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I'm breaking up with you. Chillax though, it's not for forever, just for a week. Welcome to the countdown for Mid-Semester Break!

Congrats on making it this far campers. If I review my sordid uni transcript, by now you've potentially smashed through your first assessments, maybe winged it for a tute presentation and hopefully found someone attractive to FB stalk during

All in all you've potentially been super busy and need a break. That's why your BFFs at Blitz have planned some cool stuff for you to do next week, including filling out an application for Teach For Australia and winning tix to a fancy Belvoir production.

Before we break up though, why not check out our guide to Roman history as prep for Thursday's Toga Party. With our help you might meet someone at the party who can substitute for Blitz in your heart while we're broken up.

Stay safe over the break kids!



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When in Rome, do as the Romans do...

Not only did the Romans have epic parties, they were also pioneers in providing representation to their people. Over 2000 years later, Arc now hosts toga parties for the masses, invites people to run in elections and most importantly allows you to..

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'Have Your Say' is an important studentled campaign that allows all students to have their say in how the new Student Services and Amenities Fee is allocated and spent (you know, the \$263 fee that the university is charging to provide for a bunch of services). If you do anything during your mid-sem break, fill in the survey online or write into us with your thoughts on SSAF. We will then be talking to the guys at the top of the university about where YOU think the money should be spent. Who knows, you may want the money to be spent on anything from more parties to sport to cheap food...THE POWER IS YOURS!



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University of California. Romijn studied Music at the her big blue break playing Mystique, naked blue lady from X-Men? Before Rebecca Romijn: You know that

BEAUTY IS THE GEEK



been a Iribune to sho! nose. Owen Wilson would have to be born with a crooked considered a sign of leadership In ancient Rome, it was

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"You guys know how good I am at public speaking, like, I just don't get why they didn't want me to be in charge of the presentation. Like, what the fuck!"

bitz & pieces

meme of the week:



HIIT

- Watching Gladiator, Ben Hur and Rome as prep for Thursday's Toga Party at the Roundie.
- The mid-semester break! No work, all play for the next week.
 - Jesus coming back to life and bringing chocolate! Happy Easter long weekend kids.

SHIT

- All the work we are apparently meant to do during break. Do they not realise that it's a week in which people pretend they don't go to uni?
- A Having a group assignment to work on during mid-sem break. This is the week for pretending you're not a uni student!
- Not wearing a toga to Toga Party because you're too cool. The Toga is the ultimate symbol of cool.

SA group of girls in the Roundhous

9am. Miracles do happen!" qs) when you get a park on High St at "You know it's going to be a magical

> day?!" "How do girls do their hair EVERY

#firstworldproblems." ahead of time. Sunday is still wasted. "Finished the statute assignment way

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He doesn't wear underwear outside his pants! This needed to be addressed right away. When thinking back to the original old school Batman I can't help but wonder why villains and the justice system took this guy seriously, with a pair of bright yellow budgie smugglers on top of a pair of black leather pants. Whereas The Joker's got himself a pair of nice fitting purple pinstripes! Case closed after point one really, but I'll go on...



He's Australian. Ah yes, Mr Heath Ledger, how we all miss you. His role as The Joker of course won him the Best Supporting Actor Oscar, so it's our job as Australians to keep The Joker character alive



Personality - Batman is so bland, no charisma or energy, whereas The Joker is just the complete opposite; fun, loud and crazy. It's easy to see when watching The Dark Knight. Whenever The Joker is in the shot, he steals the scene.



The Joker works alone, he don't need no sidekick. Batman has the police, the government and even that little Robin character. This always leaves him victim to a hostage situation.



If you're a human man, and you have the ability to wear make up and not look like a loser, then you my friend are a cool cat. The Joker does it better than anyone. When we see him with white paint smeared across his face, green greasy hair, a giant red smile, we don't laugh at it, we're intimidated. If you can wear make up and not get laughed at, well then you're cooler then Batman.



the program to New South Wales.

Michaela Epstein, a UNSW alumnus with an Honours Degree in Arts and Science is in the third cohort to start the program. She chatted to Blitz from Mildura where she's about to finish her first term as a Maths and Politics teacher.

What made you want to become a teacher?

I'd focused on the political choices around education for my thesis, and through that developed a desire to become involved in education. Then the opportunity came up and I thought, "this is a really good chance to get into the industry – to be launched straight into an area where they really need teachers." It's really opened my eyes up to the issues schools are dealing with.

How is it moving to a new community so far from home?

Mildura's beautiful. It's small compared to Sydney but it's not a tiny country town either – there's a lot happening. With school holidays I'll be able to visit friends and family pretty regularly, and I plan to do that this Easter.

Have the local teachers been welcoming?

A number of teachers have gone out of their way to make myself and the other associates feel at home, which has been lovely. The teachers and principals see us for ourselves and what we are: new teachers, passionate about our subject areas, with a real desire to do the best.

What sorts of challenges have you come up against over your first term?

My most challenging class is a Year 10 Maths class, where the boys like to spend much class time throwing paper at one another: many of them want to leave school at the end of the year, so they don't have their hearts in it.

The challenge for me is to make the class so applicable that they feel they'll gain some real skills to bring to whatever it is they want to do next year, whether it's school, an apprenticeship or anything else. But in the same class I've had assignments handed to me to the sound of students saying, "this is the hardest I've ever worked, and I'm proud." It's quite special.





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the person they were paired with - way less

difficult than trying to pick up at a uni party.

Apart from oppressing the Middle East, inventing plumbing and killing Jesus, the Romans did heaps of fascinating shit that we modern societies continue to do. Partying in togas is just one of the many ways we pay inadvertent tribute to our Latin chattin' forebears. Not only did they lay the groundwork for much of what we do today, there were a lot of things they did much better.

WILD WAYS TO AVOID WORK

Nobody likes work, and the Romans were no exception. But unlike the modern students stuck with 25 contact hours per week, the Ancient Romans had all kinds of ways of getting around it. The chief method was getting other people to do their work for them and in order to make this happen, they'd capture barbarians and turn them into slaves. Pillaging for the glory of Rome was just about their favourite thing to do, so this was a major double-win. But if that wasn't your thing, it was also perfectly legal to sell your children.

Another way the Romans avoided work was to make most days a holiday. They had about 96 holidays per year, and then heaps of other special circumstances when they were legally obliged to party instead of work. For instance, Ancient Roman historian Livy tells us that whenever 'a shower of stones' was reported, a nine-day festival would be ordered in response. And when the Emperor Trajan annexed Transylvania, the Romans partied for 123 days. They also invented the siesta, and I won't sleep until it's brought back as part of Occupational Health and Safety regulations.

FINDING 'THE ONE'

With all that time spent not working, the Romans had plenty of time left for love. But, like us, they often found it difficult to find the right person. Rather than giving up altogether or wasting their time on dead-end dating sites (or "carrier pigeon networks", as they called the internet back in the BC), they'd let 'The Gods' decide for them. At the festival of Lupercalia, single people would get together, throw their names into a hat and skip awkward dates by just marrying the person they were paired with - way less difficult than trying to pick up at a uni party.

PRAISE THE LORD!

These days, those of us who still bother praising deities at all tend to do so sitting down, singing songs and smiling at the old people in the room. The Romans wouldn't have understood that at all. Roman religious festivals were more about slaying animals, bathing in their blood and fashioning loincloths from their skins, and then removing said loincloths and running naked up and down the street.

A real highlight was the festival of Saturnalia. For one week, slaves were treated as equals, people walked around in drag, temples were deliberately vandalised and every night was marked with wife swapping and orgies.

GRUESOME GAMES

Like us, the Romans loved their sport. Just as we head out on the weekend to back our fave League or AFL team, and even dress up and stop studying to watch the Melbourne Cup, so too did the Romans love a bit of ludi meridiani, munera, and bestiari (see below), however the difference was the latter all resulted in death. Ludi meridiani involved re-enacting myths in which the protagonists died gruesomely. Munera was the standard pre-Rabittohs Russell Crowe-style Gladiator match, and bestiari involved pitting loincloth-clad slaves against wild animals.

BATH TIME

The Roman Baths were the place to catch up with mates and nut out the big issues of the day, with at least one public bath in every city, with segregated spas for women. The Romans thought that there was nothing more manly than sitting in a hot, sweaty room full of naked dudes. The baths were also a great spot for getting a casual health check-up, as you can't hide your blemishes without clothes. I'm sure it was perfectly acceptable to grab a brother's boil and say, "mate, I think you should get this checked out." You don't hear about that happening over at the UNSW Gym.

This week's Toga party is a chance to impress people both with your mad physique (as the Toga reveals all) and your grasp of Roman history. Either way you'll be sure to make some new friends and, as you make your way home afterwards, you can proudly think to yourself veni, vidi, vici ("I came, I saw, I conquered").



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TOGA PARTY

Put a little Latin in your life

• Antonia Shuttleworth

It's Mid-Semester kids! Time to let your hair down and party

Guys this year the Toga Party is a matter of honour. At the start of 2012 the University of Queensland and the Queensland University of Technology scored the Guinness World Record for the largest Toga Party. They had 5,400 half-dressed Caesar impersonators wandering around campus. Now come on, we have at least 40,000 students at UNSW, we can beat that record almost 8 times over!

Typically at Toga Parties the ladies will all accessorize like crazy with crowns and bracelets and shit. They'll look super-hot, and the guys... well the guys will feel a secret thrill from going bare-arsed all night. That's the way of the Toga. Love it, live it - or should we

We also hear the madmen from UNSW colleges are having their annual chariot race. Head over to the Village Green before the party to spectate and keep your fingers crossed no one gets messed up Ben Hur style.

There will be a bunch of DJs and the Roundie will crown the best dressed Cleopatra and Caesar so make an effort.

Get your toga-fied behind down to the Roundhouse on Thursday night for a celebration of who we are (the sex pistols from the University of New South Wales), who we were (our Ancient Roman ancestors) and who we are better than (the University of Queensland).

WHEN:

Thurs 5

WHERE: Roundhouse

PRICE:

Free till 8pm, then Arc \$5. **UNSW** students \$10, everyone else \$15

VERDICT:

Roll out of bed and bring your sheet with you you can't miss this one!

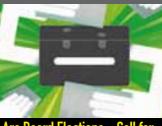
WIN: Want to be the biggest pimp at the Toga Party? Upload a pic of yourself wearing a toga doing something crazy onto the Blitz FB page by Thursday midday. The best male and female entries will be crowned Caesar and Cleopatra at the Toga Party. They'll also score a \$100 Roundie bar tab, a delicious spread and a slave for the night.





On Wednesdays Happy Hour is twice as happy running from 5-7!

Goldstein G07 Webster 250



Arc Board Elections – Call for Monday to Friday

Kensington and COFA campus Elect your future Arc team. Elections



COST: FREE FOR ARC MEMBERS



4-5pm **@** Arc Stores

RRP minus 10% = more cash in your pocket.



@ The White House

The White House is where the cool kids go between/during lectures. Come and have a punch bowl and play some Jenga.



From 12pm

@ Roundhouse Bistro Tasty, tasty meals that won't break the bank.

UNSW - THERE'S ALWAYS SOMETHING GOOD GOING DOWN

REGULARS

MON

Monday Bingo

@ Roundhouse

Held every Monday for kids who incorporated lunch breaks into their timetables. Badass prizes and proof that no matter how relaxed you pretend to be, at heart everyone is ridiculously competitive.

Global Village Weekly Meeting

1-2pm **@ Blockhouse**

QueerSoc

2-4pm @ Rm 9.21 Chemical Science

Monday Game Day

3-5pm ര The White House Game on!

Poker

@ Roundhouse

Musoc Open Mic Night

BLITZ PICKS

6:30pm ര Club Bar

COST: gold coin for non-musoc members.

TUE

Cheersoc Bake Sale 9am-4pm @ Library Walkway

If their baked goods are as high in sugar as these kids are thrown in the air you know they'll be delicious

APR 3

Pottery Studio Induction

G L2, Blockhouse COST: FREE FOR Arc MEMBERS

Free pool

12-2pm @ Roundhouse

What's in your pockets?

UNSW Bike Club Workshop

12-2pm ര Quad Lawn COST: FREE FOR Arc MEMBERS, DONATION FOR OTHERS

COFA Soccer Practice

1-2pm @ Moore Park Anvone can come! Just kick the ball!

Women's Collective

@ Women's Room, Blockhouse

Live at The White House

3-5pm ര The White House

On top of the usual White House amazingness there'll be music, trivia and comedy. Unbeatable.

Pole Dancing Class

@ Marsh Room, Roundhouse

Don't forget to pack your stripper shoes so that you can join the Pole Fitness Society for some pole climbing fun.

Trivia

5pm **@** Roundhouse

Find the smartest people you know in random fields and force them to hang out with you for an hour. It could be the start of something amazing. Plus, you know, prizes!

Uniflicks present: The Dark Knight

@ BeerGarden COST: FREE Are you incorruptible?

WED

Arc Flea Markets

11am-5pm ര Arc Precinct

Food, fashion and no actual fleas.

Pottery Studio Induction

12.30pm **G L2, Blockhouse** COST: FREE FOR Arc MEMBERS

Clubs General Meeting

1pm @ Marsh Room

Where's Wally Wednesday

2-4pm **a** The White House

1. Find Wally for a secret prize

2. Limit one per person

Kpop Drama and Variety Show Screening

3-6pm

(a Civil Engineering Room G1 Annyong! (According to Arrested Development that means 'hello'.) While we at Blitz love Korean popsensation Rain, we also appreciate the entire range of Kpop available. Come hang with the Kpop society to find out more

COFA Mid Session Hoe Down

@ The Flinders, 65 Flinders St. Darlinghurst

COFA kids come and get it- free drink on entry, cheep drinks and hip hop all night long. Get sweaty! Double Denim a must.

Roundhouse Degrees: Chess

7-9pm

@ Roundhouse Come learn the 4 move checkmate and impress your mates. Places are limited, email: n.downward@arc. unsw.edu.au to sign up.

Pole Dancing Class

7.30-9.30pm @ Sport and Rec Fitness Studio

THU APR 5

Women's Collective

1-3pm @ Women's Rm, Blockhouse

QueerSoc

2-4pm @ Rm 9.21 Chemical Science Follow the people not wearing sensible covered shoes

Sketch Club@Kenso

2-4nm @ L1 Blockhouse BYO sketch stuff. Model provided.

Pole Dancing Class

@ Hut rooms

PokeSoc Almost Mid-Sem Pokemon Party!

5-8pm @ Quad 1001

Bring your Gameboy Colours, your DS's, your Gameboy Advance's and

your Wii-motes! It's all happening at this PokeSoc meetup!

Toga Party 5pm-2am @ Roundhouse

Toga! Toga! Toga! COST: Free before 8. Arc \$5/ Students \$10/ Everyone Else \$15

Entrepreneurship Society 2012 Kick-Off

6-9pm ര ASB Lounge

FRI APR 6

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!

APR 7 SAT

CueSoc 9 Ball Pool Competition

@ CityHeroes, 505 George Street 32 People Knock Out Tournament -Race to 5 (Race to 9 in the finals) Over \$1200 of prizes to be won. EVERYONE gets a prize worth at least \$20

COST: Members: \$15 Arc / \$17 Non-Arc. Non Members: \$20 Arc / \$25 Non-Arc Email: unswcuesports@gmail.com or check out 'unswcuesoc' on facebook

KEEP AN EYE ON

BLITZ FOR ALL

THE HAPPY HAPS

Lime Cordial

Wednesday 18th April

@ BeerGarden

Anyone who has any memory of Oktoberfest last year will be super excited that Lime Cordial are coming back to perform at the Roundhouse.

SAVE THE DATE

If you're in a degree that has

Enjoy your week of zero contact

hours because you're "forced"

reading week, well played.

Reading Week

to do your readings.

I Know Leopard

Thursday 19th April @ BeerGarden

Youtube them It's worth it

Anzac Dav

Wednesday 25th April Pay tribute to our nation's history... at home. Booya public hoiday!

Glass Towers

Thursday 26th April

@ BeerGarden

Once you've finished class for the week - because really, who has class on Fridays? - head down to the Roundie for some smooth hipster tunes.



Deadline

DUD PARTY?

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12 days before Mon of

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Musoc Open Mic Night

6:30pm

ര Club Bar

Too lazy to try out for The Voice, Australian Idol or X-Factor? Why not give Musoc's gig a go instead. It's a caring, supportive environment and there's a bar.



CheerSoc Bake Sale

9am-4pm

@ Library Walkway

While it may feel like the cheerleaders are trying to sabotage non-cheerleaders by making us fat from their delicious treats, they're actually just looking for a bit of extra funding for glitter and costumes. Help them out auvs: buv a muffin



COFA Mid-Session Hoe Down

Ain't no party like a COFA party. This Hoe Down's not

@ The Flinders, 65 Flinders St. Darlinghurst

about paint, photography or Picasso; it's about busting a move to some killer beats and getting to know your fellow art students a little better.

Sketch Club @ Kenso

@ L1 Blockhouse

Blitz knows you're all pining for the construction site that is now COFA, so dust off your creative side and get rid of the blues by heading down to the Blockhouse for a cheeky sketch sesh



@ Roundhouse

COST: Free before 8. Arc \$5/ Students \$10/ Everyone Flse \$15 The killer combo of mid-semester break combined with everyone's love

for wearing bed-sheets means that the annual Toga Party is one of the largest parties of the year.

D TOWN: WHAT'S ON SYDNEY



EVERY BREATH

I'll be watching you

• Elizabeth Oliver

It's Mid-Semester guys! Congratulations, you're still alive. Now it's time to step back from uni stresses and take a deep breath. While you're at it, why not enjoy Every Breath?

John Howard (the guy form Packed To The Rafters, not the ex Prime Minister) is the head of a rich family in danger. In a move anyone who has seen The Bodyguard would be familiar with, the family hires a young security guard, Chris. While he's no Kevin Costner - damn - Chris develops power over each member of the family and the results are exhilarating and entertaining.

Following the thematic shift towards critical portrayals of elites in contemporary society, Every Breath is a darkly funny examination of how wealth and power affect behavior and relationships.

FYI: People get naked in the play and talk about sex a lot. Belvoir does not recommend Every Breath for kids under 18. No pressure from Blitz though. Live your life!

N: We're going to try something a little bit different this time kids. For your chance to score a double pass to the 2pm show Wednesday April 18th post a photo of yourself holding your breath to Facebook.

Mar 28-Apr 29

Belvoir St Theatre

COST:

\$29 student rush

VERDICT:

It alternates between thrilling and hilarious and is the best way to treat yourself during the break.

WHEN:

WHERE:

tickets



The Archibald Prize

The Archibald is easy viewing, pretty interesting and very topical. If it's the only thing you clearly remember doing during the Mid-Sem Break then you'll still be equipped to answer questions in your Week 7 tutes about what you got up to in the break without looking like you should be in an AA meeting.

FRIDAY

This can either be your first stop – for a concert and pre drinks, or your last stop for some free entry after 11 move busting. OAF always plays great music that draws a young hipster crowd like the Pied Piper. You can also order some hilarious shots to share with your new friends from uni. NB It's often cooler in the Main Room, however it's more fun to dance on the stage in



Scubar

MONDAY

10pm onwards

Free entry, cheap drinks and, well, a pole in the basement (Nelly would love it). Scubar is everyone's favourite backpacker bar that's always packed with Sydney kids looking to find love - only if for one night. If you go early there's crab racing.

TUESDAY

World Bar

World Bar is about more than deliciously cheap Teapots (which thankfully people have stopped

stealing as often). Every Tuesday they whip out all the games that almost tore you and your siblings apart growing up. Bring your friends along for some Snap, wister, Guitar Hero, and Karaoke.

WEDNESDAY

The Flinders Hotel

Swing by Taylor Square on your way home and follow the boom box beats down the street to the Flinders. The newly refurbished love shack plays hip-hop all night long on a Wednesday. The dinner menu is also ridiculously good.

THURSDAY

@ Art Gallery of NSW

Try to complete at least one daytime activity this week.



Oxford Arts Factory All night long

MID-SEMESTER

THE ONLY COURSE THAT EVERYONE HAS TO TAKE AT UNI, REGARDLESS OF FACULTY (NOT INCLUDING THAT ELISE CRAP).

Not the slightest clue what to get up to this mid-semester break? Don't go frantic kids, being the social butterfly we are, Blitz has got you covered. We know what it takes to pass the mid-semester break with flying colours. So finally, just when everything is just getting a tad too intense, the break hits us! Now we can catch up on the readings we missed, start some early study for our finals, and focus on that assignment that's been given over the holidays. While we're at it, why don't we all just go visit our fairy godmothers on our newly bred flying pigs? If you're a First Year I'll let it slide, but if you read that introduction with not the slightest sense that maybe some sarcasm was being used, well then you my friend have failed every past mid-semester break assessment.

Luckily for you, I've tracked down the course outline so you have a heads up of what's expected. To make sure you pass Mid-Semester Break 101 you must completing the following assignments.

GROUP RESEARCH PROJECT - 50%

You've read our Cheap Ass Sydney list of places to hit during the week for a potentially boozy night of dancing. For the alternate nights, when you never want to think about drinking again, why not stay home with some mates. Here are the marking guidelines:

- Invite some peeps over for a movie night or board game session. [Ed: board games are so vintage!]
- When someone cheats at Monopoly you have the right, no, the responsibility to publicly shame them for it.
- Anyone who closes their eyes during a scary movie scores an
- · Hit on the opposite sex with absolutely no success.

A peer assessment form must be handed at the conclusion of the task, acknowledging who won the games, who chose the best movies and who spilt their Coca-Cola all over the carpet

INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH - 50%

If your non-uni friends are all out of town you must not dwell on it. Use this as an excuse to do some singular research. Students must select one of the following options:

a) The Host With The Most

- You've now had six weeks of classes; hopefully you've made some friends by now. Sometimes it's hard to see everyone individually, so why not plan an event to bring all the randoms you've met in different classes together.
- Check the weather and make some sick plans. Have a think about a beach day, cricket at Centennial Park or Laser Tag.
- Don't get upset when your new friends become friends and you see them add each other on FB. That is always the risk with inviting a lot of different people that you like to meet each other. And why shouldn't they like each other, if you like them they're bound to be cool.

b) The Burning Man

- · Conduct a burning ceremony of the notes you will no longer
- Laugh at the fact you just burnt the wrong notes.
- Brag excessively to your friends from other universities whose breaks have either not yet begun or are already over.

Your results will be shared through your own presentation to friends on Monday of Week 7. A penalty of 3% per day (including Saturday and Sunday) will be inflicted for every day you don't tell your wild tales.

Don't disappoint us students, but most importantly don't disappoint yourselves.

· Jacob Burkett and the Blitz team











































This documentary chronicles his gradual development from a pretentious dandy until his final days as a musician dying at the height of his creativity.

8/10 • DOCUMENTARY

GO *BLITZ* YOURSELF

CORRECTION! Muffins, we'd like to print Our boy Henry Cornwell actually intended to give Straight To You a 6/10 instead of an 8/10. Sorry for the false advertising.

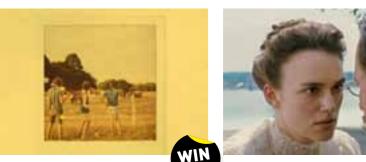
9/10

ALBUM

6/10 · FILM

 BOOK 8/10

7.5/10



POND Beard, Wives, Denim

From the flange-soaked opening chord of 'Fantastic Explosion of Time', you know you'll have fun with this album. The wide-ranging and experimental collection of music reflects the relaxed, collective nature of this jovial sideproject, held together by Tame Impala's Jay Watson and Nick Allbrook.

If you saw them opening for MGMT last year, you'll instantly recognise their technical skill and psych-rock music-nerd charm. Just like MGMT with Congratulations, mainstream success is clearly not what these guys are after with this project.

The songs are drenched in '60s nostalgia reminiscent of The Kinks or The Beatles. Pond has a cobbled-together feeling to them, and often slump to the self-indulgent. Without the luscious, washed-out vocals of Tame Impala's Kevin Parker, this band is clearly a side project. And it's the sort of album you can only release if your other band's already famous.

WIN: For your chance to score a copy of the album email blitz@arc.unsw. edu.au with "Pond" as the subject and ell us why you deserve to win.

• Henry Cornwell



A DANGEROUS METHOD

In David Cronenberg's new film, A Dangerous Method, which is about the birth of psychoanalysis, Freud laments, "experiences like this, however painful, unnecessary and inevitable... without them, how can we know life?"

A Dangerous Method was, at times, a slightly painful experience. This was mostly because the dialogue was really heavy and often confusing. I always wonder how much actors understand of what they are saying or portraying. I had assumed that the three main actors (Michael Fassbender, Keira Knightley and Viggo Mortessen) had adequate experience and skill to convey the complex context and content of the film, but the actors spent more time summarising events rather than portraying them for the audience to interpret. I would have happily sacrificed a spanking scene in order to catch more interactions between Jung and Freud, rather than just hearing that they "spoke for 13 hours".

On the plus side, the acting was incredible and I'm going to buy the soundtrack, as the score added much needed depth to the film. It's not a necessary film to see, but I think Psych Gender Studies and English kids will enjoy it.

Angela Watham



BEHIND THE BEAUTIFUL FOREVERS

Annawadi is a slum on the fringes of Mumbai's airport; a swampy half acre that is home to over 3000 people. Katherine Boo, winner of a Pulitzer Prize for public service, spent many years living in Annawadi, developing relationships with the protagonists and documenting the events described in

Behind the Beautiful Forevers is centred around the murder of one of the slum's more notorious residents, a disabled woman named One Leg. Abdul, an enterprising Muslim garbage collector. is falsely accused of the crime. The dramatic events and deftly described characters belie that this is a work of non-fiction. Boo uses the ensuing events to explore the complex relationships between the slum inhabitants and the wider community; divisions of religion and caste, the corruption of the police force and the overburdened justice system.

UNSW Bookshop review

Behind the Beautiful Forevers is available at UNSW Bookshop on the cheap for students. Grab your copy for \$25.16 instead of the RRP \$27.95.

WIN:For your chance to score a copy of Behind the Beautiful Foreyers email olitz@arc.unsw.edu.au with "UNSW Bookshop Lovin'" as the subject and tell us your favourite book.

• Louise Maloney



SOUTH PARK

AMINATED SERIES

Can you believe South Park has been on the air for 15 years! Who would've guessed these four Colorado primary school kids could keep us laughing for that long.

In saying that, with the recent release of episode 1 of season 16, Trey Parker and Matt Stone show no sign of slowing down. Just from the title of the first release, 'Reverse Cowgirl', you can see the humour will remain the same with the only changes coming in arguably better graphics, and the introduction of funnier characters and more celebrity parodies.

Always having a go at the popular events from around the world, I expect Kony 2012 will be put under a lot of scrutiny in season 16.

With a wide range of comedy sitcoms hitting their later seasons and losing momentum (i.e. Curb Your Enthusiasm and How I Met Your Mother) fans of the genre mustn't fear, as South Park will always deliver.

Jacob Burkett



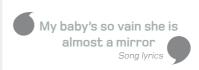
8/10

• DVD

AUTOLUMINESCENT

This is a beautiful film about Rowland S. Howard, Australia's most influential, yet least acknowledged, guitarist. His pioneering sound was a crucial influence for countless acts, including Sonic Youth and the Yeah Yeah Yeahs. This documentary chronicles his gradual development from a pretentious dandy until his final days as a musician dying at the height of his creativity.

Filming started soon before he was diagnosed with liver cancer, and Autoluminescent was released shortly after his death. Though artfully shot, the film allows the cruelty of Howard's tragically ironic end to speak for itself, rather than drowning the viewer in cinematic techniques and celebrity tears. While those who don't know Howard's music may find the documentary a little too long, it will leave music enthusiasts dying know more – particularly about how he developed his sound.



• Henry Cornwell



THE DARK KNIGHT

Heath Ledger's portrayal of The Joker in The Dark Knight makes Jack Nicholson's earlier attempt in Batman (1989) look kid-friendly (see Thumbs Down). The greatest villain of all time causes mayhem in the city of Gotham and is able to captivate fans with his charisma and chilling antics. Oh and there's also this guy in the film named Rat.man

In The Dark Knight, police commissioner Lt Gordon and rising politician/white knight Harvey Dent are attempting to stop the mad clown from inflicting chaos on innocent civilians. In a film that has you on the edge of your seat from the first scene, you won't even realise it runs for over two and a half hours.

Christopher Nolan's seguel to Batman Begins is going to be hard to top. My only criticism would be that the bland Batman is given too much screen time compared to his arch nemesis that you will come to love.



EVENT: The Dark Knight is showing at Uniflicks (RH BeerGarden) on Tuesday at 7pm.

• Jacob Burkett

WORD SEARCH

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Find as many words as you can in the square. Each word must be at least four letters long and include the middle letter, plurals allowed. Each letter can only be used once.

Email your words to blitz@arc.unsw.edu.au by 5pm 30th March to win a \$20 UNSW Bookshop Voucher. Congrats to the Week 4 winner, Elinor Bernedo!



TRIVIA by CONTACT

- 01 What year was UNSW founded?
- 02 How many days does Lent go for?
- 03 Name 4 actors who have played Batman on film in the last 25 years?
- **04** On what date was Julius Caesar assassinated?
- **05** What is the name The White House avian mascot?

GO TO PAGE 23 TO SEE IF YOU ARE AS SMART AS YOUR PARENTS TELL YOU THAT YOU ARE.

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The Quidditch Society

THE UNOFFICIAL HARRY POTTER SOCIETY OF UNSW

The official sport of wizards and witches has cast a spell on the University of New South Wales. Quidditch is the name and whacking opponents with balls is the game.

If using your broomstick to sweep your homework under your bed just isn't satisfying enough you can always try taking after Harry Potter and flying on it. UNSW Quidditch society member Tom Dixon was able to stop by and give us the low down on just how you go about playing this magic sport.



Twilight fans best not show their face around the Quidditch Society unless of course they've come to be replenished of their sins. Bring your broom along to the next game for some fast paced magic fun!

First up, how do you guys manage without magic broomsticks? Or is there something you're not telling us?

Our broomsticks have a special kind of magic; thanks to advances in technology, our magic broomsticks are visually and functionally identical to their non-magical counterparts! Of course, to compensate for this revolution in magical suppression - we play our version of Quidditch on foot. It's much safer that way, too!

How does a game work exactly?

THE CHASERS

The Chasers (three per team) aim to throw an imitation Quaffle (volleyball) the opposing team's hoops, scoring 10 points. They duck and weave through the rest of the players when offending, but have to quickly sprint back to the defence if they lose possession of the Quaffle.

THE BEATERS

There are two Beaters per team who are tasked with throwing Safety-Bludgers (dodgeballs) at opposing team members; anyone who is struck by a Bludger thrown by the opposing team must drop any balls they are carrying, raise their broom in the air and run back to their hoops before they can resume playing.

THE KEEPER

Each team's Keeper defends the hoops and he's invincible while in his goal area. Unfortunately, a Keeper's job is difficult; with three hoops to defend, Keepers have to be aggressive or rely on Chasers/Reaters

Harry Potter's position - chases down the Snitch, an impartial player with a Golden Snitch attached to their person. If they catch the Snitch, the game ends and they are awarded 30 points. The Snitch/Seeker combo is often the most exciting of any Quidditch game.

What is it you guys get up too when your not banging brooms?

The Quidditch Society is also the unofficial Harry Potter Society of UNSW, so when we're not throwing various balls at each other we like to organise less intensive Harry Potter events, like movie screenings and trivia nights.

How does one join the Quidditch Society?

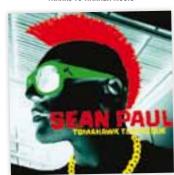
Simply visit our website, unswquidditch.com. Signing up for our mailing list is free, and will get you info/invites to a ton of events. If you want to join a house and participate in tournaments, you can become a house member for \$7, and you can get a league membership for \$20, which lets you become part of the official UNSW Quidditch team, The Snapes on a Plane, in addition to getting a free team T-Shirt.

Harry Potter or Edward Cullen?

I don't get it. Don't questions usually have more than one option? All I see is Harry Potter.



THANKS TO WARNER MUSIC



WIN 1 OF 5 'SEAN PAUL' ALBUMS TOMAHAWK TECHNIQUE

The man who has "the right temperature" is back his highly anticipated new album *Tomahawk Technique*. Jamaican superstar Sean Paul has called his friends Kelly Rowland and Alexis Jordan to guest star on this killer album. *Tomahawk Technique* features 'Got 2 Luv U,' which has already gone Platinum in Australia, as well as his newest release, the infectious anthem, 'She Doesn't Mind.'

Album in store April 6 www.allseanpaul.com

THANKS TO SONY MUSIC



WIN 1 OF 5 'LABRINTH' ALBUMS ELECTRONIC EARTH

Labrinth is one of the most exciting artists to emerge from the UK scene. His eagerly anticipated debut album, *Electronic Earth*, brings with it a fusion of different sounds from reggae to dubstep to jungle to jazz to house, and includes the single, *Earthquake*, featuring Tinie Tempah which continues to climb the charts.

Electronic Earth is out April 6 www.labrinth.co.uk

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HAREESHAN

Bachelor of Exercise Physiology

Batman or The Joker?

The Joker! Justice never works and evil always prevails over good.

You going commando to the Toga Party? Maybe just some boxers.

Plan for the uni break?

KATHY

Batman or The Joker?

Plans for uni break?

I'm hitting up Tasmania

Yes, I like to let in the breeze

Batman, because he has a cape

You going commando to the Toga Party?

Getting drunk and studying for my exams... and then getting drunk again.



FMILY

Bachelor of Aviation

Batman or The Joker?

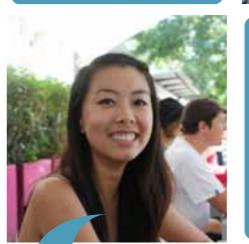
Batman - he has a utility belt, his own theme song and he's kick arse.

You going commando to the Toga

No, you have to keep a little mystery about it.

Plans for uni break?

Visiting New Zealand!



TIMOTHY

Arts/Communications

Batman or The Joker?

The Joker, because he's from the streets.

You going commando to the Toga Party?

Most probably not, I'm against underwear anyway.

Plan for uni break?

An ol' folk festival in Canberra to get really drunk and forget everything I learnt this semester



CONRAD

Arts

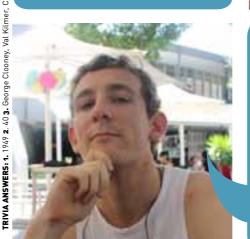
Batman or the Joker?

Batman, because he's rad and the good guy.

How did The Joker get his scars? He smiled too hard.

You going commando to the Toga

I probably won't even wear a toga; I'll just go butt naked.



BENJAMIN

Astrophysics

Batman or the Joker?

The Joker because he has some really fancy make up going on.

You going commando to the Toga Party? Commando, because there's nothing like

commando!

Plans for uni break?

I'm going skiing in The Alps!



