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#### MESSAGE FROM TEAM KYPHOSIS

#### Dear Reader.

With the spring blossoms comes the latest edition of Kyphosis! If you're interested in a read, or just a flip through some photos, then we've got you covered. Baby photos of faculty staff were a huge hit in the last edition, so we've got them involved again—this time you'll need your lie detector skills.

Check out the online edition of the magazine, and share the link with friends and family to keep them in the loop.

Sadly, our time as publication representatives comes to an end with this edition. It's been a wonderful journey meeting many different people to bring you the latest. We hope you've been informed, entertained and thank you for your continued interest in the happenings of our medical community.



MANDUS Publications Representatives

All the best, Laszlo Kenny & Melissa Wehbe



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# MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN



Semester 2 is well and truly underway. Students across all years are knuckling down for the final stretch to the end of year exams. Our now not so new Year 1 students have settled in well, and Year 4 students are preparing their final exams.

The 'Women in Medicine' is an important event in the MANDUS calendar, and with the addition of the breakfast event this year it was again a big success with some very prominent and inspiring speakers.

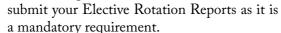
Other special events in Semester 2 have included the Med Ball, RU Ok Day, Team Philippines and Rural Trauma Week in Lithgow for the Year 2 students. Another special event held this year was Dr Armando Hasudungan, a 2018 Alumni graduate, spoke about his medical education drawings on youtube. His amazing drawings and commentaries are used by medical students from around the world.

Open Day this year was a big success again this year with the final numbers of just over 4,500 prospective students coming through the Broadway gates. Thank you to all the students who volunteered on the day and for the fantastic support provided to the Medicine stand, activities centre, and information sessions.

One of my favourite events in the academic calendar is the presentation of awards to excellent Social Justice Projects in Year 2. We heard of some amazing stories and contributions to the community by the Year 2 students—well done to all of you. We are very proud of the difference our students are making and hope you found the experience rewarding and enriching.

Student Interview Week is always a big week for the School as we welcomed over 300 hopeful, prospective students for 2019. To all of the student 'calmers' who have helped during that week, thank you. We greatly appreciate that you gave up time out of your study week to assist

Every Year 4 student will shortly receive a request from me to complete the MSOD survey. The collection of this data is important for feedback to improve our medical program and benchmark our students' performance against other Australian medical schools. Also a reminder to Year 4—please don't forget to



The first ever Notre Dame Med Revue was a spectacular success. Bulk Billy Elliot showcased the amazing, and in some cases, unexpected talent of our students. I am looking forward to the movie version!

We celebrated with our current Year 4 cohort on 19th September—their last back-to-base day. We wish them all well in their exams this month.

A reminder that St. Luke's Day is the 18th October. St Luke is the Patron Saint of Physicians and Surgeons and as we've done in past years, there will be a Mass followed by a BBQ in the courtyard at lunchtime that day. We will provide more information closer to the date but keep it in your diary.

The elections for the new MANDUS Executive have been completed and I would like to welcome and congratulate Louis Charalambous, Blake Hickey, Elena Harty, Jennifer Alder, Hayden Young and Adrian Kan as the 2019 MANDUS Executive. I would also like to sincerely thank the departing MANDUS Executive of Sarah Palmer, Michael O'Sullivan, Sarah Maxwell and Nikki Gouvoussis and Danaan Buckley together with other members of the MANDUS team for their amazing contribution this year. These students have given enormous time and care to representing and supporting fellow students and the School.

Finally, as we progress toward end-of-year examinations, my advice is to stay focussed and up to date, work together well in your groups, and speak to your tutors or year co-ordinator if you have any concerns or need extra help. Eat well, exercise and get good sleep!

Enjoy the rest of your year and good luck!

Professor Christine Bennett AO Dean, School of Medicine, Sydney



# PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS



It is hard to believe that the year is coming to an end. It feels like only yesterday I was writing the President's Address for the first edition of Kyphosis.

A year ago, I took on the role of President with very little idea of what such a year might entail. The only thing I knew for sure was that I would be working alongside a great team of people who were committed to their respective roles within MANDUS. I would like to thank every single member of the MANDUS Committee for their efforts and contribution this year—we have achieved great things, all because of you. In particular, I would like to thank the MANDUS Executive team for your support and commitment throughout the year —it has been a pleasure working with you. Finally, I would also like to thank YOU, the broader UNDS medical student community for engaging with MANDUS, throwing yourselves onto sporting teams, learning to coordinate song and dance and volunteering at UNDS open days and interview weeks and, being all round legends—without you, our jobs would not have been as easy or as enjoyable.

Looking back on the year, MANDUS, across all subcommittees, has achieved so many things. The highlights for me have been; increasing our collaboration with NurSoc across multiple events, getting the 'W' in the swimming



carnival and on the soccer pitch against USYD, welcoming UNDFEM as a new subcommittee within MANDUS and putting together the inaugural MedRevue—raising approximately \$7000 for the JSP Benevolent Fund. Not to mention all of the incredible academic, social and wellbeing events throughout the year.

To the newly elected MANDUS 2019 Committee, congratulations on your appointment. MANDUS is a wonderful organisation and you are in for a real treat. I look forward to seeing you build upon our work this year and take MANDUS to a whole new level of greatness.

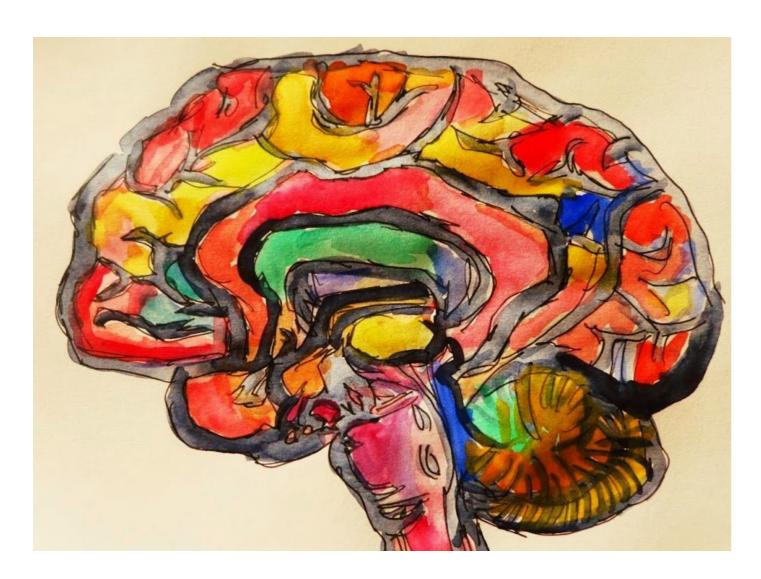
Good luck for exams—be sure to look after yourselves and each other during this stressful time. Congratulations to our graduating cohort of 2018—we wish you all the best in the future!

Over and Out, President Palms

Sarah Palmer President of the Medical Association of Notre Dame University, Sydney (MANDUS)



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#### WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

# Armando Hasudungan

aving clocked up an impressive 59 million views on YouTube, Dr Hasudungan has become an online education celebrity. Known for his hand-drawn visual illustrations, which clearly explain complex medical concepts, Armando has reached a global audience.

He is a 2018 Alumnus of the Notre Dame School of Medicine in Sydney, and currently completing his internship at St. George Hospital. Armando recently returned as a guest speaker to inspire students with some hand illustrations. Team Kyphosis sat down with him to reflect on his journey through medical school, and ask for some pearls of wisdom...

#### Q. So how did you get into drawing and creating your videos?

A. So the story goes—my whole life I've always loved drawing. Even in my final year of high school, I didn't do any sciences—no biology, chemistry or physics—that just didn't interest me. I was more of an artsy person, so I did visual arts, languages and hospitality. I wasn't exactly sure what I wanted to do after high school, so I took a couple of gap years before I realised that I wanted to do Physiotherapy. But in order to do Physio, I had to complete some anatomy and physiology units as part of a Biomedical Science degree, which I'd never really been exposed to before. So I started that and it was good I guess, but it was kinda boring and I just wasn't taking it in that well. So I started to draw it all out - and I found that was how I was best able to retain that information, and how I was best able to learn. I had to draw everything out, make it connect, make it flow; make it like a story—that's what worked for me. In

terms of the videos, it actually started first year of Biomedical Science when I had to make a pharmacology presentation. I was watching some YouTube videos and I saw a guy drawing up information on a white board and I got the idea—why don't I draw this out on paper and record myself doing it? So I did that, and presented it, and even though the graphics were horrible, I found that I remembered and understood it so much more. I uploaded it to YouTube for no particular reason or intention, and I started doing it more and more and getting such awesome feedback and I felt really great, so I just kept making more videos and here we are today.

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### Q. How long does it take you to make a video?

A. It depends on what type of video really. I'd say from start to finish, it averages out to about 4-6 hours.

Q. Wow okay, so how did you cope with the time restraints of med school and making your videos regularly?

A. Well lucky for me, making these videos was how I learnt, and I actually





really enjoyed it. I'm doing my hobby (drawing), as well as studying, so it was a win-win situation for me. And I get to help other people as well, which had such a feel good effect.

Q. In that case, how did you ensure you didn't turn something you enjoyed doing into a bit of a task that didn't give you that joy anymore?

A. Yeah, good question. I was really lucky that the channel opened up a lot of opportunities for me. For example, I was approached by CSIRO about participating in a summer internship with them, which subsequently led to a casual position at the Garvan Institute of Medical Research

during the first year of med school. Basically I was creating animations to supplement research. So that was really fun, but after a while a lot of pressure started to build up and I felt like there was always someone watching over me, telling me what to do and to redraw stuff. In time, it started to feel like more of a task, which really took a lot of the passion out of what I liked doing. So I guess just being able to do the videos in my own time and without external pressure is how I keep the joy in what I'm doing

Q. If you scroll through the comments, there's a lot saying things like "thank you for saving my medical

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education!" "You've explained in 10 minutes what my lecturer couldn't in 1 hour" - What do you think about how much your YouTube channel has influenced and helped people?

A. Man, it's crazy! I was in the Czech Republic last year for my elective and students there knew me and were using my videos. It makes me feel so good knowing that my videos and website have been helping people. It's that feedback that keeps me motivated you know? I never expected it to get so big; I've just done this thing and people liked it. I'm really very lucky.

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### Q. Did you use to show your videos to your PBL group?

A. No, no, no hahaha I'm not that type of guy! I actually really liked presenting my LOs in my PBL groups; I'd either draw up on the board or have a pre-made video that I'd live narrate to the group.

### Q. What type of videos did you find hardest to make?

A. I guess any video to do with mental illness – it was really hard to translate this across visually, because you can't really draw it across and explain it. It's more something where you just have to explain signs and symptoms. Everything else more that was more physical, I could draw and connect quite easily.

# Q. Has your dream specialty changed since the beginning of med school?

A. In 1st and 2nd year, I liked the thought of BPT, but then as I went into 3rd and 4th year, I really wanted to do anaesthetics, emergency and critical care. I liked the atmosphere in emergency, because everyone was really chill, and you were treating things acutely. But towards the end of 4th year I found this big interest in Rheumatology and chronic pain, and also Oncology. It was a bit of a light bulb moment I guess you could say, when I was in Ballarat in 4th year on my Oncology rotation. There is a huge cross-section of medicine in Oncology which I really liked, and also there were two oncologists who were excellent in their approach to patients and the way they spoke to patients. From my personal experience, I've found that a good doctor is the one who can communicate and empathise best with their patients. I've found doctors in Rheumatology and Oncology have high emotional intelligence - so I want to go into these areas so that I too can learn to better communicate and achieve that same level of emotional intelligence.

#### Q. Do you have any words of advice for us as medical students?

A. I think the best advice I can give is to develop good communication skills. In your clinical years and internship, it's really not about how much you know. Like it's about how much you know to pass exams right, but it's more about how to communicate and how to explain things to patients. The rest all comes with experience.

















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# COP23: THE INTERACTION OF CLIMATE CHANGE AND **HEALTHCARE**



Professor Lynne Madden Associate Dean, Learning and Teaching School of Medicine, Sydney University of Notre Dame Australia

n November 2017 I represented the most vulnerable to the impacts of Physicians and the Australasian Faculty of Public Health Medicine at the COP23 climate talks held in Bonn, Germany and at the 5th annual held alongside. This summary describes some of the highlights of that visit.

global health threat, with the health and wellbeing of billions of people already at increased risk. The WMO Statement on the state of the global climate in 2017 confirmed that global mean temperatures have already reached 1.1 C above preindustrial levels and the current five year rolling average is the highest in recorded history. The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) is an international treaty that enables countries, Nation States, to cooperate to address climate change by limiting and also address the impacts that are already being experienced. The Kyoto Protocol, signed in 1997, legally binds developed Nation States (Parties) to emission reduction targets. There are 197 Parties to the Convention and 192 Parties to the Kyoto Protocol. There is an annual Conference of the Parties

COP21, this COP was to agree the 'rulebook', the procedures/guidelines that will enable Nation States to work together to limit global warming to 2 degrees C and hopefully 1.5 degrees. The COP Presidency this year is the Government of Fiji, the first small island State to serve as the Presidency. The meeting was held in Bonn because the COP secretariat, the UNFCCC, is located there.

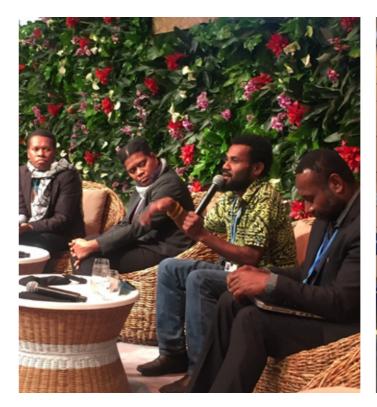
Pacific Island countries are among

the Royal Australasian College of climate change, due to the confluence of geographic, demographic and socioeconomic risk factors, small populations, and scarce resources. These countries, which have contributed the Global Climate and Health Summit least to the causes of climate change, are experiencing some of the early and most severe impacts. For example, Climate change is a significant in 2016 Tropical Cyclone Winston wiped out 1/3 of the Fiji economy. Small national states do not have the resources to continually rebuild following these events.

The COP conference was divided

into 2 zones, the Bula Zone, where the negotiations between the Nation States occurred, and the Bonn Zone, which was like an enormous convention with country pavilions, events, sessions and media. 25,000 people attended across both Zones. I was accredited and was able to move freely between the two zones. There was a contingent of health representatives from around the increase in global temperature the world from a variety of different organisations including the World Medical Association, The Global Climate and Health Alliance and the Lancet. The Alliance convened a meeting each morning and scoped the program for the day for the main health related events. The goal was to attend as many sessions as possible and be present as health professionals Following the Paris Agreement at listening to the debate and asking relevant questions. The program was extensive: in the Bonn Zone there were 10 auditoriums which had sessions continuously throughout the day from 8 am - 9 pm. In addition, about 30 countries, like Fiji, had pavilions that had sessions running all day. In the Bula Zone, about half of the venues were open for observers, again with an extensive program that was presented every morning from which to select.

The Fiji Presidency created a





positive and engaging environment Climate Change (2017). whilst keeping a focus on the issues of developing countries. The Prime Minister of Fiji had a clear message to all delegates: 'we are all in the same canoe'. To emphasise this, Fiji brought a magnificent inter-island sailing canoe (drua) and positioned this in the entrance to the negotiation zone for all delegates to see. This also presented a symbol of the resilience and unity of the cultures of the Pacific. One of the features of COP23 was the opportunity to engage with people from across the Pacific and hear their stories in a specifically constructed Talanoa Space.

For the first time health had a prominent place on the agenda, not only at the Summit but also within the COP. Prime Minister Bainimarama hosted a COP23 Presidency Event on Health Actions for the Implementation of the Paris Agreement, at which the WHO Director General, the Executive Secretary of the UNFCCC and the Hon Arnold Schwarzenegger spoke. The Terminator demonstrated that he is a powerful health advocate and called for health warning labels on fossil fuels. A number of important resources were released in association with this event to inform the dialogue, including the UNESCO Declaration of Ethical Principles in Relation to Services, Cook Islands. I helped

COP23 made significant progress on the 'rulebook'; a further meeting held in Bonn in 2018 before COP24 is required to solve outstanding issues. The main issues remaining to be resolved are: boosting the ambitions of countries to meet commitments (currently emissions will not peak by 2020, so urgent, comprehensive action is required), and; poorer countries are demanding greater clarity about the funding support they will receive. The President of Fiji has requested a climate change and health report to be prepared for COP24, which will be a co-Presidency of Fiji and Poland.

The Global Climate and Health Summit was held on 11 November 2017 and was co-hosted by the Global Climate and Health Alliance, the World Health Organization, the WHO Regional Office for Europe and its European Centre for Environment and Health, and the Health and Environment Alliance. The main focus of the summit was climate change and health in cities and regions: impacts and opportunities. The summit also featured an address on the impacts of climate change on Small Island Developing States by the Honourable Nandi Tuaine Glassie, Minister for Health, Justice and Parliamentary

organise and co-facilitated a World Café session on 'Readying the Health Workforce: Climate Change in the Health Professional Curriculum'.

Because of our delayed response to climate change, 'We are heading into unknown territory. There are now limits to what can be done to stave off the escalating and multiplying risks as climatic conditions pass thresholds and patterns of damage and system disruption.' Professor Tony McMichael. The Lancet Countdown summarised the current position well:

- 1. The effects of climate change on health are already substantial and unequivocal
- 2. To date the national and international response to climate change has been slow
- While the momentum of the response has increased recently, this must be expanded and accelerated, and
- 4. Health professionals have an essential role to play in addressing climate change.

The Parties will re-convene in Poland in December 2018 for COP24. It is essential that a health voice continues to be present at these meetings as climate change is a health issue.

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#### AMSA

Tom Beynon, AMSA Representative

#### DIVESTMENT

AMSA is incredibly excited to announce the divestment of its seven figure portfolio from fossil fuels. Spearheaded by Georgia Behrens (MED 2, AMSA Code Green cocoordinator), divestment represents the start of the end of our relationship with fossil fuel companies, and sends a stern signal about our desire for sustainable energy sources and common sense environmental policy.

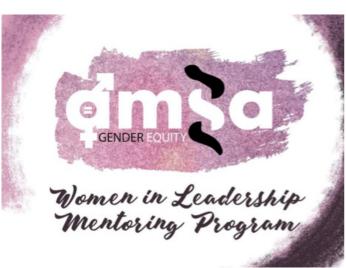
#### **AMSA CROSSING BORDERS**

AMSA has joined the RACGP, RACP & ACEM in calling for the urgent removal of Asylum Seekers from Nauru. Chaired by Adele Evans (MED 3), AMSA crossing borders led a march through Sydney's CBD that garnished national media coverage, penned a 1000 signature strong open letter to the government, and consistently shed light on the atrocity that is indefinite offshore detention.

#### **AMSA GENDER EQUITY**

Under the incredibly competent hands of the AMSA Gender Equity chair (Isabelle Jones, Med 3), hundreds of women engaged with the Inaugural Women in Leadership Mentoring program. Amidst a host of other initiatives, a national social media campaign was launched to shed light on the intolerable sexist experiences of many women within our workplace.







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#### 2 TRUTHS AND A LIE

 Getting to be a medical doctor is my childhood dream.

- 2. I used to have a real pistol license for target shooting competitions.
- 3. My favourite Japanese sashimi is the sea urchin sashimi.



Each staff member has given us 2 facts and 1 piece of fake news about themselves! Can you spot which is which?

Answers on page 12





- 1. I have 3 tattoos.
- 2. I have sung with Peter Allen.
- 3. I have broken my leg.

Associate Professor Susy Benjamin, Foundation Years Coordinator

- 1. Writes sonnets about engines.
- 2. Can put on full Scottish military uniform including kilt in 6 minutes.
- Life threatening hobby with my wife in summer months: beekeeping.



Associate Professor Andrew Dean, Head of Ballarat Rural Clinical School



- 1. I always aspired to be a general surgeon.
- 2. I wished to represent my University and State in soccer.
- 3. I desired to be the most admired young man in Medical school.

Associate Professor Sachint Lal, Head of Hawkesbury Clinical School

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#### **GLOBAL HANDS**

Rach Langford, Global Hands Chair 2018

Global HANDS has had another massive year with our biggest committee ever. Some of our highlights have been:

- Our annual Red Party raising money for HIV awareness for AMSA's Red Week initiatives
- Refugee and Asylum Seeker speaker night with MSF (Médecins Sans Frontières)
- A Code Green Workshop with Notre Dame student, author and green queen, Anita Van Dyke where students learnt to make eco-friendly DIY home and beauty products
- Maternal and Child Health Speaker night with MSF (Médecins Sans Frontières)
- HIV Awareness Speaker Night with Dr Brad McKay from TV's 'Embarrassing Bodies' and renowned sexual health specialist Dr David Baker
- Donate A Fork and Knife Drive and on campus plastic recycling—reducing single use plastic at campus run events
- Refugee Awareness Month—highlighting healthcare issues facing refugees held in offshore detention
- Our first annual Bra Drive where a team of students are gathering bras for the women in Palm Island
- Keep Cup drive—a joint fundraiser with Team Philippines
- SJP Information Session for Med1000 students to learn about social justice project opportunities
- Birthing Kit Fundraising Lunch—raising funds to purchase the material for life saving birthing kits
- Plastic Free July Competition—promoting sustainability in our day-to-day lives

We really hope to be able to continue this work, particularly in our Code Green initiatives across MANDUS and the wider school events. We also hope to continue to promote Refugee Awareness Month, women's health and wellbeing and Gender Equity and Sexual Health in collaboration with our national AMSA projects. It's been such a pleasure to work in this space with some wonderful people and we wish our incoming committee the best of luck for an even bigger 2019!

























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#### PANDA

Daniel Mastroianni - PANDA Chair

#### 2018 has been PANDA's biggest and best year yet!

The year got off to a cracking start as PANDA joined forces with The Cancer Centre for Children at The Children's Hospital at Westmead and participated in the Bob 'Tug' Wilson's Walk for Kids with Cancer. Eighteen of Notre Dame's finest students took part in the 26 km walk from Circular Quay to Manly and raised over a whopping \$4500 for paediatric cancer research.

Throughout the year we also had a total of six Teddy Bear Hospital visits to Primary Schools throughout greater Sydney. This includes our partnership with ROUNDS as we ventured out to St Joseph's Primary School, Wagga Wagga and ran a Teddy Bear Hospital there too! With more student participation than ever before, it is a true testament to the growth of the program and of PANDA in general.

Continuing the work from last year's PANDA team, Notre Dame students also got behind our fundraising campaigns for this year for both Jeans for Genes Day and Tracky Dack Day. Raising money for both genetic research and TLC for kids respectively.

In May of this year we had the privilege of inviting the Department Head of the Cancer Centre for Children at The Children's Hospital at Westmead, Dr Luciano Dalla-Pozza, to the University for our first guest speaker night of the year. Then in August we were afforded a wealth of experience as our very own Professor Andrew Rosenberg and Associate Professor Elisabeth Murphy joined Emergency Paediatrician Dr Arjun Rao for our second speaker night of the year.

Special thanks must also go to Tyler Blah, Catherine Allingham and Nathaniel Price for taking part in the Paediatric Research Cup against UNSW, with Tyler walking away with the People's Choice Award for the event!

Finally, I would like to thank my Vice-Chair Tash Ascui, and First-year Representatives James Smith and Annie Hack for all their hard work in making it a phenomenal year for PANDA! I would also like to congratulate and welcome our new Chair and Vice-Chair James Smith and Aileen Li to the PANDA team. We look forward to what you have to offer in the new year, and I'm sure you'll continue the legacy of PANDA's great work in 2019!



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#### SPORTS REPORT

Ellie Sarka & Julie Dao, MED2 and MED1 Sports Representatives

## Semester two has seen more awesome sporting activities for Notre Dame Medical School.

We began the semester with our annual Netball Round Robin Tournament, held at Centennial Parklands Courts. We invited Nursing students along this time and it was great to get to know them and add to the competition on the night. Our two MED2 teams put up dominating performances and went head to head in the final, but it was 'Plus Harry' who won overall. We had some medical students participate in the City to Surf this year too, which was great to see. Everyone involved had an amazing race but special mention must go to James Healy of first year who ran an incredible 51:58 for 14km. Similarly, amazing work by our runners in the Blackmore's running festival who ran in support of the FoxG1 Foundation.

This year we introduced a Soccer game against our rivals at Sydney University Medical School (SUMS). Each year we verse SUMS in cricket, swimming, touch football and rugby, so we thought why not introduce another sport that many of our students love? After a few weeks of training, we put forward both a women's team and a men's team. We really enjoyed the support from our fellow students who came to cheer for us. The girls ended up winning 4-1 with some amazing goals from Gemma van Weeran of third year and an outstanding performance by Louise Walton of second year who was our goalie for the game. After the boys went down 1-0 in the first couple of minutes, the crowd were worried. However, after some spectacular goals from Matt Brown of first year and our second years Daniel Loco, Tom Beynon and Jonathan Larach (x2), they won 5-2! Both teams played some awesome soccer and the night was a success.

This semester MANDUS Sport teamed up with Wellbeing to introduce an initiative for our students. We managed to secure unlimited entry to use the gym or pool at Cook and Philip Park Aquatic and Fitness Centre. The aim of this initiative was to make it easier for students to maintain their fitness and keep motivated to stay healthy as the semester winds down. We have enjoyed seeing pictures of students using the facilities roll in and hope this initiative can continue next year.

What's next? At uni our Mixed Doubles Table Tennis comp will kick off after mid-semester break. Our touch football and rugby teams are also well into their training leading up to the big clash against SUMS. This will be the final sporting event of the year and one that we encourage all students to come and support. A big thank you must go to BOQ Specialist for their sponsorship yet again, we appreciate it immensely. With the point score against SUMS 3-1 our way, these games will help determine the trophy for the year. Other than that, that's it from Sport 2018. Have a fabulous summer break and look forward to seeing you in 2019 for more!!





















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# THE SOS MED REVUE **BULK BILLY ELLIOT**

Held at St Benedict's Hall on September 17th & 18th, 2018

On September 17th and 18th a team of 35 students brought the inaugural SOS Medical Revue, Bulk Billy Elliot was held on Broadway at the University of Notre Dame Australia. The story of a boy from a family of surgeons who just wants to be a GP, this show was a culmination of over 18 months of planning, hard work and execution but had been a brainchild of the production team for much, much longer. This year marks the tenth anniversary of the School of Medicine, Sydney and we were thrilled to help commemorate this milestone occasion with a celebration of the many talents of our students. The proceeds from the revue were donated to the Joshua Scott Paul Benevolent Fund, established in memory of a past Notre Dame student for the assistance of medical students in crisis. We are pleased to say that we have been able to contribute just under \$7000 to this very worthy cause.

Auditions ran over a week and the production team were blown away with the calibre of talent on display. With casting completed, rehearsals began in late July and the cast, band and crew worked tirelessly, sacrificing lunchtimes, weekends and precious hours that could have been spent studying to bring this show to life. This couldn't have happened without an amazing team of people and we are so thankful to each and every one of you for rising to the challenge - you were nothing short of phenomenal, on stage and off!

Thank you to our creative team—producers George Mallat and Thomas Goubar, musical directors Cheryl Anne The and Sing Nguyen and choreographers Sarah Palmer and Tash Ascui—you were an absolute dream to work with and your hard work and dedication made this show the spectacle that was. Thank you as well to Rodney Bertram from Birdie Productions for helping us to be seen and heard with lights and sound.

Thank you to UNDA Student Services for your assistance in this uncharted territory and bringing the show to fruition. A big thank you also goes out to our sponsors for their support: MANDUS; Insight Medical Consulting; SAUNDA; AMA NSW; Cottage Printing; and The School of Medicine, Sydney (who even provided a surprise staff performance!).

Finally, we would like to thank our wonderful audiences. Playing to sold out crowds brought new energy to the performances and your feedback has been overwhelmingly kind. Whether you are family, friends, colleagues, or none of the above, thank you for supporting us and the Joshua Scott Paul Benevolent Fund. This show was, ultimately, for you.

We hope you enjoyed 'Bulk Billy Elliot' just as much as we enjoyed creating it. We wish next year's producer, Dylan Appelqvist, and his creative team all the very best for next year's SOS Med Revue.























































