ICSM Students' Union



MANAGEMENT GROUP REPORT

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SUMMARY OF CSC ACTIVITIES

This first term has been a highly successful one for all ICSMSU Clubs & Societies and has gone without any problems for the majority. We are trying to ensure Clubs & Societies are as self sufficient as possible by promoting all sponsorship avenues, including utilising the St Mary's Association and ICSM Alumni Association.

We want to continue to promote the cohesion of all our clubs including having a section in the ICSM Gazette dedicated to clubs and societies and this has been very successful so far. Copies of the Gazette can be found in the majority of medical hospital campuses and they have quite a big following on Facebook and their website.

There have been a few events centring around ICSMSU's clubs and societies this term. Freshers' Fayre ran smoothly in SAF however it seemed to be less busy than previous years. Record numbers of sign-ups for some of our more prominent clubs like ICSMSU Lacrosse and ICSMSU Netball would imply that it was still a very successful day! Also during our Freshers' Fortnight we held our Sports trials on the Wednesday where we encouragingly had sufficient numbers to need both of the coaches going down to Teddington for either Rugby, Football or Netball trials. On the Sunday of that week we held our customary Freshers' Sports Day at Teddington Sports Grounds. This was a huge success with 30% more freshers turning up than last year for a day of fun, food and activities run by our sports clubs. I would like to thank the club captains of the 11 clubs that took part and their extremely able committees for their help, organisation and enthusiasm and ensuring that all our freshers felt welcome and included – without them this day could not have happened!

On the back of the successes of events involving multiple clubs, this year we have looked to provide more events that cater for many and provide some friendly inter-club competition or sociability. There are two completely new main events on our calendar aimed at this - the ICSMSU Arts Societies Dinner and Awards night and an inter-club tenpin bowling competition. The Arts Dinner was held in November and attracted attendees from Light Opera, Drama, Dance and Music Society and we received a small grant from the national organisation of MedSocs for the innovation in this idea. Based on some very positive feedback it is hoped that this event, which culminates in intra-societal and inter-societal prizes being awarded to individuals and groups, will grow in size for next year and become a regular annual fixation into the ICSM social and C&S calendar.

Inter-club bowling was also held in November and hit our capacity with 14 lanes fully booked out for 80 people from a variety of clubs: Football, Boat Club, Squash, Women's Hockey, Men's Hockey and Netball all descended upon the alley and tried to compete to win the individual and club prizes for the night, which will be awarded at our Sports Dinner later on in the year.

FINANCIAL REPORT & MEMBERSHIP

Overall the vast majority of ICSMSU Clubs & Societies appear to be financially sound although currently the RAG account has been frozen. We hope to encourage clubs to reach their membership targets in good time, although this does prove difficult for summer sport clubs or clubs where a large amount of their activity takes place after Christmas. I am currently chasing this issue up with chairs and hope all will be resolved as soon as possible. Please see the table on page 4 for a detailed summary.

Harlington Trust Surplus: Three clubs submitted applications to the Harlington Trust for their surplus money (Boat, Weights & Fitness, and Lacrosse). We look forward to hearing how the decision making process has gone on this front

Numerous clubs are also extremely keen to tap into the lucrative and expanding resource that are their alumni organisations. Many clubs have set these up, but in order to fully make the most of potential benefits a continual source of income from alumni would be a tremendous asset. Consequently our clubs are very excited at the prospect of standing orders being set up on the union website for alumni to buy once and then be signed up for life, automatically paying a yearly fee to the club.

Membership is generally quite good in comparison to last years although some clubs/socs are being looked at very closely over the next few weeks, the main one once again being ICSM sub-aqua.

CLUB CONSTITUTION CHANGES

No clubs have requested to change their constitution.

NEW CLUBS

Despite a number of people contacting me to propose new club ideas, we have not actually had any of these come into fruition yet. ICSM Careers has been formed to take over the growing number of medical speciality clubs being set up, and it currently operates under the leadership of the ICSMSU Alumni and Careers Officer David Thompson.

EXEC ACTIVITIES

The ICSMSU website is constantly being maintained and updated thanks to our Communications Officer Kristina Earle. It contains a huge amount of information from events to contacts for clubs and socs and an expanding note bank which has proven to be very successful and appreciated by students, particularly years 1 and 2. The calendar keeps everyone updated with ICSMSU and club and society events throughout the year.

Fresher's Fortnight was as ever a huge success for both the enjoyment of the freshers and the financial strength of ICSMSU. Whether it was our black tie ball, the pirate themed boat party or our annual Reynolds Beach bop everyone had a great time, and even some of the traditionally smaller nights were attended in crowds.

Elsewhere, both our annual Halfway dinner and our earlier-than-normal Shrove Tuesday Final Year Dinner brought in record numbers of ticket sales and were fantastic events in themselves. We wish RAG every success in the organisation and execution of RAG dash to Antwerp next term as well as RAG week, as they look to build on their successful Gladiator sports night in the Reynolds.

Over the Summer the Reynolds underwent a second phase of redevelopment which now provides the ability to use screens to separate the area into two and allowing different events to occur at the same time. The seating area has been completely redone providing a far more relaxed and light atmosphere which facilitates its dual use as a place of social gathering and quiet conversation, as well as the hub of clubs and socs activities on Wednesday and Friday nights. The overall reaction to the changes has been extremely positive, and we now just await the Bar's redecoration.

CONTINGENCY AWARDS

So far this year no-one has applied for contingency funding however I am informed that ICSMSU Waterpolo are preparing an application.

TOURS

Netball, Football, Rugby, Men and Ladies Hockey, Music Society, Boat, Lacrosse, Darts and Light Opera have all been on tour so far this year.

Badminton, Men's Hockey, Boat, Waterpolo, Dance and Drama all applied for tour funding for next term, the highest number of applications ever by ICSMSU clubs. Happily four of them (Badminton, Dance, Men's Hockey and Waterpolo) were successful in receiving funding from the CSB Winter Tours fund which is also unprecedented. We hope to continue to raise awareness among our clubs and improve both the quality of applications and their number for the next tour funding period.

SOCIAL

As with other years bops are being held in the Reynolds to aid clubs in raising money for specific causes and promoting their club. So far this year; Boat Club, Women's Hockey and the Gazette have hosted bops all of which have made profits with Boat club's Halloween bop reaching capacity, something which does not happen every year. This year's Christmas bop will be hosted by Netball and it is sure to follow suite in terms of attendance and profit.

PARTICULAR ISSUES

There have been only two major issuea so far:

RAG – ICSMSU RAG had their accounts frozen earlier this term. They had failed to sufficiently
notify students that collecting money on the London Underground is illegal and hence had
put students at risk. The RAG Chair and ICSMSU President have been meeting regularly with
the DPCS and Student Activities Manager to ensure that future events are adequately

- planned and that there are clear instructions for all students who are raising money for RAG in the future.
- Ethos Wednesday Hire Due to the merger of BUCS clubs, this year some of our teams are eligible to play their Wednesday matches at Ethos. This mainly affects our Netball 1s (potentially 2s), Basketball and Badminton teams. Previously a block grant paying for all Wednesday matches at Ethos (regardless of management group) was given to ACC. It has been suggested that due to match cancellations throughout the year, the grant has almost always covered the hire cost. We are in discussions with the ACC Chair, Membership services team and the DPCS in sorting out what happens if the hire cost in any one year are greater than the grant given.

FACILITIES/STORAGE

Clubs and Societies continue to use space in the Reynolds Building for storage. So far there have been no reports of any problems in this area and it will be continued to be monitored.

LARGE EVENTS

Some of the events hosted this term by ICSMSU clubs and societies include:

- Vision senior conference
- Halfway Dinner
- Shrove Tuesday Final Year Dinner
- RAG Halloween Collect
- Drama Freshers' Plays
- Drama Autumn Play: One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest
- ICSM Arts Dinner
- ICSM Interclub Bowling
- Choir and Chamber Choir Concert
- Light Opera Big Chill
- Light Opera Performance of The Drowsy Chaperone
- ICSM Carol Concert

FINANCIAL REPORT (as of 03/12/12)

Name of Club		Full Club Members	Remaining Grant (£)	SGI (1) (£)	Grand Total (£)
ICSMSU Asian Medical Students' Association		28 of 25 (95%)	75.00	145.74	220.74
ICSMSU Athletics		8 of 20 (40%)	37.90	2808.20	2846.10
ICSMSU Badminton		80 of 80 (100%)	1188.88	1753.62	2942.50
ICSMSU Basketball		37 of 35 (105.7%)	2419.39	1891.36	4310.75
ICSMSU BioMed Society			157.50	150.74	308.24
ICSMSU Boat		118 of 125 (94.4%)	1502.40	4768.83	6271.23
ICSMSU Careers		272 Of 20 (1360%)	-32.00	2750.90	2718.90
ICSMSU Christian Medical Fellowship		47 of 40 (117.5%)	300.00	1422.16	1722.16
ICSMSU Cricket		12 of 30 (40%)	268.00	534.40	802.40
ICSMSU Dance		36 of 30 (120%)	200.00	810.31	1010.31
ICSMSU Darts		13 of 20 (65%)	39.64	418.93	458.57
ICSMSU Drama		49 of 60 (81.7%)	55.82	7285.28	7341.10
ICSMSU EMSA		36 of 75 (48%)	134.40	600.53	734.93
ICSMSU Exec			876.27	41094.59	51970.86
ICSMSU Football		45 of 65 (69.2%)	620.55	6935.63	7158.15
ICSMSU Gazette			0.00	7045.32	7045.32
ICSMSU GradMed			280.00	3836.93	4116.93
ICSMSU Hammersmith Students' Community		17 of 20 (85%)	0.00	38.51	38.51
ICSMSU Hockey		51 of 55 (92.7%)	2462.07	7569.12	10031.19
ICSMSU ICAB		33 of 20 (165%)	0.00	560.61	560.61
ICSMSU Jiu Jitsu (Aiuchi)		25 of 20 (125%)	1821.51	324.59	2146.10
ICSMSU Lacrosse		89 of 70 (127.1%)	1108.67	6506.76	8346.43
ICSMSU Light Opera		54 of 60 (90%)	1899.02	14587.79	16486.81
ICSMSU Medical Education			0.00	5767.41	5767.41
ICSMSU MedSIN		21 of 40 (52.5%)	78.75	8126.35	8205.10
ICSMSU Mountaineering		22 of 25 (88%)	270.21	1798.60	2068.81
ICSMSU Music		100 of 110 (90.9%)	333.81	7680.32	8014.13
ICSMSU Muslim Medics		36 of 20 (180%)	0.00	5687.92	3963.25
CSMSU Netball		88 of 55 (160%)	1408.82	7152.75	8561.57
CSMSU Rag	Inactive Frozen		0.00	7506.93	7506.93
CSMSU Rugby		53 of 65 (81.5%)	753.86	8875.29	9629.15
ICSMSU Society of Research and Academia		108 of 20 (540%)	0.00	1599.14	1599.14
CSMSU Squash		28 of 30 (93.3%)	384.93	1256.34	1641.27
ICSMSU Subaqua		4 of 20 (20%)	130.00	269.70	399.70
ICSMSU Surgical Soc		159 of 200 (79.5%)	0.00	35123.05	35123.05
ICSMSU Tennis		17 of 40 (42.5%)	246.26	1233.68	1479.94
ICSMSU Vision		57 of 20 (285%)	0.00	13381.99	13381.99
ICSMSU Water Polo		20 of 20 (100%)	898.00	1803.31	2701.31
ICSMSU Weights & Fitness		81 of 100 (81%)	0.00	6257.80	6257.80
ICSMSU Womens Hockey		36 of 50 (72%)	-1224.17	4453.83	3229.66
ICSMSU Yoga		17 of 30 (56.7%)	392.42	2854.69	3247.11

*Those indicated in bold represent clubs that have reached or surpassed their membership targets at the time of writing this report.