

MANAGEMENT GROUP REPORT
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SUMMARY OF RSM ACTIVITIES

Our DepSocs have had a successful first term of both academic and social activities. GPS have had a field day trialling the use of equipment for younger years. All DepSocs have held topic talks from experts in the field that have been well attended. All three organise academic trips including visits to Land Rover headquarters, Fieldwork in Pembrokeshire (attended by over 40+students), and a possible geophysics trip abroad.

All sports have ensured a good mix of ESE and Materials students, with increases from the latter this term.

Netball have weekly practices which is open to all and very flexible for those of all abilities, with 10-20 people attending per week, they hope to increase their number of matches with more planned. Hockey have training once a week and matches for teams a week, to cover the costs for minibuses those attending pay just £2. Football continue to have two matches a week, and thus no/informal training sessions. Rugby is seeking to improve its numbers with low turnout restricting practice; this has been attributed to students currently having high workload.

Most clubs have had social events including Christmas dinner.

All membership quotes have been reached, with our newest clubs (Netball and Badminton) achieving over 150 sign ups at freshers fair. Badminton is looking to particular increase its reach and ability to rent courts, and as such are looking to apply for the Activities Development Fund.

FINANCIAL REPORT & MEMBERSHIP

All clubs have fulfilled their membership targets, apart from rugby as they do not expect those participating to pay until the month preceding Bottle Match which is their main event for the year.

The majority of clubs are financially secure. GPS currently has a loss because they have outlaid for their annual geophysics trip, which will be made up during sales.

The group of most concern based on current balances would be exec committee but this is because of paying out for Bottle Match and Christmas Dinner, the income to cover which will not come in until January. There is a plan in place to ensure the year ends in a positive.

See Appendix for full figures.

CLUB CONSTITUTION CHANGES

As a new club Netball have written their constitution this year, which has been checked and approved by myself and exec.

EXEC ACTIVITIES

Exec Activities have all been very successful, with Freshers Dinner, Pantomime and Christmas Dinner all sold out, despite the rise in prices. We have held cheaper and alcohol free events to cater, particularly catering for our underage students.

Our next largest event coming up is Bottle Match; everything has been booked with just coaches left to pay for. Clubs have all been made aware that due to rising prices and less sponsorship the ticket prices will rise by £10-15. Thus hockey, rugby and netball have all chosen to subsidise for their member

Exec have recognised the importance of incorporating Erasmus students into the department body more, thus have recommended to staff that they be part of the mums and dads scheme.

TOURS

These are due to go ahead in the Summer term, by Hockey, Geophysics and for the first time Football. Netball are still currently planning the possibility.

PARTICULAR ISSUES

All clubs are significantly struggling with sponsorship in particular DepSocs, who are having to increase the costs of trips. We are working with them to seek money for individual events.

Netball have still be unable to pay for their courts, as the party responsible are uncontactable, so they wanted to make it clear that their money will be used for activities as soon as possible.

Note:

MatSoc explain that their high amount of money is due to money given by the Materials department to organise a dinner, this was not used as the department organised it themselves. The society were able to keep the money on the basis they will use it for later activities.

Appendix

A1 Financial Overview

Clubs	Membership	SGI	Total	Explanations
Rugby	50%	-870.75	-732.75	Most membership will be bought in January before Bottle Match
Football	100%	767	1919.81	They are expecting money to be received back from the union after it was unfairly claimed for lack of use at the end of last year
Netball	100%	457.94	539.84	
Hockey	100%	2206.43	4295.79	
Badminton	160%	210.85	370	
GPS	170%	-3812.29	-2711.78	They have recently outlaid for their annual trip. Tickets will be sold in December.
MatSoc	100%	2040	2616.17	
DLB	190%	1510.69	1520.39	