



**AGENDA - ANU CLUBS COUNCIL MEETING 4 2019
(CCM 4/2019)**

*Lecture Theatre, Australian Centre on China in the World, Building 188
October 4th Friday 10:00am*

Item 1: Meeting Opens and Apologies

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

Delivered by James

1.2 Apologies

See 'Apologies Received'.

Procedural Motion to proceed to Item 6.3.1

Moved: Jason Pover

Motion carried

Procedural motion to proceed to item 4

Moved: Jason Pover

Motion carried

Item 2: Acceptance of Previous Meeting's Minutes and Matters Arising

Previous Meeting's Minutes can be found here:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1eLTmNsIWurPgOp5PAu1b4ioRlspIf2gU6vtwFx4rqaM/edit?usp=sharing>

Motion to accept Previous Meeting's Minutes.

Moved: Felix

Seconded: Dom HT

Motion Carried



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Item 3: Executive Reports

3.1 Chair's Report (J. Howarth) [Reference A]

Chair is passed to Jason

James: Take my report as read, if there's no fuss I will address my thoughts and reflections of CCM. This will be the last CCM.

James reads his report

Eliza: Last time I saw your report, you expressed your intention to continue being involved in CC as an exec member. What changed your mind?

James: Just tired, i have a love-hate relationship with ANUSA. I did say I was considering running for Chair a second time, but i think now it's time for old officers like me to step aside and make way for new blood. Would give Clubs Council 8/10. There will be a bunch of casual vacancies so i encourage you to apply. You will see the best of clubs

Felix: I don't understand the amount of money you moved from other lines. Are you seeking to get more money from ANUSA?

James: This is more a question for Funding Officer Jacob. 5 grands from personal exec budget, personal stuff such as food for meetings, we decided it was better to bring that money over to clubs funding. Further 10 grands was moved over as well. There is the option of seeking more but if i would not be expecting anymore money to be put into the budget

Motion to accept the Chairs report

Moved: Dom

Seconded: Cahill

Motion passes

Jason: I will relinquish the chair to James

3.2 Secretary's Report (J. Pover) [Reference B]

Jason: I only slept 2 hours last night, so you'll forgive me by taking my report as read but I will flag a few things. There was a question to Niam about winding up new clubs who don't affiliate. Stops clubs from disaffiliation and then running because this is quite an available option for clubs. Clubs money is student money. If you have any questions send me or Cahill and email. Clarification about money transfer, 6 grands went into Clubs Ball budget.



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Eliza: You're second last paragraph was a time, is there any way to improve this?

Jason: 90% of the people who are involved in ANUSA and the Clubs Council think

Lots of issues with ANUSA and structure, not just limited to Clubs Council, it is a problem that I don't think will be solved because it will be too hard

Eliza: Seeing you're the interpretive boi, the Clubs being affiliated today do they get to vote in the elections?

Jason: As a matter of practicality they won't be able to due to the platform we are using, it can't update the delegates. This is up to Taylor's interpretive power

Motion to accept Jason's report

Moved: Dom

Seconded: Ben

Motion passes

3.3 Funding Officer's Report (J. Howland) [Reference C]

Jacob: Take my report as read apart from a few funding figures. For some clarity regarding transfer situation, current final budget is 165 thousand dollars, 15 g more than what it has been for most of the year, only 10 g was transferred via an SRC motion the other 5 from exec budget. Dash had one-line item and had been acquitting it to other line items, so it could be spent on Clubs funding given he is the one in charge of the ANUSA budget. Additional 10g by SRC motion. SRC can move 1% of budget around per month so that's about 22 grands, subtract 6 grand for clubs ball that would still leave 16g. I asked for more, but they couldn't find any more in the budget. Not a huge amount of excess. It was from the Student Leadership and Development Program line item. I asked Dash if there were more but unfortunately there was not. If anyone wants, they can move a motion at SRC to increase budget to 165. Almost 160 thousand including grants awaiting acquittal.

James: Motion to allow for 5 more minutes

Moved:

Motion Passes

Jacob: if anyone has any acquittals for events that has already happened please submit it straight away. That's it

Dom: Any comments on if Brandon Tan doesn't fill Funding Officer position and if there's a vacancy how will you facilitate the handover



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Jacob: answer the handover thing first, i'll write the funding officer one along with others and I'll very much so be on campus next year so if the role is filled, I'll give a personal handover. I will also be offering my help to the incoming executive to help gander interest in the funding officer role. Keeping fairly constant eye on budget to report at every CCE meeting. If it's not filled by Feb it's a pretty concerning situation

Eliza: Clubs Council exec was consulted to an extent. What extent?

Jacob: James Jason and I were approached a couple weeks before SSAF bid was submitted by incoming executive. We were sent draft of the bid the day before it was to be submitted to the university, James Ebe and I provided feedback and rewriting of it but there was a limited time frame to provide actual feedback of the draft.

Nick: You mentioned if students wanted to go to SRC to move a motion to request more money, I understand there is a SGM called by ANUSA next Tuesday, one of the proposed amendments is that ordinary students won't be able to put a motion to SRC unless they have the support for someone on SRC. Do you think this will reduce the ability for students not in SRC but on CC to get involved.

Jacob: I think it'll be a horrible idea to submit an SRC motion to move more money to clubs funding line item because there is a reason why we elect trustees to have an oversight of the budget. In terms of that, it's a slight mischaracterisation of the Standing Order changes but it is out of my realm.

Nick: if that's not the correct characterization of the amendment, which i understand a member of SRC has to move or second a motion then how would you characterise it. Why would you suggest people go to SRC to get more funding if you think it's a terrible idea?

Jacob: There won't be any more funding. In terms of first part of your question, I am standing by my previous statement that this is out of the realm of the Clubs Council Funding officer report

Jason: point of clarification, don't want this meeting to become another front of the Standing Orders discussion, the proposed amendments don't say that only an SRC member can move a motion. A voting member or officer must be either the mover or the seconder.

Eliza: James said he'd rate clubs council 8/10 what about you?

Jacob: Depends on the day sometimes 2 sometimes 11

Motion to accept the Funding Officers Report



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Moved: Josh from Japan Club

Secunder: Dom

Report is accepted

Felix moves a procedural for 5 minute break

Moved: Felix

Motion is carried, move to a quick 5 minute recess to vote

Procedural to proceed to item 6.3

3.4 Community Officer's Report (E. Ganon) [Reference D]

Ebe: Clubs Ball is next week, very excited. Hope you bought your tickets because they are gone. Going to be a really good night, hit up Parliament House, may be a coup involved. Stayed tuned. Week after that Club Handover Sessions which should address concerns. These will be facilitated by a series of club council exec members. Come up to us, ask questions, get advice or any info about affiliation or funding policies. Otherwise I made a booking for Badger anyone is welcome to join us in particular if you are running for a position. We will be celebrating hopefully the last CCM of the year. This has been a great experience for me despite toxicity in the named officers. We have been productive and got through what we needed to get through. If there is anything you would like for me to put in my handover please let me know. Just send me an email sa.clubscommunity@anu.edu.au. This email is in my report as well

Dom: Was there supposed to be a governance training organised by yourself?

Ebe: we were supposed to do this but we were unable to find enough content for different levels of understanding. I am putting this in my handover similar to like a reaffiliation document we can discuss. Things can go out of date very quickly. If you have any ideas please send them through. Struggle to get concrete things together.

Eliza: Clubs awards, there weren't a super high number of nominations, would you have preferred to see more nominations? How can this be improved?

Ebe: This was an interesting process; some clubs have built scripts to nominate themselves. Good on you but nope. Didn't disqualify them but didn't pay them any special attention. Political branch was in particularly nominated not much. Issue with club engagement. When we produced finalist list, indeed the number and breadth of the numbers was taken in account but if I accepted all of them there would be over 18. Other



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factors such as quality of nominations, spent a really long time reading those. And that's how those final lists were produced. Haven't given much thought on how to improve that process. Been a crazy week with Clubs Ball and Work but i'll put it in my handover

Jason: Stand by plurality voting?

Ebe: for awards i sure do

Motion to accept Community Officers report

Moved: Jason

Seconded: Dom

Motion Passes

3.5 Affiliations Officer's Report (C. Di Donato) [Reference E]

Cahill: Hello! Take it mostly as read but have been a few question RE affiliations for next year and the new policy. I think they've been answered well already, but ill answer a few things. Major part of the new policy was readability AND handover (hence the three handover workshops - please attend!) Process is so much easier when there is clear communication between previous exec members and newly elected ones. If you have an AGM coming up, make sure the three new constitutional changes are adopted! Ji emailed them, then send it to the sa.clubs@anu.edu.au (include all other changes, so we can check if you're still compliant with affiliations policy). Interesting time, but very grateful for my time on CC. Exciting to pass this on!

Moved: Eli

Seconded: Jason

3.6 Communications Officer's Report (J.W. Ahn) [Reference F]

Note: Apologies delivered for CCM.

James: not present, please email

Moved; Claudia

Seconded: Cahill



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3.7 Branch Officers' Reports (C. Harris, E. Madar, S. Mirza, S. Panditharatne, B. Rowley, H. Strong) [Reference G]

Motion for en-mass: moved by Felix

Carries

Claudia: Hi, so I'll start by saying this has been an eventful year in my branch. They have responded in a number of ways. Kambri theatre is an issue, the cancellation of the MTC musical, too small for certain events. The theatre societies have created a working group. I am eager to see where they go next. There are big changes, the officer will be an asset, as a liaison, crucial to the branch. I'd like to congratulate the clubs in the branch.

Jason: what's the role like

Claudia: very heavily involved in its societies. The person taking over will have to be very involved in the societies, in the working group. I recommend running if you have been on an exec in the branch. They also need someone who is a good communicator

Dom: Many societies have their events late; how do they become considered for the awards.

Claudia: Our branch has its own awards, separate from cc, after all performances. This allows for commendation for all societies.

Eli: I am Elisheva, I wanted to update. Interfaith week is going forward with the feminist faces of faith event. We will be posting the link on the page and group. There is also now an interfaith group, pls join, its an ANU page. I have met with my clubs, but there is a sad lack of interfaith dialogue. I have had a great time, and this has been a great role.

Eliza: Interfaith week not going ahead why?

Eli: I didn't want to run events clubs weren't interested in. It also clashes with wellbeing week. A lot of venues were booked. The planning should start earlier, and I will recommend that.



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Shahn: Not present.

Skanda: Apology received.

Ben: Late apology received.

Henry: Not present.

Felix Moves

Simone from RRR seconds

Carries.

3.8 General Officers' Reports (S. Dimos, N. Foxcroft, Z. Wang) [Reference H]

Felix moves for en mass

Carries

Stavros: I'd like to take it as read (actually though)

Niam: just wanted to thank y'all. It's been great to attend your events. I just wanted to congratulate Brandon tan. Also drop courses without failure is today.

Jason: What about Reprimand Policy?

Niam: It is a topic that needs more attention leading up to a CCM. I hope next year who is on CCE that we pick it up and continue working on it, because the current policy is a bit garbage

Andrea: Not present.

Ben moves

Josh seconds

carries.

Item 4: Elections

Chair to be passed to Returning Officer Taylor Heslington for duration of Item 4.

Chair passed to Taylor without dissent

Procedural to allow for 2 mins of speaking time per candidate

Moved: Jason



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Seconded:

Motion passes

Taylor: All nominees have two minutes of speaking time per position, where that weren't able to make it they have sent me speech

Ebe: Hi all, most of you probably know me from my role as community officer, I would like to condemn myself to another year of CCE. I think we've done a lot of positive things this year and would like to continue and expand next year. I have provided a link to a policy document in my bio, I want to continue to expand the training program and

Brandon: I have helped to introduce two new awards to CC this year. I have known Ebe for 2 years now, they are fantastic. CC was my first foray into ANUSA, stupol is a weird thing but you'll learn a lot

[sec, funding, community]

Niam: You probably know me from CCM1 and 2. This year has been really fun for CC and great for clubs. I think we've brought a lot of energy to campus life. I would like to bring this again next year as affiliations officer. Affiliations is a really intense time and I would like to be able to be present and help you all out as much as I can.

Heather: Branch officer discipline. Recommended reading my bio, I have been involved in discipline clubs for 2 years now and I look forward to helping them out as much as I can.

Josh: Humanitarian. I have a passion for CC generally and clubs and what they do, I think clubs in this branch do especially good things.

Celeste: I am interested in promoting interfaith dialogue around campus, including creating events to do that. I would aim to continue the work Eli has done this year. I have been involved in clubs in this branch for 3 years.



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Josh: political. I am really excited about this application. Student activism is and always will be an important part of campus experience. Being someone who is broadly engaged in politics but not affiliated with any particular political club, I have been able to appreciate the engagement of events across various political clubs, and have seen the positive environment this has created.

Procedural for 5 minutes of questions or questions ending at the Chair's discretion for Chair and Affiliations officer

Moved: Jason

Motion Passes

Eliza: A lot of positions that are uncontested minus Brendon, do you have any thoughts about why or how you would fill roles

Ebe: I have some thoughts on how the running of this election may have hindered nominations. Going forward I will be looking to reaching out to diverse communities, especially departments, and also reaching out to first years

Felix: do you have any concrete policy/change ideas

Ebe: yep a bunch. I would like to link in with other universities to see what they're doing in this space. I would also like to do some work on the travel grant. Work with Niam on the reprimand policy. I would also like to build on the training and networking events I have worked with this year.

Eliza: Chair has been almost a full-time job at times - how will you manage that.

Ebe: full disclosure I am also working full time, so may be doing 2 full time jobs next year. I have developed very effective time management skills working in student orgs. I will also be semi part time studying next year

James: postgrad representation has been a big issue this year. Also, big part of the chair role is interacting with ANUSA. How do you plan to get more postgrads involved and how will you interact with ANUSA.

Ebe: Postgrads first. There has been some hostility on both sides which hasn't been too helpful. As soon as this election is over, I intend to meet with as much of PARSAs as possible to really link ourselves in as soon as possible. I also think that CC hasn't done enough to sell itself to students in the past years, which would be especially helpful for involving postgrads. ANUSA - my general approach is going into meetings like this assuming everyone is on the same page, non-confrontationally. I would also like to be as



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open to concerns from rest of CCE and clubs as a whole. I am also willing to get into more debate where it's needed, so don't worry about that.

Eliza: What do you see your role being beyond the hell time that is February.

Niam: as it plateaus out for affiliations, there are always other things that need to be done on CCE and I will always be willing to help out. Would also like to spend time getting feedback from clubs on process and making it even better for 2021

Dom: what are your plans for clubs who don't comply with the constitutional change requirements

Niam: That's what we're here for, I want to reach out to clubs to make sure they're across what they need.

Eliza: Why did you withdraw your nomination for secretary

Niam: Part of me is 'I don't know if I can live up to Jason'. It is also a more intense workload throughout the year, and I felt that I would be more comfortable with affiliations

Felix: How would you feel about a one pager on reaffiliation?

Niam: that would be ideal I think, there are other ways we can help too. I think some of those other ways (especially facilitated handovers) will be even better

Eliza: This year we've seen a couple of big clubs not reaffiliate or just die - do you have plans to help them or get their assets?

Niam: It's something we need to work with clubs on, we can't shut them down without communication, but contacting them is definitely something we should do.

Taylor: Elections will be conducted online (poll). Links will be sent out to registered delegate at 11am. You can all vote for all positions except branch officers. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns as soon as possible.

Taylor passes chair back to James without dissent.

Item 5: Discussion Items/Motions on Notice

None.

Item 6: Ratification of Approved Affiliations and Motions to Affiliate



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6.1 Ratification of Provisional Affiliations

None.

6.2 Ratification of Affiliations, approved by the Clubs Council Executive

None.

6.3 Motions to Affiliate, approved by the Affiliations Officer

5.3.1. The Australian National University Anime and Gaming Society

AGS Delegate: AGS started in 1998, we've had a break from affiliation for a while, just reaffiliating now. We meet twice a week in Copland.

Eliza: how is this different from BGS?

AGS Delegate: we came first. Also, we show anime.

5.3.2. ANU Chinese Business Collaboration

Encourage support and employability skills for students studying business

Moved: Cahill

Motion passes

5.3.3. ANU Middle Eastern and Cultural Society

Max: I am the current president of MECS, we are running as a society to tag along with the centre of Arabic and Islamic studies. We function both as a cultural appreciation society and as a gathering ground for people of the Middle Eastern and North African Region

Eliza: What about the 'and'

Max & Ben: That might not suppose to be there

Procedural to amend to "Middle Eastern Cultural Society"

Moved: Max

Seconded: Felix



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Motion passes, it is amended

Felix: Have you been around for a while?

Max: We have been but have been disaffiliated, we are back now

Motion to Affiliate

Moved: Jason

Seconded: Ben

Motion passes

6.4 Motions to Affiliate, non-compliant with the Affiliations Policy

None.

Item 7: Other Business

Nick: The issues with Kambri would not have arisen if not for the leaking of the proposal to Woroni. I'm going to dispute what Jason said, you would need a member of SRC to sponsor your proposal. This would make SRC naval gazing. Officers and Members could be stripped under the proposal Hopefully Observer will publish something about it. This is an anti-democratic attack.

Item 8: Meeting Close

The next meeting of the Clubs Council (CCM1) is expected to be held in Term 1 of 2020. The time and date of this meeting will be subject to the discretion of the Clubs Council Executive for 2020.

Expected Close of Meeting: 11:50pm



Apologies Received

CCE Apologies Received from:

Ji

Skanda

Late CCE Apologies Received from:

Ben



Reference A: Clubs Council Chair's Report

James Howarth

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29/07/2019

Executive Summary

As things begin to come to a close for the year, Clubs Council continues to work in the interest of our clubs and societies. Working groups of various policy and regulations are progressing, whilst the Executive has controlled expenditure to ensure that grants continued to be funded. Preparations have been underway for CCM4, in which we will be hosting our elections for the Executive.

1 The Team

The team has been busy with its various working groups and final reform agendas, which should conclude before the end of our term. Funding has been the biggest focus beyond these working groups, with the Executive turning its mind to the shrinking availability of funds. There has also been internal considerations of the Executive's structure and roles.

2 Affiliations

136 clubs and societies have been successfully affiliated with the Clubs Council. A new and more comprehensive Affiliation Policy was successfully passed at CCM3, thanks to the efforts of Cahill and Jason. The new policy more accurately addresses requirements of affiliating clubs and simplifies the re-affiliation process for already-affiliated clubs and societies.

3 Communications

The Clubs Council Facebook page has around 230 likes. Communications Officer Ji has been working hard on improving Clubs Visibility, leading the respective working group. Ji has worked with ANUSA on a number of proposals, including re-designing the ANUSA website to better accommodate interested clubs and students who are or wish to be involved with the Clubs Council.

4 Community

With all trainings out of the way, the Clubs Council will now be hosting three 'handover' sessions for clubs executives seeking to handover their role to the incoming executives for next year. The Clubs Ball date and theme has also been announced – Into the Depths – with tickets now available for both ANU and non-ANU students.



5 Funding

Currently expenditure (including pending acquittals) of the Clubs Council grants budget is at \$149,563.94 of the increased \$155,000.00 according to our internal Clubs Funding Payment Run (Funding Officer's figures in his CCM4 report are likely to be more accurate!). The Council Executive in cooperation with ANUSA has diverted its personal budget of \$5,000 to the Clubs funding budget, allowing further grants to be paid. It is likely the budget will run out of money at the current rate by mid October unless further funding is secured.

6 Conclusion

Despite the relative intensity of the more recent weeks of the Executive's work, the team continues to universally contribute to the continued functioning and improvement of the Clubs Council. Although the original Community Life Officer, Sam, is no longer with us, Administrative Assistant Ian has been fantastic and picked up a lot of the clubs workload in Sam's absence. I look forward to seeing everyone at Clubs Ball, make sure to book your ticket now on the Facebook event!

7 Final Thoughts and Reflections

It's been a long road for the Clubs Council this year. There have been setbacks, whether it is the bureaucracy so often encountered in student organisations and despised by students, or needless and often emotionless disregard for others wellbeing. Yet despite these setbacks, the genuine desire to better life for clubs and societies on campus from the Executive officers has made the 2019 Clubs Council's term a fruitful one. New, concise and improved Funding and Affiliation Policies were drafted and passed. Trainings were provided in relative abundance compared to previous years, and the budget looks to be entirely spent by the end of the year. Communications significantly improved, with e-mail management and the posting of notices made accessible to clubs through the Clubs Council's new Facebook page, aided in turn by the Clubs Council's own logo.

I personally have enjoyed my time on the Clubs Council. There have been the highest of highs, and the lowest of lows, but all-in-all its been a fantastic experience. Through the trials I faced as Chair, I found myself refined and improved both professionally and personally.

I bid a fond farewell to the Clubs Council as I leave the Chair, and wish the Council the best for its future.

Full Report

1 The Team



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The team has currently been focused on its working groups and clubs funding as its main priorities. The remaining working groups are:

Affiliations Reform; now redrafting the affiliations forms that clubs are required to fill out, as its original purpose – to develop and pass a new Affiliation Policy – has been fulfilled.

Clubs Visibility; oriented around visibility for our affiliated clubs and societies, especially digital visibility.

Constitutional Reform; investigating changes to the Clubs Regulations under the ANUSA Constitution, in order to improve the Executive's functioning and more clearly define the roles of its officers.

Disciplinary; re-working the Reprimands and Penalties Policy in coordination with various other student organisation.

Executive Compensation; seeking to work with ANUSA and the CCE in investigating potential compensation schemes for Executive officers, including possible stipends and honoraria.

Executive Policy Reform; re-working the Executive Policy, a lot of which currently either fails to address significant structural issues within the Executive or includes various provisions which are now unnecessary or obsolete.

These working groups should conclude either with plans for future changes or findings to be provided to the Executive.

Funding has been a particularly significant focus for the Executive given the dire straits the budget appears to be in. There is little money left to fund further student activities, and the Executive has turned its mind to this shrinking availability when considering discretionary grants. Internally, there has been some review conducted regarding the Executive's structure and functions, which has culminated in lengthy meeting discussions regarding its involvement with other student groups.

2 Affiliations

The Clubs Council consists of 136 different clubs and societies. The list of affiliated clubs and societies, as well as their Branches, can be found here:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Pgv3Wt8mIL4PpoV_7HpU8-Vi5SBaxLLwEdstW_AxIfU/edit?usp=sharing

The new Affiliation Policy 2019 was passed at CCM4, with changes ensuring made to address various inconsistencies in the old policy, as well as new provisions making the re-affiliation process simpler for clubs and societies that have already previously been affiliated. There have been changes as well to governance requirements of clubs.



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3 Communications

The Clubs Council Facebook Page now has 230 likes (and 240 'followers!'). Communications Officer Ji has been working hard on improving Clubs Visibility, leading the respective working group to improve the online visibility of affiliated Clubs Council bodies with ANU students. Ji has worked with ANUSA on a number of proposals, including re-designing the ANUSA website to better accommodate interested clubs and students who are or wish to be involved with the Clubs Council. These changes should ensure that clubs are given a greater focus in ANUSA, and provide the information necessary for students to get involved with clubs and societies on campus.

4 Community

With all trainings out of the way, the Clubs Council will now be hosting three 'handover' sessions for clubs executives seeking to handover their role to the incoming executives for next year. These handover sessions have been organised by Community Officer Ebe, and will have various Executive officers in attendance to help executives in the handover process. The Clubs Ball date and theme has also been announced – Into the Depths – with tickets now available for both ANU and non-ANU students. I encourage everyone to come along, as its sure to be a fantastic night. The night has been organised in cooperation with ANUSA, with Ebe and ANUSA Social Officer Matthew planning the event.

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I believe this conflict, and struggles of Executives past, can be attributed to two basic elements: Strong personalities, and little compensation. Often those who seek to help students and run in elections are expectedly wilful - who else would put up a fight for students? Yet this stubborn characteristic means that officers often fail to compromise, and stride forward with a disregard for the professional and personal consequences of their own actions. This disregard, though not necessarily ill-intentioned, causes strife and affects not only the wellbeing of officers but the productivity of the organisation as a whole.

Combine this with the 'little' monetary compensation (read: effectively none) and you have a conflict waiting to occur. The role takes its toll, and there is little to encourage students to continue. Yet continue we do, for from those same strong personalities that cause strife also come the same strength to keep fighting on and improve student life on campus.

This strength is evident in the successes of this year's Executive. Despite the setbacks and the pressure, the genuine desire to better life for clubs and societies on campus from the Executive officers has made the 2019 Clubs Council's term a fruitful one. New, concise and improved Funding and Affiliation Policies were drafted and passed. Trainings were provided in relative abundance compared to previous years, and the budget looks to be entirely spent by the end of the year. Communications significantly improved, with e-mail management and the posting of notices made accessible to clubs through the Clubs Council's new Facebook page, aided in turn by the Clubs Council's own logo.

Despite the challenges and trials, I personally have enjoyed my time on the Clubs Council. There have been both the highest of highs, and the lowest of lows, while I have sat as Chair. The job is a tough one. I suspected as much coming into the role - indeed, no Chair has before me survived a full year. Yet I did not expect the extent to which pressure would be put on me from forces internal as well as external. But we learn, and all-in-all being Chair has been a fantastic experience. Through those trials I faced as Chair, I have found myself refined and improved both professionally and personally. As much as Clubs Council has taken away, it has also given - and then some.

Finally, I bid a fond farewell. Thank you to the Executive Officers who were there through thick and thin. Thank you to the Clubs Council, which has made me a better person. And thank you to the clubs and societies, who in their own different ways have helped the Council continue to improve itself. As I leave the Chair, I wish the Council the best for its future, and part not in anger or sadness, but in a state of satisfaction for all the good we did.



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Reference B: Secretary's Report

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Hey everyone, I hope I find you well. Since my last report, I have had a relatively light workload.

I have made a number of interpretations. They are relatively inconsequential, but relate to the affiliations policy. I have also dealt with a number of compliance issues, the details of which are confidential.

In the context of last CCM's passed changes to the Affiliation Policy. I'd also take this opportunity to note that CCE is waiving the new requirements on Clubs affiliated prior to the change to the policy, but not on those affiliating or re-affiliating afterwards. That means most of you have until re-affiliation time to get compliant.

I am running a working group related to reforming the clubs regs, with a focus on increasing postgraduate representation and reforming the position of branch officers. Skanda is co-facilitating this working group. Given the working group is unlikely to bare fruit this year, we will emphasise handover so that the next executive can benefit from our work.

I have also done work, as an ordinary member, into the ANUSA standing orders in consultation with a number of ANUSA representatives. I have consulted with CCE amongst others on my planned changes. CCMs are one of the contexts where the weaknesses of the current orders is made most clear.

I have liaised with the Returning Officer Taylor Heslington in helping organise the elections for CCE. I thank Taylor for her work, she has been extremely professional. I wish all candidates good luck.

I have not kept timesheets given I am a volunteer, but I would estimate I have worked an average of 15 hours a week on Clubs Council between my reports. This is thankfully down from earlier in the year.

I will between this report and the end of my term emphasise handover. I plan on a somewhat vocational model of handover, walking my successor through their upcoming duties in a practical way. I will also prepare written handover. Obligatory reading for the incoming Secretary is the ANUSA constitution, Clubs Regulations, all of the Clubs



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Council Policy, the ANUSA Code of Conduct, the standing orders and the [Clubs Council Interpretation Register](#).

Given this is my last report, I will end by summing my time on Clubs Council and my feelings about it and ANUSA.

It is honestly difficult for me to recommend that anyone involve themselves in the Clubs Council or ANUSA more broadly in good conscience, given my experience of it this year. This year CCE has been an inherently insidiously negative and alienating environment, and my experience of ANUSA generally is that it is also insidiously negative and alienating. There is little to no support given by the ANUSA Executive, and what is given would be better described as obstruction or machiavellian power gaming. The relationship between CCE and certain parts of ANUSA is inherently conflictious, often to no good purpose. Good ideas are met with resistance from an organisation that is conservative to its bones. I leave ANUSA with a very bitter taste in my mouth and regret much of the blood and tears (the latter extremely literal) that I have put into it.

Nevertheless, clubs matter; they are one of the most vibrant parts of the ANU student community. Clubs are grassroots led, dynamic, and willing to take risks; everything student life should be, but is unfortunately decreasingly so. I am proud of the work that I have done on the Funding and Affiliations Policies in particular and hope they will streamline the interaction of Clubs with CC going forward.



Reference C: Funding Officer's Report

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27/09/2019

Hi all, and welcome back to what is almost certainly the last CCM of the year! As always, if you have any questions at all about my report please feel very free to ask them either at CCM or via email before or after the meeting. This report will be in 5 sections

1. Budget reporting
2. SSAF bid and next year's budget
3. Funding policy
4. Timesheet

Before starting, I would like to congratulate and thank everyone who has nominated for a position on CCE next year. I wish you all the best of luck both for the election and next year.

1. Budget reporting

As of Friday the 27th of September, \$135,492.49 has been either paid out or is to be paid. Another \$14,071.45 has been approved awaiting acquittal, meaning \$149,563.94 is currently either paid or payable upon complete acquittal. This is of a current budget at the time of writing this report of \$155,000. By the time of the CCM, SRC will hopefully have approved the transfer of an additional \$10,000.

As many of you will be aware (and as I communicated to you all by email during the mid semester break), this situation means that grants are now being approved on a rolling basis, as money is freed up in acquittals. It is by my assessment very likely that the clubs funding budget will be exhausted before the end of the year. As such, it is especially important at this stage for clubs to remember that funding is never guaranteed until your application is approved. If you would be putting your club or yourself in a position of financial risk by running an event which does not have an approved application yet, I would encourage you to consider the implications of this.

I believe that there are two key reasons that the budget situation is as it is. Firstly, the amount of funding allocated to clubs by the university in this year's SSAF allocation was lower than it had been in at least 4-5 years. Secondly, given this lower allocation, and the infancy of clubs council, our funding model, and the funding application system, there wasn't a reasonably comparable year to inform our expectations of how much funding would be required. The most damaging effect of this was an underestimation of the extent to which spending would accelerate in term 3. This led to a view that the budget was in good shape up until almost mid term 3, which I still do not believe was unreasonable at the time.

2. SSAF bid and next year's budget

The positive outcome of the above is likely to be felt next year. I understand that the incoming ANUSA exec have now submitted their SSAF bid, which included a request for \$200,000 for



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clubs funding. I believe that it is more likely that we will receive the requested allocation (or at least closer to it) next year, than it was this year, as we have actually spent most of the money this time, and CCE was consulted (to an extent) on the bid, so I believe it is more effective than last year's.

Once ANUSA is advised of the outcome of the bid process, I will work with the incoming funding officer (and the rest of the exec) to plan the appropriate rates of event funding for next year, and any other changes to the policy which may be needed. I will also note that SSAF allocations have historically been released in draft form for public comment. I understand that the process is somewhat different this year and do not know for sure if such a draft will be released, but I encourage you all to keep an eye out for one and comment on it if you don't think the clubs funding allocation is adequate.

3. Funding policy

As Ebe mentions in their report, they moved at the last CCE meeting to convene a working group to investigate the travel grant, and ways to resolve some concerns which have arisen about it this year, which are also likely to help manage the budget next year. In addition to this, I intend to carefully consider the funding policy as part of the process of writing my handover, so that I can pass on thoughts and advice about any changes which may be necessary or desirable for clarification or to improve the ability to manage the budget.

4. Timesheet

As a volunteer, I do not devote time to keeping detailed accounts of the time I spend on this role. However, I would estimate that since the last CCM I have spent at least 10-20 hours per week on this role.



Reference D: Community Officer's Report

Ebe Ganon

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27/09/2019

Welcome to CCM4, likely the final CCM for the year. Thanks for joining us on this wild ride of a year - I've really enjoyed working with clubs and helping to improve the training program and communications procedures within the Clubs Council. In this report, I will give a Clubs Ball update, discuss the Facilitated Handover sessions coming up in Week 11 and flag the new Travel Grant working group. I will also make some quick comments about my time in this role.

Don't worry - this report is much shorter than my last one (but you should still go and read the Clubs Council Semester 1 survey report here from CCM 3: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zFgeFTrOfET85Q38x3AV94IIQ_XHBdHtprbRNR4BNpo/edit?usp=sharing).

Please also keep an eye out for another semesterly survey to come out post-Clubs Ball - this will give you a chance to give us some more feedback on Semester 2, which I will be handing on to the incoming 2020 executive for consideration.

Clubs Ball Launch & Awards

The Clubs Ball event went live on Friday W7 - we're travelling *Into the Depths* for Clubs Ball 2020, at Parliament House on Thursday 10th October, 2019. You can find the Facebook event here (<https://www.facebook.com/events/401884413859453/>) and purchase your tickets here (<http://intothedepths2019.getqpay.com>). At the time of writing this report, we're already half-way sold out, so don't wait until the last minute to get your ticket. Matthew (ANUSA Social Officer) and I have been working extremely hard to make sure that this event will be groovy, inclusive, and a night to remember - it's going to be an awesome way to wrap up the year, celebrate the achievements of our clubs, and take a bit of a load off before exams start to heat up. Submissions for Clubs Awards have now closed and I believe that if I've done my job, that voting should be up and running. Voting will close at 5pm on the evening of the meeting, so hop to it - there are some amazing nominees and we want to get as much input as possible!

We have been having some challenges with this venue regarding lack of transparency around AV provisions and pricing amongst other things, but these have since been brought under control - it's shaping up to be an amazing night. If you have any accessibility queries about the event, please visit the Facebook event or email me at sa.clubscommunity@anu.edu.au.



Facilitated Handover Sessions

In response to the Semester 1 survey, as well as verbal feedback we have received during the year, I have booked and developed a series of Facilitated Handover Sessions in Week 11. We hear a lot that many club executives didn't receive a sufficient handover from their outgoing representative to pick up the role quickly and efficiently, and that often, information is quickly lost due to a lack of a written handover document. I thought that booking a room and staffing it with a few Clubs Council Executive members would provide an opportunity for clubs to conduct their handovers to their new representatives. These sessions will be taking place Monday 14th October @ 10am, Thursday 17th October @ 6pm, and Friday 18th October @ 2pm - no need to book, just come along with your incoming exec. If your entire exec can't make the same day, that's also totally fine - splitting it up is A-OK.

In the lead up to these sessions, I will be publishing a short guide on the kind of information to include in your handovers to make them as digestible, comprehensive and useful to your incoming representatives - keep an eye out for that in the Facebook event (<https://www.facebook.com/events/391185481593524/>).

Travel Grant Working Group

At the Clubs Council Executive meeting on Monday 23rd September, I successfully moved to form a working group to address the Travel Grant. There has been some confusion this year as to the purpose of this grant, and in the strict budgetary situation we find ourselves in (and are likely to find ourselves in again next year) I think that more clarity is needed around this grant so that we can ensure that funding is being allocated appropriately and equitably.

We will likely be meeting in Week 11, and producing a list of recommendations to pass to the incoming executive given the short timeline on this working group. I encourage the 2020 executive to take these recommendations into consideration when approaching CCM1 2020. If you have any thoughts on this grant, please email me at sa.clubscommunity@anu.edu.au.

Reflections on my time in the Community Officer Role

I thought that this was a good place to record some of my thoughts publicly on the role of Community Officer this year. This information and more will also be going in my handover to the next Community Officer, but for accountability reasons I believe that is appropriate to air them publicly.

- Being able to expand and improve the training program for clubs this year has been one of my favourite parts of this role. I ran over double the amount of training sessions this year compared to last year, and also made the content far more



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relevant to clubs with varying levels of experience, especially considering the near total absence of a handover in my role. I also was able to provide a variety of times throughout the semester to suit students who are studying, working, caring, and with different commitments. I hope that 2020 sees the continued expansion of this program.

- I've been able to work with Ji, our Communications Officer, to improve communication methods with our clubs. This was achieved by being diligent with sending out all information through email, not just Facebook, starting a dedicated Facebook page to supplement our group, developing the first ever Clubs Council logo, and ensuring that we published information with as much notice as possible.
- Consultations! Surveys! I love them a lot and it's been really really productive to be able to source feedback from club delegates in order to improve our practises. We give a shit about what you have to say, and I hope that this practise continues into next year.
- Being able to work with Matthew to organise Clubs Ball has been a great opportunity. This event traditionally sitting with the ANUSA Social Officer rather than a Clubs Council officer is a bit of a unique choice, but I'm lucky to have been able to jump in on this - I would encourage next year's ANUSA executive to employ this strategy again.
- Working groups, working groups, working groups. We've had a load of them, and I've sat on many this year. Affiliations Reform, Clubs Visibility, and Executive Compensation are just some of the topics we've explored and produced recommendations for. I would highly encourage future Clubs Council Executives to utilise working groups as a tool and to get involved with the ones that sound interesting to you - even if you don't think you have the necessary experience, they're a great place to learn.
- Finally, team dynamics. This year has seen a lot of internal professional conflict between various officers, which is unfortunate. Many attempts at remedying these conflicts have occurred, with varying degrees of receptiveness and success. However, this hasn't stopped most representatives from performing their role to the best of their ability. This has been a great lesson that I hope no future representatives have to learn, but it's something to keep in mind.

That's it! Thanks for reading my last report as Community Officer. Best of luck for exams, and I hope that you all have a delightful summer. Ebe, out.



Reference E: Affiliations Officer's Report

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27/09/2019

Introduction

Hey everyone and welcome to CCM4! As we steer towards the end of the academic and social calendar, I would like to congratulate everyone on the hard work they have put into their clubs to promote ANU's campus life. We are very fortunate to boast almost 140 affiliated clubs, and you have all dedicated so much of your time for others.

The affiliations aspect of my role has been pretty quiet since CCM3, at the time this report is written we only have 3 incoming new affiliations. I have been dedicating most of my time assisting other members of the exec with their projects which I will explain in greater depth in this report.

CCM3 & 2019 Affiliations Policy

I apologise once again for my absence at CCM3 and I would like to thank Jason Pover (Secretary) for moving the new 2019 Affiliations policy at this meeting. As AGM period arrives, I encourage all Clubs to move to have the new necessary clauses added to their constitutions which should then be sent to us at sa.clubs@anu.edu.au which will be kept on record. Ji and I have been collaborating a list and explanation of the clauses each club needs to add and hopefully by the time this report is published, all clubs should have received an email from us. The alternative to submitting your new constitutions by the end of this year is to submit it in the 2020 reaffiliations document. Also don't forget that if you are making constitutional changes, you need to send your current constitution and proposed changes to us to make sure it is compliant.

2020 Reaffiliation (re)Form

Following the passing of the Affiliations Form, Ji Woo, Ebe, Jason, Jacob and myself have been working on changes to the reaffiliation form. Previously, supplying constitutions was required for reaffiliations. This unfortunately lead our secretary to have to interpret over 130 constitutions to ensure they were compliant. This proved to be a major challenge and contributed to many difficulties faced by both us and clubs. Given the additions of the Affiliations Policy which compels all Clubs to alert us of changes being made to their



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constitutions, we will now keep a record of all constitutions to save us from reading through all of them.

Another change to the form is making a club email required to ensure we are able to communicate with each club. Previously a club email was optional and was left out in a few cases.

Club Visibility Working Group

Earlier last week, Ji Woo met with Kate from ANUSA Comms to discuss the validity of various suggestions to improve the visibility of Clubs and Societies on campus and online. I would like to thank Ji Woo for all the effort she has put in and I encourage you to read her report for a succinct overview of the meeting and the changes being made to Clubs Council's presence online.

Elections & Reflection

I would like to congratulate everyone who has put themselves out there and nominated themselves for a position on the Clubs Council next year. I'm very grateful to have had this learning experience in the roles of General Officer and then Affiliations Officer and I wish next year's executive all the best. It has definitely been an interesting year on the Clubs Council. What I was most impressed about was the resilience and professionalism of all team members in the face of conflict and uncertainty. Clear communication, teamwork and multilateral understanding of each other played key roles in the success of this year's Club Council and I'm extremely proud of all my fellow co-workers.

My parting advice to next year's exec is to always look out for yourself and put your health as the top priority. It's very easy to lose yourself in your work especially at the periods of the year where Clubs Council work gets more demanding. It's important to remember that you are in a voluntary role and you are not expected to put your work over your own health. If times are getting tough, please reach out and take leave. As always if anyone on the incoming exec wants to talk or need advice, I will always find some time to make myself available. Clubs Council will always have a place in my heart, and I look forward to continuing my work with ANUSA as a General Representative in 2020.

CCM4 New Affiliations



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Currently ANU has 134 affiliated clubs. As of the time this report is written, there are 3 clubs awaiting affiliation at CCM4 which can be found on the agenda.



Reference F: Communications Officer's Report

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27/09/2019

Executive Summary:

- 1. Introduction**
- 2. Follow up from the last report**
- 3. Communications**

1. Introduction

Thankyou to everyone who has been patience on our responses, especially throughout the term break. We try our best to respond timely in comprehensive manner but please be understanding with delays, as many of us are full-time student, working this role. sa.clubs@anu.edu inboxes are running smoothly as it should with all the past emails checked upon. We have heaps happening this semester with elections, handover consultation and individual projects which are all very exciting. All the events are up and available on our Facebook page have also been emailed out to reach those who do not use Facebook. Clubs Council Executive (CCE) minutes are all up to date and available for anyone to view on the ANUSA website and I am currently in progress of maintaining ANUSA's Clubs list and improving visibility for clubs and CC.

2. Follow up from the last report

The inbox system I believe have shown improvement in the consistence and the efficiency when communicating via email. I hope this system to be passed on to my succeder for 2020 and in later future. Furthermore, six named officers have been created their own individual email address. The implementation of these additional addresses haven't shown great changes in communications between clubs and CC, but for specific inquiries or notices, these new emails are open to be addressed.

The CC Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/clubsCouncil/> has been running for a while with information and content for the clubs and societies of ANU. Page has been overall effective in notifying club executives and have personally received some positive feedbacks on its functionality. Of course, there are lots to improve, such as gaining more views and engagement to the level of the ANU Societies and Clubs group. As the Facebook group has been a primary platform of notice before the creation of CC page, it is not a surprise majority of the club members are more comfortable with the group nature. However, there is for the CC page to also have the same level of engagement, as many of the official notices are published on the page. This is something that I wish to



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further pursue and engage in improving, which hopes to be continued to my successor.

Successfully affiliated clubs/societies from CCM3 should now have a page dedicated on the ANUSA Clubs list website, if not please email sa.club@anu.edu.au or sa.clubscommunications@anu.edu.au and I will assist with that update. Additionally, I would like to remind the clubs that the three trustees that has been named during the re/affiliation process should have authority to apply grant and also edit their clubs page: <https://anusa.com.au/life/clublist/>. It has been evident many people are unaware of this feature regardless of my emails but now as I have access to edit on behalf, I will be updating the page with logos and brief info that has been provided with the re/affiliation Form.

As we have two main platform in informing and directing club executives, for those who are not on Facebook, all of posted information on Facebook will be emailed out again to the main email address of the clubs/societies. If your club/society is not receiving these emails, please let us know as it is vital that the club/society is aware of the programs and schedules we have upcoming. For those who do not have a main email address, the email will be sent to the clubs Presidents personal ANU email so please be aware of this fact and possibly consider making an inbox for the club/society. If you would prefer a different email than what is set currently, please let me know and I will update that for you ASAP.

3. Communications

Looking back at my term as the Communications Officer, I believe the overall fluency, transparency and the efficiency has improved compared to last year. All the emails received is delegated to relevant officers, responded latest 3-7 days. Majority of the emails that we have received has been responded or helped, but again, I would like to ask for patience with our responses as we are all voluntary working students. At time, with an email consisting multiple questions and one that is in need for interpretation, we want to be clear and give you the correct information. The inbox system as mentioned is very moderate, with September and only have September emails in the inbox.

The Clubs Handbook project has been renamed to the Visibility Working group, broadening the focus of the Clubs Handbook to other online exposures. The working group had numerous proposals in the aims to improve club/society visibility as well as CC as a whole. One main improvements that is expected is the sophistication of Clubs info section on the ANUSA website. Currently the 'clubs info' is under the main heading of 'campus life' with a single page dedicated to all the information related to club. We believe this can be better formatted with the creation of a main heading dedicated to



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clubs/societies and further have clear subheadings; i.e. How to create a club, Services for clubs, Who are CC? etc, which hopes to clarify who to contact and furthermore, the services available for the clubs. This is change is currently in progression, with the Community Officer and myself in charge, along with other named officers and general officer committed to the project. Other ideas such as video capturing all the club life and activities has also been suggested, but due to myself close to the end of the term, will be something for the succeeding officer to take over and pursue for 2020.

Just a reminder to all, Communications Policy, Section 6 states that all club and society executives in their communications with us must now identify the name of the e-mail sender and their position within the club. With this policy constantly reminded throughout my reports, email and messages, this has shown drastic improvement throughout the month. Thank you for those who have been following the policy and please continue doing so as CC members have the rights to disregard your email if it is not in such format.

It was a pleasure assisting clubs and societies of 2019 and I hope myself as the Communications Officer was able to deliver all the notices and important information to you in timely manner. Again, there are so much improvement and development that can be made in strengthening the communication, and I hope the successor of this position will be able to extend these aspects.

I am always open for feedback so please please do not hesitate to email me or talk to me in person.



Reference G: Branch Officers Reports

*Claudia Harris, Eli Madar, Shahnawaz Mirza,
Ben Rowley, Skanda Panditharatne, Harry Strong*

Summary

1. Arts and Performance (Claudia Harris)
2. Discipline (Shahnawaz Mirza)
3. Faith and Religion (Eli Madar)
4. Humanitarian, Social Justice and Advocacy (Henry Strong)
5. Political (Ben Rowley)
6. Culture and Language (*Vacant*)
7. Special Interest (Skanda Panditharatne)

1. Arts and Performance

Claudia Harris

This year for the arts and performance community has been an eventful one. However this community and the societies involved have all persevered and worked together to find many solutions to such problems.

Kambri Theatre

The biggest issue which has arisen in the past year has been the use of the Kambri Drama Theatre. Many societies have come across many issues with the space and have had to rely upon each other to find solutions. The biggest problem caused by the theatre was the cancellation of the MTC's annual musical. The lack of proper space has forced some societies to go off campus for their venues, and putting some societies out of pocket.

Save the Arts

In response to the issues faced, the theatre societies on campus have decided to create a working group in response. This group is in its early days but is a testament to the community's strength. They had their first session more than a week ago and there has been some great responses and ideas already proposed. I am very eager to see where they go next, as they have a lot of potential to create permanent solutions for the theatre.

Future for the branch



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I believe there are some big changes coming for the community. The Arts and Performance branch officer will be a great asset to the theatre community in their needs for a better space, and will need to be the main person to discuss the involvement of the Clubs Council, ANUSA and PARSA. This branch is crucial for all arts and performance societies, especially in the next year.

To conclude I would like to congratulate every society in branch for all their successful shows and outstanding events that have been held during the year. The challenges that they have faced have all been taken in their stride. I am incredibly proud of this community and am sure they will thrive next year.

2. Discipline

Shahnawaz Mirza

During this short tenure at this position, I tried to encourage all the clubs, societies and associations to start encouraging post-graduate/ HDR students' involvement. The following are a few pointers of feedback that I received from all the clubs/associations/societies under my branch:

1. Only a few societies and others have been seen taking most of the time of CCM wherein there should be given an equal stand or chance for each club to keep their point.
2. Not enough support has been provided by the clubs council during the time of affiliation of a new club/association/society.
3. Feedback by PARSA for clubs council has already been shared to the clubs council executive team to the chair and it has been discussed already.

3. Faith and Religion

Elisheva Madar

With the Branch Officer role being relatively broad, a lot of this year was spent meeting with Faith and Religion society executives and listening to what they want out of Clubs Council. It has been amazing seeing the breadth and vibrancy of faith societies at the ANU, but I there's definitely still room for improvement!

Updates



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This year I've been in contact with the ANU Chaplaincy about the role of faith in student life and advertised some of their events, but I definitely think this relationship has room for growth and improvement! I've meet with at least one executive member from 75% of the Clubs in my Branch and discussed the possibility of more interfaith and intercultural events. I am on multiple internal Working Groups to help with the continued improvement of the Clubs Council.

We've just launched the ANU Interfaith Forum (feel free to find and join us on Facebook!). I hope this group is the beginning of a vibrant intercultural and interfaith community at ANU! In light of timing and booking constraints, we've reimaged ANU Interfaith Week as a day of events, with the Feminist Faces of Faith Panel being at the forefront, with a mixer event for Executives and students to follow! More details to be announced soon!

Looking to the future

ANU Chaplaincy: I think this relationship can and should be improved upon. The Chaplaincy can serve an important role in providing a more integrated support system for students who wish to opt-in.

Branch Officer Reform: I've loved the freedom of being a Branch Officer this year, but I think it is also important to give Officers support and structure in order to provide the best quality of support for ANU Clubs and Societies. A Working Group has been formed to tackle this issue specifically and I'm excited to help craft some policy proposals on the topic!

Interfaith at the ANU: I hope the birth of the ANU Interfaith Forum will be the beginning of something great! It is so important to unite students across faith and religious denominations to tackle issues of xenophobia and racism on our campus and in the broader community. One of the best ways to do this is by humanising each group and their relationship to faith, as well as their lived experiences of expressing their spirituality in Australia.

Faith Events Calendar: A project that has been in works with a number of Branch Officers is to have a publicly accessible calendar in which students and staff can list events their club is running and students looking for more engagement opportunities can access! Hopefully this could be hosted on the ANUSA website, with toggles for different branches and event types. I would love for this project to be continued!



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Faith and religion societies are an integral part of the ANU Community. Collectively, they have organised over 300 events, meetings, Bible study groups and social events. They have engaged hundreds of students across culture and language barriers. They have shared their pain in the aftermath of Pittsburgh, Christchurch and Sri Lanka and yet, have continued to engage with their communities passionately and outspokenly.

I am incredibly proud of the part I have played as Branch Officer in facilitating this, and cannot wait to see where the branch goes next! - Elisheva Rose Madar

4. Humanitarian, Social Justice and Advocacy

Henry Strong

The past few months in the humanitarian, social justice, and advocacy branch have been exciting to say the least. All of the clubs in this branch have been active in their fields. Some have been out there on the streets fighting for what they believe to be right. Others have been getting their hands dirty on the slopes of black mountain to cut away damaging hawthorns and pull weeds. Another club even knitted and sewed trauma teddies to send to the victims of fires in QLD and NSW.

One club attracted the attention of the national media, and was featured in an ABC News Special for their efforts in fighting period poverty around the world. There are real women and girls, living in very difficult socio-economic circumstances around the world, whose need for sanitation has been met by this club, directly, and with dignity. This is an example of how clubs here at the ANU can, and do, have a global impact.

Many clubs have been active in the events sphere as well, hosting events of various kinds, featuring special guests and leading experts.

I am new to this role, and I was not sure what to expect from the clubs in my branch. What I have seen from them has been nothing but inspiring. I wish them well in the coming weeks, and look forward to supporting them as much as I can, in their noble pursuits.

Henry.



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Specifically, some of the things clubs have been up to are:

Balls:

- RRRS Ball: A Night at the Races, Friday September 20.

Events by clubs:

- ANU Red Cross Uniclub: 'trauma teddies' for victims of the fires, September 2 to 23.

- Effective Altruism and Amnesty ANU cooperation on an event: 'How to Ban Nuclear

Weapons', with special guest Dr Timothea Turnbull, September 24.

- ANU Refugee Action Committee, 'Public Meeting on Climate Refugees', September 26.

- Effective Altruism: 'Designing Ethical Algorithms for Autonomous Vehicles', October 1.

- ANU Mentoring Assistance Program: 'Laser Tag', October 3.

- ANU Mentoring Assistance Program hosted a barbecue as well.

- ANU Volunteering Society, 'ANU Volunteering Society AGM', October 16.

- ANU for Bees: 'Bee Hotel Workshop', October 20.

- ANU Fifty50: 'A Day in the Life' program, places a student for a day shadowing someone working in a field of Science, Tech, Engineering, and Maths.

Events in general:

- Biodiversity and Conservation Event, September 24.

- Refugees: What Can be Done? With Julian Burnside AO QC. October 9.

- Social Justice Dinner, University House. Tickets available. October 10.

Club Activity:

- Taboo ANU: Featured in an ABC News report.

- Climate Strike: many clubs from this branch were involved.

- ANU for Bees, Effective Altruism ANU, ANU Volunteering Society: Wonderful Facebook feeds, very active, posting some high-quality content.

- ANU Intrepid Landcare has been helping out local landcare groups in their conservation efforts in the Aranda bushland.

- ANU Red Cross Uniclub will host a stand at the Universal Lunch Hour on October 3.

- ANU Volunteering Society is looking for people to sign up to their 2020 program.

Henry Strong

Humanitarian, Social Justice, and Advocacy Branch Officer



5. Political

Ben Rowley

We made it to CCM4 folks. The past few weeks since CCM3 has been very personally busy for me so I haven't been able to do as much as I would have possibly wanted in that time so I mostly echo my goals from my past report, branch reform group especially, and I hope that whoever takes over this branch can continue this work, as well as future CCEs.

Future for the branch

I still hold out that there could be some form, education or support for political clubs to find some kind of funding from other means apart from SAFF in-order to run social events. To whoever ends up replacing me next year please come and chat to me casually, I want to be of help and I may have caught the Clubs Council bug this year.

6. Culture and Languages

Vacant

No report submitted [Vacancy].

7. Special Interest

Skanda Panditharatne

Since the last CCM, the Branch Officer Reform Working Group which I was heading up has now been rolled into the Constitutional Reform Working Group, led by the Clubs Council Secretary and I. While I'm disappointed that we weren't able to get you concrete proposals for branch reform before this meeting, I'm glad that we are putting in due diligence and hope to be able to pass on draft recommendations to my successor.

I've also met with Henry and Shanawaz to discuss increased postgraduate involvement in clubs, and I encourage all clubs to consider ways to involve postgraduates in their events and look for a diverse range of students in their



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executives. As always, I'm keen to hear from any Special Interest Clubs to help out in any way I can.



Reference H: General Officers' Reports

Stavros Dimos, Niam Foxcroft, Zeyi Wang

Summary

1. Stavros Dimos
2. Niam Foxcroft
3. Zeyi Wang

1. Stavros Dimos

The last month or so has been very busy for me, both in and out of CC. Here's what I've been up to.

Independence/Postgrad Representation --> Constitutional Reform:

Independence/postgrad representation has been integrated into constitutional reform. Most of the solutions we've discussed involve a significant restructuring of the clubs council.

Travel Grant Reform:

Have joined the very recently formed travel grant working group. As of this CCM, we haven't had an opportunity to do on anything concrete.

Deputy Funding Officer:

Jacob continues to do so much more than any one human needs to. As such, there is nothing noteworthy to report here.

2. Niam Foxcroft

Hi! Our final CCM4 (likely)! What a sad time - but a good time to let you know how things are going.

Reprimand & Penalties Policy

Good progress here. Probably going to have to be a 2020 project, but hopefully with some of the Clubs Council Executive being retained and with contributors hanging around next year, we should have that sorted.

Elections



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Best of luck to everyone running - here's to hoping that 2020 will be just as great as 2019!

Farewell

As someone who came onto the Executive as an excited first year at the end of 2018, I am happy to say I am leaving the 2019 Executive just as excited. Clubs are amazing - other universities don't have that same interest in clubs as we do here at ANU. I am always amazed by what events you all run, and I can't wait to see (and attend!) all the great events you'll have planned for 2020.

I hope everyone's assignments, essays and exams go well, and that you have a restful break.

3. Zeyi Wang

I have been through an intensive period of time since last CCM. It is surprising to see a lot of changes made in and by the Council. I hope everyone is satisfied with the new amendments made. Before the winter break, we set up the Club's Council Facebook page. I am happy to see it works really officially recently and more students are up to date with the Council's decisions and activities. Also, I'm willing to help to run the page whenever needs me. This is the final CCM of this semester, and also the final one for me as an executive of Council. I hope more people could get involved in the university's club society and if interested, join clubs council to better regulate the club environment. I enjoyed a lot this year and it is really nice to work with these talented and excellent people.