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President's Address

Howdy,

So 5th week blues have gone; washed away in a welfare tidal wave of Tesco value Fanta, slightly-cheaper-than-Domino's pizza and a ridiculous film about serious cranial deformity (if you haven't seen 'Coneheads', your life is a better place).

Jonathan Metzer and I picked a University Challenge team! Congratulations to Worcester Williams (Nick), Worcester Wang (Dennis), Worcester Brittain (Rory), Worcester Jones (Ben) and the reserve, Worcester Dunn (Michael – a post grad. Do they even read these? Probably not. Does anybody even read these...?). Good luck to them as they enter the qualifying stages against the other Oxford colleges.

Also, for those of you who don't already know, you can now submit maintenance requests online. Go to the 'College only' section of the college website and select 'Report maintenance issues' from the right of the screen. Progress! Worcester College: moving into the late 20th century one tentative step at a time.

You stay SWAG-y Worcester,

Alfie

"Me not working hard?"

Yeah, right, picture that with a Kodak

*Or better yet got to Times Square,
take a picture of me with a Kodak"*

Pitbull



Hello Worcester! Contrary to its reputation, 5th week brought a few good things with it. First up, Drama Cuppers: congrats to Georgia Figgis who was awarded the prize for Best Director and nominated for Best Actress, to Aoife Cantrill, nominated for Best Supporting Actress, and everyone else who took part in Worcester's two plays, *Grandfathers* and *Bouncers*. Meanwhile, the Worcester ticket-buying trials are underway: ticket sales for the Worcester Ball opened on Saturday, selling the first 500 tickets within one evening (I wouldn't wait to book!), while tickets for the Oxmas party sold out in two hours.

Now, I can't imagine any of you realised, but the interview with our lovely porter Jane in the last edition was in fulfilment of one of my election promises. In this edition I've fulfilled another—pop to page 6 for news of one of our students across the seas (in this instance, the Channel). A contentious new column on page 5 could lead to some heated debates (no really, I can't stand Toys-R-Us!). Puzzle—p4—you know the drill.* Well done to Hannah Century and Natalie Guest for winning last week's chocolate prizes. Finally, lots of chances to exercise your Democratic Right this week: by the time you read this, OUSU polls will be open (see p4-5), and you can also vote for Worcester's Sports Personality of the Term (p7). xx assileM

*1st to e-mail me the solution wins chocolate

Editorial



I would like to thank you, my dear Worcesterites, for being far more generous over the past fortnight in feeding me salacious details and being a lot more proactive in your romantic misdeeds. As it's such a bumper issue I will proceed without further ado, other than to exhort you to keep up the work.

It would appear that several second year men have been like animals grazing on the same Savannah plain, as one JYA proved she's no Dunc-e when it comes to romance. She had a lot of fun and Jgames, though her hook-ups were just the tip of the iceberg in a tale that's so complex it could be folk-Lore. For the second-year theologian seems to have completely changed his ways and is now concentrating on actually Courting a female's

attentions – she must be one in a Million. Meanwhile, our JYA's other conquest has woven our tale into an even more tangled Webb, moving his chosen place to sleep from the aforementioned grassland ecosystem, to a Woodland habitat: seeking Charlter from a fresher lawyer. I told you it was complex and I hope you're still paying attention as our tale takes another twist: this young lady was not content with just one second year gent and set her sights swiftly and Stealthily to an engineer who was all too happy to Wilcome her into his arms.

Annather fresher lawyer is reported to have had fun recently as, in a more Simple and straightforward story, I was told in the Nick of time about a young (though very tall) man who was tongue tied when encountering a second year law counterpart. Perhaps she used her authority as an older woman and Or-dered him to succumb to her with a text on his androyd phone (sorry for the quality of that one but YOU TRY punning on such a name!!). Continuing the trend of people staying within the same subject as a pool of talent, a couple of medics decided to examine one another's mouths, clearly thinking they had nothing to Lou-se: but no-one escapes this this duck's gaze and I would challenge them to try and get away with it Scott-free without Mi noticing!

A second year engineer seemed keen to Cloke several ladies with his affections, and I have to 'And it to him – scoring a hat trick in one issue is quite an achievement! Though the first ruMired encounter was repeating (and we all know repeating is cheating: a Frase with which he should be familiar), the lad managed to sa-lvidge his reputation as a Charlottan on the scene with a further two conquests: one with a second year English student and the other was an American who has been Adamantly making a splAsh in my duck pond.

He wasn't the only person to have multiple encounters as one fresher lady's attempts to find fame (and dare I say it, potentially replace a certain infamous 4th year chemist as this column's regular star? While her name is not as Issy to fit into puns as the letters R and K, I will try my best...) were not in va[i]n and she Nierly matched the second year of the last paragraph in the number of times she scored: first under the Leurid lights of her chosen night time establishment, And then she –drew on other Mow' eccentric sources, safe to say her night life must be Jam packed.

It has been hard to choose, but my favourite story from the past couple of weeks is that of a group of third years who have made a top effort to combat their 5th week blues: I really ad-Mare their speciAl efforts for Spen-ding more time Fiondling one another than studying, though for the PPEist lady in question clearly felt that a man was not enough to satisfy her needs so as an alternative chose to have a Flinging with the very girl of whom the northern lad in question is known to have a particularly Rosie view- who knows how such a bizarre love triangle might resolve itself??

While I would love to dutifully inform you of all the other names I have been sent, I am just too hung over to type any more (it's difficult enough typing with webbed feet) – so if you want to read more next time, please refrain from pouring spirits into the lake... Keep up the good work though, and do continue to feed me (no game or poultry, please) via peekingduckofworcester@gmail.com, which you can also use to opt-out (BOOOO).

TTFN, PD XOXOXOX



PG TIPS

Yo Woo\$ta! This edition of PG Tips was written well before Sunday's JCR meeting, nevertheless I'll provide some inane commentary over what will inevitably happen. I'm delighted to welcome new 'hood member JPrez A-H!zzle, early reports indicate swag levels through the roof! The online voting motion did not pass, primarily due to some JCR members' resistance to any sort of technological advancement whatsoever. Plans are now afoot to amend the constitution so that we can go back to the good old days; hustings being decided by all committee members spending several days burning stuff in the chapel while playing a big game of eeny meeny miny moe. Tim Lightfoot (Domestic Bursar) came to the meeting on the condition that 'we would be nice' but was sadly trampled to death by angry members of 24/Ruskin who had been without hot water for days. RIP. Here are my tips for the fortnight:

O2 Academy: 26/11 The View,
30/11 The Naked and Famous,
1/12 Ocean Colour Scene.

Also tune in to the next series of University Challenge to hopefully hear Jezza Paxman repeatedly shouting 'Wang'.

Peace out homies,

G Piddy xoxo

H-to-the-ELLO comin' atcha like JELLO.

It's easy to get down-hearted about our impact on the environment with all the doom-and-gloom statistics, political tomfoolery, and "it's not easy being green" propaganda crap spread by Kermit the frog (who, quite frankly, can jog on). However, by adding a few green habits into our routines, bit by bit, we as a college can actually sizeably reduce our environmental impact. Fools. This week: always take your own bag to food shopping to cut down on plastic bag poor form, alternatively get a badass reusable Disney shopping bag for £1 at Tesco. Getting nippy out eh?...make sure to turn your heaters off when you leave your room.

Green celeb of the week: Leo DiCaprio- he always turns the lights off...

Stay Grassy

X Daisy X

Some years after global warming...



When the time comes for me to dispense advice about eating in kitchen-less college accommodation, I cast my mind back to last year and try to recall what I would be putting in my shopping basket and what it was that I felt necessitated that half hour queue in Tesco. I bought Heinz squeeze soups and not once did I ever look back. The thing about standard powder mixtures is that they are digesting and dry lumps in soup make my skin crawl. The best thing is when the previous evening you've got a bread roll from hall, for dunking. I actually love the cheese-tomato soup combination, but I leave that for you to play with.

Miriam Stoney

The Student Kettle



In the next week the polls will open for our Student Union's annual elections. I thought I'd include a very quick introduction to the elections, and then leave you to decide for yourselves...

Nikita (Your OUSU rep.)

FAQs

When can I vote?

Polls will be open from 8am on the 19th of November until 6pm on the 21st.

Where do I vote?

Anywhere you have access your Nexus email account.

How do I vote?

Search your Nexus inbox for the hashtag #ousu2013, it'll be on an email you're automatically sent.

Follow the link, and put your code into the login system at mi-vote.com. Now rank the candidates or choose to RON (Re-open nominations for that position)!

Why should I vote?

Ok, so I lied earlier. These questions are not Frequently Asked, because no one ever seems to talk about OUSU elections, outside of those involved directly with OUSU themselves. This is a problem because it means although a minority of students then vote and decide on next year's President/ all of the other positions, a majority will, in some way or another, be affected by those decisions. Remember, these are the people who will be chosen to deal with our budget, with all of OUSU's campaigns, and with Oxford's interaction concerning other universities. Not to mention dealing with the (inter)national media coverage that the University receives.

By choosing not to vote, you're still participating in the system. In many ways you're voting for the *continuity* of the current system by not voting. Personally, I think you might as well make your contribution a positive one, and have your say.

The candidates and their campaign slates

"slate" = a group of people running for different positions under the same campaign (with the campaign usually headed by someone running for the position of President) this is done when people have similar aims and outlooks and so look to endorse each other as candidates for the mutual support of the group

e.g., *Jane4Change* or *Team Alex* or *ReclaimOUSU* are slates

"independent" = a candidate running not under a larger campaign, running alone rather than as part of a group

OUSU's main link for the elections; <http://www.mi-event.info/event/ousu2013> à includes detailed information for each candidate (e.g. which slate they're on) as well as links to their manifestos (their pledges and ideas about why they're right for the role). Below is just a very brief summary of the candidates for President ...

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Team Alex

As President, Alex Bartram would try to;



- Improve the feedback system for students' work, especially exams
- Enable access to gyms and sports fields to all students regardless of college, to distribute resources more fairly for colleges without these facilities
- Raise student representation and interaction with department and faculty boards

ReclaimOUSU

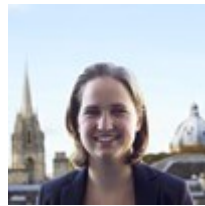
As President, Nathan Akehurst would try to;



- Attempt to cap rent at the minimum level of the Student Loan
- Negotiate storage facilities for students over the vacations
- Organise an annual Assembly for all students to have their say on issues affecting them
- Investigate the use of fining as a means of punishment by colleges/ Proctors

Jane4Change

As President, Jane Cahill would try to;



- Negotiate an official charter agreed with the University on the subject of students' mental health
- Develop a lecture feedback app
- Organise an Access summit (gathering of all Access & Outreach personnel in a single mass meeting/ series of meetings)
- Lobby to begin the process for acquiring a physical Student Union building for Oxford students

L. J Trup (Independent)

As President, L.J Trup would try to;

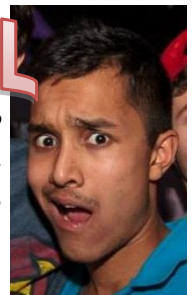


- Eliminate 5th week blues by eliminating 5th week
- Build a monorail to St. Hugh's and LMH
- Provide double beds for all
- Amalgamate all societies into SocSoc



DERSHIL or CONTRADERSHIL

Green or red, up or down, bop or flop... Since the dawn of time, Man has struggled to find order in chaos, by painting the world with the clumsy brush of categorization. These efforts have been in vain - up until now. After years of research into group theory, I have discovered a new, more fundamental system: Dershil or Contradershil.



Rowers waking up at 4am to go practice – Ridiculously Contradershil

Playing the film 'Coneheads' at the Fifth Week Blues Welfare event – Über Dershil

Worcester Football 2nds having to essentially play against the Wadham '1sts' – Stupidly Contradershil

Growing a kickass 'stache and eating free Byron burgers for 10 days consecutively – Unbelievably Dershil


Robbie Heywood deleting his pre-arrival posts on the Worcester Freshers' Page – Damn Contradershil

Leaving a Toys R Us trolley in an unsuspecting friend's kitchen – hilariously Dershil

Having to cancel Family Meal Out – Shoddily Contradershil

Writing this column after getting back from Wahoo – Definitely Dershil


That's all folks! Dershil xxx



The results have been counted, and the 2013-2014 Worcester charities have been chosen. They are...

- ◇ **OxPAT** - the Oxford Poverty Action Trust
- ◇ **Helen and Douglas House** - Hospice care for children and young adults
- ◇ **Against Malaria Foundation**
- ◇ **Anthony Nolan** - A UK blood cancer charity

Your task for this week is to find out more about what these charities are all about, and discover what you can do to help. Why not volunteer at a local homeless centre, or become a stem cell donor via the Anthony Nolan website?



Helen & Douglas House

HOW TO PASS AS A PARISIAN

I recently reached the three-month mark of my year abroad in Paris (working in a glamorous brand strategy agency in the centre, and living in a not-so-glamorous neighbourhood in the north). Since I am therefore fully qualified to give such advice, I thought I'd share with you some of the handy tips I've picked up in order to pass as a Parisian – if you should ever be seized by the sudden desire to do so.



DISCLAIMER Although this list is stereotypical in parts (namely, the beginning, middle, and end), it was not intended to offend and shouldn't be taken as such.

1. Most importantly, never have blue eyes and fair skin yet dark hair. My failure to follow this rule (curse my English rose looks!) is the main reason I can immediately be identified as British and therefore not Parisian.
2. Have at least two glasses of wine a day: three if it's a Friday lunchtime and you're on your lunch break from work; four if it's a Saturday afternoon and you're sat outside a quaint little café; five if it's a Sunday evening and you have work the next day. Accompany with cheese and cigarettes.
3. Never look overly enthusiastic or agreeable in public, especially on the Metro (that's the Underground equivalent, for you Londoners). Even if you recently won the lottery, are on your way to Disneyland, or just had several glasses of wine because it's a Friday lunchtime, do not smile. Avoid all eye contact. Look straight ahead at all times. Ignore all other human beings.
4. For men: crack out your turtle-neck jumper and leather jacket combo, and refuse to take it off except for showers. (Judging from the smell of some people on the Metro, this should not be a frequent affair.) If possible, mix blacks and browns wantonly.
5. For women: grow a few inches, lose a few pounds, invest in a massive handbag and oversized coat, never be seen without signature red lipstick on, and totter around in those bizarre trainers with high heels built in.
6. Always strictly observe and obey the difference in pronunciation of 'cou' and 'cul'. The same goes for 'en route' and 'en rut', and 'bureau' and 'bourreau'. In my defence, the last two mean basically the same thing anyway.
7. Never attempt to use dry humour. The French simply don't understand it.

Follow these simple rules and you've got it in ze bag.

Lucy Welch



Worcester Sport

all sport compiled by Sports Rep Robbie Heywood

'Worcester Sports Personality of the Term MT13' Candidates

Jack Sheppard



Jack has captained the basketball team to the probably the most successful start of any of the Worcester sports teams, with 3 out of 3 wins and record attendance to training. When added to his efforts in the 2nds football, Jack has to be a serious contender for the title.

Julia Chen



Did someone say wine game?! Incredible tekkers from Julia on the Worcester football crewdate is reason enough for her inclusion in this list. But, when you add the fact that Julia, along with Anna Simpson, regularly fields a women's football team with 6 subs, there can be no doubt about her inclusion.

Miranda Elvidge



Captain of Worcester's netball and newly formed women's hockey teams as well as a key member of the rowing club and a frankly world-class crewdater, there can be no argument about Miranda's inclusion in the shortlist.

Rob Moss



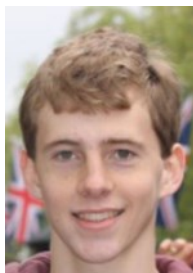
Carlsberg don't do 3rds football captains... but if they did, it would almost certainly be Rob Moss. He's lead the 3rds further than the 2nds in coppers (contraDershii!) as well as going beyond the call of duty to organize the Worcester-Worcester football crewdate as well as generally providing enthusiasm for Worcester football.

Stuart Walter



Recently made President of the Boat Club as well as captain of the pool team, Stu is definitely a big name in Worcester Sport. There's no one else who can claim to be quite as prolific when it comes to crewdating and Stu certainly hasn't showed any signs of easing up as a finalist this year!

Will Hick



Bursting onto the scene as a Fresher, Will has really made his mark on the Worcester 1sts football team with some serious flair (even with no other players around) after deciding to ditch Uni football for college instead – great commitment to college sport! Also a rower in novice boat 1, big things are expected from Will!

Highlights from Weeks 5 & 6

- Women's football team with resounding 10-1 win vs the Foxes.
- Basketball team go 3-0 with a 30-18 win over St Hughes/Peters
- Football 1sts suffer first defeat of season, 2-0 away at Teddy Hall
- Football 2nds controversially knocked out in Cuppers first round.

How it all works

In next fortnight's Woosta Source, one lucky person will win the prestigious title of 'Worcester's Sports Personality of the Term' for Michaelmas 2013. Along with the trophy, the winner will also receive a free sting! Read about each of the candidates in this issue and then, to vote for who wins the award, simply email the name of your choice to rob-ert.heywood@worc.ox.ac.uk

Here is the shortlist, drawn up by Sports Rep Robbie Heywood in conjunction with the JCR committee:

- ♦ Jack Sheppard
- ♦ Julia Chen
- ♦ Miranda Elvidge
- ♦ Rob Moss
- ♦ Stuart Walter
- ♦ Will Hick

THIS IS CUPPERS: 3rds 3-1 vs Univ 2nds

Walking into the changing room with Encore playing loudly was one of many signs that this was no normal match, this is cuppers. Keen for a win following last week's unlucky result a group of some of Worcester's finest athletes stepped out onto the pitch determined to smash Univ 2nds and continue on to cuppers glory.

As soon as the match started it was clear that there was more than enough quality on the team to make this a Worcester win. Sam Davies and Tom Elias linked up well in the midfield, with regular delivery to striker Jon Appleby putting the pressure on Univ from the start. Repeated shots clearly troubled the nervous Univ keeper however Worcester seemed unable to convert overwhelming possession and dominating play to the crucially needed goals. The half ended with a Univ defender, clearly tired of being regularly humiliated by Andy Davies, putting in a dangerous foul which would have had most refs reaching for a card. Despite the 0-0 scoreline,

halftime had the team feeling confident and hungry for the goal that had been coming for 45 minutes.

Early into the second half the stalemate was broken, with Robert Moss fighting through for a scrappy but well deserved goal. This was followed almost immediately by Jon Appleby winning the ball back from their centre, skilfully dribbling from the halfway line to within 5 metres of the goal without anyone coming close to tackling him, and slotting the ball away to put Worcester 2-0 up. Worcester continued to dominate, with the ball rarely leaving the Univ half, however an unexpected counter by their quick centre forward resulted in a goal, reminding Worcester that we couldn't switch off just yet. The entire team stepped up to the challenge, with the impenetrable force of Sheppard and Glidersleve ably assisted by Raj Patel playing 'in the hole' stopping dead any further Univ chances. The match was put to bed 5 minutes before the

end, with a superb Metzner corner bamboozling the keeper (who I believe has a phobia of footballs) and dropping to Valori's ridiculously bright boots for an easy finish.

Overall a superb performance by Worcester's favourite 3rd team. Carlsberg don't do 3rds football teams... which is good, because if they did they'd get thrashed by us. MOM Jon Appleby – massive(ly whipped) lad.



Whose Faces are Warped Together?



True or False?

1. The yoyo was originally a weapon for hunting birds.
2. The triple jump was invented when Henry VIII attempted to do a long jump and tripped.
3. There was once an international cricket game that lasted 14 days and still ended in a draw.
4. Originally, deer antlers with leaves wrapped around them were used as rowing blades.

Warped Faces: Jess Ennis and Rebecca Adlington

True or False: 1.T, 2.F, 3.T, 4.F

Answers:

On The Sport

Freddie Evans



Anna Simpson



VS

Slippery when wet

Describe yourself in 3 words

Worcester's sporting goddess

Hitting someone so sweetly in BUMS that they threw-up

Proudest sporting moment

Too many to choose from. I am just so, so sporty

My big D-game... I've got a massive tackle

Sporting strengths

Well that might take up a bit too much room...

Monday Stings

Sporting weaknesses

I'm struggling with that question...

Anyone from the LFL (Lingerie Football League)

Sporting crush

Anna Green

I heard you like lifting weights. Then you'll love to lift these nuts

Sporting chat-up line

I wish you were on the football team because I'd love to see your backfield in motion