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EDITORIAL

Hi all,

I'm Zoe, your new Secretary and Communications Exec, and this is your new Billy Bulletin. In an attempt to combat apathy towards the JCR, I have done my best to jazz things up a bit, so please do have a read. The new segments are 'A Song of Ice and Fitz' - a recounting of the weekly political power struggles of King Alex's small council (starting this week with a guide to some of the major players), and 'Nanny State' - a Q&A with the people that make Fitz tick, as well as 'A View From The Bridge' - your usual guide to what's going on this week. If you've got any feedback, suggestions, or contributions you'd like to make, let me know at zmw21@cam.ac.uk. Apart from that, have a goat-ally awesome week one!

Zoe

A SONG OF ICE AND FITZ

WAY UP IN THE MISTY MOUNTAINS OF CAMBRIDGE, GUARDED BY IMPENETRABLE CONCRETE WALLS, THE NOBLE STATE OF FITZEROS SITS PROUD AND CALM, UNTROUBLED BY THE PETTY QUARRELS OF ITS NEIGHBOURS. BUT TROUBLE IS BREWING. FITZEROS HAS A NEW KING, A NEW KING WITH NEW IDEAS ABOUT LEADERSHIP, WHO BELIEVES IN TRANSPARENCY AND THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF A GOVERNMENT TO ITS SMALLFOLK, AND, MOST BOLDLY OF ALL, SEEKS INDEPENDENCE FROM THE REST OF THE REALM. IS IT AN ACT OF LIBERATION FOR HIS PEOPLE, OR IS IT A MAD BID FOR POWER? ONE THING'S FOR SURE: THIS IS A YEAR THAT WILL SHAKE UP A NATION.

INTRODUCING THE MASTERS OF THE SMALL COUNCIL:

-**KING ALEXANDER CICALÉ**. KNOWN BY THE SMALLFOLK AS 'THE YOUNG GOAT', KING ALEX HAD GREAT SUPPORT WHEN HE USURPED THE MAD KING PHILIP IN THE FIRST FROST OF THE LONG WINTER, TAKING A DECISIVE VICTORY IN THE BATTLE OF THE OLISA. BUT CAN HE SHOW THE SAME PROWESS AS A PEACETIME KING? OR ARE HIS PROMISES OF TRANSPARENCY, VISIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY AS FLIMSY AS THE STAIRCASE OF THE OLD LIBRARY, AND MORE QUICKLY REPLACED?

-**THE KING'S HAND, LORD DAMIANO SOGARO**. LORD DAMIANO FIRST CAME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE REALM, AND THE KING, THROUGH HIS PART IN ORGANISING THE GREAT FESTIVAL OF FITZEROS. A MOST GLORIOUS EVENT INDEED, BUT ARE HIS SKILLS SUITED TO THE TASK AT HAND, OR WILL HIS AMBITIONS OF SETTING UP COMMITTEES TO DEAL WITH COUNCIL PROBLEMS, AND IMPORTING MORE GOODS TO BE SOLD AT THE CITY GATES, GET IN THE WAY OF HIS DUTY TO SPEAK WITH THE VOICE OF THE KING?

-**MASTER OF COIN, LORD MAXIMILIAN CROCI**. PERHAPS THE YOUNGEST MASTER OF COIN THE REALM HAS EVER SEEN, LORD MAXIMILIAN HAS GRAND PLANS TO LOWER THE PRICE OF LODGINGS AND MAKE IT CHEAPER TO ACCESS THE CITY'S GREAT WEB OF INFORMATION. BUT WILL HIS YOUTH MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR HIM TO COMMAND THE RESPECT OF THE MONEYLENDERS FITZEROS RELIES ON TO FUND ITS MANY ENTERPRISES?

-**MASTER OF WHISPERERS, LADY ZOE WALKER**. A MYSTERY WRAPPED IN AN ENIGMA, LADY ZOE KNOWS ALL AND REVEALS NOTHING, AND WHILE SHE SERVES THE KING FAITHFULLY, IT IS SUSPECTED THAT HER TRUE LOYALTIES LIE ONLY WITH HERSELF. BUT WILL HER PROMISE OF INTRIGUING THE SMALLFOLK IN THE INNER WORKINGS OF THE SMALL COUNCIL FAIL MISERABLY AS HER PUNNY WIT FALLS FLAT ON ITS FACE AND MAKES THE SMALLFOLK CRINGE AND TURN AWAY IN HORROR?¹

¹ these questions are rhetorical, fyt.

A SONG OF ICE AND FITZ

-GRAND MAESTER, LADY ELEANOR COSTELLO. FORMERLY MASTER OF HEALING ON THE SMALL COUNCIL OF KING PHILIP, LADY ELEANOR HAS LONG SINCE SWORN FEALTY TO KING ALEX, AND HE SEES NO REASON TO MISTRUST HER. SHE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR FACILITATING EDUCATION IN THE CITY, AND IS INTENT ON MAKING SURE ALL MAESTERS ARE PROACTIVE ABOUT HELPING STRUGGLING STUDENTS, BUT WILL SHE SUCCEED IN SWAYING SUCH A NOTORIOUSLY CONSERVATIVE LOT?

-MASTER OF SHIPS, LADY SOPHIE KEATING. FITZEROS IS A GLORIOUS PLACE, BUT A REMOTE ONE, AND ITS CONCRETE WALLS ARE AS REPELLENT TO FRIENDS AS THEY ARE TO FOES. FORTUNATELY, LADY SOPHIE IS ON HAND TO ORGANISE VOYAGES TO FAR-OFF LANDS AND SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT OUR MANY VIRTUES, IN THE HOPE THAT OTHERS MIGHT CONSIDER IMMIGRATING TO THE MISTY MOUNTAINS OF CAMBRIDGE TO JOIN US. BUT WILL SHE FIND ENOUGH BRAVE EXPLORERS TO PARTAKE IN SAID VOYAGES?

-MASTER OF LAWS, LADY CAITLIN MACKRIDGE. IN SUCH TROUBLED TIMES AS THESE, IT IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER TO ENSURE THAT WE DON'T FORGET WHAT IS RIGHT. LADY CAIT IS IN CHARGE OF JUST THAT: HER DUTY IS TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT FITZEROS' INVESTMENTS ARE NOBLE AND GOOD, AND THAT WE TAKE CARE OF THE LAND THAT FEEDS US, SO IT CAN CONTINUE TO DO SO. BUT THE FITZBILLIES ARE A STINGY PEOPLE—CAN SHE PERSUADE THEM TO PART WITH THEIR PRECIOUS COIN, FOR NO REWARD BUT JUSTICE?

-MASTER OF FESTIVITIES, LADY FENELLA KEEVIL. AS DAUGHTER OF THE KING, LADY FENELLA SHOULD FEEL RIGHT AT HOME ON THE SMALL COUNCIL, AND CERTAINLY HOLDS POWER ENOUGH TO CARRY OUT WHATEVER DECISIONS SHE MAKES. BUT WILL SHE MAKE THE RIGHT DECISIONS? THE FITZBILLIES LIKE A GOOD BANQUET, AND LADY FENELLA HAS A BIG TASK AHEAD OF HER IF SHE IS TO ASCERTAIN THAT THEIR APPETITE FOR ENTERTAINMENT IS SATIATED.

-MASTERS OF HEALING, LADY ISLA PHILLIPS AND LORD JAKE CHOULES. FITZEROS IS GLORIOUS BUT IT'S NOT PERFECT, AND AMONG THE REGULAR POXES AND PLAGUES THAT AFFLICT US LIE DARKER THINGS; STRESS AND FEARS AND SORROWS THAT NO SIMPLE TONIC CAN REMEDY. THAT'S WHY OUR TWO MASTERS OF HEALING ARE EQUIPPED TO AID BOTH PHYSICAL AND MENTAL SUFFERING, HOLDING REGULAR EVENTS TO KEEP UP MORALE AND CONVINCE THE POPULACE THAT IF THEY NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO, LADY ISLA AND LORD JAKE ARE THERE.

WANT TO JOIN ONE OF LADY SOPHIE'S VOYAGES? SEND HER A RAVEN AT icr.access@executive@cam.ac.uk. NEED A WORD WITH LADY ISLA OR LORD JAKE? WHY NOT ATTEND ONE OF THEIR WEEKLY DROP-INS. WANT TO DO YOUR BIT FOR TRUTH, JUSTICE AND THE FITZEROS WAY? LIKE THE [FITZ ETHICAL AFFAIRS](#) FACEBOOK PAGE FOR REGULAR UPDATES. FOR CONTACT DETAILS OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL, A MORE COHERENT GUIDE TO WHAT THEY DO, OR TO COMPLAIN ABOUT THIS GOD-AWFUL PIECE OF WRITING, HEAD TO FITZICR.COM.

A VIEW FROM THE 'BRIDGE

It's WEEK ONE and there are opportunities aplenty, from street dance to teaching to comedy. Whether it's exercise, money, or a warm fuzzy feeling you're after, Cambridge has it, so don't be a silly billy—carpe that diem!

BREAK a SWEAT

Karate:

Do you want to pick up a new sport, get fit, learn practical self-defence techniques, try out a traditional Japanese art and train with the most successful sports club in Cambridge (8 consecutive Varsity wins)?

Come along to Cambridge University Sports Centre on Sunday 18th January for 2 hours of karate instruction led by our chief instructor Sensei Richard Poole (6th Dan). The lesson will be completely free and open to all—from freshers to postgrads and complete novices to experienced karateka.

Wear loose, light clothing, remove jewellery and be at the sports hall doors ready to start at 4pm.

Hip-Hop/Street Dance:

Interested in learning Hip-Hop/Street dance? Whether you've never danced before, are a ballet dancer wanting to try something different, or an experienced Hip-Hop dancer, these weekly drop-in classes will be perfect for you! Taught by CU student Ronel Talker, you'll learn a new routine every class, dancing to popular music. Perfect for ALL levels from complete beginners to advanced dancers. No commitment needed and a great way to meet people! Costs only £1 per class (+ Kelsey Kerridge entry fee of £2.90). For more information and to see videos of recent classes, join the Facebook group below and/or contact Ronel (rt359). Come to as few or as many as you like, whenever you like - bring a friend and give it a go!

Classes restart Saturday 17th January 2015 at Kelsey Kerridge Dance Studio

Beginners: Saturdays @ 1.00 - 2.00pm

Intermediate/Advanced: Saturdays @ 2.00 - 3.30pm

Facebook group (please join!): <https://www.facebook.com/groups/381553721870359/>

Videos of previous classes: http://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLANUJKPseZvzAQdokHdtngA-VzA6p_HVN

Personal Training:

Forget the summer body, it's all about your May Week body this year! June is closer than you think, and it's time to do damage control for all that exam term chocolate you will eat panicking in the library. So why not book a session with a personal trainer? Emma Wright offers excellent and affordable sessions for students that can take place right in your college! So long as there is an empty room, a bookable space or a lawn where you can walk on the grass, she can get you working out on it! Sessions start from £20 but get your friends involved and it's cheaper for everyone!

Contact Emma at emma.wright@cantab.net or see www.emmawright.co.uk/fitness for more details.

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MAKE SOME MONEY

Work at John's:

WORK AT THE ST JOHN'S COLLEGE MAY BALL 2015

On January 8, we will be opening applications to work at the St. John's College May Ball 2015. We are looking to hire workers for a range of positions requiring different levels of experience, and workers will be compensated with either cash payments or discounted tickets. If this opportunity interests you, please be ready to apply at the start of term. You can also sign up to our mailing list at <https://employment.mayball.org> [1]

We look forward to hearing from you - contact Sophia at employment@mayball.org or Fritz at security@mayball.org if you have any questions!

Work at Pembroke:

Applications to work at Pembroke May Ball 2015 are now open!

We are recruiting workers for a range of positions throughout the event at competitive rates. We are looking for enthusiastic people, and previous experience is useful but not essential. For more information, and to apply, please go to <http://www.pembrokemayball.co.uk/#workers>.

We look forward to receiving your applications!

Psychology Experiment:

I'm a Part II Psychology student conducting a research project to help identify automatic processes involved in the detection of dots. I'm currently looking for participants to take part in a short experiment that will take no more than 20mins. Every participant will be entered into a prize draw to win one of three £25 prizes. If you are interested please contact hcm45@cam.ac.uk

Linguistic Study:

I am looking for participants in a linguistic study in the English Faculty Building, Sidgwick Site. In this experiment, you will have to listen to recordings of English sentences and fill out a questionnaire about them. The experiment lasts 30-45 minutes and you'll get 6 pounds!

In order to take part, you should be aged 18-30, a native speaker of British English, and have had no hearing problems in the past. If you fulfill those requirements, please sign up here: <https://doodle.com/8ficu29f95qufc88>
Please let me know if you have any questions!

Work this Summer:

SUMMER WORK OPPORTUNITIES IN CAMBRIDGE

Oxbridge Academic Programs leads two summer study programs in Cambridge; these are The Cambridge Tradition, held in Jesus College, and The Cambridge Prep, held in Peterhouse. The programs, which are held during July, are well-established and academically rigorous. Oxbridge is seeking applications from energetic and enthusiastic undergraduates to work on these programs as administrative and activities staff. A sense of humour, camaraderie and fun are important attributes, as is the ability to work as part of a close-knit team over an intensive and rewarding month. These are paid positions, with good salaries. Room and board is also provided. Additional details are available online at: www.oxbridgeprograms.com/employment [1]. To apply, email a CV and a covering letter to: Justin Bangs, Coordinator of Faculty, justin@oxbridgeprograms.com. The deadline to apply is Monday 2nd February 2015. Interviews will be held in Peterhouse during early March 2015.

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Fitz Telephone Campaign:

Fitzwilliam's telephone fundraising campaign will be held in March 2015. We're recruiting 14 callers, and all students are welcome to apply! Complete the application form online here <http://www.formstack.com/forms/?1877078-u7HYyqbhGT>. The closing date for applications is Wednesday 4th February, but the sooner we receive them the better. The telephone campaign will take place during the Easter vacation from 16th-30th March 2015. With a salary of £8.20 an hour, it's a great way to earn some money and callers also receive free accommodation and meals. The experience you gain will really impress potential future employers, and you also get to make a difference to the College - the money raised benefits the Student Opportunities Fund and Teaching Fund. Calling sessions are during evenings and weekends, allowing you time to do academic work. If you have any questions please email Hannah Ellis-Jones at development@fitz.cam.ac.uk.

Focus Group:

£10 Amazon voucher, free mug, free food, and an opportunity to learn more about the University!

The University of Cambridge Development and Alumni Relations department are looking for a number of students to participate in focus groups on 29th and 30th January. You won't be expected to prepare or know anything in particular in advance – we'd just like you to be able to turn up on the day and be willing to join in conversation on a few topics about the University, and how Development and Alumni Relations can better engage with current students.

In return for your time, we will thank you with a £10 Amazon voucher, a free University mug, and free refreshments – what more could you want?! We hope that you will also enjoy the opportunity to learn more about Cambridge, and to help us improve the way we work with current students.

The dates and times of the focus groups are as follows:

Group A: Thursday 29th January 2-3.30pm

Group B: Thursday 29th January 4-5.30pm

Group C: Friday 30th January 12-2pm

Group D: Friday 30th January 2.15-3.45pm

If you would like to apply to participate, please email emily.hinks@admin.cam.ac.uk with your name, college, subject, year of study, and which times you would be able to attend, by 5pm on Monday 19th January. Please also mention if you are an international student or a mature student.

Management Consultancy:

CIL, a boutique management consultancy, is looking for suitable candidates from Cambridge for its September 2015 graduate intake in both the London office and the South West office. If you are interested in working in a collaborative and growing organisation CIL could be the match for you. CIL is a non-sector-specific management consultancy, which provides strategic advice and deal support to private equity and trade clients. The company has doubled in size over the last two and a half years and is taking on an increasing number of engagements across Europe, and projects requiring a global perspective.

Several recent Cambridge alumni will be hosting a recruitment event at PETERHOUSE BETWEEN 3.30PM AND 6PM ON 19TH JANUARY 2015. This session will include a PRACTICAL CASE STUDY WORKSHOP, where we will run through some business cases studies and offer best practice advice, as well as talking a bit more about CIL.

If you would like to attend, please email careers@cilconsultants.com to register your place. However, space permitting, you are welcome to turn up on the day. We very much look forward to seeing you on the 19th. In the meantime feel free to have a look at our website: www.cilconsultants.com [1]. Information regarding the opportunities at CIL can also be found on the Cambridge Careers website www.careers.cam.ac.uk [2].

For more careers/internships information like this, head to CamCareers, <http://www.careers.cam.ac.uk/>, where you can find careers advice, opportunities and more. Also, take a look at <http://www.pem.cam.ac.uk/international-programmes/vacancies/>, where Pembroke have recently opened applications for Summer 2015 programmes.

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CHANGE THE WORLD

Teach with TeamUp:

In the UK, just 1 in 3 children from low income backgrounds leave school with basic qualifications. It takes just 1% of Cambridge University's most outstanding students to make this a thing of the past in Cambridge and the surrounding county.

Join our Leadership Development Programme and transform the lives of disadvantaged children. You will participate in our nationwide movement of over 1,000 students to:

1. TRAIN. Learn a range of leadership and teaching skills.
2. APPLY. Use the skills you learn to provide small group tuition to children from low income backgrounds. You can also become a committee member or Schools Officer to create an active movement for change on your campus.
3. DEVELOP. Gain an accredited qualification and, in some cases, be fast-tracked to an interview with a leading employer.

Places are available to tutor English on Tuesday afternoons - you'll need to be available once a week during Lent term (Jan - March).

BE PART OF A NATIONAL MOVEMENT. INTERVIEWS AND OFFERS ARE MADE ON A ROLLING BASIS, SO APPLY NOW AT WWW.TEAMUP.ORG.UK/APPLY [1]

Teach with OxFizz:

Volunteer your academic skills for good causes!

OxFizz is a social enterprise, now into its seventh year, raising money for charity by providing educational services. We're currently recruiting tutors (postgraduate students), seminar and workshop leaders (undergraduates) for our two-week summer schools (July and August).

What? Delivering tutorials (postgraduate students) on a summer school in Oxford. Whilst we are eager to hear from anyone who is interested in getting involved, we are particularly eager to hear from those who study/have studied: Economics, Biological Sciences, Bio-medical Sciences, Psychology, Engineering, Politics and IR, History, English and Law. For undergraduate students and graduates, we are looking to recruit ALL SUBJECTS to run workshops and seminars.

Who? Any enthusiastic Oxford or Cambridge undergraduate or graduate student.

How big a commitment? Seminars and workshops are run on an ad hoc, flexible basis throughout the summer. The commitment for tutors involves designing and delivering an exciting and challenging course of eight tutorials, and teaching them to small groups of bright and motivated 16-18 year old students.

Why? RAISE MONEY FOR ANY CHARITY OF YOUR CHOICE (LAST YEAR THIS WAS AROUND £55 AN HOUR) AND GAIN VALUABLE TEACHING EXPERIENCE!

Find out more: email Georgina at georgina.feary@oxfizz.org or call her on 02076075370

Teach with STIMULUS:

INTERESTED IN HELPING CHILDREN LEARN?

Be a classroom volunteer with STIMULUS this term – spend 1-2 hours per week in a local school helping students aged 4-18. Sign up at stimulus.maths.org/members/volunteers/ by Friday 16th January.

For more information, check out stimulus.maths.org or contact Rob Percival on rcp29.

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Cambridge Development Initiative:

Cambridge Development Initiative Annual Launch with Sir Fazle Abed, Founder and Chairman of the World's Largest NGO: 6pm Friday January 16 at the Cambridge Union

The Cambridge Development Initiative (CDI) is having its Annual Launch with a keynote by Sir Fazle Abed, founder and chairman of BRAC, the world's largest NGO. The event will be your opportunity to learn more about our four development projects in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania and discover how you can become one of our Summer Volunteers!

Founded in January of 2013, CDI is a wholly student-led NGO at the University focussed on changing the way student volunteering is done. CDI Volunteers play an active role in our work, using their skills and backgrounds to design project activities and objectives. In Summer 2014, 30 Cambridge students participated on our pilot implementation trip.

The event will take place at 6pm on the 16th of January at the Main Chamber of the Cambridge Union. We look forward to seeing you there!

Oxbridge Intercultural Programmes:

Recruitment: Tutors for 4-week residential English programme in South Korea

This programme will take place in Jinju Health College (JHC), a vocational training college located in Jinju, South Korea. The College has been providing vocational education to students (aged 18-25) from around the country for over 40 years. Every summer, the College offers a free summer English programme for 200 of its Korean students, designed and operated by a group of 40 Oxbridge students who volunteer as native English Tutors for this intensive one-month programme.

Benefits:

FREE return flight to South Korea (with flexible return dates for your own travel afterwards)

FULL accommodation + food during the programme

Weekend Excursions (e.g. trips to ancient capital of Korea, Templestay, etc.)

Requirements:

Responsible and enthusiastic undergraduate student of any discipline (you need not hold any teaching qualification) who can bring the best of Oxbridge culture to the students of JHC: love of knowledge and innovative ways of learning.

Full-time residential commitment to the teaching during the programme dates. Applicants must be able to depart from London on Thursday 25th June 2015. The programme starts on Monday 29th June and ends on Saturday 25th July.

The application process will open on Sunday 18th January. You can apply by filling in our application form at <http://www.jotforme.u.com/form/43625086973363>

The deadline is 8th February (12 noon) After reviewing your application, we will let you know by email whether or not you will be invited for an interview. Interviews will be held in Oxford on 14th and 15th February, and in Cambridge on 21st and 22nd February. (TBC)

To stay posted and to find out more about our programmes, please like our Facebook page [facebook.com/Oxbridge.intercultural.programmes](https://www.facebook.com/Oxbridge.intercultural.programmes). You can also contact us here with any questions.

Alternatively, you can contact us via email at oi.p.jhc.summer.2015@gmail.com.

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Volunteer with EPAfrica:

Work in sustainable educational resource investment in Summer 2015 with EPAfrica!

Date: 20th January

Time: 20:00

Where: Bateman Auditorium, Gonville & Caius College

Interested in development, but skeptical of "unsustainable gap year" projects?

EPAfrica works in over twenty schools across three regions in Kenya and Uganda and we recruit around fifty students each year from universities in Oxford, Cambridge, and London. EPAfrica aims to make a long-term impact in the schools we work in through the investment of durable educational resources and the creation of sustainable health, careers and gender equality programmes. We do not ask our volunteers to be teachers or builders, we ask them to immerse themselves in the school environment and make as large and sustainable an impact as possible.

Interested? Come along to our information evening!

Apply now at www.epafrica.org! Applications close at midnight 22nd January. For any questions, please

email epafrica@cusu.cam.ac.uk

Contact: epafrica@cusu.cam.ac.uk

Webpage: <http://www.epafrica.org>

Facebook: www.facebook.com/EPAfrica

Twitter: www.twitter.com/EPAfrica

Work for CUSAFE:

CUSAFE – Supporting developmental education since 1980

CUSAFE (Cambridge University Sub-Saharan Fund for Education) is looking for passionate and driven individuals to help push forward our life changing work.

What do we do?

We are a society which designs and implements innovative ways to raise money for educational projects throughout Sub-Saharan Africa. To date, CUSAFE has supported hundreds of charities with the aim of tackling the educational deficit within SSA.

How can you help?

College Positions: Head of Fundraising at – Kings College, Homerton College, Queens College, Gonville and Caius College, and St Johns College.

As Head of Fundraising you will work with the CUSAFE committee to build your own team of dedicated volunteers – designing and delivering fundraising initiatives that transform the lives of those less fortunate. No experience is necessary! Just a willingness to make the world a fairer and more equal place.

Want to help out in a more informal capacity? We also have a number of flexible positions available*

Interested?

Fill out our short online form and we'll be in touch with further details: www.surveymonkey.com/s/HZ7G2FP

For more information visit www.cusafe.wix.com/cusafe#

Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself. – John Dewey

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The Student Travel Award:

The Student Travel Award provides two Cambridge undergraduates with up to £1,000 each to travel separately throughout Europe during the summer, visiting Cambridge's volunteer-led Alumni Groups and promoting the Groups' activities to students. This is a great opportunity for students to develop their networks with alumni and visit locations of personal and career interests.

For full details and to apply, students should visit: www.alumni.cam.ac.uk/get-involved/student-travel-award-2015

THINGS TO SEE

Railway Club Special Debate:

This Friday we have a very special event on rail fares and financing which shall include several leading railway industry figures and local general election parliamentary candidates. The discussion shall give us a chance to learn where farepayers' (and taxpayers') money goes in the industry and we shall be able to make more informed contributions to the upcoming political debates.

Speaking:

Rail-related bodies:

Charles Robarts, Director of Regulation and Planning, National Rail

Linda McCord, Passenger Manager, Passenger Focus

Andrew Allen, Policy Analyst, Campaign for Better Transport

Prospective parliamentary candidates for Cambridge:

Julian Huppert, MP for Cambridge, Liberal Democrat Party

Daniel Zeichner, Labour Party

Chamali Fernando, Conservative Party

Rupert Read, Green Party

Each speaker will talk for five minutes and then there will be a Q&A on fares and financing-related topics of at least an hour. Please do join us at 19:00 for 19:30 this Friday 16th January in the Riley Auditorium in Clare College Memorial Court.

Equus at the ADC:

Cambridge University Amateur Dramatic Society is performing Equus at the ADC Theatre in Week 2 (27th- 31st January 7:45pm).

"If you knew God, Doctor, you would know about the Devil. I only know he was my little Alan, and then the Devil came."

Alan Strang is a nice boy. His family love him. He has nice eyes. Then one night he blinds six horses with a metal spike. For Martin Dysart, the psychiatrist charged with treating him, what starts as a routine case quickly descends into a dark history of parental oppression and religious fanaticism. From violent Biblical imagery to twisted sexuality and paganistic ritual, Dysart finds himself immersed in events which threaten to shatter his own faith in reason and sanity. Branded as one of the most controversial plays of the twentieth century, Equus uses an act of inexplicable violence to explore the dark and primal side of humanity, culminating in a finale which has gone down as one of the greatest – and most disturbing – in modern theatre.

Tickets can be bought here: <https://www.adctheatre.com/whats-on/drama/equus.aspx>

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CUDS Annual Dance Show:

*****CUDS Annual Dance Show 2015: EVOLUTION*****

Come on down to the ADC from the 20th-24th January, 7.45pm to see EVOLUTION. To develop, progress, metamorphose. Join Cambridge University Dance Society for a kaleidoscopic evening of creative dance collaboration; featuring electric fusions of contemporary, Ballet, Fosse, Charleston, Hip-Hop, Rock'n'Roll, Ballroom, Belly-dancing, Folk-dancing, Indian and Bollywood. Don't miss the ADC's biggest Dance show of the year, as Cambridge University Dance Society return to the ADC stage for their annual variety dance show, which offers a performance platform for all dancers across every corner of Cambridge and showcases the spell-binding talent of the Cambridge dance scene!

More information at: <https://www.facebook.com/events/303352886521142/>

Prof. Margaret Stanley OBE at BioSoc:

Prof. Margaret Stanley OBE - HPV vaccines – are they doing their job? | Wednesday 21/01/15 7pm | Plant Sciences Large Lecture Theatre

<https://www.facebook.com/events/619644588164862/>

Professor Stanley is Emeritus Professor of Epithelial Biology in the University of Cambridge and in 2004 was awarded the OBE for services to Virology. She is a research scientist and her research has focussed on how the body defends itself against infections with HPV (human papillomavirus) the cause of cervical cancer in women, how to develop vaccines that prevent HPV infection as well as those that might treat HPV infection and has more than 200 publications on these topics.

Check out the facebook page for more info!

Free for BioSoc members, £2 for non-members. £15 for lifetime membership.

Wolfson Howler:

WOLFSON HOWLER FEATURING JOHN ROBINS

The first Howler of 2015 takes place on Monday 19th Jan, 8pm in the Wolfson College bar.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/319875634869085/>

If you've not yet heard of the Howler, it's a regular comedy night at the University that features up-and-coming Cambridge talent, with a professional compere and a big-name headline act (past performers include Russell Howard, Milton Jones, Tim Key, Josh Widdicombe and Jon Richardson).

We're delighted to have the brilliant John Robins joining us as our headline act for this event. John's solo show 'Where is my mind' was the highest reviewed show of the Edinburgh festival with ThreeWeeks awarding him their Editor's Choice Award. He's also appeared on 8 out of 10 cats, Russell Howard's Good News and Arthur Smith's Comedy Club, while he has written for Stand Up For The Week and Twit of The Year.

"A former flatmate of a clutch of successful Bristol-based comics that included Russell Howard and Jon Richardson, John Robins could be the next of his peer group to go on to greater things."

The Independent ****

"An hour in his charming, generous and honest company is so effortlessly entertaining"

Chortle ****

"One of the most naturally gifted comedians I've seen"

Telegraph

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The Wilberforce Society Conference:

THE LOST GENERATION: YOUTH DISENGAGEMENT IN POLITICS

Sunday, 18 January, 10 am – 3 pm, The Bateman Auditorium (Gonville & Caius)

Student-written papers on Youth Unemployment, Youth Disengagement from Politics, and Youth Justice ask whether we are in fact witnessing the emergence of a 'lost generation' - a generation struck by economic hardship, lack of political alternatives, and a justice system that is failing them.

A number of excellent speakers will give their views on these issues. They include:

Lord Adonis, former Minister of State for Education under Tony Blair and Gordon Brown

Lord McNally, current Chair of the Youth Justice Board

James Cathcart, CEO of the British Youth Council

Lizzie Crowley, Senior Researcher at The Work Foundation

Professor Jonathan Tonge, Chair of the British Youth Citizenship Commission

Laura-Jane Rawlings, founder of Youth Unemployment UK

Professor Roger Smith, School of Applied Social Sciences, Durham University.

Lunch and coffee included. Tickets are available at <http://www.twsconference.com/>. It's only GBP 5.00 for TWS members!

And Finally...

Only Connect' on BBC TWO:

We are excited to announce that we are now casting again for A NEW SERIES OF 'ONLY CONNECT' which will be filmed in Spring 2015.

We are looking for new contestants to make up teams of three players who share a common passion, ability or profession, and who wish to pool their combined wits and knowledge to tackle our fiendish conundrums and vexing puzzles.

For further information about the quiz and to play our online game, please see our BBC website <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00lshkg>

If you have any questions about our contestant call please get in touch by sending an email to: onlyconnect@parasolmedia.co.uk

May Ball Big Audition Weekend:

Interested in performing at May Balls this June? Audition in front of up to 9 May Balls or June Events at this year's Big Audition Weekend!

The Big Audition Weekend is run by the May Ball Presidents' Committee and will take place on the 24th/25th January at Selwyn College Diamond. The weekend gives performers the opportunity to audition in front of up to 9 May balls and June events including:

Emmanuel May Ball 2015; Downing College May Ball 2015; Clare May Ball 2015; Selwyn May Ball 2015; Trinity Hall June Event 2015; Pembroke May Ball 2015; Darwin May Ball 2015; Homerton May Ball 2015; Robinson May Ball 2015

Spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. There is a charge of £5 per act to cover costs.

Signups can be made via the May Ball Presidents' Committee website; <http://www.mayballpresidents.com/big-audition-weekend/> Or find us on Facebook - https://www.facebook.com/events/1672490222977928/?ref=notif¬if_t=plan_user_joined

Nanny State

THE ARTFUL LODGER: THIS WEEK HEAD PORTER JOHN EISOLD INVITES US ALL IN FOR a CHAT

WHAT DOES a TYPICAL DAY AS HEAD PORTER INVOLVE?

MY Day starts at APPROX. 06.45 and HAS NO REAL END; IT SHOULD OFFICIALLY END at 15.00HRS BUT THAT DEPENDS ON WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE COLLEGE. SOMETIMES IT CAN END at 22.00HRS and SOMETIMES, as at THE ENts, IT ENDS at 02.00.

WHAT'S THE BEST PART OF YOUR JOB?

UNDOUBTEDLY THE STUDENTS. THEY ARE ALWAYS FIRST and LAST IN MY THOUGHTS. I HAVE MADE SOME FANTASTIC FRIENDSHIPS WITH STUDENTS THAT HAVE CARRIED ON FOR ALL THE TIME I HAVE BEEN at FITZWILLIAM (COMING INTO MY 21st YEAR). I GET FACEBOOK UPDATES FROM THEM AND MANY VISITS EVEN AFTER THEY HAVE LEFT.

WHAT'S THE WORST PART OF YOUR JOB?

DEaning STUDENTS. I AND ALL THE PORTERS HAVE ALSO BEEN YOUNG ONCE AND IT IS DIFFICULT DEaning PEOPLE.

DO YOU HAVE ANY FUNNY STORIES?

FAR TOO MANY TO PUT ON PAPER.

IS THERE ANYTHING YOU WISH THE STUDENTS KNEW?

PLEASE COME TO ME (IF I AM AROUND) OR DENISE OR ANY OF THE PORTERS IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH NOISE/POOR HEALTH OR CONCERNS WITH OTHER STUDENTS. PLEASE DON'T BE AFRAID TO POP IN FOR a CHAT – YOU WOULD BE SURPRISED HOW MUCH a PORTER CAN HELP.

SO COME ON IN FOLKS, THE PORTER'S LOVELY!