



ROAR!

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Meet your reps!

A guide to our motley crew of co-opted reps

Each year, three representatives are co-opted onto the ECSU Exec. Their roles are to support Emma's LGBT, Ethnic Minorities and International students. We know that not all of you are aware of this, nor who these reps are, so we've asked them to say a few words about who they are and what they do. You are welcome to cut out their stats and play Top Trumps if you so desire... we all know what revision boredom can do for our creativity levels...

If you have any questions for these people, don't hesitate to contact them. Their CRSids are listed!



Ethnic Minorities Rep

Name: Karen Kim

Subject: PPS

Year: 2

Hometown: Hong Kong

Special ability: Taking at least a hundred photos on a single night out

Likes: Taking photos

Dislikes: Forgetting my camera or forgetting to charge it

Fun fact: Clearly, I am not fun.

Contact: mkk28

I promote activities and events for ethnic minority and international groups, liaise with other colleges' Ethnical Minorities Representatives and CUSU Black Students' Campaign (BSC) to address the issues and cater to the needs of ethnic minority students in Cambridge. Most importantly, I am here to provide general support, no matter what your ethnic background. I am hoping to work closely with the International Students Representatives, and organise social gatherings and events with them. If you want to know more about getting involved, settling in, BSC, or connecting with other people like you.... I am the one to contact!

LGBT Rep

Name: James Robson

Subject: Maths

Year: 1

Hometown: Sheffield, UK

Special ability: Can totally not skim read a book like a champ.

Likes: Maths, rollercoasters, Pokemon, or any linear combination thereof.

Dislikes: Snow. It's all wet and stuff.

Fun fact: Dogs can't look up

Contact: jr512

As LGBT rep, I have a number of responsibilities. Firstly, to offer support and information on all aspects of sexuality and gender to anyone who needs it- there's no requirement to label yourself or define yourself and I'll make no assumptions. Always willing to chat if needed! Of course, you can also talk to our very own welfare officers in college, Lizze and Thomas, at welfare-female@ecsu.org.uk and welfare-male@ecsu.org.uk. Additionally, if you want to talk to someone not from Emma, give Ben Vincent, current CUSU LGBT Welfare Officer, at lgbt-welfare@cusu.cam.ac.uk.

But my role isn't just this: I also pass on information to our Emma LGBTlist, emma-lbgt@lists.cam.ac.uk. If I organise swaps with other colleges it'll be organised through this, so please join. I'll also pass on info from LISTINGS, the main CUSU LGBT list, which I also encourage you to join!



International Reps

Name: Nadia Bonifačić

Subject: Education and German

Year: 4

Hometown: Punat, Croatia

Special ability: I have a license which permits me to drive boats up to 20m long.

Likes: When my bedder wakes me up in the morning.

Dislikes: Grumpy porters, duck rape and smoke detectors.

Fun fact: I once did busking on Oxford Street.

Contact: njp71

Name: June Sun

Subject: PPS

Year: 1

Hometown: Xi'an, China

Special ability: I can speak Finnish!

Likes: Messing with people who think I'm American because of my accent.

Dislikes: People messing with me because of my accent. :(

Fun fact: Until recently I thought Cornish pasty Cornish paste-y.

Contact: zs258

The international student body is a very important and valuable part of the college and university, and our job is to make sure that where you come from does not in any way become a barrier during your time here. We are here to answer questions and act as contact people for any queries and problems you may encounter as an international student. In addition, our job is to organize social events where you can meet other international students from other colleges. We hope to provide the Emma internationals with support and a sense of community in addition to societies that you might be part of out of college. Please feel free to come and chat with us whenever! :)

Image of the week

George Bibby:
I'm glad I have someone to make my sandwiches for me now...



Want to be a college parent?

A reminder that the deadline for college parent applications is Sunday. Find the earlier email for details!

You must apply in pairs, and priority is given to those going into their final year.

Second years: keep your eyes peeled for subject parent applications, which are coming soon!

Notices

Do you run a college society? Societies and clubs funding now open!

Applications for Clubs & Societies Funding are now open. The application form can be found at

http://ecsu.org.uk/societies_and_sport/societies_funding. Please hand it in to Sara Montakhab's pigeon hole before Monday 9th May. Contact Sara (sm752) with any queries.

Get yer tops off!

Green fact of the week - not only will nudity bring you closure to the breezy natural world around you, and leave you with a splendidly even tan, it will also save energy on air conditioning! Sadly no, concerned as it is for Emma's reputation as a lean, green college, ECSU does not condone nudity, shower-sharing or spooning in the name of green. This is in fact another heavily disguised message about recycling...

Please remove ALL bottle tops before throwing the bottles in your recycling bin, they just aren't recyclable and they're polluting the lovely, promising mounds of recycling. Also its important to crush all bottles, as they take up loads of room in the recycling bins, each of which have to be paid for by college - so we are paying for the council to collect lots and lots of air.

There have been a few glitches in setting up the bins, so if you don't have a recycling bin or have two (?) then please email green@ecsu.org and it'll be sorted out. Thanks and stay clothed :)

This house would vote 'Yes' to AV

Emma Politics and Economics Society presents "This House would vote Yes to AV". Is a 'yes' really a vote for the BNP? Is a 'no' really a vote for dinosaur politics? Join the debate on Tuesday 3rd May in the Harrods Room. Doors open at 6.45pm, with the debate starting at 7pm. Entrance and the first beverage are free!

Anagram

Relevant to this time of year... First correct answer to roar@ecsu.org.uk wins chocolate!

Ahem Extra Time

ROAR! is also available online at www.ecsu.org.uk
To opt out of the paper version, please email roar@ecsu.org.uk

ROAR! submission deadline: Monday 10am

Recycle me when you're done! The post room floor doesn't particularly like me!

Ceilidh!

Rachel Hesketh and Lizzie Dobson are having a ceilidh this Wednesday night at 8pm in aid of Kenya Education Partnerships. It will be in the Old Library and tickets are £5 on the door or available in advance from Lizzie, Rachel or Claire Fyson. Sounds like a bargain!

Unimportant announcement

ECSU would like to announce that the word 'examination' will be banned from ROAR! for the remainder of the term. We are completely aware that most of you will be tempted to give up on having a life for the next few weeks, and we intend for this esteemed publication to be devoid of any stress.

A suitable replacement term has yet to be found, but suggestions have included 'the End-of-Year Quiz' and 'those bloody E-things'... any ideas which don't sound like my secondary school's idea of a 'fun' Christmas competition or illegal drugs can be submitted to roar@ecs.u.org.uk or tinyurl.com/roarpekingduck, where they will probably be ignored.

Comments? Revision-break musings? Complaints? Email roar@ecs.u.org.uk, or use the anonymous form at tinyurl.com/roarpekingduck

The Peking Duck

Beware, Emmanuel College. An evangelical drinker is on the rampage, and if you don't escape in the *nick* of time, he'll break your nose, fall asleep in your shower, and then wake up on Parker's Piece at 5am.

By *george!* A Mr Chilvers sends word that he was the first to hear two law-abiding students proclaim their love to one another. Apparently it lasted longer than thirty seconds, for once.

Do you play the banjo? *No?* Got a *car(r)*? Is it a 12 year old Mercedes? Or do you love swordfish more? (These freshers send some cryptic gossip... the Duck is confused as you are, reader...)

And Paul Maynard, again.

Quack!

All gossip, comprehensible or not, to roar@ecs.u.org.uk, or tinyurl.com/roarpekingduck.

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With thanks to the porters, the Bursary, the pigeonholers and the sun, who has his hat on.



Sport

God damn bloody Oxford!

Success for Emma oarswomen in Henley Boat Races

It being the holidays and everything, college sport hasn't really been happening for the last month or so... But after we'd all gone home to see Mummy and Daddy, three Emma girls were gearing up for the biggest sporting event of their lives so far.

Given that the Cambridge men had lost (dismally) in the men's Boat Race the day before, the crews in this year's Henley Boat Races against Oxford were geared for revenge. And, despite a mixed bag of results, two Emma women shared in the glory.

Firstly, well done to Emma cox Alice Brice, steering Blondie, whose crew beat the Oxford reserve boat, Osiris, after the Other Place's cox encroached on their line and caused them to catch a massive crab. Alice held her nerve, restarted her crew, and Osiris was disqualified for not moving out of the way.

Congratulations also to Charlotte McClean, Emma Lower Boats Captain, who rowed with the Women's Lightweights, storming to victory by almost two boatlengths. Someone called it 'textbook' - it was certainly impressive!

Lastly, well done to Anna McKendrick, who rowed in the Women's Blue Boat, which was just pipped to the post by Oxford in a close but well-fought race.

These three women have trained extremely hard for just one race - a true sign of dedication. EBC: take some inspiration from them and let's power through Mays!

Little birds tell me that many more Emma students represent the uni in sport - but they never seem to get reported in ROAR!. Is your friend a Blue? Let me know and we'll give them some support!

Tom Gilboy's Guide to May Balls

Our correspondent Tom Gilboy has taken a break from Economics revision to bring you this action-packed, sensible guide to May Week 2011...

Having only ever been to one May Ball (and one June Event) I am perfectly qualified to tell you all everything about May Balls. Here is the definitive guide to May Ball success:

Tickets

These cost way too much. The budget option is to gatecrash the ball instead.

Entering

The river Cam borders many college grounds and can be your best friend in gaining entry. There are two basic methods of attack from here: punt or swim. If swimming then the aim is to be as James Bond as possible; bring a hot lover to shag and then ditch at the end of the night. If punting then go full on Saving

Private Ryan - invade that landing point, sprint up the bank ducking for cover when possible then grab your gun and shoot some Nazis.

Dress

The days of plain Black Tie attire for events like these is over. If you have broken in you get no banter points unless you look like you have broken in. Full scuba gear is essential. Don't even take off the flippers.

The Balls

St Johns

The 500 year anniversary May Ball will be full of generations of Johnians - AVOID.

The Alternative:

Oxford

May Balls in May. How quaint.

Actually go to:

Emma

Pedro will beat you up if you break in. You need a defence. Bring mace.

Please do not feed the ducks!

Or, more specifically, stop feeding them bread!

Here's the deal, Emmanuel:

Ducklings are cute. Ducklings are awesome. Ducklings are all over the Paddock at the moment.

Ducklings are also greedy little ragamuffins. This means they will eat whatever you throw at them.

However, ducks aren't supposed to eat everything. Particularly not bread. Nor chicken (naming no names!)

Bread is too carb-rich and makes them do a Tom Samuels empty their bowels uncontrollably, and feeding

birds other birds is a bit weird.

Ducks are quite capable of finding their own food - you don't need to go to Sainsbury's for them.

It also isn't very nice to try and pick them up. They're running away from your hands because to them you're a big scary giant human being - don't give them a heart attack by hugging them!

Alternative duck-related pastime: laugh at the white duck who looks like he should have arms... weird.

Advertisement

Rent-a-student!

Want an economist with a worrying work ethic and appalling lack of chat? We have one of those. Want an organ scholar who spends a worrying amount of time alone in a chapel? We've got one of those too. Want a medic who tends to break people more than he fixes them? Yeah we've got that too. Want a linguist who can't get out of the coffee room if he tries? And one of those.

To use/abuse any of these students this exam term. Contact me with your requests. (tpbm2)

Editor's note: under no circumstances should you use tpbm2 in the ECSU shop. Never...

The Swimming Pool

is opening soon. Watch this space!

The welfare timetable

is also coming soon.

This year, we have bouncy castles, frisbees, karate, aerobics, jogging, ice cream, tea and cake and much much more planned. Also keep an eye out for the Exam Guide, coming soon in your pigeonholes.

Don't panic!

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