

Council  
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## **Royal College of Science Union report to Council**

*A note by the RCSU President Katya-yani Vyas*

### **Events**

Since my last report, we have held a number of events ranging from the more academic Science Symposium and Lecture by Simon Singh to our Christmas Carnival and Sports Night. The Sports night in particular was a great success and we were able to raise money for the Haiti appeal in the process. The Science Challenge Launch was a success, the attendance was double that of last year as was the first lecture from Mark Henderson (Science Editor of the Times)

Coming up, we have the Tri-Union Bar night which we are coordinating with Malcolm, Welfare week, the RCSU/CGCU Annual dinner, '22's Pub Crawl, Science Challenge Final Event, the Arts/Scientist Forum and another bar night.

### **RCSU Welfare week**

Preparations for Welfare week (15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> February) are completed, the timetable is as follows:

Monday – Stress/Anxiety

Tuesday – Stress/Depression (emphasis on exams)

Wednesday - No Smoking day

Thursday – Sexual Health

Friday – Alcohol/drug abuse

### **Clubs and Societies**

All our departmental clubs are functioning well, with Physoc and Biosoc in particular have had a very productive few months. Biosoc are holding a climate change debate which I have agreed to sponsor as it is something that is of great interest to all students.

Biochemsoc have now elected a new president and have some very good ideas, mathsoc and physoc have cottoned on to the idea of joint events.

In general we are very happy with our clubs, I should also note that Jackie (VPO) has been looking after them extremely well.

### **Academic Affairs**

I attended the FoNS teaching committee last month, it was an interesting meeting however very little was directly relevant to students.

### **RCSU Departmental Tour**

We have put plans in place to visit all the departments this term, handing out merchandise, getting more interest in broadsheet and generally promoting the RCSU. The first visit will take place on February 22<sup>nd</sup> in Physics.

### **Deloitte**

As our sponsors this year, Deloitte will be coming in to host two lectures for our students, these look like they will be highly interesting and hopefully we will get a good attendance.