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Got your own hilarious bitz and pieces? Email it to blitz@unsw.edu.au with “BP” as the subject and we may just put them in the mag.
Reaching the Triple J Hottest 100, recording your first album and selling out shows around the country is a lot to achieve in your first year out of high school. So much for the humble Gap Year! But after a failed attempt at cracking it as a solo artist in England, when Elliot Morgan’s (organ – 19) brother Sam (vocals and guitar – 23) came home to Menangle on the NSW coast and suggested they jam with their other brother Zac (lead guitar – 21) and childhood friend Scott Seddon (Drums – 23), it was a thought that crossed neither of their minds.

By the end of 2013 though, and with the recent release of their self-titled album The Rubens, that thought has become a reality. We thought we’d ‘Lay It Down’ with Elliot to take stock of an incredible year.

So along with the rest of the female Australian population, my girlfriend has a huge crush on your brother Sam. I just keep that to ourselves, we wouldn’t want it getting to his head.

First up I’d love to know how it is that you’ve been brothers your entire lives, but only formed as a band last year.

I don’t know. We’ve been asked that a lot lately and it’s strange to think about it. It’s almost like our parents set us up to be in a band and we did it on our own.

And I thought, ‘That’s nuts! We’re all just kids. We should actually go to school and do something useful."

How did it come about? Sam was pursuing a solo career overseas, right?

Yeah, he was on tour. When he came home and quit, Zac was working and I was still at school. They were bored at home one day and decided to put some tracks down. I came home from school and helped out, and that’s really just how it happened.

Not a bad way to kick off your adult life! Yeah. It’s pretty cool. I mean, it was at uni, learning things and writing things down.

Sarcasm aside, is that what you’d be settling into after your gap year? If you weren’t off touring the world and recording albums?

I wanted to study Drama, but this happened, and I thought, ‘You know what? This is a pretty good alternative.’

So did you have in mind what The Rubens would sound like before you started?

Yeah, from the very start we knew exactly what it was that we were going for. Because we were brothers and good mates, we were able to tell each other if something wasn’t right. If there was an idea I’d show it to Zac and Sam and they’d tell me if it was good or not going to work, and it goes that way.

Do you find that through that process, the family dynamic is exactly reflected in the dynamic of the band?

Definitely. Even though Scotty isn’t related, we all get along really well. The dynamic is perfect. We’re on tour, we’re always able to joke around and just laugh our ass off."

And you know what? It sounds pretty natural, too. Keep an eye out for their little brother Jethro (17). He’s been known to crash their sets on the bongos and hi-hat.

The boys are currently on tour with the beautiful Petite Blackman.

When: 21 Sept – Sold Out / 19 Oct – On sale at time of print
Where: Maters
$5, $10 at thisleth.com.au / matersetheatre.com.au
Facebook: elliotfromtherubens
A Convenient Truth

Can’t finish that 3000 word essay? It’s not the end of the world... or is it?

- Henry Connell with the help of An Environment Officer

With 21 December 2012 just around the corner, the end of the world is conclusively nigh – according to the Mayans that is. Here at Blitz, we’ve dedicated countless productive hours to contemplating how the end might come. While our man Jake Burkett has settled on the Zombie Apocalypse theory, my money’s on environmental catastrophe. But, ever the optimist, I say it’s not over til head Mayan God Ah Pakku sings. I believe we can still turn things around with the right habits and efforts, and that we can save the world through green living. Here’s the Blitz guide to subverting December’s environmental doomsday.

Recycling Rambo

After years of hard work from students and staff, last year saw the final charge of the UNSW Enviro’s Collective’s campaign for recycling bins. Let’s just hope it’s not too late! Much of what we consume and throw out on campus is perfect fodder for these giants of environmental salvation.

Paper Pirates

Every year UNSW goes through more tonnes of paper than you could burn it down with. It’s pretty amazing to think that in the 21st Century one of the hardest things we’re doing to our environment is still cutting down trees to write on them. If you’re already using a laptop or iPad, you might as well read and write your notes on them. Remember: Every piece of paper recycled is a tree left standing to hold the ground together; process our carbon and please our eyes with their green goodness. Do it for the planet!

Pedal Pushers

One of the simplest pleasures in life is riding a bike. And Luckily for the students of UNSW, the UNSW Bike Club provides free bike maintenance, as well as selling them for under $50. Riding to uni will leave you fresh and invigorated for the day ahead. Check out the Sydney Cycleways Map (sydeycycleways.net) for the safest route. You can shower at the gym or at the incorrectly labelled “Staff Only” showers scattered around campus and lock up your bike at one of the many newly installed bike racks across campus.

Eddy Avenue Experts

We all know what a nightmare it is to find a park close to uni. In the end, it’s way cheaper and often quicker to simply catch the bus. The B49 runs from Central, there’s a shuttle between Kensi and COPA, and there’s a free service from Green Square, secured last year by our reps at the SRC. You can also check out UNSW’s online carpooling service at unswmycarpool.com.au.

Smart Snacks

In light of the food miles of their products and the environmentally destructive practices involved in their production, the environmental consequences of shopping at Coles and Woolies are considerable. When it comes to fruit and veggies, the best alternative can be found right here at UNSW behind the Roundhouse. Thoughtful Foods: organic, locally sourced and sustainably produced foods greatly reduce the environmental impact of growing the food we need.

Power Down

One of the greatest consumers of energy in our households and lecture theatres alike is lights being left on. While it seems simple, a quick flick of the switch is one of the boldest strides you can take towards reducing the energy intensity and carbon footprint of our buildings and spaces.

Sustainable Study

When it comes to environmental technologies and climate research, our university is one of the best in the country. UNSW offers stacks of general education subjects tailor made for the student who wants to make an impact (or minimise it) but doesn’t know where to start. For starters, check out Sustainable Renewable Energy Technologies [SCL], 2015 or Introduction to Climate Change [CLM 101].

It’s not too late to save the world! If you’ve never been one to sign a petition, here’s your perfect chance to start. Although UNSW is a world leader in clean energy technologies and research, our campus uses only around 3% renewable energy. The highly charged and ambitious RenewUNSW campaign is pushing for 100% renewable energy on campus, and they won’t stop til their goal is met – sign the petition at renewunsw.org or check out enviro.arc.unsw.edu.au for more info about the UNSW Enviro Collective.
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BETTER THAN STUDYING: WHAT'S ON UNSW

INTERNATIONAL NIGHT MARKETS

UNSW is Australia's most multicultural uni so, like Michael Jackson sang, "We are the world"!

Every year the Arc Precinct hosts the biggest and best night markets in town. Come along this Wednesday night and celebrate how international UNSW is at one of the biggest events on campus and gorge some delicious gezino under the stars. This is a night when local and international students come together for an evening of eating and excellent entertainment.

This year there'll be a tin coal market stalls, performances and appearances from some of our favourite clubs and societies and a selection of delicious international food. Our advice: Try not too eat too much during the day to save room for yummie international treats.

WHEN: Weds 19 Sept 5-9pm
WHERE: Arc Precinct
VERDICT: Nom nom nom

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LIKE FRIENDS WITH BENEFITS?

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Kenso campus is so close to Coogee beach one might say we're on 'Ocean Avenue'. Was that drawing a long bow or what?

The Roundhouse often hosts the best punk bands - a highlight being Blitz '82 appearing there earlier this year. Just this time the party people at the Roundhouse really outdid themselves. Anyways your face was just the start. Lights and Sounds of Yellowcard and Heroes for this Saturday night, Yellowcard are the big draw for us at Blitz HQ. YouTubeing their greatest hits makes us feel young again - plus their drummer looks like Predator and there's that random violence!

Also please don't forget to wear your Camera, your ripped jeans and your long-sleeved shirt with your short sleeve shirt on top.

WHEN: Sat 22 Sept 7pm
WHERE: Roundhouse
PRICE: $31.60 + BF
La vita è bella

**Pizza, pasta, red wine - is there anything more to Italian romance? Well Lavazza’s Italian Film Festival is out to prove there is, and with the tagline ‘Rediscove Italian’ they are well on their way. Stretching across 20 days and nights and three venues, there’s no excuse for missing this movie masterpiece. To make the experience all the more European, be sure to put Norton St Cinema on a pedestal and make it your preferred destination. Make a night of it and visit Bar Italia for a bit of pasta just the way nonna makes it, topped off by the best gelato the country has to offer.**

**BLITZ PICKS:**

**The Cricket**

_The adventure, romances and predicaments of visitors and residents of Rome come to life in Woody Allen’s highly anticipated new romantic comedy, To Rome with Love._

Promising more of the beloved director’s crowd-pleasing slapstick, this enchanting offering is a superb ode to the Eternal City.

**Terraferma**

_Don’t be thrown off by the unpronounceable title._

_Terraferma has won more awards than you can count on two hands._

_The acclaimed Emanuele Crialese direct this multi-award-winning gem sharing Donatella Finocchiaro about a broken family confronting great changes on a small fishing island near Sicily._

If you have been putting off the film festival experience and your significant other says you need to space things up a little, boy have you just read the right article. With prizes starting at $11 for students and package tickets also available, head down to Norton St and beyond for a taste of Italy.

For your chance to score 1 of 5 Double Passes to the Fest email bristol@lancaster.unsw.edu.au with ‘Terraf’ in the subject line and tell us what you know about Italy.

**DEAD POETS SOCIETY**

**DEER HUNTER**

**Art and Alcohol Launch Party**

**Design After Dark Market**

**UNIVERSITY TERRACES**

**THE FAST AND THE FURIOUS: KENSINGTON DRIFT**

One of the most common topics students write to us about here at Student Support is traffic fines. Whether you get one for vehicle offences or on public transport, a fine is the last thing that broke uni students need.

Obviously the easiest thing to do is to avoid getting the fine in the first place. One of the biggest things to avoid is using your mobile phone while driving, even ignoring the fact that 9.6 per cent more of drivers who are given mobile phone-related offences, carrying a $265 fine and three demerit points. Make sure you weigh up next time you decide to send a quick text at the lights.

If you do get a fine, you have the option to pay the fine back for review, or to take the matter to court. If you want the fine reviewed, the first thing you should do is go to the State Debt Recovery Office’s website and download the review guidelines, which will tell you exactly what circumstances will be considered, and what documentation is needed (keep in mind that “I didn’t know that was a rule” most definitely does not work). One Arc staff member got his fine down from $350 to less than $100 with our help, so the system does work!

You also have the option to take a fine to court, where you can argue your case to hopefully get a reduced fine or avoid it all together. Keep in mind that while you can definitely get a reduced fine, you can also get a more significant one, as well as court fees to pay on top.

If you do get a fine and you think you’re in a decent position to contest it, contact us first:

- Matthew Cooper
  Student Support and Advocacy Intern
  Drop us an e-mail: cooper@unsw.edu.au or ring (02) 9385 7700.
WIN A DOUBLE PASS TO OKTOBERFEST

Missed out on tickets to this year's festivities? Allow us to present our MEGA AMAZING EXCLUSIVE OKTOBERFEST COMPETITION!!

Every year DXS for the Roundhouse's epic Oktoberfest party sell out faster than Lindsey Lohan empties a hotel minibar. Thousands of students are left heartbroken and sad! This year the first allocation of D-Fest DX sold out in under five hours — crikey!

Never fear though, as usual Blitz has you covered with a massaged Facebook comp, and this year we've gone all out. A bit crazier than the prize. Three lucky readers will win a VIP DOUBLE PASS to the year’s Oktoberfest invasion.

In keeping with Blitz tradition, your challenge is to upload a suitable pic showing us how desperate you are to win a VIP DOUBLE PASS to Facebook.com/blitzdx for your chance to win!

Here’s a look at last year’s Deutsch Peoplesider who won a double pass to the 2011 festivities.

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COLLEGE CONFIDENTIAL

CLIMATE CHANGE

Captain Planet is a badass. I mean, who else can rock green hair AND make enviro education enjoyable for children? College life can be less than environmentally friendly at times, but if we follow the wise words of our favourite blue-skinned hero, we can do our bit to save the planet.

Dr. Hoffman: Deforestation is a serious issue. So your part to save the trees and don't bring notebooks and pens to class. While you're at it, boycott the library — that place is just a graveyard for trees.

Water is also a precious resource, and Australia is often in drought, so shower in pairs whenever possible. Or if you're a true environmentalist, shower in groups of three or more.

Recycle: Continue your water-saving crusade, and only do your laundry when it's absolutely necessary. Wear your pants until they've been soiled that the beer-steam ratio is approximately 1.

Why buy new things when you can get creative with what you've got? Handle clothes, and fashion them into bookshelves, picture frames, rabbit hutches... the options are endless!

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THE STUDYING DEAD

JEALOUS OF YOUR FRIEND'S AMAZING BRAIN? WHY NOT EAT IT!

— Jack Burkill, Commander of the 8th Division

Whether you're studying for an exam, doing off in a lecture or looking for a spot in the Library, certain fears will always be in the back of any student's mind: What if a zombie apocalypse hits UNSW? Where will I hide? Will I kill my best friend if they're bitten? Does this mean there's no test next week? We've taken into account all variables and come up with a list that is sure to keep you safe and zombie-free.

1. PICK A KICKASS ZOMBIE WRECKING CREW

You will need a Med student to come up with a cure, a Film student who knows how this whole debacle will pan out, a Theatre student to pose as a zombie and infiltrate enemy lines, and a Law student to offer as a sacrifice, as their expertise is now pointless. An Arts student will also come in handy, as they may be able to speak to the enemy.

2. GRAB AN UNDEFEATABLE VANTAGE POINT

You will need to be high up and have limited access points. Straight away I'm thinking the top floor of the Roundhouse or Whitehouse. Plus the Roundhouse mid-level balcony will give you the advantage of knowing where those bloodthirsty monsters are coming from and be able to lay an ambush.

3. BE SURE TO KNOW WHO'S A ZOMBIE AND WHO JUST APPEARS TO BE

You have managed to fall asleep once or twice during your Advanced Psychology seminar but, is that because the lecturer is boring, or that they’re in fact a fleshless zombie?

4. WEAPONS, WHAT HAVE YOU GOT? WHAT CAN YOU GET YOUR HANDS ON?

You're going to have to get creative. We here because unfortunately this university hasn't properly prepared for this predicament, and you will be left with next to no weaponry. Hit the Chem Soc and Old Main labs for Bunsen burners and build yourself a flamethrower, or mix chemicals and come up with tear gas, smoke bombs, and deadly granuline.

5. SUPPLIES - I'M TALKING FOOD, DRINKS AND LIBRARY BEANBAGS

If you took note, you seriously will be set up for at least a week. But the Whitehouse and Roundhouse have bars on tap and bistro full of the finest cuisines. Yet you want to be able to relax at a time where stress levels are higher than your final exams, the Library's L4 beanbags will do just this, but there's a good chance the zombie will already have their hands on them, so tread carefully.

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REVIEW

USING BUDDHIST BUDDHA

PALM CANOPY

To watch old people rediscover their mojo with prescribed exercises is awkward. 

HOPE SPRINGS

A couple lies on a bed in a hotel room. The woman nervously bites her lips as she runs a trembling hand up the man's thighs. Feeling a little hot and heavy, now picture the couple in their 40s, in all their sagging, wrinkled glory. Such is a scene from Hope Springs.

Thirty-one years together has turned the marriage between Kay (Meryl Streep) and Arnold (Tommy Lee Jones) into a stale, unspirited routine and separate bedrooms. With the hope of spicing things up, Kay persuades Arnold to attend marriage counseling.

Watching old people rediscover their mojo with prescribed exercises is awkward, however, with the film industry obsessed with youth. Hope Springs provides a refreshingly brave insight into how ordinary people love, change and eventually drift apart.

But if you are looking for a light and frothy romantic comedy, this movie will leave you disappointed and slightly repulsed.

NIGHTFALL

"At first, he knew only that he was loved." From the opening line of Will Elliott's Nightfall, you're hooked. In this dark and twisted fantasy world, our protagonist Aeon struggles to ascertain whether his experiences are real, and whether the world he has ever existed.

Aeon shares his journey with a trio of grotesque and bizarre characters amongst them the monstrous Garp (Anna Friel) and the irresistible wood nymph Charm. Together, they must find a way to curtail the forgetting, a walk of nothingness enveloping the land of Nightfall.

Will Elliott is a highly acclaimed author who blends surreal horror with dark humour and fantasy. He has described his writing as medicinal, since being diagnosed with schizophrenia at the age of 19. Nightfall is another of Elliott's idiosyncratic genre novels, in which he creates a parallel-world reality and throws a real person into it. Pick this one up and see what happens.

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FIVE ENVIRONMENTAL MOVIES IT WOULD BE THE END OF THE WORLD TO MISS

1. Dating (2012)
Pretty soon we'll find out if this movie was more than just a movie if the world ends when the Mayan Calendar finishes this December 21, we can say we're all right this that this movie was the most accurate bit of film created. It doesn't. It will come December 21 and we can have a laugh at John Cusak's film choices.

The Day After Tomorrow
If global warming kills us like this movie suggests it will, everywhere apart from Australia is apparently screwed.

Volcano
Released in 1997, Volcano tells the story of a volcanic eruption in downtown LA which threatens to swallow the entire city. Only almost making more money than what the film actually cost, the world must have found it hard to believe LA could house a dead volcano without anyone in the city being aware.

An Inconvenient Truth
Al Gore, who will never get tired of introducing himself as the American Vice-President, scared the sh*t out of all of us with this documentary about global warming.

Q&A WITH MITSUSHI

"Arms Attraction" is a very catchy name, where did it come from?

I'm a list of random band names, most of which were just random and had my favourite words in them. Actually "Arms Attraction" was the one that I thought I was going to be the least likely to be picked.

How would you describe your sound to someone who hasn't heard you before?

Our sound would be classified as 'alternative rock' and punk punk, but we try to incorporate different characters of other genres into our songs, such as 'heavy metal'. And in terms of vocals our songs are heavily influenced by Japanese music.

What is your best memory so far with Arms Attraction?

The studio sessions when we recorded 'Cold In Love Again' and two other bonus tracks. We were still trying for our 'sound' then, and the songs that came out of those sessions reflect on us developing as a band. We also jumped into Tonight Alive at the studio, which was definitely a memorable experience for me.

What is the best thing about being in a young band?

The fact that we are still young and we're going all we've got to now what may possibly be a career.

So you're originally from Hong Kong. Do Arms Attraction aspire to future gigs in the Asian music industry?

Definitely. We've got our roots set on Asia and will most certainly have gigs around Asia in the future. On top of that, I'm actually half Japanese and we've got plans to record Japanese versions of a few of our songs to head us into that market.
WIN 1 OF 2 DOUBLE PASSES TO
CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG
(26th November Show)

You’re a fan of the iconic musical Chitty Chitty Bang Bang? Then this competition is for you! To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the film, we’re offering two lucky readers the chance to win a pair of tickets to see the show.

WIN 1 OF 2 DOUBLE PASSES* TO
EL GRAN Combo de Puerto Rico
(5th January in Roundhouse)

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SAVA

Commercial Law

Do you believe in global warming?
I do. I’m scared for my future children and grandchildren.

Which type of student would you pick to join your zombie wrecking crew?
Any Greek student because I find them very amusing.

Which student’s skills would be pointless in this scenario?
Engineering students would be such a bore in this awesome situation.

AMIR

Science

Where would be the best vantage point if a zombie apocalypse hit you?
Level 10 of the library.

Which type of student would you pick to join your zombie wrecking crew?
Engineering students – they would be able to build equipment to push the zombies back.

Do you believe in global warming?
I do. It’s all nonsense.

MEL

Arts Education

Are you scared of global warming?
Yes, because we’re the closest to the fire.

Which type of student would you pick to join your zombie wrecking crew?
A Science student – I feel as though I’d need one, seeing as I have no science skills whatsoever.

Which student’s skills would be pointless in this scenario?
A Law student, everything they’ve learnt is pointless now.

BROKEN SHORT

English

Which type of student would you pick to join your zombie wrecking crew?
A Biochemical Engineering student whose degree is being paid for by the Australian Defence Force.

Which student’s skills would be pointless in this scenario?
A Psychology student or Commercial Law student.

Do you believe in global warming?
Yes, my friend who works for the UN will never go back.

SABAH

Law

Which type of student would you pick to join your zombie wrecking crew?
A Greek student because I love their language.

Which student’s skills would be pointless in this scenario?
Engineering students would be such a bore in this awesome situation.

VOX POPS

» voice of the peeps

CHRIS

Economics and Law

Which type of student would you pick to join your zombie wrecking crew?
You would want the advocates on your side because they’ve got no fear.

Which student’s skills would be pointless in this scenario?
Arts students

Do you believe in global warming?
No, it’s Tony Abbott article convinced me it’s all nonsense.