

ICSMSU CSC Report 4th December 2008
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Summary of CSC activities

This first term has proved to be a successful one for ICSMSU clubs and societies. Several new clubs have been created which are flourishing, and many of the established clubs have grown in stature. Specific aims for the term have been to increase club and society sustainability by encouraging them to source external sponsorship. This has been largely successful with many clubs receiving new corporate sponsorship.

As clubs and societies officer I have been keen to try and raise the profile of medic clubs and societies both within Imperial, and outside of the university. This has mainly been through encouraging an increase in the professionalism of events that are run by students.

Varsity day is one of the biggest events in the university calendar, and it has been growing ever since its inception. This year I have been working closely with sport imperial to try and broaden the appeal of varsity day and to introduce new ideas in order to increase the spectacle for all. Some of these proposed changes include rearranging the timetable for the day so that the 1st XI hockey and football can be watched by all the other sports in a similar way to the 1st XV rugby. Trophy presentations for these sports will take place in half time of the JPR Williams varsity match in the evening. Pre-match entertainment in the form of 2 university bands chosen by an audition process will take place before the JPR Williams match. There will also be a pyrotechnic display at the player presentation and during the medal ceremony for the JPR Williams cup.

Other CSC ventures include the purchase of an ICSMSU owned mascot. This will be used for all large medic sporting events such as United Hospitals and Varsity competitions.

Financial Report and Membership

Overall the vast majority of ICSMSU clubs and societies appear to be financially sound. Certain clubs such as Lacrosse and the Light Opera society have significantly improved the efficiency over the past year and appear to be in much more financially stable positions than previously. All clubs are also working towards become more financially sustainable. For a full financial breakdown of each club see appendix i.

Despite the generally improved financial situation there are a few ICSMSU clubs that have specific financial concerns. None of these clubs however have felt the need to apply for contingency funding yet.

- Boat -There has been an increase in racking fees at the UL boat-house this year, which was unexpectedly large. This is causing some financial concern as the raise was over and above that which they had been allocated. They are working towards covering this increase themselves. There have also been some problems with financial transactions appearing on their pages which they do not believe should be there. This is being looked into by ICSMSU treasurer Mary Harrington and DPFS Christian Carter.
- Men's Hockey – There has been a significant increase in cost of pitch hire, and they are currently looking for funding to help meet these costs.
- Waterpolo – Charing cross pool have raised the pool hire costs from £25 to over £100. The club are currently training at St Mary's pool instead whilst they try to find funding to meet this increase in costs, or until they are able to find some pool time at Ethos.

Club Constitution Changes

ICSMSU boat are proposing 3 changes to their constitution. They would like to appoint a second social secretary position, create a separate alumni and sponsorship officer, update the rules on who is eligible to buy a club blazer.

Exec Activities

See separate report by ICSMSU president Mark Chamberlain.

Contingency Awards

No clubs have as of yet applied for any contingency funding. However, following the disposal of their equipment from the sheds at Wilson house, by ICU appointed contractors, ICSMSU light opera received funding from ICU to replace the lost equipment.

Tours

ICSMSU badminton, boat, Lacrosse and opera have all been on tour so far this year or are planning on touring. ICSMSU rugby went on an international tour to South Africa over the summer where they won 5 out of 5 matches. They also received great press in South Africa for their work in 3 hospitals in the country. Match reports and reports of their charitable work can be found in the Cape Times, Die Burger and the Kruger Park Times, 3 of South Africa's biggest newspapers.

Social

Clubs and Societies continue to organise bops at the Reynolds to help raise funds. The quality of bop this year has been high, with turnouts significantly larger at all bops than in previous years.

Particular Issues

There have been several issues requiring CSC involvement throughout this term. These were usually minor and were resolved relatively quickly. However, there are a few outstanding problems.

- ICSMSU Boat are currently uncertain as to where they will be based next year, and are still in discussion with ICU, Sport Imperial, IC Boat and ULU to try and find the most satisfactory solution.
- ICSMSU Jiu-Jitsu lost their regular training spot at Wilson House and are currently having to run a reduced training schedule.
- ICSMSU netball have lost their training ground at Westway sports centre due to a booking by another ICSMSU club. An interim alternative has been found, but they are still looking for a court which will be financially viable over a long period of time.

Facilities/Storage

Storage space has been created in the common room in SAFB. This will be available to ICSMSU clubs and societies from March onwards. This is in line with the ongoing re-organisation of storage on the Charing Cross site, with clubs and societies room and the music room both undergoing restructuring.

Large Events

Events hosted this term by ICSMSU clubs and societies include.

- Trauma conference. This was hosted by the ICSMSU surgical society and was a great success. The tickets sold out within days of going on sale, and the event was attended by medical students from around the country. This event is receiving great interest from eminent consultants both within the Imperial College Academic Healthcare Trust and from other NHS trusts.
- ICSMSU Lacrosse host a tournament at Harlington with participation from teams from around the country. They are also hosting three weekend training camps with the England Ladies coach. Both their mixed and women's teams are at the top of their respective leagues.

Appendix i

	Members	Grant received	SGI	Grant remaining
Arts and Photo		£300.00		£150.00
ICSMSU Asian Medical Students' Association		NCC	£89.46	
ICSMSU Athletics		£900.00	-£702.56	£179.14
ICSMSU Badminton		£2,960.00	£1,344.55	£1,957.80
ICSMSU Basketball		£1,500.00	-£648.90	£1,449.00
ICSMSU BioMed Society		£500.00		£0.00
ICSMSU Boat		£7,300.00	-£3,008.33	£5,922.96
ICSMSU Christian Medical Fellowship		£300.00	£41.65	£300.00
ICSMSU Cricket		£1,000.00		£40.00
ICSMSU Debating Society		£100.00		£100.00
ICSMSU Drama		£600.00	£110.63	£156.00
ICSMSU Exec			-£48,067.67	£9,463.15
ICSMSU Football		£4,800.00	£1,269.35	£3,045.37
ICSMSU Gazette		£0.00	-£47.60	
ICSMSU Hockey		£5,750.00	£1,341.20	£4,113.49
ICSMSU Jiu Jitsu (Aiuchi)		£650.00	-£101.04	£97.50
ICSMSU Lacrosse		£1,840.00		£393.29
ICSMSU Light Opera		£2,200.00	-£1,017.94	£372.56
ICSMSU Medical Education		£250.00		£195.00
ICSMSU MedSIN		£250.00	£41.41	£80.00
ICSMSU Mountaineering		£1,800.00		£837.09
ICSMSU Music		£1,800.00	£602.17	£1,793.55
ICSMSU Muslim Medics		£50.00	£48.45	£19.00
ICSMSU Netball		£3,000.00	£3,167.74	£867.39
ICSMSU Pilates		£580.00		£170.00
ICSMSU Rag		£0.00	£192.00	
ICSMSU Rugby		£8,250.00	£6,336.60	£3,263.60
ICSMSU Squash		£300.00		£422.24
ICSMSU Subaqua		£1,500.00		£313.50
ICSMSU Surgical Soc		£1,000.00	£9,299.14	£1,000.00
ICSMSU Tennis		£600.00		£0.00
ICSMSU Water Polo		£850.00		£579.55
ICSMSU Weights & Fitness		£0.00	-£909.22	
ICSMSU Womens Hockey		£4,000.00	£1,468.48	£2,213.96
ICSMSU Yearbook		£0.00	£340.43	
ICSMSU Yoga		£800.00	£114.91	£167.00