



# ROAR!

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## Disco is dead!

Bar thief unfortunately not caught red-handed...

Emma Bar was rocked this week not only by controversial fancy-dress but also by the shocking theft of our most prized possession, the Disco Ball.

On Saturday, an email was sent to the members of the bar mailing list pleading for information. Its author, staff manager Max Foreman, said that 'although many of you may not have even noticed the disco ball's existence, it is an integral part of Emma bar, having been scattering light around the room for several years'. The ball disappeared last Thursday, the night of the Lions' Dinner, but Emma students are not suspected.

One bar goer, who asked to be kept anonymous, said 'It's like the guiding beacon in my life has disappeared forever'. Famed singer Bonnie Tyler emailed to say that 'Once upon a time there was light in my life, but now [without the disco ball] there's only love in the dark. Nothing I can say... except give it back, villain!' Some have noted, however, that the

theft may be beneficial for the bar because customers are now buying drinks rather than standing transfixed by the ball's tantalising light.

In order that students were not too upset, the bar borrowed the ROAR! Editor's popcorn machine for bar extension. In an interview with himself, the Editor said 'I'd like it back soon, preferably clean. Does it still work?'

**If you have any information, vague or otherwise, about where the disco ball has gone, please contact Max (mhf23).**

In other bar news, the first bar extension of Lent Term was fantastic as ever.

Thanks must go to the DJs who, despite not knowing anything about sound systems, put on a show so cheesy that a distinct aroma of cheddar still lingers in the bar. The costumes were astounding as usual. A particular



mention must go to the genius who went as a red windmill: the biggest costume ROAR! has ever seen.

As we speak, large cogs are whirring in our bar managers' heads as they try and decide on a theme for next time. Might I suggest Harry Potter\*?

\*ROAR!'s constant references to wizard novels have absolutely nothing to do with certain magical rumours flying around college at the moment. Honest. Just don't come near me with that veritasium...

## Notices

### Politics and Economics Society presents Jack Straw!

The Emmanuel College Politics and Economics Society has three very exciting, eagerly awaited announcements!

Firstly, the overdue mailing list has finally been created. Email Shek (ak656) to sign up.

Secondly, the inaugural college debate shall take place on Thurs 10th in the Old Library. The motion is "This House Believes the Coalition is a Force for Good". We are looking for a couple more interested speakers, so if interested email ak656.

Lastly, we are very delighted to announce that Jack Straw will be coming to speak on 15th February. Sign up to the mailing list or look out for posters for further details! 25 people will have the opportunity to dine with Mr Straw in the Master's Lodge - email Shek if interested.

### The ECSU shop: our own Diagon Alley

Come visit the recently restocked shop and pick up whatever you need. From potions (shower gel) and butterbeer (Red Bull for just £1!), to all types of stationery (sadly no quills), or even just a free condom, we have it all. Maybe you could even try out our free DVD rental service.

Come visit: Mon-Sat 1-1.30, 6-7.

If you have any questions or suggestions for the shop, email [shop@ecsu.org.uk](mailto:shop@ecsu.org.uk)

### There might be no I in team, but there is a U in CUSU (two in fact)

Do you love what CUSU does for us? Or perhaps you think it's useless and would like to infiltrate it from the inside and make it better! Either way, the sabbatical positions, which include president, are up for election. The application deadline is 28th Feb. Email Poppy ([vicepresident@ecsu.org.uk](mailto:vicepresident@ecsu.org.uk)) for information about applying.

### Formal hall menus

For the first time ever in the history of Emmakind, Francois in Catering is putting formal hall menus up on the booking website a day in advance. Get excited, get drooling. Also, if you have any comments about food (including positive ones: Emma formal is awesome and the Catering Dept don't get told that often - they're people, not house elves) send them to [catering@ecsu.org.uk](mailto:catering@ecsu.org.uk).

### TONIGHT Weds 2nd Feb

EMMA ENTS RETURNS  
with a host of Cambridge's  
BEST student DJs  
playing you everything from  
HOUSE, FUNKY, GARAGE  
& MORE.

ONLY £1 ENTRY!!  
That's basically FREE!



**EMMA ENTS  
WINTER  
SALE**

### NEXT WEEK Weds 9th Feb

OPEN MIC NIGHT

Emma Ents has filled you  
up a whole evening of  
BUZZING young talent,  
from MUSIC-POETRY-  
COMEDY.

Be there for your slice of  
pre-night culture.

ONLY £2 ENTRY!!

## Image of the week

On the face of it, the Cambridge admissions system and the Hogwarts Sorting Hat appear very different, but recent rumours suggest that they, in fact, let the same people in.

Which means we must all be members of Gryffindor. Hell yeah.



## Photography competition

**Second and third years:** This is in truth a sneaky way to fill up our rooms database with photos. The best photo of a room in college submitted to our rooms database (on [ecsu.org.uk](http://ecsu.org.uk)) will win a chocolate bar. This will be decided by your utterly impartial judge - me. The same goes for comments about rooms. Remember how useful you found the database and do your bit! Competition ends after balloting. Which is soonish.

**Freshers:** If you haven't seen the rooms database, check it out. Balloting happens at some point this term (details soon).

## Letters

Dear Mr. Editor,  
My letter regards the Peking Duck. I fear that this archaic and immature method of exposing college romances may be damaging to our reputation as the friendly college. Too many people live in fear of this tyrannical duck and I ask you as new Editor of the paper to finally stand up to Mr (or Mrs. I'm afraid I've failed to determine the gender) P. Duck. I am concerned in particular that Jonathan Parsons is unwilling to emotionally attach himself to any young lady and to abandon his "laddish" lifestyle in fear of attracting the wrath of the Duck. Too long young gentleman have been blackmailed by this poison pen writer to continue acting as self-proclaimed lotharios and the Duck has continued to condemn monogamy through his encouragement of promiscuity. I would suggest taking the power to write a column away from the Duck until he or she can learn to spread love and not to interfere in the lives of students. If you insist on having a gossip column then I suggest the revelation you make is not that of who has been "hooking up" but instead the identity of this mysterious writer who has been plaguing our poor college for so long. If you do not take action I will be forced to go to the CUSU Ethical Affairs Officer Miss Hemery who will write a more strongly worded letter.

Emmett Harvard

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## The Peking Duck

Great news from Barnwell, where a *fryer* is now part of the general kitchen bric-a-brac. *Helpful*, don't you think?

Last week, we forgot two *Emma* students who contacted us from Cindies to let us know that "hexavalent is a chemical term for 'having a valence of 6'". The Duck will note this down for his forthcoming N.E.W.T. exams.

The Duck has tried to avoid toilet humour, but reminds us all: remember to use a *jonny*.

Not here yet? Don't think you've escaped! The Duck has a list of future targets stored up. Careful, ducklings.

**Quack!**

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Sport

## Emma Rugby needs you!

A cry for help... with some added sports results

## Rugby - Men

This plea follows two disappointing losses at the beginning of this Lent term which have significantly damaged our chances of promotion into the second division. The first, our Thermopylae, our Dunkirk, our noble defeat at the hands of the teaching college when we only had 12 men, was against Homerton. The game was lost in the last minute when their U21 centre ran round the edge of the last of our 12 men on the pitch (for all those wondering why 12 men couldn't stop one man, they had three more... and he was very fast). The boys in pink performed gallantly but the victory was, in the end, savagely mauled by the jaws of defeat.

Our second defeat came at the hands of Churchill. This time we managed to maintain the required number of players on the pitch at all time but what with injuries occurring during play, a number of players were out of position. The final score was 19 - 7 to the boys in brown (yes brown, we lost to a team in brown... actual brown).

To paint a picture of the problems facing the side, in the last game we were missing Luke (the Geordie fresher with an earring), Ralph (huge), Owen (also huge), Sam Nava (often witnessed struggling to fit his gargantuan name through what would normally be reasonably sized doors etc.), Bernard Redman (going out with Minty), Sam Stamp (eclectic

dresser), Jack (rows) and Frank. All of these have legitimate reasons including disease, seminars and painfully large names. I am however aware of a number of people in college who have expressed their interest in playing and even some who have pulled on the shirt this year, who have not been making themselves available.

Of course I am fully aware of where we all are, and I completely understand that many people will not want to get beaten up each week at the expense of their degree (and, for those like myself, good looks). However if you do fancy a run out, we would love for you to join us. Training is on Thursdays (fitness = Jane Fonda Videos) and Sundays (drills) and matches are predominantly on Tuesdays. We even do socials and I am now off to the pub to take part in one myself.

Oh yes, we might have sorted out some sponsorship from Jack Wills so there is even a chance that you might be able to dress like a tw\*t for free if all goes to plan.

Much love and hugging,

**Paddy**

(slightly below average height with mild emotional issues)

## Hockey - Men

On the outskirts of Cambridge, the sun wearied with sultry toil, declines and falls and casts long shadows over Friday's mellow eve. On this day, eleven fierce faced

Emmanuels struggled with a strange folk - Selwyn-ites nonetheless. At stake, an esteemed place amongst the 8 greatest stick wielding, ball hitting, foot running teams in all of Cambridge's Collegiate system. Blow after blow was brought down upon the decrepit Selwyn-ites first by Dialdas of Flairton, then by Smith of Tricksville, then by Maynard of Merndon. Well, less so by kind Maynard, his compassionate heart went out to suffering Selwyn-ites with a kind of mercy not seen since the days of (hockey) seasons gone by when a renown soul going by the name of Singer graced the astro-landscape. Eight hefty blows were struck in all, with nought in reply, nought but the whimpering of a tamed foe. Long the sweet taste of victory shall stay in the mouth of our victors. Well it did, until we lost 14-0 to Catz on Sunday - oops.

**Gower of Captown**

Sorry no Quidditch this week.

## Report deadline

Sorry to be dreadfully boring, but please send reports to us by owl, or if you prefer by email (roar@ecsu.org.uk) by 10am Monday at the latest for guaranteed inclusion in next week's edition. After that, who knows what might happen...

That's **10am Monday**. How totalitarian of me.

## Reviewed: ECSU Shop

*"I have never received better customer service – my pen broke and he replaced it! 5 out of 5!"*

Sergeant Standards,  
Blantyre Room 10

*"Sensational; the Genghis Khan of college-run shops!"*

Brigadier Blonde,  
Blantyre Room 11

*"What do you get when you cross a penchant for Peterhouse, a love of mum-made curry*

*and an insatiable lust for 'dishing out the pain'? Abhishek Kumar – Juggernaut!"*

Lieutenant Lost-Again, Blantyre Room 3

These are just some of the phenomenal reviews that the ECSU shop has received in the past week. Personally I don't think it deserves them; there were no red glow sticks during Saturday lunchtime. Rumours abound that Abhishek Kumar will soon be stocking such luxuries as Green-friendly Emma boxers (they're so pink that even Dan Green would wear them) and Tom Adams' CRS ID (ta310).

Tom Gilboy

## Suducku

Due to technical difficulties (damn computers), Famedog's Crossword #2 will appear next issue. In the meantime, he will post last week's answers on the Facebook group.

This week, Suducku is back! The first person to email me the answers to this, in a legible format, wins a FreEPOS chocolate of their choice. Compute! Compute!

Answers will be printed next week. Good luck!

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