



## INTRODUCTION

Best of luck for your final exams and assessments. Congratulations for making it through the first half of the Guild term!

## MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES | Guild

- **Administrative**
  - Dani Van Standen's fairwell event.
  - Regular meetings with Tony Goodman.
  - Guild Alumni plan meeting.
- **Student Services**
  - Engagement strategy meeting.
  - International Student Barometer survey meetings.
  - UCC Camp Approval.
- **Catering & Tavern**
  - Tavern tender meeting.
  - Tavern fitting meeting (x 2).
  - Catering review meeting.
- **Student Portfolios**
  - **Committees:**
    - Welfare & Advocacy Committee Meeting.
    - Executive Meeting (x 2).
    - Strategic Resources Committee Meeting.
    - Executive Management Committee Meeting.
    - Catering & Tavern Committee Meeting.
    - Corporate Services Committee Meeting.
    - VACE Committee Meeting.
  - **Meetings:**
    - Sports Advisory Board meeting with Cass Greenwell & Torey Rickerby.
    - PROSH Debrief with Directors and relevant staff departments.
    - SOC Meeting.
    - Budget Structure Meeting.
  - **Events:**
    - Environment Department Student Garden planting day.
    - Queer Department Quiz Night.
    - MARNDA Week events.
    - PAC Language Fest.
    - PAC Social Justice Week.
  - **Projects:**
    - Guild Village Precinct brainstorm & meeting with architect.

## MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES | University

- **University-wide**
  - Annual meeting with the Chancellor.
  - Renewal Project meeting with University Executive, Guild Council and Faculty Society Presidents.
  - Strategic IT and IM Committee Meeting.
  - University Scholarships Committee Meeting.
  - Planning and Resources Committee Meeting.
  - Australian Institute of Company Directors, Foundations of Directorship Course.
- **Education**
  - Academic Board Meeting.
  - Student Consultative Committee meeting, with presentation from Brain & Poulter.
  - Regular meeting with Library.
  - Regular meeting with Alec Cameron.
  - Regular communications meeting with Lisa Cluett.
  - Critical Incident reporting procedure meeting, with Lisa Cluett.
- **Student Life**
  - Regular meeting with Chris Massey.
  - Meeting with Chris Massey & Shyaam Patel to discuss College representation.
  - The Hunting Ground screening meeting with HPU.
- **Operational**
  - Meeting with Campus Management about problem teaching facilities at UWA.
  - Commercial Masterplan Presentation with Brain & Poulter.
  - Facilities Operations Meeting, with Security and Campus Management.
  - Monthly meeting with Campus Management.
- **Student Groups**
  - Meeting with the Muslim Students Association re: Halal, Ramadan and the prayer space.
- **Convocation**
  - Convocation Council Meeting.
- **Other**
  - My Collection & GenYM Opening event.
  - McCusker Centre for Citizenship & Rotary Perth 'Wallace Kyle Oration', with David Morrison – Australian of the Year.

## MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES | External

- **Meeting with Peter Collier, Minister for Education (State)**

The WA Guild Presidents, and Emma Boogaerdt were invited to meet with the Minister for Education and his chief Policy Adviser to discuss the proposed amendments to the university acts. Detailed discussion below.



## ITEMS OF INTEREST TO GUILD COUNCIL

- **Renewal Proposal**

Following the meeting with the University Executive, I am continuing to seek student input in the considerations and decision making around the Renewal Project. I will have further updates for Guild Council at the meeting.

- **Brain & Poulter**

I will provide an in camera update at the meeting.

- **Universities Legislation Amendment Act Campaign**

I will provide an update at the meeting.

## FINANCES SPENT THIS MONTH

Item	Budget Line	Amount	Budget
Donation of plants to Environment Department	Special Projects (Guild President)	\$64.00	\$10,000 <i>Spent YTD: \$447.63</i>
Translator for Social Justice Week Seminar	Special Projects (Guild Council)	\$209.00	\$20,000 <i>Spent YTD: \$594.81</i>
CCZ Guild Alumni Tour	Special Projects (Guild Council)	\$83.17 (food) \$302.64 (beverages)	\$20,000 <i>Spent YTD: \$594.81</i>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$658.81	



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## Vice President Report | May 2016

May 25th, 2016

Can't believe that it's almost the end of May! I have kept this one brief after receiving some feedback that I use too many words. Please let me know if you have any other questions or if you would like me to expand on any of my points.

### MEETINGS |

- Executive Meeting (11/5, 18/5)
- Access Collective open meeting (3/5)
- Meeting with Hames Sharley architect (13/5)
- Meeting with University Executive (5/5)
- Unipark Appeals Panel (4/5, 18/5)
- Budget structure review meeting (19/5)

### COMMITTEES |

- Welfare and Advocacy Committee (9/5)
- Corporate Services Committee (18/5)
- Strategic Resources Committee (16/5)
- Executive Management Committee (27/5)

### COMMITTEES | Corporate Services Committee

I am the member of Executive that is responsible for Corporate Services Committee, and its Chair. Here is an update of Committee projects:

- **Computer investment program**

Noting the Guild does not have a computer investment plan, SRC tasked CSC with the job of laying out a plan for the purchase of new computers/tablets for the Guild. A working group has been created to address this. The group will take in to account user requirements, portability, pricing and capabilities and specs of the potential computers/tablets. If you believe your department/sub-council has irregular computer requirements, please let me know.

- **POS**

We have made our first deposit and received the hardware for the new TASK system. Having seen the new systems, and the new features, I am excited and hopeful that they will contribute positively to the effectiveness of our catering operations. Our product list has been given to TASK to be entered in to the software. We are awaiting

- **Servers and emails**

The transition to a new server, particularly for our emails, has not made much progress this month – the focus has been on POS and the CIP. After meeting with a Cloud provider company, we have narrowed the scope of the sort of service we require during this process (i.e., we don't need the hardware for a cloud, but rather someone to host ours). We have looked at a number of different companies for the actual transition of our files once we find a cloud host. This will become a priority.

- **Sanitary bins**

We have signed a contract with a cleaning company to organise the maintenance of the Sanitary bins in Hackett and the Guild area. The contract is for a one-year period.

- **Second-hand Bookshop**

The review is coming along, although slower than anticipated. Thanks to Rebecca for assistance with research in to

market conditions, trends in Bookshops on campuses and statistics for other universities. The review will be complete for the next CSC meeting.

## **UNIVERSITY | Parking & Security**

- **Parking & Security Update**

Associate Director Facilities Operations (Campus Management) George Anderson was unwell the day of our meeting, so Maddie and I met with Manager Campus Services (Campus Management) Garry Jones and the new head of Security, Ian. We discussed a number of items regarding security, end-of-trip facilities and parking. Some relevant information including:

- Requested easier access to end-of-trip facilities near Bayliss and in Maths, which should mean all students can use those facilities without having to register with UniPark
- There will be a loss of 300 paid parking bays when Forrest Hall construction starts. We suggested some alternative arrangements, which Garry will follow up on. Waiting to hear on how this loss of bays will be offset.
- Campus Management have done review of Security, with a number of recommendations that are already being implemented. There are new CCTVs outside the Winthrop prayer room and in the tower.

- **Parking Appeals Committee**

The Guild Vice President is the only consistent member of the Parking Appeals Committee, of which there have been two since our last Guild Council meeting. At these meetings, a number of student (and staff) parking fines are waived, taking in to account their reasons and personal circumstances.

## **STAFF | Interviews**

By the time of the meeting, I will have helped Jenny conduct interviews for an additional Student Assist Officer.

## **DEPARTMENTS | MASA**

As Vice President, it is my role to assist the Mature Age Student Association as a Guild Department. MASA has been slow this month due to commitments of the few committee members – hence the need to expand the committee.

- **End of Semester Sundowner**

We are organising the traditional End of Semester Sundowner at UniClub for Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. If anybody is interested in attending, please let me know – everyone is welcome.

## **DEPARTMENTS | Access**

- **Constitution**

Graham is working hard on finalising a constitution for the group, to formalise its operations. The emphasis within this document will be formalising procedures for inclusivity and support for individual committee members' access requirements. The goal is for this to be completed before the end of semester. I would like to applaud him for his hard work.

- **Welfare Week (Week 12)**

After a couple of attempts (resulting in postponement), the group will be running a stall during Welfare Week. We had planned to organise a talk or seminar to coincide with this week, but this was not achievable.

- **Committee**

We have had a number of expressions of interest for individuals to join the committee. Conscious of some people expressing an interest and then not being able to fully commit, I am trying to make sure involvement is not too onerous a task.

- **Accessibility Questionnaire**

This month Graham has developed a questionnaire to be circulated to students regarding accessibility to university spaces. We are hopeful this will form feedback to pass on to the University about where to improve, and to allocate resources.

## **DEPARTMENTS | Albany**

I am very excited to be hearing the progress coming from Lauren and her committee in Albany. Please see her separate report attached for more updates. I have been very impressed with the efficiency and hardwork of the

committee so far, which is fantastic given they have been in their roles for less than 2 months. Exec will be Skyping with the committee, and planning a trip down to Albany.

#### **DEPARTMENTS | International**

Clashing schedules have meant I have not had a chance to meet with Kenneth regarding further organisation of an International Student Forum. This will be a priority in the coming week.

#### **FINANCIALS | MASA**

There has not been any expenditure for this month for MASA.

#### **FINANCIALS | EXECUTIVE**

A total of \$209 was approved by Executive to help fund an AUSLAN Interpreter for UWADU's Women in Advocacy Panel Discussion for Social Justice Week. I was very impressed with all panellists and their contributions, and congratulations to Charlotte Glance and the committee for such a great event.

For this report, and for anything, if you have any question, queries, comments or concerns please contact me at [vp@guild.uwa.edu.au](mailto:vp@guild.uwa.edu.au).

Charlie Viska  
Vice President



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May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## INTRODUCTION

It has been a busy start for the Albany Guild since the elections on April 11<sup>th</sup> this year. We are looking to make a lot of changes around the Albany campus and the student representatives have been busy putting foundations in place so that these important changes can be commenced as soon as possible.

The Executive has been focused on connecting students into the campus through engagement and marketing, as well as our other planned events.

This report includes meetings and activities that have occurred in my first month as President-Elect (beginning April 11<sup>th</sup>).

## MEETINGS | Guild

- **Crawley Guild Briefing**
  - Meeting with Maddie Mulholland about the Guild format, overview of goals and events/projects for the Albany Guild 2016 and opportunities for the students.
  - Briefing on finances and Crawley Guild support
- **Student Life**
  - Meeting with Guild members to discuss promotion and event details for PROSH, ANZAC day participation and end of semester wind-up.
- **Guild Executive**
  - Meeting with Guild Exec to discuss proposal for new budget, and distribution of finances
  - It was agreed that a new budget would be proposed focusing the majority of Albany Guild finances on events to improve student connections to one another and the campus.
  - Guild Exec meetings will be held fortnightly.

## MEETINGS | External

- Meeting with friends of UWA, to discuss their involvement in improving student opportunities at the Albany campus and community involvement.
- On the 21<sup>st</sup> of April, I attended the Local Advisory Meeting for the Rural Clinical School to discuss opportunities available for the rural medical students to become more involved in campus life and community events in which UWA Albany participates such as ANZAC day.

## PROJECTS/ACTIVITIES

- **ANZAC Day March and Service**
  - On the 25<sup>th</sup> of April, the UWA Albany students and staff participated in the ANZAC parade for the first time since UWA Albany was established.
  - UWA Albany director, Ms Jennifer O'Neil and Albany Guild secretary Stevi Filipowski, laid a wreath at

the following ANZAC ceremony.

- **PROSH**

- On Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> of April, the Albany Campus ran PROSH. It was a very successful morning despite the wet weather conditions! I would like to thank Peter Derbyshire (PSA President) for travelling down to Albany from the Crawley campus to assist with the event and everyone else that was involved!

- **Facilities Development**

- The Guild has been meeting regularly to put foundations in place to renovate the student common area at the Albany campus. We are aiming to modernise the space and increase student facilities to make the room more functional for campus events and encourage a more connected and social atmosphere on campus.

## **FINANCES**

- We have proposed a new budget, however our original budget and spending is included in the table below.

	Budgeted	Spent
General Expenses (Catering & Bills)	\$1000	\$513
Functions/ Events	\$2000	\$0

## **SUMMARY**

It has been a slightly hectic month establishing a new format for the Albany Guild. This is the first year that the Albany campus has had student elections, and the biggest year so far regarding the number of enrolled students on campus both undergraduate and postgraduate so there are a lot of new changes happening. There is still a lot more work to be done upgrading the Albany Guild format and establishing the Guild's presence and purpose on campus. However this month has been very promising and I would love to thank the Albany Guild members, UWA staff and Crawley Guild for your support.

Lauren Püllella  
Albany Guild President



### **Ethnocultural Collective @ UWA**

I've met with Kenneth and George from ISS and Multicultural Week, as well as spoken to a few cultural club presidents in order to get an idea of what they see as the main issues we would want to represent students on within the Collective, as well as the structure of the collective itself. We now also officially have our logo and official Guild hexagon, and our Facebook page will be going up very soon!

### **Campaigns**

As part of the different campaigns we are looking to run, I am involved in organising a CALD youth mental health event through Headspace Armadale in September. The aim is to reach out to young people from various culturally and linguistically diverse groups. It will also engage with families and communities in speaking about the mental health issues which are unique to the experiences of young people from minority backgrounds, and the avenues which can be taken to address the underrepresentation in help-seeking by such groups. We will be getting representation from cultural student groups at UWA at the event, and will also look to roll out an on-campus equivalent at some point in the future in order to ensure that the needed form of welfare support is provided to Ethnocultural students during their time at university.

### **NUS Ethnocultural Conference**

There will be an Ethnocultural Students Conference held by the National Union of Students in Melbourne at the end of July, and we will be encouraging students to attend and, depending on the level of interest, may be able to provide some partial funding for those that do wish to go.

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**Guild Secretary Report | May 2016**  
**May 25<sup>th</sup> 2016**

Hello! It's come that time in the semester when everything is due....Bleehhh. Anyway, so far this month has been quite busy. But here's what I've been up to.

### Secretary Duties |

Secretarial duties I have carried out this month are:

- Compiling and circulating Guild Council and Committee Minutes, Agendas and Resolutions.
- Follow up of business from Minutes and meetings.
- Getting minutes uploaded to the website.
- Reading the policy book.
- Workshopping ideas for the handbook which now may become something different.

### Guild Executive | Summary

The Guild Executive have approved various loans and grants over the past month. We have also had weekly meetings to see where we are at with our various projects, overdrafts and so far are tracking well.

### Strategic Resources Committee | Summary

The Strategic Resources met on Monday May 16<sup>th</sup> to discuss the new plans for Nedlands café, Catering Survey results and precinct plan to name a few of the things.

### Student Services Committee | Summary

Student Services meeting was held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May. This meeting we discussed;

- Student assists' food pantry
- EOSS1 marketing plan
- Volunteering
- ISB survey
- Plans to make the Guild Student Centre and Ref Courtyard visible.

### EOSS1: Out Of This World

EOSS1 is happening Friday June 3<sup>rd</sup>, we have most things planned and we will be workshopping stuff in the next week. I have worked with events to come up with a promotion strategy and we hope it is well attended. Come down and bring friends make it awesome!! :D

### Executive Management Committee | Summary

EMC met on Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup>, we approved committee minutes. We got an update of the Precinct plan, Alumni project and operational review planning.

### Conclusion |

If you have questions, ask me stuff at: [secretary@guild.uwa.edu.au](mailto:secretary@guild.uwa.edu.au)

**Michael Kabondo**  
**Guild Secretary**





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Tom Burke, Treasurer | March 2016

April 22nd , 2016

Dear Councillors,

The last month has been largely about monitoring the financial side of our operations, particularly within the catering businesses.

## Finance

### Budget Structure Working Group

A working group comprising Mutya, Maddie, Charlie, Emma and myself was appointed from SRC to review the structure of the budget for 2017. Our first meeting was held on Thursday 19 May, and many points of concern were identified and discussed. The working group will meet again in the future to finalise our recommendation for the 2017 budget structure.

### Overdrafts

Leisure	4,405	Mexicana 2016
UEC	33,500	UEC Ball 2016
ASU	1000	To cover a previously unapproved overdraft

Leisure have delayed their repayment citing banking issues. They will be required to meet and negotiate a new repayment plan.

### Department Finances:

All department spending was reasonably close to budget last month, with the exceptions of ISL (Largely due to spending of money left unspent in previous months) and RSD (Due to timing issues surrounding their ball).

### Catering and Tavern

The Catering and Tavern Committee met once since our last meeting.

#### Meeting of 18 May

- Tasted new Tavern alcoshakes being developed in line with a 2015 campaign promise.
- Considered some minor points surrounding the Tavern renovations, including Hero bar fonts, and making the mezzanine wall into a feature wall.
- Discussed the ongoing planning of the pop up bar that will function during the closure of the tavern in early semester 2.
- Discussed feedback from the catering survey
- Discussion on better accommodation of dietary requirements.
- Considered the idea of listing our outlets on online rating sites – decided against it.



Apologies for the late report – I have been in Sydney for the National Schools Debating Championship for the past week, and as such haven't had a chance to write my report (and this is also why it's shorter than usual.) On the plus side – the kids did really well and I successfully supervised four children for a week without any crises occurring.

## MEETINGS

Here is a summary of the meetings of the meetings worth noting that I have had over the past few weeks:

- University
  - Education Futures Strategy Group
  - Academic Board
  - Renewal Project Meeting with Guild Council and Education Council
  - Academic Policies & Procedures Communications Group
  - Meeting with Education Futures regarding tl;dr Policy Guides
- Education Council
  - Meeting with Education Students
  - Student Consultative Committee
- Other Guild
  - Student Services Meeting
  - Strategic Resources Meeting x2
  - Welfare and Advocacy Meeting
- Meeting with the Hon. Peter Collier, Minister for Education

## EDUCATION COUNCIL | Education Students Association

I had a meeting with a Graduate Diploma in Education student after the last Guild Council Meeting and we have come up with a plan for re-starting the Education Union (to be re-named the Education Students Association) including creating a survey for Education Students to work out what they're interested in getting out of a Faculty Society, and running some low-barrier 'grill the Guild' type events up at the Nedlands campus.

## EAN | Enroll to Vote Campaign

Lina, Maddie, and I have been working on an 'enroll to vote' campaign in the lead up to the federal election, with posters, a countdown banner, iPad enrolments, a stall on Oak Lawn, and some social media posts to ensure that UWA students are enrolled and can exercise their democratic right on July 2!

## DISCIPLINE CLUBS | Podiatric Medicine Student Society (PMSS)

I have been in contact with the President of PMSS about the current review of the Podiatry Course, and ensuring that student feedback is adequately incorporated. In addition, we have been in discussions with the Health Students Society (HSS) about starting a network of clubs and societies that relate to health students.

## PROJECTS | 'tl;dr Policy Guides'

Last week I met with some staff from Education Futures who saw the tl;dr Policy Guide I made and wanted to discuss communication strategy for the Assessment Policy, especially regarding implementation of digital assessment tools. If any student has questions, issues, and/or feedback on the Policy please contact them via [assessment-edfutures@uwa.edu.au](mailto:assessment-edfutures@uwa.edu.au).



## **UNIVERSITY | Universities Act**

The Universities Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 was introduced into the Legislative Assembly on May 19<sup>th</sup> by the Liberal State Government. Maddie and I, along with representatives of the other Student Guilds in WA, met with the Minister a few weeks ago and we can give a verbal update on this at the meeting. For information on the Bill please click [here](#).

## **FINANCES | April**

I have not spent any funds in May so far.

## **CONTACT |**

If you have any questions or want to get involved please email me at [ed@guild.uwa.edu.au](mailto:ed@guild.uwa.edu.au).



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### Language Festival | Re-Cap

This year was the inaugural year for Language Festival and we're all pretty proud of how it all went. Definitely some things work on as nothing is ever perfect (at least in my opinion) but definitely an incredible first run of Language Fest!

The movie night collaboration with UWA French Club and UWA Italian Club was a huge success. Whilst the event wasn't ticketed and couldn't sell out – the venue was packed, with more and more chairs and beanbags having to be added as people trickled in for their night of Amelie and pizza.

The Speed Dating with Languages on Oak was incredible with huge club turn out, and plenty of interested students around ready to try their hand at a different language. Club feedback was that it was also a good club bonding experience as they got to share their love of languages with each other and other students on campus.

The Tav takeover was simple but sweet. We had Sharin from MSU perform some songs in the courtyard of the Tavern in English as well as Indonesian. Due to the timing of the event, a few other performers were unable to attend in the end, so this is something to consider when running another live music in the Tav event in the future.

The total expenditure of Language Fest was \$0.

### Social Justice Week | Re-Cap

A huge congratulations needs to be said to Hannah Matthews the PAC Vice-President for the incredible delivery of her vision for Social Justice Week this year.

We had full turn out to our events which engaged students in a number of social justice issues and discussion topics. The Social Justice Edition of Poems on Oak was an excellent collaboration with the Creative Writing and Poetry Club and Said Poets Society. A number of topics were explored through slam poetry and spoken word, with notable local and international poets in attendance.

The Social Justice Edition of the Club Carnival turned Oak Lawn into a melt pot for social justice discussions and interested students. Everything from a Bring Them Here protest run by Students for Refugees to an anti-palm oil petition and bake sale was on offer for students during the carnival. This was also a good opportunity for our lovely Guild Departments to get some face time with students as well.

The sleep out on Oak Lawn to raise awareness for youth homelessness was a huge success as the first event run that had permission from the University for students to sleep on campus for a cause. We had 80 students brave the cold out of 113 register participants with even more students around for the movie screen, which pushed our numbers up to 100 students on Oak Lawn engaging with the event and listening to the guest speaker organised by the Arts Union. Electronic Music Appreciation Society won the competition for most students in attendance as part of a club and have decided to donate \$200 of the \$300 raised to Live Below the Line and Relay for Life.

The last event that PAC ran was the Panel Discussion run in collaboration with the McCusker Centre for Citizenship on Indigenous issues prevalent in Australia and WA. We had five guest speakers that the McCusker Centre kindly organised for us: James Black from Reconciliation WA, Vinka Barunga a 6<sup>th</sup> Year UWA Medical Student, Sharon

Bushby from the Aboriginal Health Council of WA, Hector O'Loughlin from OUTCARE WA and Victoria Williams from the Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia (ALSWA). This event was free and in full attendance, again with extra seating needing to be added also students, staff, alumni and other community members trickled in to hear the discussion. It was an incredible privilege of the Public Affairs Council to host such an event with Indigenous people leading the discussion on how to address the ongoing challenges faced by our Indigenous communities in Western Australia.

A number of club events were also run under the banner of Social Justice Week which is always incredible to see. This included a Social Justice Lecture Series run by UWADU on topics such as Women in Advocacy, Animal Ethics and LGBTI+ Issues, the ASU's panel discussion on the cultural and linguistic integration challenges of migrants in Australia and the EWB Hunger Games which raised awareness of a number of social justice issues in society today.

The total expenditure for Social Justice Week was \$0.

### **Book-Con | Planning**

We're currently discussing with a few club presidents and Guild Events on the events calendar for Book-Con in Week 3 of Semester 2. The University Visual Arts Clubs are already on board to help us make a book inspired art installation, run a scavenger hunt around campus and produce a zine/colouring in book made up of student's artworks.

If anyone on council is interested in being involved in this event or can get me in contact with some cosplayers that would be much appreciated.

### **Collaborations | Guild Departments**

PAC is proud to have collaborated with WASAC to present a Wine and Cheese Night in the Tavern during the MARNDA Week celebrations. The event was probably the most heart-warming and fun event I've been to in a long time. We decorated the venues whilst Wendi and Sienna from WASAC set up the wonderful cheese and wine spreads for the evening. The event had a huge turn out and it was so great to be a part of the MARNDA week celebrations, meeting a whole bunch of wonderful people! Many thanks to Tyson for inviting PAC to collaborate with WASAC this year.

### **Campus Culture | Live Music and Outdoor Spaces**

We've had a huge interest from students on campus in response to the musician call out posters that went up a few weeks ago. Siobhan and I have been getting a constant flow of emails from students all over campus, including some bands from college who are all interested in performing. We've had a few already doing some acoustic jams and busking in the Oasis (Ref Courtyard) and I'm working on getting those who are available, to do some live music in the Tavern Courtyard now that the fence is finished up and all the cute pot plants are going in.

If you have any questions about any of the above, please get in touch with me at via e-mail at [pac@guild.uwa.edu.au](mailto:pac@guild.uwa.edu.au). If your department would like to get involved, or you have new thoughts regarding event ideas, feel free to email me at the address above or see me in the student rep office anytime on Wednesdays.

Megan Lee  
2016 Public Affairs Council President





## **INTRODUCTION**

The last month has been productive for the Societies Council with wrapping up of many projects and a new focus on the projects yet to be completed. Before I develop on those however I would like to congratulate Lianne Leung on becoming the new Societies Council Treasurer elected at last weeks meeting. This was necessary due the vacancy left by the previous treasurer who had to step down due to other pressing commitments. I look forward to bringing Lianne up to speed so she can start pursuing the work she is so passionate about.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

**The key aspects of club administration are as follows:**

### **❖ New Club Affiliations**

The following clubs successfully affiliated at the Societies Council meeting last week:

- Women in Business
- UWA League Club

There were no clubs that were unsuccessful in affiliation.

This means that the Guild has 126 Active clubs and societies and 17 Lapsed & 4 New/Pending clubs.

Currently I have received interest from the following clubs to go up for affiliation at the next SOC Meeting:

- BulletPerth
- Musical Theatre Club
- Perth Undergraduate Choral Society

### **❖ Re-Affiliations/Lapsed Clubs**

I have had interest in restarting the University Flying Club which was a club on campus from the 1960's however was disaffiliated at some stage – most likely when UWA Sports was transferred to the University. .

### **❖ Executive Registration Forms**

There are currently 9 clubs with out up to date ERFs registered with the Guild.

### **❖ Constitutions**

There are currently 13 clubs and 6 faculty societies without a registered constitution, although some of these are awaiting resubmission.

### **❖ Incorporation**

Sean is continuing to follow up incorporation.

### **❖ Treasurer Training**

There is a final session for clubs to attend Treasurer Training- 25<sup>th</sup> of May from 5:00. It is hoped all clubs would have completed it by the time Semester grants are due.

### **❖ Student Leadership Training**

Beth and Sean have taken the lead on this I hope to see some change to SLT provision next year.

### **❖ Club Debt**

I have recommended to SRC the writing off of debt associated with disaffiliated clubs, in addition to some debt which should be reclaimed by recently Lapsed clubs.

## **EVENTS**

### ❖ **SOC Meetings**

The May SOC meeting went reasonably well, with only a technical issue with one of the presenters PowerPoint and some confusion with the election detracting from the meeting. I am happy to report that both UWA Alumni and Convocation came and discussed the opportunities that they provide to clubs. I hope to see more clubs engaging their past members, both as a resource to draw upon but also to embrace the history and culture of their club.

Kasey did a fantastic job updating clubs, from BBQS to the Oasis (Ref Courtyard). The willingness of Guild staff to stay late and help clubs should be commended.

Date	Event
<b>17<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>SOC Meeting #1</b>
<b>26<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>O'Day</b>
<b>29<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Semester One Begins</b>
<b>8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Club Carnival</b>
<b>16<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>SOC Meeting #2</b>
<b>13<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>PROSH</b>
<b>14<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>SOC Meeting #3</b>
<b>18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>SOC Meeting #4</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> August</b>	<b>Semester Two Begins</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<b>Club Carnival</b>
<b>17<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<b>SOC Meeting #5</b>
<b>14<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>SOC Meeting #6</b>
<b>19<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>SOC Meeting #7</b>

### ❖ **Club Carnival (Second Semester)**

Beth is heading up the second semester Club Carnival and has begun planning with Events. Ideas and suggestions welcome!

### ❖ **Networking Event**

Planning has commenced on a networking event for all club executives and Resident Club Presidents in the Tavern for early in Semester Two. We hope this will serve as a way to facilitate collaboration, both between clubs and between clubs and colleges. We will hopefully be able to show off the Taverns new look (and hopefully a Tavern package for clubs) and our Collaboration Guide which is currently underworks.

### ❖ **First-Aid Training**

As mentioned at last Guild Council, Events have been fantastic in organising an external first-aid provider to run heavily discounted senior first-aid sessions for clubs. As of writing the two sessions we have booked have not occurred – I can provide an update however at the meeting. It has also been good to see a lot of clubs wishing to run their own exclusive sessions for their committees and members.



## **PROJECTS**

These are the key projects either underway or listed as a priority:

### ❖ **Campus Quest**

Sarah (SOC OCM) is heading this project with support from Events. It will be run for commencing students after their Orientation before semester starts. The aim being to acquaint students with locations on campus which are beneficial but not found by just going to class. At this stage it looks like it will be an orienteering style adventure with a free BBQ on Oak Lawn after completing the quest.

### ❖ **Club discounts**

No change to be reported. This will hopefully be addressed once exams have subsided.

### ❖ **Decorations Lease and Hire System**

Elly (SOC OCM) has kindly taken this project on, will report any changes accordingly.

### ❖ **Website**

The changes to the SOC page have I think been a success, I hope to update all the relevant documents during the winter holidays. If you have any issues or suggestions we can include in our document please get in contact.

## **CLUB COLLABORATIVE ZONE**

The CCZ remains a priority of mine and am glad to see a lot of people using the space, my areas of focus this past month have been:

### ❖ **CCZ Business Case**

I am currently finalising a business case to be submitted to SRC before next week, it shall include ideas and suggestions I have received from clubs and will hopefully build on these facilities to make them even more valuable to clubs.

### ❖ **Swipe-Access**

After the installation of swipe-card access two weeks ago I have drafted an Swipe-access Policy which is now sitting with Governance. It permits all club executives' access to the CCZ provided they submit a basic registration form – this is due to the regretful situation where we have to manually enter each person into the security system. In order to reduce the workload on Guild IT we have chosen an opt-in system. Students other than non-executives may apply for swipe-access provided they follow the old procedure with blue forms.

### ❖ **Signage**

The 15 sign-holders mentioned in my last report have arrived and I look forward to finalising the designs with Creative so they can go up soon. Any further suggestions on information required by people in the CCZ is welcome.

Whilst I am overall satisfied with the uptake by clubs of the CCZ I would still love more engagement and am always keen for ideas!

## **TENANCY**

I have no updates on Tenancy which Jesse would not have covered in his report.

### ❖ **Storage and Mailbox Review**

Applications remain open for storage until the 30<sup>th</sup> of May. I am unaware of the status of the mailbox review.



Date
<del>December – 13<sup>th</sup></del>
<del>February – 20<sup>th</sup></del>
<del>April – 23<sup>rd</sup></del>
July – 30 <sup>th</sup>
October – 1 <sup>st</sup>

## FINANCE

### ❖ Semester Grants

The largest grant we provide is Semester grants, these have now opened and will close on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of June. I will update the Council on any interesting statistics that emerge from the applications next month.

### ❖ Sponsorship

Due to the under-application of Lion Nathan Grants last year SOC will be able to offer clubs almost \$9,000 worth of grants instead of the usual \$5,000. This is good news due to the increase applications we have had this year.

### ❖ Expenses

I have finally been properly invoiced by Catering, so please note the large expense jump in the YTD for Meetings Expenses. Apart from that I am on budget or under budget with all line items except for Stationary and Printing.

Line Item	Expense	Amount Budgeted MAY	Amount Budgeted for 2016	Amount Spent DEC – APRIL 2016
SOC Grants	\$300	\$0.00	89,000	\$19,750
Awards & Prizes	/	\$0.00	1,500	-
Sundry Activities	\$0.00	\$583.33	6,999.96	\$755.33
Meeting Expenses	\$45*	\$250.00	2,450	\$1881.32
Printing and Stationery	\$27.82	\$33.33	399.96	\$213.91
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,192.04</b>	<b>\$1,044.66</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$22,618.56</b>

\*Expenses awaiting to be charged to account



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Women's Department | May 2016

May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## EVENTS | WOMEN'S WEEK

At the time of writing this report, we are mid Women's Week!

The schedule of the week is as follows.

### Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May

Self Defence Classes

1pm and 2pm, Sue Boyd Room

### Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May

Gender Pay Gap Bake Sale

Common Lunch Hour, Oak Lawn

### Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May

Women's DJ Lessons with EMAS

12-2pm, Ref Courtyard

### Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May

Gender Equality Panel Discussion

12-1pm, Austin Lecture Theatre

Thus far, the week has gone very well. I look forward to reporting to Council on the success of the remainder of the week.

### Monday

The self defence classes were free with online registration, and both reached their capacity of 12 participants by the day of the event. The first class was just under capacity, while the second class was over attended as some participants brought a friend, and attended the second class rather than the first. Though this large class posed some challenge to the sole instructor, Suraya, it was thoroughly enjoyed as was the prior class. In each 50 minute class Suraya not only demonstrated self defence techniques, but focused on the empowerment of participants, and internalising and projecting confidence. Suraya was a magnificent instructor, and reinforce the position that

everyone has a right to safety, but safety is a common concern of women students, and knowledge of self defence and personal awareness can further one's confidence. I've received glowing feedback and requests for further classes. As such, I look forward to welcoming Suraya onto campus again the future.

#### Tuesday

The Gender Pay Gap Bake Sale on Tuesday raised \$110.80 for the Department's delegation to NOWSA. Most importantly, the bake sale furthered awareness and conversations about the Gender Pay Gap and inequality. Many thanks to all those who baked sweet goods and helped out with the stall.

#### Wednesday

With the expertise and equipment of EMAS, Wednesday brought a Women's DJ Lesson.

Though attendance was not as large as expected, this was advantageous in allowing more individual time on the decks and personal instruction. Those who participated were keenly enthusiastic to further develop their DJ skills and very much enjoyed the lesson. Many thanks to Courtney, Naomi, and the EMAS committee who made the lesson possible.

### **EVENTS I COLLABORATION**

Kicking off Women's Week, the Women's Department had the pleasure of collaborating with the Music Students Society's 'Mother's and Music High Tea' event on Sunday the 15th. The event was an intimate concert and high tea with performances by music students of pieces predominantly by women composers. The Department extends thanks to MSS for inviting us to be a part of the morning.

### **FINANCES**

	May
Actual Spend	\$276.92
Budgeted Spend	\$320.00
Actual Income	\$110.80
Budgeted Income	\$100.00

Printing of Promotional and Informative Material: \$56.92

Self Defence Classes: \$220.00

Projected further expenses from Women's Week: \$40



## Overview

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**In detail:**

Around 25 events in the space of ~8 hours over 4 days and you can probably call me a Beyblade cos Let Me R.I.P. I'm so nervous and I really hope everyone turns up when they said they would next week because I think I might just dig a hole on Oak Lawn and if anyone wants to join me in sitting in it, feel free.

Event description says what I'm doing here: [www.tinyurl.com/welfareweek2016](http://www.tinyurl.com/welfareweek2016)

I'll put in detail next month exactly what I did for everything when I'm less  
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Only good thing that's happened in a while is good positive responses from people who have coffee cups from Guild Café with my polar bears on them and I'm so thankful that people like them.

## Dollarydoo's:

To date:

Food Pantry – 800

Stickers \* 1000 – 560

UEC grant – 100

PAW PLI – 100

## Coin Drops – still estimating

Messages – 180

Welfare Week Banner – doing tonight so I'll have it in the next report

I literally am so poor please help.

Welfare needs welfare.

## Conclusion

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Environment Department | May 2016

May 25th, 2016

Hiya folks,

Time's flying by! Here's what Enviro's been up to:

#### **Desk Mat**

I bought myself a desk mat from UniPrint because people always dump stuff on my desk.

**Spend: \$5.00**

#### **Clean Up Day**

Organised this for the 30<sup>th</sup> of May with volunteering and bought a bunch of bin liners for people to use for it. Also bought clear bin liners for catering (for their recycling bins), because black plastic bags aren't good for recycling.

**Spend: \$60.75**

#### **Composting Audit**

We finally managed to do this! The result was 50kg in 180L of food waste coming out of the Refectory kitchen from one day. That's a fair bit of waste. We're investigating what we can do with it.

**Spend: \$55.00**

#### **KeepCup Stall**

We sold a lot of KeepCups as part of the Social Justice Week KeepCup stall, and by the time of council we'll have had 2 more plus some at FABSOC's ethical fashion show.

**Revenue: \$390.00**

#### **Meetings**

Had a few interesting meetings this month: Jasper Johnson, co-President of Enactus, is looking into taking on some of the projects we haven't gotten to yet; Lauren Hodson, Murdoch's Environment Officer, is looking to collaborate and bring our campuses together in a significant way; Brian Grindrod, Director of Business Development at Urbi, is looking to bring a bike share system onto campus without breaking our budget.

#### **Oasis PopUp**

Ran a pop-up giveaway of succulents potted in teacups to help promote the Oasis (previously known as Ref Courtyard). Was super cute and very popular. Potted a new mandarin tree as part of this. We'll be running another on the 24<sup>th</sup> of May.

**Spend: \$77.00**

#### **Restructure**

The restructuring of the Environment Department is now in full swing. We're creating 5 roles that will be flexible and modular, supported by very comprehensive handover documents. Anyone who's interested in the future of the Environment Department and wants to have a look at what we're doing, please contact me.

Total spend: \$197.75

Total revenue: \$390.00

Net profit/loss: +\$192.25

Kind regards,  
Dennis Venning



## 1. Overview

With end of Semester coming, we have started planning our major events for Semester 2 – specifically Pride Week. Our quiz night went extremely well, and had our largest turnout of any event this year. We have also discussed writing and distributing a newsletter, most likely to be actioned from the beginning of Semester 2. We have also identified, and will act on, opportunities for collaborative events with other Departments, FacSocs and clubs, and we have taken this into account with our planning for Pride Week and other events.

## 2. Finance

	Budgeted Amount (\$)	Spent Amount (\$)
<b>Quiz Night</b>	400.00	400.00
<i>Tavern Booking</i>	300.00	300.00
<i>Float</i>	100.00	100.00
<b>Other</b>	30.00	27.98
<i>Money Box</i>	30.00	27.98
<b>Profit</b>		485.00
<i>Quiz Night</i>		485.00
<b>Total</b>	430.00	Spent: 427.98
		Net: +57.02

## 3. Special General Meeting

The Special General Meeting was held at 13:00 on Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> April. We discussed the current name and asked people their opinions, such as whether they were comfortable being referred to as 'queer' and some reasoning behind changing or not changing the name of the Department. Some members expressed discomfort about calling themselves 'queer', and some also expressed concerns that it was a very open-ended term. However, some members wanted to stay with the name 'Queer Department', but were sympathetic and understanding toward those who were uncomfortable. We then held a brainstorming phase, where members were allowed to submit ideas for names of the Department. When everyone had given all their ideas, the names to be voted on were: LGBT Dept., LGBT+ Dept., Diverse Genders and Sexualities Dept. (DIGES), Marginalised Orientations Gender Alignments and Intersex Dept. (MOGAI), Gender and Sexuality Diverse Dept. (GSD), Gender and Sexual Minorities Dept. (GSM), Pride Dept., and Rainbow Dept. In conjunction with these, there was also the option of Queer Dept., for those who were happy with the current name. A private ballot was taken, with Pride Department being chosen as the most popular name. Hannah Matthews acted as the Returning Officer.

#### 4. Newsletter

With the shutdown of *Out in Perth*, we have decided to start up our own Queer Department newsletter. The newsletter will feature columns and articles written by members of the Department. Possible ideas for columns include *Reece's Food Review*, *Ask Ellen*, a feature of a book in the Department room, and a creative writing section. Department members will be able to submit articles about LGBT+ issues and other topics to be published in the newsletter. It will also include our events for the time period until the next newsletter. We are open to suggestions about columns to include, as well as other ideas. We are still deciding whether the newsletters will be weekly, biweekly or monthly. We have considered both print and online distribution, and we are most likely to do print distribution. A printing budget will, therefore, need to be allocated for printing newsletters.

#### 5. Events

##### 5.1. Questioning: The Queer Department Quiz Night

The quiz night went really well, with a great turnout! Absolutely no issues arose with participants: there was no [visible] cheating, no offensive language used, nothing of the sort. We were originally expecting to run the quiz night at a deficit, hoping to breakeven. However, we actually ended up making a total *profit* of \$66.30. A very big thank you to Ellen and Fraser who were the MCs, Kate and Laura who marked alongside me, and to everyone who came.

##### 5.2. Pride Week

Pride Week is scheduled for Week 4 in Semester 2, and at this point in time we have budgeted \$1000.00 to spend for the whole week. Since the last meeting, a rough plan has been drawn for the events to be held each day during Pride Week (times yet to be decided). *The following Pride Week events are subject to change.* These events include some that are run annually, as well as a few new ones:

*Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> August, Movie Night.* Last year, the Department did a screening of the movie *Pride*, with a relatively high turnout. We have decided to run this event again, with a different movie. We still need to decide on the movie and pay for the screening rights, and book a lecture theatre. Food and drinks will be purchased closer to time.

*Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August, Oak Lawn Festival.* This is a new event that we are trialling, and will most likely be held during common lunch hour. The idea is to have a number of activities on Oak Lawn that anyone can participate in. These include the games from the Guild Student Centre, a chill zone, various sports, and a dunk tank (*Dunk The Queer Officer*). We have spoken to the Science Union Welfare VP Ivan Roncevich, and they are keen to hold a joint tie-dye event with us on that day.

*Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August, Out in the Workplace Panel Discussion.* This was our most popular event last year, with very high turnout. Six panellists discussed what it was like being out as LGBT+ in their respective workplaces, with particular focus on how people treated them, whether they experienced discrimination from their employers, etc. Afterwards, there were light refreshments, and attendees had the chance to chat with the panellists. We are speaking with Diane McClaren from Careers to help organise and find panellists.

*Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August, Coming Out with Cake.* This is one of our more popular events as well. It is our only LGBT+-only event during Pride Week. During the event, we discuss our coming out stories over cake and coffee/tea. It is important to note that speaking about coming out stories is a personal choice, and there is

no pressure to speak, and no prejudice if someone chooses not to speak.

*Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August, Pride Week Party.* This is another new event. The idea is to have a huge gay/Mardi Gras-themed party in the Tav to celebrate the end of Pride Week. We have spoken to Jess Porter-Langson (Music Students' Society), Angus Fogell (Leisure) and Jack Masotto (Leisure) in order to plan the event. Ivan Roncevich (Science Union) has also expressed interest in being involved in the organisation. However, we have yet to meet to discuss the details.

## **6. Deputy Queer Officer**

Due to the success of her trial period, we have extended the appointment of Laura Clappinson until the end of our terms as Queer Officers. A notice has been lodged with the Guild Secretary, as per Section 8.7. of the Queer Department Constitution.



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[WASAC] Department | May 2016  
May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## Overview

As the semester starts to end with last minute assignments to complete majority of WASAC members haven't been able to fully participate in a few activities. The WASAC committee has identified the shift in commitment and have backed off in planning events through the week where students aren't able to engage. However, we have planned to host fortnightly activities to engage some students and staff. Overall May has been quite after a busy month in April so we'll take that.

## Marnda Week

WASAC has successfully hosted Marnda week for 2016. The whole week was a massive learning experience for our committee who participated in managing events and directing people. This allowed the workload to be shared across committed and for people to contribute their ideas in hosting an event. Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> of April had some interruption with the weather as our location was at Prescott court so we were able to hire out The Ref to host our Opening Night. With the late changes we still had a great turn out and the program was on schedule. Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> WASAC collaborated with Black Stone in a breakfast which aimed to encourage indigenous students to use the Law Faculty facilities and meet the lecturers. Both students and staff attended with the event being a success. Wednesday afternoon WASAC held the annual Marnda Cup which uses the interfaculty fixture round of Touch Rugby where the winner is awarded the Marnda Cup. Surprisingly the WASAC team won the cup going back to back which was awesome as it was our first win of an interfaculty round. However, the event wouldn't have been a success without the other student bodies who competed in a positive and competitive manner. Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup> of April WASAC hosted the 'Shenton Got Talent' at Unihall to provide an opportunity for other residential students to attend the event. We had over 70 people attend the time with 11 performers who displayed their talent and skills. Lastly on Friday the 29<sup>th</sup> of April WASAC collaborated with PAC in a cheese and wine event to wrap up an awesome week. It was success with many students and staff attending to celebrate the week's effort.

## Indigenous Games

The Western Waagles team has been selected and announced with 11 students and 1 SIS staff member. The selectors were happy with the selection progress as students who have committed throughout the training and further committing to their studies have been rewarded for their efforts. The team has been fundraising to raise funds to contribute to the trip. So far BBQ, raffles and money boards have been used to generate some funds. The team fly's out on the 25<sup>th</sup> of June to Brisbane. Best of Luck Western Waagles.

## UWA restructure

Last Tuesday we held Cheap as Tuesday which allows students to grab some lunch but also hear our special guest. The special guest was Dean of School of Indigenous Studies Jill Milroy who spoke about the UWA restructure and what position School of Indigenous were in. Currently the idea is to have SIS sit outside the 4 faculties which would be best suited as their presents and voice can be heard. If SIS were to be moved under a Faculty the risk of losing staff, funding and programs will limit the School of Indigenous structure and they won't be able to deliver the same program offered in previous years. However, Jill has ensure the university will leave SIS outside the faculty system and no jobs will be lost within the school.

Another topic which was discussed was the new Higher Education funding pool to universities. As announced in the Federal budget the ITAS and Indigenous access scholarships will be removed and be placed into one pool of funding. The current system the government is using is seeing large amounts of scholarships and ITAS funds not being utilises. Jill has encouraged the WASAC body that the new system which is one pool of funding will give the university and School of Indigenous Studies greater flexibly in supporting indigenous students in higher education.

## Marnda Week

Source	Budget	Actual \$2000
Stage and Lighting	\$750	\$733
Prescott Court	\$125	\$115
Artwork	\$300	\$228
Cheese and Wine	\$500	TBC Invoice
Posters	\$50	\$29



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Happy May,

## Scholarships and awards

The first round of PSA conference travel and field work awards have been decided. We received 6 applications for the field work awards and 29 applications for conference travel. The applications were of an extremely high quality and ultimately had to be judged on the students need for funds more often than the quality of work. We awarded 3 field work awards and 8 conference travel awards that amount to over \$10,000 awarded to students to support their research.

We have also given out 2 small grant awards to students that are running postgraduate specific events:

- Commercialising your Research which was held in conjunction with Bloom and the Innovation Quarter and provided research students with an opportunity to hear about and discuss the opportunities available to student to commercialise their research as students.
- National Archaeology Student Conference where students of archaeology get together and hone their skills, make new friends and present and hear about new research in an a relaxed atmosphere. It's also an opportunity to hear about what students all over the country and the world are researching, and to begin to network and make friends with the people who will become colleagues and collaborators in the future.

The PSA has 3 small grants left available to postgraduate students that wish to organise events that will benefit the postgraduate students of UWA.

## Events

The PSA quiz night was a great success we are still working out how much was made but it was almost a sell-out (literally 3 tickets short). We had a huge collection of prizes thanks to the generous donations of some local businesses. The general feel from students was that they had a great time. We are still waiting on a final report on the cost/income of the quiz night but I anticipate that it turned a reasonable profit.

## Meetings attended

- Meeting with the head librarian: Had some discussion in regards to a new postgraduate breakout room in the Reid Library. The library has also given us access to survey results in regards to what students want from the library that I will be passing on to my Arts Faculty rep to analyse.

- Board of Graduate Research Studies: The BGRS are looking for feedback in regards to the proposed changes to both the research training system and the research training funding from the ACOLA review and the WATT review respectively. These reviews are great opportunities for change in research training however it is still important for the student perspective to be communicated. I will be working with Kate Wright and the GRS to include a postgraduate student perspective in their submission.
- Convocation Engagement: Met with the members of the convocation engagement subcommittee to continue our work on organising STiR. Along with STiR the convocation engagement subcommittee has also come up with another opportunity to present our postgraduate students to industry that I am interested in pursuing in combination with convocation and other interested parties. I will keep people updated as this idea takes shape.
- Academic Board: The most recent academic board meeting was focused heavily on the research training system changes that I have mentioned previously. Kate Wright and Robyn Owen both presented the findings of these federal reviews and possible changes for the future structure of research training.
- The Chancellor: I met with the Chancellor as he was meeting with all members of Senate. We discussed the functioning of the Senate, the moral of postgraduate students within the university and the University Amendments that is discussed below. I have also invited the Chancellor to meet with me again so that I might interview him for the 2016 editions of PostScript which he has accepted.
- Science Faculty student experience team: I and my Science Faculty representative met with the student experience team to discuss better ways in which the science faculty can engage with Masters students as well as better communication strategies with the research students within the faculty.

### University Amendments Legislation

Many of you will be aware that changes to the university acts have been tabled in state parliament recently. The greatest concerns in regards to the changing of this legislation is that it removes the protective measures to ensure a fair amount of the SSAF is provided to student guilds within the state. Specifically for postgraduate students at UWA however there is a larger concern and that is that the legislation has been written in a way that means postgraduate coursework students cannot vote for a student representative on senate. The legislation allows for an undergraduate student elected by undergraduates to sit on senate and a postgraduate research student elected by postgraduate research students sits on senate. Whether this is an oversight or deliberate, this act strips over 6000 UWA students from their ability to vote on a senate representative. It also results in a reduction in the number of student representatives without reducing the number of co-opted members which weakens the overall student voice on senate. The PSA will fight these measures and a media release written by myself in my capacity as PSA president and CAPA Western Branch President will be released by the time of this meeting and a copy will be available.

### Renewal Project

A verbal report will be provided during the meeting.





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## **1. Pelican Updates and Triumphs**

### **1.1 New Talent, New Directions**

Again, whether through meetings, lecture bashing, or that we are now (finally??) bnocs (no), new writers and artists are emerging from the woodworks, whose talent can be witnessed in the Space Issue and the Trash Issue. For the latter, we worked hard to make the magazine into something a bit more individualised, a bit more custom-made; a bit more zine-y, but without running the risk of alienating our advertisers (circa this time this year).

### **1.2 Not a Waste of Guild Money**

On that note, we are pleased report that for advertising, we are a *full \$100 over target*. #winning.

### **1.3 Kate Made a Gif Logo for the Website**

It took a whole afternoon, but was worth it. There are still elements of the website we want to change (e.g. the top trending story is still set to the Guild Elections from last year) so we're probably going to need some WordPress pro help there.

### **1.4 Web Content**

We are keeping up web posts at a pretty consistent rate, although hope to encourage more topical articles on campus news, trending events and otherwise explosive hard-hitting stories, rather than just reviews. We are excited and proud to report that – after being approached by Dr. Duc Dau – we have succeeded in coordinating a set of interviews with LGBT+ students relating to diversity, representation and identity on campus, which will be published both online (to coincide with Dr. Dau's LGBT+ survey "Enhancing the University Experience of LGBT Students at UWA") and in the fifth print edition.

### **1.5 Feedback Survey Initiative**

With firm hands, full hearts and quivering feathers, we have decided to launch an online survey following our Trash Edition drop (which should be around about the time of your reading). Run through Survey Monkey, with an emphasis on written feedback rather than ratings, the survey will serve as a mechanism for honest feedback, enabling readers across the board to anonymously, openly and specifically express their thoughts and opinions about the magazine in all its aspects.

Examples of the kinds of questions we'll be asking:

- What kind of writing would you like to see more of (e.g. more satire, creative submissions, campus news, #auspol coverage)?
- Do you think the publication is representative of the student campus body? Which voices do you perceive as underrepresented?
- Do you think Pelican has a good web presence, and in what ways could that be improved?

- Would you like to see more or less emails from Pelican?
- Do you find there are any barriers to submitting content, and if so, what are they?

We are timing it to follow our fourth edition for several reasons. Firstly, we've done a few things differently for our Trash edition design-wise, and want to know if this change is something that appeals to our readers, and whether we should continue. Secondly, we have a precious breathing space between the fourth and fifth editions by virtue of the break, which will give us the time to reflect on where we've come, what we've achieved, and areas we could be doing better in. Also, we're far in enough to the job to have acquired perhaps a tougher hide and are not so likely to bury ourselves in The Pit after reading.

## 1.6 Gareth Liddiard From The Drones Shared Our Trash Cover on his Facebook Page

Gareth Liddiard from The Drones shared Trash Cover on his Facebook page. #feelingkindafrick

## 2. Section Editors

ARTS: Sam Cox – who has secured interviews with Spare Parts Puppet Theatre, and reviews for The Little Prince

BOOKS: Bryce Newton – who has been managing being a section editor whilst polishing off her thesis admirably

FILM: Jaymes Durante – who despairs at Superhero movies, yet endeavours to accommodate the love their fans pack into his section

LIFESTYLE: Tom Rossiter – who wants so badly for his section to be Grantland. It can be done

POLITICS: Brad Griffin – who – also in between finalising his Honours project – has elected himself to do fortnightly #auspol posts on the lead-up to the Federal Election

MUSIC: Harry Manson – who is somehow great at getting music reviews, and *we don't know how*

WEB: Ruth Thomas – who is again spearheading the Artist Video Profile video web series

They really are tops.

## 3. Conclusion

Hope you all enjoy your breaks, and are able to catch up on whatever series show you've been neglecting. Feel free to contact us any time at [pelican@guild.uwa.edu.au](mailto:pelican@guild.uwa.edu.au)

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**PROSH | May 2016**

25<sup>th</sup> May, 2016

## Overview

The date for Cheque Presentation has been set: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June! Aside from hearing from our charities one last time, the event will also give us the opportunity to celebrate and thank all of the volunteers and staff that were heavily involved in PROSH this year.

## Finances Overview: January – May 2016

Item	Expense
T Shirts	\$2285.00
Stickers	\$193.00
NCI Packaging Tins	\$1735.50
Writer's Nights Misc. Food	\$192.14
AAC ID Solutions Lanyards	\$147.27
Clydes Bus Charter	\$1440.00
City Of Perth	\$704.60
Northbridge Piazza	\$590.91
PROSH Day Misc.	\$746.71
Midland Bus Co	\$900
Megaphone, Garbage Bags	\$186.92
Posters	\$182.72
Tin Stickers	\$254.55
Website	\$20.54
PROSH Ball	\$722.50
Coin Counter	\$660.00
Paper Printing	\$13660.00
Newick's Electrical	\$300.00
All Fence	\$400.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$25,322.36</b>

Item	Revenue
Street Collection	\$47705
Tin Purchase (Relay@UWA)	\$212.30
BBQ @Guinness World Record Attempt	\$250.00
Boost Donation	\$501
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$48,668.3</b>
Remaining to be processed by Guild Finance (Approximation)	\$3,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$51,668.3</b>

Item	Funds
PROSH Account Balance	\$51,218.35
Charity Donations 2016	\$31,500.00
Remaining Funds to be processed by Guild Finance (approximation)	\$3,000.00
PROSH Budget 2017	\$22,718.35



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**Relay For Life UWA | May 2016**

May 25th , 2016

## **Overview**

The launch of Relay For Life UWA, 'Relay, Set, Go!' will be happening on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May during the common lunch hour period. From 10am-12pm, we are receiving a donation to run a free pancake BBQ on behalf of the Guild. From 1pm-2pm, clubs can participate in a series of challenges, with a range of prizes available. The Tavern will have a food/drink special on throughout the day where proceeds will be going to Relay For Life UWA, so clubs are encouraged to move there after the challenges.

This year we are hoping expand the sponsorship portfolio, to contact a larger group of corporate businesses and encourage making teams as part of their community engagement programs. Two of our fresher reps, who were interviewed and selected this month, will join the Sponsorship portfolio, and the other two will assist Edward with Team Registration.

## **Finances**

There was no expenditure for May.