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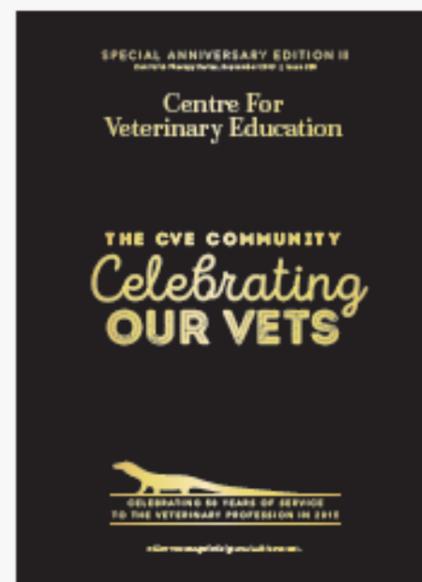
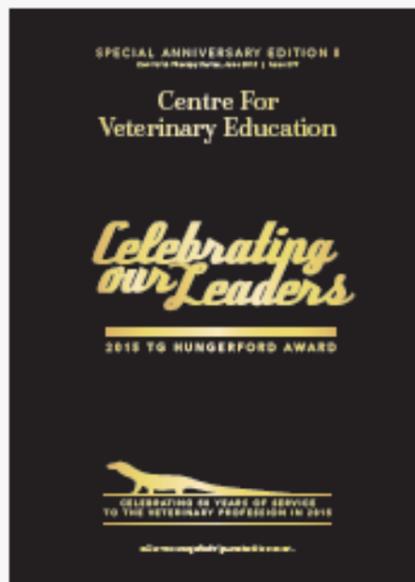
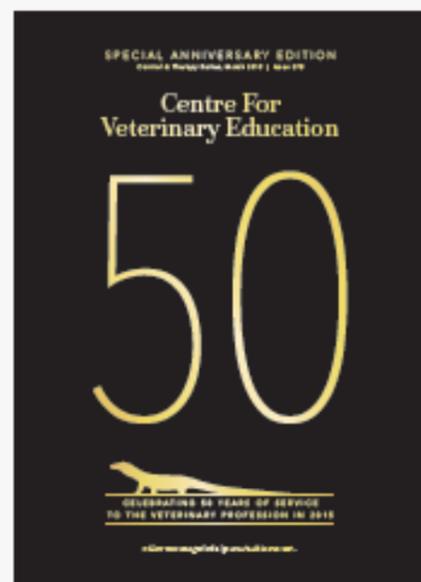
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From the editor,

This is my first edition as Chiron editor – I would like to say a huge thank you to Alex for helping me through the transition, you've left big shoes to fill. This edition introduces your new Vetsoc committee, catches up on past events, gives you a heads up for events next year, lets you know who has their eye on you, gives you inspiration for placement and much more!

Enjoy

xoxo,

Damian and the Vetsocks <3

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The USU is a member-based organisation and began as a debating society all that



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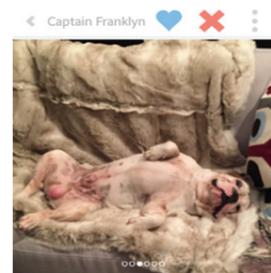
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Captain Franklyn, 5 years old
5 km away Active 44 minutes ago

time ago – and is still an international force (ranked number one in the world), but today there is something every student – and staff member can benefit from. The USU's Clubs and Societies program is Australia's largest, with more than 200 Clubs and Societies on campus, bringing together students with shared passions and hobbies, be it a love of dancing or an interest in politics. There are also Clubs representing faculties – making it easier to forge connections with fellow students.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

BY KIRI FARMER



Expo under our belt, and we can't wait to bring you many more kegs and events, bake sales and merchandise in the new year!

None of this success or motivation would be without the incredible help of the 2014-15 committee who had a blinder of a year and have raised the bar when it comes to running university societies. They provided us with many wise words and a great platform to launch from, we can only hope to do you justice in the coming year.

The new committee would also like to thank YOU for welcoming us so warmly to our new roles and coming along to our events! It is you that make the events so memorable, and the hard work worth it. We will do our very best to ensure your life outside the lecture theatre is filled with frothy beers, funny costumes and nights that make for stories that are best not told to the grand-kids! I am very excited for the year that lies ahead of us, and I look forward to seeing you all well rested and refreshed after a summer of placements and rotations, at the Beers, Pies and Bull - it's surely an event not to be missed!

I am absolutely honoured to be penning the President's Report for the last issue of The Chiron for 2015, and the first issue for the new 2015-16 Vetsoc Committee! The new committee is a diverse bunch of students, with members from all degrees of the faculty, each of us bring to the table a unique set of skills and an undeniable enthusiasm to make your time at uni the best it can possibly be! So far we have a Changeover Keg, Wacky Races, and the first Mental Health

Vet Fair
March 2
Vet Lawns

Beers, Pies and Bull
March 11th
Vet Lawns

Vet Cruise
Date: TBC

MEET YOUR NEWCOMMITTEE

MEET YOUR NEW REPS



Becky Blanchette
Keg Rep
Bicki or Vicki? Has survived a car crash



Kiri Farmer
Didn't grow up on a farm. Has a twin brother



Adrian Sujaraj
AVBS Rep
Has an attention span of a.....



Jackson Conaty
Vice President
One cup Conaty



Damian Holden
Assistant Treasurer
His hair is so big it's full of secrets



Stephanie Shield
Vice President
Ask her who Pam is



Jordan DaSilva
Keg Rep
Is a previous Chiron bachelor (still single)



Rowena Yeung
Keg Rep
Never been seen sober



Lisel Nichols
Keg Rep
Enjoys long walks on the beach with her ferret



Clara Wilkins
Secretary
Owns an abusive rabbit



Rena Griffin
Keg Rep
Horses aren't the only thing she rides well, can ride a motorbike



Kelly Toomey
Treasurer
Has an irrational fear of birds



Nicola Culey
AVBS Rep
Likes touch footy, hates Christmas beetles



Andrew Crossland
Keg Rep
Can whip it real good

KEG KORNERS

BY JORDAN DASILVA (AKA 2015 ISSUE 1 BACHELOR)

Let's get ready to RUUMMMBLE with the newest VetSoc committee! It's that time again where the Old VetSoc committee relinquishes their positions and helps usher in the newest VetSoc era; and what better way than to throw a changeover KEG!!

The theme was Superstar Athletes and boy did you guys deliver! The Vet Lawns were transformed into an Olympic playground, we had rugby players, basketball stars, polo champions, and even a couple of bangin' ballerinas (ballerinos?). Honourable mentions go out to the rollerblader who was gliding all over the grass, you're commitment was legendary, and also to the kayaker who found himself upstream without a paddle.

Thanks to everyone who came out to party and celebrate the new VetSoc committees first keg! You can be sure the ones to follow will be home runs and definitely a grand slam or two!

Next event to watch out for is the Scrub Crawl! Being held on October 30th (Halloween-eve), you should all be expecting to be sufficiently zombified the day after. Keep an eye out on the VetSoc page for promo vids and the map to which bars we'll be hitting up as we crawl our way down King Street. Cheap, cheap drinks will be on sale on the Vet Lawns prior to our migration to Newtown, SEE YOU ALL THERE! From all of us at the Chiron, I'm JD, you stay classy Sydney.



You did the Jamaicans proud



This is next level





The winning team #Channel4NewsTeam

Wacky Races, Saturday 26th September

Wacky Races is an Amazing Race type event that runs on the morning of Camden Weekender every year, leading the teams from Vet Lawns to Camden Campus. Teams compete for points that can be earned by completing the challenges set by VetSoc.

The enthusiasm and commitment showed by participating teams made this year's Wacky Races an unforgettable morning. Many nipples were pierced, nudie runs were performed, and unmentionable areas were

waxed, all in the name of winning the coveted Wacky Races!

This year's winners were #Channel4NewsTeam, whose dedication to the race was unmatched. Second (by only 15 points!) was #TheSobrietyPolice, and third was #Tight-TutuTooshies. Wild Cards were awarded to Liam Douglas, for his enthusiasm and for being a source of great entertainment to the scorers; and Phillipa Bruce, for getting a #vetlyf tattoo (and an impressive one at that)! Best Dressed this year went to #SheasAngels, with their fantastic frilled-neck lizard costumes – you girls looked smashing!

What a head!



Goodmorning Angels! #sheasangels our best-dressed

The tattoo that changed the competition #vetlyf



SPORTS REPORT

BY JACKSON CONATY & DANI DENDRINOS

As you all know the 2015 season for interfaculty sport has come to an end and out of all the 11 faculties that competed Vet placed 4th. I want to thank all the students who participated in the games, we wouldn't have been able to achieve what we did without you! Also massive thanks to the people who came to support us whilst playing. Your positivity and enthusiasm was awesome! Some of this year's highlights include:

- Men's indoor soccer where the guys made it to the grand final
- Women's indoor soccer where the girls won the grand final without a single point being scored against them;
- Our super star rock climbers came out with a win
- Vincent Donnadieu came first in the last interfaculty event of 2015, the 5km run!

Since this our last act as sports reps we would like to thanks everybody who got involved in any way, shape or form. You guys made it a pleasure being

the sports reps for 2015 and we loved playing with you all! A special thanks to everyone who helped us and took charge when we were absent at some games, in particular Kelly Toomey! We couldn't have done it without, you were a life saver!

Some of the highlights for us was meeting more students from the vet faculty and welcoming the first year students into interfaculty sports. Another highlight was our male ports rep received an award for the best male representative of 2015! Congratulations to Jackson, it was well deserved!

Just seeing the amount of people wanting to get involved and how close and supportive everybody in vet is really highlights why we are the best faculty at Sydney!

With that we shall say farewell and we will see you next year at interfac sport! #GoTeamVet



QUAD-FAC

BY ALEX KENNEDY & CILLIAN COLEMAN

BOYS

The Quad-Fac season for the boys started a bit rocky, with little to no training beyond touch footy at lunch. Our theory being that we were already better than every other faculty so why not just enjoy it.

The first game started perfectly with a gruelling but well fought victory over the tooth-fairies (Dentistry). It was also the first time that we saw a lot of the first years, including Sam Carwardine, Robbie Hayward and Joe Mallett show off their fancy backline finesse. It also gave rise to a few newcomers to the game such as Aiden Wright who played out of position in the physical forward pack, and Tate Cowper who learnt that Rugby rucks involve the same skills as hockey...hit'em!

After the sterling first round victory by the Vet Boys, we faced the 30-man squad of Med and their actual coach. After a few minutes it was clear that the Vet Boys had what it took to really challenge the long time defending champions. Unfortunately going down on the scoreboard, the vet team could hold their heads high as they had played a fantastic game of rugby.

Finally it was the local drug dealers (Pharmacy). Vet just needed one more victory to secure 2nd place and to continue their annual rise through the com-

petition. A few tries later and it was obvious that Vet were on track to their best season by far. Congratulations and thank you to all those who played for us this year. Hopefully we can continue improving to take out the Cup next. Our best wishes to the Boys from Med and Dent who had to visit RPA after our games.

GIRLS

As the reigning champions Team Vet went into the 2015 Quad-Fac Touch competition with high hopes. Having trained twice a week since the beginning semester, the team was ready to rise to the challenge. Week 1 of Quad-Fac brought Team Vet up against Dentistry where the girls won the game with ease scoring eight tries to one – special mention to Jamie Wildner and her seemingly effortless intercept try! In week 2 the girls were up against a more challenging Medicine team but managed to clinch the game 5-1 thanks to some stellar defence efforts and tries by Kiri Farmer, India de Bres, Dani Dendrinis and Anna Sundqvist. Team Vet then came up against a numbers lacking Pharmacy team so shared some players around to make a more friendly game in week 3. The girls still showed their skills, taking home the cup undefeated!

Congratulations to all the girls who trained and played and thanks for a great season!!



WILDLIFE REPORT

BY DEBORAH DINO

This year, some lucky vet students and I were given the opportunity to participate in the monthly koala post mortem (PM) sessions organized by the Wildlife Society and Koala Health Hub. Although the experience wasn't as cuddly with a live koala it was far more intimate. With Caroline Marschner's (PhD candidate) patient supervision, we got down to the messy work of examining, dissecting and collecting samples from a number of deceased koalas which she used for her PhD research. Apart from brushing up on our post mortem technique, we also learnt many interesting facts about the anatomy, health, and life of koalas, with Caroline generously sharing her knowledge and enthusiastically answering any of our questions.

Not wanting the fun to end, I also participated in the annual wildlife post mortem session, organized by the Wildlife Society. Instead of Koalas, we were presented with a smorgasbord of possums, birds and a rabbit which had been kindly procured from

vet practices the day before. Outnumbered by the number of animals available, we got stuck into the investigative PM process with gusto after a brief safety induction and PM demonstration by the supervisor, Dr Derek Spielman. Enthusiasm amongst the vet students was high, and questions about wildlife and wildlife diseases aimed at Derek, flew in from all directions throughout the session. Pizzas and sandwiches provided at the end of the session made it an even more enjoyable event, it always amazes me how happy vet students are to eat after doing a post-mortem.

Both sessions were great learning experiences, and are a 'must' for the aspiring wildlife vets and pathologists.

A BIG thank you to Wildlife Society, the Koala Health Hub (Caroline and Mark) and Derek for organizing them and I certainly look forward to more of such opportunities!



HOW TO COOL YOUR DOG

BY LISEL NICHOLS #SH*TLISELSAYS

Your dog needs an e-makeover, here's how.

Do you find Facebook boring? Are you sick of peoples' useless lives? You and your dogge need to join more groups. Groups are the shit. Just like real life, they have rules, trolls that break the rules, but most importantly cute dogs. They have become subcultures within themselves, with merchandise, meet-ups, fights and drama.

Cool Dog Group

If you recognise the word: "pupper", you are probably one of the lucky 117,135 facebookers perusing CDG. It is a forum for expressing your love of the canine kind and cool dogs. Here, you will post photos of your furry friend acting "cool" to receive adoration from complete strangers. It will be a massive self-esteem boost for you and your pup, trust me.

Dogspotting

If you understand "+1 for floof", you are a dog-spotter. This sport is taken very seriously by a se-

lect few, and points are awarded by the community for the excellence of your "spot". This group will allow you and your dog to bond, by spending hours stalking around Sydney in pursuit of that elusive 200 point shot.

If Facebook groups aren't your thing but you're still a Gen Y kid who approaches all facets of their life through their smart phone then maybe you should try **Tindog**...

Is your pup lonely? Does he/she spend hours staring out the window, pining for other dogs? Running out of toilet paper?

Swipe away those tears, one match at a time. Tinder, the uber successful human app, is now out for the canine kind. One user, Bandit, gave the following review "There's a lot of creeps out there, and sure, they're on Tindog too. But it's like op shopping, you've gotta sift through a lot of shih-tzus, but you might end up finding a really nice little butt to sniff." Just a little hint to avoid an embarrassing situation for all, DTF = down to fetch.



I SAW YOU...

BY OUR STALKER READERS

How you doin' Eh?

I am a male
I saw a female

Describe your encounter: I heard your Canadian accent at the Flodge once and that was it. My heart was shattered when I saw you were knocked up at the Heroes Keg but I've never seen you with a man so maybe I still have a chance? If so I'd love to share a Mickey or two with you, you sexy Canuck ;)

When Did You See Them? All year long baby

To the strapping young larrikin in DVM

I am a female
I saw a male

Describe your encounter: I must say, to the charming young lad with the high-pitched cackle that resonates throughout Clunies Ross, you're firm gluteals and short femurs have captivated my gaze... squat sesh after class?
When did you see them? All day everyday

Are you saving that for later?

I am a male
I saw a male

Describe your encounter: I saw you with your beard dripping in dog intestines and I've never crushed harder, you're commitment to anatomy is next level.

When did you see them? This one time at band camp.

I wouldn't say Rome-no

I am a male
I saw a female

Describe Your Encounter: Dear Juliet, on behalf of every guy in vet: Thank you. Just thank you.

When Did You See Them? Eryday.

I know you're out there somewhere

I am a female
I saw a female

Describe Your Encounter: I was looking for a man... then realised that all the men in vet are either taken, gay or just not what I'm after. Maybe its time to switch teams... #WhyDidn'tIDoEngineering??

When Did You See Them? Always

Pratt gives me a fat

I am a male
I saw a male

Describe Your Encounter: I saw Pratt in his roller blades in lycra and ever since then I can't stop

dreaming about him.

When Did You See Them? Changeover Keg

Booty had me like

I am a male
I saw a female

Describe Your Encounter: Oh Gwen with your flowing blonde hair! When you walked in the room you gave my pants b-a-n-a-n-a-s.

When Did You See Them? Afterhours. Webster.

Twisted

I am a female
I saw a male

Describe Your Encounter: Your cute mannerisms make me squirm. I just want to rip you to shreds. You incredibly frustrate me in many ways. I can't keep still in our VETS1018 lectures, not that I pay much attention anyways. I'd fail that unit just to sit and watch you over DNA control mechanisms. Love always, your site specific substrate.

When Did You See Them? Every week.

No Sheame

I am a female
I saw a male

Describe Your Encounter: The twinkling fairy lights were reflected in your beady eyes. I sipped my goon punch, trying to gather up enough nerve to talk to you. You wandered lonely as a cloud. Through the throngs of drunken teenage boys, who couldn't ever compare to your masculinity. That beard, long and pearly white, intertwined with silver. Your knowledge of obscure reptilian anatomy made me dizzy with lust. Please Glenn, I can't take it anymore, let us be together.

When Did You See Them? It was a dark, warm, moist night at the keg.



TRAVELLER VET

BY KELLY TOOMEY

Placement: 1st Year Extramural Rotation Elective

Location: Cairns Turtle Rehabilitation Centre

There is nothing more rewarding than watching a rehabilitated animal go back to its natural, wild environment. Rescue, rehabilitation, and release are my passions – and I want to help save our oceans by becoming a marine veterinarian. I have previously worked at the Marine Mammal Centre of Santa Barbara in California, where I'm originally from; so when I saw the Cairns Turtle Rehabilitation Centre placement, I knew I had to snap up the opportunity!

Over the past 16 years, volunteers at the cen-

tre have nursed hundreds of sea turtles back to health and released them back into the Great Barrier Reef. During my five-day placement, there were ten sea turtles being cared for – 4 different species and ages ranging from 1 year old to 100 years old. Common injuries to sea turtles include starvation, floaters syndrome, and human-caused harm from nets and boats. I loved each turtle for their unique personalities, but one stood out the most – her name was Ella.

Ella, the green sea turtle about 15 years old, is truly a survivor of the odds. A boat had hit Ella, nearly taking off all of her shell and leaving her body battered and exposed. The founder of the

rehab centre, Jennie Gilbert, explained that you could see her lungs through the wound – it was that severe. After many touch-and-go intensive veterinary appointments, Ella's prognosis was still poor and some even recommended euthanasia. The founder did not accept this and kept by Ella's side at night for over a year. Remarkably, and to many people's disbelief, Ella has spent over 3 years at the rehab centre and has made a full recovery. In fact, she is due out to release within the next month.

Ella's story and Jennie's determination are nothing short of inspirational. This placement has solidified my goal to become a marine veterinarian. Sea turtles are remarkable, intelligent creatures that need our help, and stories like Ella's serve as heartening encouragement for dedicating my life to extraordinary marine animals like turtles. Every day spent with them was an incredible experience – plus nothing beats watching them "shake their butts" in pure joy when you gave them a shell scratch.



Top: Ella and Bottom: Jude



Kelly Toomey with Ruth, the juvenile one-year-old Hawksbill sea turtle.

Kelly Toomey and Jordan Dasilva, posing with Ella, the miracle sea turtle at Cairns Turtle Rehab Centre.



BACHELORETTE OF THE ISSUE

INTERVIEWED BY DR CUPID BVSC DVM

Name: Simone Armstong
Degree: AVBS Second Year



Let's start from the very beginning. Where are you from?

I come from a land where women glow and men plunder.

Sounds super exotic. Now I'm going to get the most important question out of the way. Cats or dogs? Rottweilers.

So if you're perfect Rottweiler-loving man come along, what kind of date would you want him to take you on?

I'm not too fussed...It would have to entail intense amounts of adventures and cuddles with no phones. Being under the stars and by the water is also pretty great.

So you're an outdoorsy kind of girl? Then how would you respond to the following question: Netflix and chill?

Depends who's asking ;)

How many Netflix and Chills have you been on in the last 12 months?

I'm not one to kiss and tell

For all the boys wanting to take you home to their mumma's, what is your best quality?

Wouldn't you rather know my worst?

I am a mean yodeler though...

Yodeling will definitely win over the future in-laws. Do you have any deal-breakers in your men?

Besides the obvious (must treasure animals), I guess selfishness/vanity has got to be the greatest turn off for me.

If you could travel anywhere in the world where would it be?

If I could, 11kms deep into the Mariana Trench.

I hate to get political but... Punch, Pash or Partner: Hilary Clinton, Julia Gillard and Pauline Hanson

Looooooooovvvveelllyyyyyyy. Ugh, punch them all. In the face. With adequate force.

And finally my favourite question to ask everyone. What is the weirdest thing you've ever put in your mouth?

Enquire within.

So there you have it boys, all ten of you. If you like rottweilers, sleeping under the stars and don't mind yodeling being the soundtrack to your life then this might be the girl for you!

HALFWAY DINNER 2015

SAM, GEORGIA & ELLEN

On the momentous evening of Saturday the 1st of August, the last graduating class of the BVSc came together to celebrate reaching the halfway mark with the last ever BVSc Halfway Dinner!

Guests were swept inside the magnificent Ivy Ballroom, drinks in hand, at 7pm as the doors swung open to reveal a night of glamour and excitement. The festivities were opened by MC extraordinaires Adheip Prabakaran and David Rizkalla who were also joined for their opening number by the musical talent Curtis Goding. Following an address from Dean Rosanne Taylor, entrée was served and guests settled in to the important task of consuming the Ivy's finest food and beverages.

The entertainment continued with a speech from crowd favourite Mark Krockenberger as well as a fabulous musical performance courtesy of Vet-soc. To recognise the achievements of the year to date a number of prestigious awards were announced on the night, recipients were as follows:

- **Best Dressed on the Night** – Angel Ngo & Dalton Nguyen
- **Best Drunk** – Lyndon Cleary
- **The Ebenezer Scrooge Award for Stinginess** – India de Bres
- **Most Epic Fall During Camden Prac** – Patrick Ha (fell down sheep shute)
- **Biggest Teacher's Pet** – David Rizkalla
- **Most Likely to be Late to Their Own Wedding** – Helen Cahill
- **Number One Sweetheart** – Ciara Gibney
- **Cutest Couple** – Lyndon Cleary & Mark Krockenberger
- **Most Likely to Become a Crazy Cat Lady** – Ishtar Chan

- **Sleeping Beauty** – Beth Richards
- **The Nerd Alert Award for Dedication to Learning** – Mankit Chan
- **Most Enthusiastic** – Deborah Chong

With the formalities out of the way guests were then free to showcase their best moves on the d floor led by the fine DJ skillzz of Mr Carlo Bruzzese. Those game to round out the night with a final session of booty shaking then sauntered (stumbled, slipped and staggered) down to Jackson's on George to party rock until the break of dawn!

We would like to thank everyone who came out and partied, including the many staff members in attendance, as well as everyone who helped in organising the event, its success would not have been possible without you all! Goodluck to all the third years as they continue on their journey towards vet-dom,



EXAM TIME COCKTAILS

BY NICOLA CULEY

It's that time of the year where you're either celebrating that exams are nearly over and holidays are amongst us or you're drowning your sorrows because you're screwed. Either way we've got you covered with some animal themed cocktails! If you think about it, it kind of counts as study...

SEX ON THE B**CH

WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- 1 peach schnapps
- 2 vodka
- 3 Orange juice
- 3 Cranberry juice
- Ice

HOW TO MAKE IT:

1. Mix and shake, easy as pie.

This particular drink has the VetSoc seal of approval. Tried and tested by our hardworking exec, we obviously had to pass this marvellous creation on to you dear readers.

THE FLYING MENAGERIE

This classic drink is perfect for when you just need that little extra boost to keep the party going. A little bit of kiwi adds a lot of class. Transform the old favourite, vodka red bull, into The Flying Menagerie with the simple addition of this flightless bird. If this deadly combo can't get the kiwi in the air I don't know what can!

WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- Red BULL
- Grey GOOSE
- KIWI fruit

HOW TO MAKE IT:

1. Mix your vodka and Red Bull
2. Either garnish with kiwi or mix it in

*The Sydney University Veterinary Society encourages the responsible consumption of alcohol.



ARTWORK

BY NICOLA MILSON

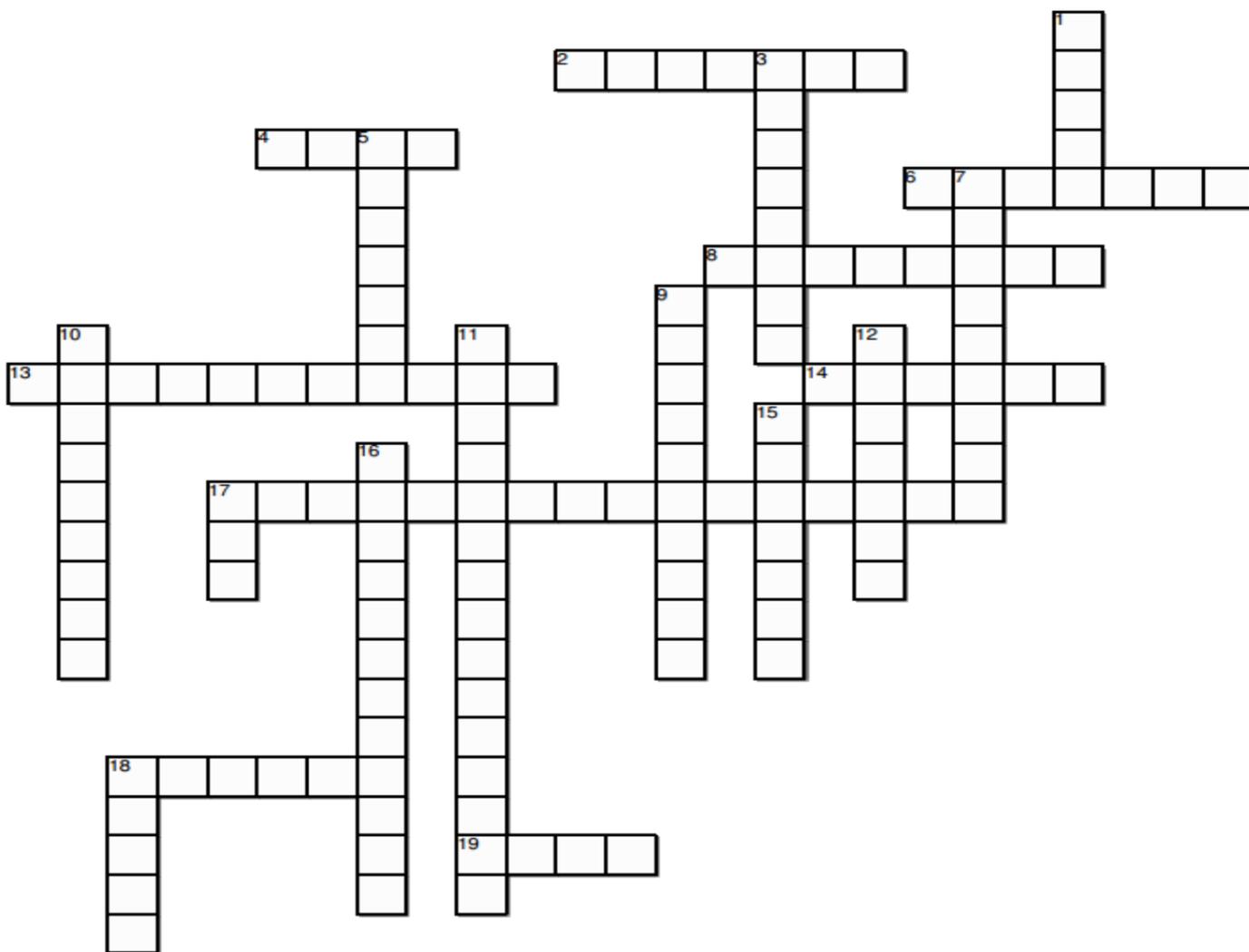
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In 2014, my final year of school, I was lucky enough to win the Goulburn Art Award for one of my HSC artworks. From this I was awarded my own exhibition. The photographic works I created for my exhibition were highly influenced by my love of the land and my fascination with the human body. Growing up on the land I have been lucky enough to see and experience some amazing things. I learnt how to deal with death and celebrate life which I defiantly wanted to show in my photographic works. I have earned a greater understanding and appreciation for what I have experienced from becoming a student at Sydney University where I have learnt about animals in a greater depth. The work below 'Out Of Time' with the "beauty and the beast" subject, was inspired by a poem by Kenneth Slessor that I had studied in my final year. The work explores an element of life and death as well as a sense of fragility.



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Across

- 2. Healthy Harold
- 4. Vespidae
- 6. One of my legs is a penis
- 8. My _____ don't want none
- 13. Horny and grey, and no it's not Christian Grey
- 14. Bertie _____
- 17. No frills, lol jokes heaps of frills
- 18. Wet and hairy and eats wood
- 19. Snoop

Down

- 1. A _____ stole my baby
- 3. This bird doesn't just wear pink on Wednesdays
- 5. The sun is unbearable
- 7. mascot for the Queensland State of Origin team
- 9. If Ronald McDonald was a fish
- 10. EEEHHHRRRRRRWWWWWHWEHWHWWWW!!!!
- 11. 3 humans one mouth one butt
- 12. Vetsoc mascot
- 15. My blood will keep you alive, even if you are an inch from death, but at a terrible price.
- 16. A slutty dinosaur
- 17. What does the ____ say?
- 18. Aussie alternative to chocolate easter bunny



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MENTAL HEALTH EXPO

BY EMMA DOLAN

On 6th October, the AVA, Hill's and VETSOC ran Sydney Uni's first "Mental Health in the Veterinary Industry Expo". We hoped to encourage the faculty to come together to have some fun and recognise the significance of mental health issues in our profession.

The event kicked off with live acoustic music by Chris Ng, ice cream, a jumping castle and games on the vet lawns. Students, lecturers, UVTHS staff, sponsors and guests made the most of this opportunity to mingle and relax in the sun. Some students also got the chance to show off their inner Masterchef in a baking competition – proceeds from the sale of the cakes went to Rocky's K9 Rescue.

Dr. Louisa Poutsma's talk, titled 'Everything I wish they'd told me before I left vet school' was comical, heartfelt and informative.

We returned to the vet lawns for a barbeque dinner and live performance by the Cruisin' Deuces, a local rockabilly band. There was an obvious sense of camaraderie amongst the faculty, with plenty of laughing

and running around, as the piñata was smashed open... lolly wrappers of which still occasionally arise from underneath the depths of the vet lawns.

Dr Vera Pickering and her daughter Dr. Tania Pickering, a clinical neuropsychologist, were next up to the microphone. Tania shared some valuable techniques for dealing with stress and negative thoughts, and made us think twice about what it means to chew on a mentos (you'll have to come next time to find out about that one).

Dr. Ilana Mendels and Dr. Kate Worthing then joined Tania for a Q & A with the students, discussing things such as advice on how to 'switch off' after a hard day.

We had generous sponsors for our events, namely Hill's Pet Nutrition (who also gave away heaps of goodie bags and scrubs to the students), the Australian Veterinary Association, Provet and Petplan. It was a great start to a new tradition which we hope will continue.



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