C&S Celebrate a successful 2007

Over 30 Clubs and Societies came together on Tuesday 16th October at the UniBar to celebrate the year’s success and to see the inaugural UniCentre C&S Awards presented. All that entered the UniBar were engaged with the delightful tunes of the Folk Music Club and were encouraged to get involved in various C&S activities set up on the night. The Poker club set up a tournament, the Guild displayed some of their favourite games, Rotaract set up a table and Japanese Matsuri set up “Japanese style games”. Jim Beam also had a putt putt golf and pool competition running to add to the fun.

The manager of CSD Tony Elshof was on hand to present the C&S Awards in various categories, including the Campus Engagement Awards, Service Club of the Year, Club of the Year and Club Person of the Year. Whilst all the categories were incredibly close Amnesty International and Rotaract were a force to be reckoned with on the night. Once the awards were presented an acoustic act “Livewire” took the stage to entertain the remaining crowd.

A huge thanks goes to all the members of C&S that made the effort to attend the evening. It is inspiring to see so many motivated individuals involved in a university program. A huge thanks also to the UniBar staff who kept us well fed throughout the evening. (See page 2 for more details)
C&S Awards 2007

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3rd Place: Japanese Matsuri
“Japanese Festival at International Week”

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Club Person of the Year
Levi Garry
Levi is involved in many of the clubs and societies at UOW. He is always happy to help others, and has consistently donated his time, thought, effort and energy to all the groups he has been involved with.
This year he has assisted the Law Students’ Society in the capacity of Vice President. He has also dedicated much of his time to assist UOW’s Rotaract Club. Levi’s involvements in 2007 have also included M Society and the recently established Football Supporters Club. He has recently been appointed as a Justice of the Peace, and will be available on campus for JP services during the coming year.

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Commendation Column
C&S at UOW contribute greatly to the campus and wider community. Whilst a winner for the awards must be named, we would like take the time to recognise and thank the other nominees in the categories. We thank you for submitting your nomination and commend you for all of your hard work and dedication!
• Adam Everill
• Andrew Ogden
• Bahai Society
• Evangelical Christian Union
• Finance & Accounting Society
• Grace Tin
• Katie Moran
• Mohammad J. Mowlaei
• Persian Culture Society
• Toastmasters
• Tom Heathwood

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A word from the C&S Office

Once again the UniCentre C&S program has continued to evolve and grow in 2007. With over 65 clubs and societies which boast over 2600 members combined, your student organisations have continuously run many events, activities and meetings which have contributed to the overall student experience at UOW. Whilst most students are all here to achieve an educational qualification, university represents so much more than the degree that is awarded upon graduation. It is about the relationships, the challenges and the safe environment to explore interests. C&S as a program certainly creates a medium for many of these pursuits.

In 2007 clubs and societies have strengthened their presence on campus – there have been more combined clubs events, the Duck Pond Lawn has returned and is more alive than ever before. We have seen numerous C&S run major events in the UniBar and UniHall and an incredible amount of service to the community. In a time in which VSU threatens student organisations across Australia, we are very proud to say that C&S at UOW is displaying continual growth and this will hopefully continue long into the future. Thank you to all of the individuals and groups that have showed the commitment and leadership this year in shaping the C&S Program and experience.

We are all so excited about 2008 at the C&S Office, and indeed throughout the entire UniCentre organisation!

On behalf of all of the staff at the Centre for Student Development, I would like to wish you all a safe and relaxing summer break. We look forward to working with you all again in 2008.

- Melissa & The C&S Team

P.S. Make sure you check out the dates snapshot for 2008 on the back page and plan to get involved in your club or society next year!

Year in review

The C&S program in 2007 equals…
- 5 C&S Days
- 3 Combined training days
- UniCentre Cup Combined Sports Day
- 9 training workshops
- International Week C&S Displays
- C&S Combined Awards Night AND
- 67 Clubs and Societies at UOW

Welcome to new C&S

Welcome to four new C&S that have affiliated with UniCentre. We all look forward to watching your student organisation strengthen and grow.

The new clubs are:
- Culture Club
- Political Awareness Society
- Good Deeds International
- Laps for Leukemia

What’s on

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Arrive alive

Check us out at: www.arrivealive.com.au
Happy Birthday M Society

The UOW M-Society is celebrating their tenth birthday with the M-10 Party... and you're invited!

M-Society is UOW's Marketing & Management Society, which exists to provide academic, vocational, networking and social activities for students of Marketing & Management.

Today there are some 300 student members and over 200 life members, almost 25% of whom are international students. Whilst the society specifically targets marketing and management students, several students from other faculties (especially media, communications and graphic design) have joined the society to enhance their prospects of gaining opportunities in the field.

Members enjoy benefits such as an official certificate of membership, invitations to numerous functions, networking opportunities and BBQs. Regular Society emails to all members detail career and professional development opportunities.

All members are invited to nominate for the executive committee as positions become available. Committee positions offer the chance for students to improve skills such as public speaking, leadership, team work and event management.

Joining M-Society offers you the chance of creating life long memories and friendships, whilst developing networks and supporting great local charities at our fundraiser events. M Society has raised thousands of dollars in 10 years.

For information, email the committee at: uow.m.society@gmail.com

Cheers Column

As 2007 draws to a close, a enormous thanks goes out to all the organisations, groups and individuals that have contributed to the C&S program in 2007. We hope that you will all continue to be involved in the program long into the future.

- All UniCentre Clubs and Societies Members
- All Club Support Committee Members
- Staff from the Centre for Student Development
- All faculty staff that have supported the C&S Program
- UniCentre Entertainment Unit
- UniCentre Marketing Unit
- UniBar
- University Recreation and Aquatic Centre (URAC)
- Wollongong IMB Hawks
- Wollongong Wolves
- Peerless Activewear
- Pixles Banners
- ... and the many individuals and businesses who have supported individual C&S and their events – Thank You!

Celebrate end of exams @ UniBar

No more paper … no more books!! Launch into the summer holidays in true UOW style at the Arrive Alive End of Exams Party at the UniBar on Thursday 15th November, 2007. The lovely people at UniCentre Entertainment are offering 10 FREE tickets to the first 10 people who email clubs_and_socs_enquiries@uow.edu.au with their name, phone number and their club/society. Make sure you write Arrive Alive END OF EXAMS COMP in the email title.

Snapshot 2008

Exams are almost over and as UOW is studying and looking forward to the summer holidays, the team here at CSD are already looking forward to 2008! Make sure you record these important dates in your diary …

Semester 1 2008
- 0 Week Festival Clubs Day Wed 20 February
- Week 1 Clubs Day Wed 27 February
- Combined C&S Training Week 2
- UniCentre Cup Week 6

Semester 2 2008
- Week 1 Clubs Day Wed 23 July
- C&S Awards Day and Celebration Week 12

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