



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