

From the Master

New College Musical

It was good to see two New College Village residents in the New College musical production of 'Kiss Me Kate'. Fiona GOGGINS played the lead role of Kate and Ruqing XU was in the Ensemble singing and dancing. It was a wonderful night that showcased the talents of residents of New College with significant help from two residents of NCV. Congratulations Fiona and Ruqing.



Professor Trevor Cairney

Postgraduate Seminar

The postgraduate seminar that had been planned for last week was postponed because of my ill health. It will now be held this Thursday at 8.30pm (after the NCV Research Seminar with Dr Joe Wolfe from 6.00-7.30pm). Why not come to both events?

NCV Church Service

We will be holding our first NCV Christian Service on Monday 1st June at 7.30pm in the Main Common room. I will lead the service and many NCV residents will take part through music, Bible reading and prayer. If you would like to help out please e-mail ncvdean@newcollege.unsw.edu.au. We will begin a series of related messages from the book of the Bible known as 1 Thessalonians. This book has many practical implications for how we live.

The first message will be preached by Rev Ben Gooley who is one of the UniChurch pastors on campus. Ben was a New College resident in the 1990s and is looking forward to taking part. His message will be titled "Meeting the Living God".

The service will last about an hour. People of any faith or none at all are welcome.

Meals at New College

It is important that NCV residents who have a meal package at New College observe the following basic requirements:

- ♦ please stick to the hours specified for NCV residents
- ♦ please do not loan your swipe card to another NCV resident even if you are unable to eat at NC that day, the meal plan is not transferable
- ♦ please do not remove plates and cutlery from the building without the approval of kitchen staff

If New College staff ask if you are on the meal plan please be patient and show them your card.

Exams

I don't have to tell you that exams will be upon some of you in less than three weeks. As well, many major assessment items fall due at this time. I would encourage you to be diligent in your study at this time so that you do not find yourself short of time when exams and assessments arrive. Please be considerate of others during the closing weeks of this session by avoiding noise in the building at night when many are studying.

As well, make sure that you get some exercise, take planned study breaks, eat well and healthily. Don't assume that you can't be part of NCV activities (e.g. supper on Mondays, seminars etc), but plan your time so that you can afford to spend time with other people.

Also remember that our Academic Tutors are available to help you.

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Flu Season

This is the flu season in Australia so please avoid unnecessary direct contact with people who are displaying flu symptoms. Similarly, if you have the flu, please try to avoid direct or close contact with others for 7 days after the first signs of the symptoms.

How to avoid catching the flu? It is hard to avoid when many people have it but the best medical advice is to first ensure that you wash your hands regularly. Washing your hands often will help protect you from germs. Wash with soap and water or clean with alcohol-based hand cleaner. Wash for 15-20 seconds. Second, try to stay in good general health. Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids and eat nutritious foods. Third, avoid close contact with people who are sick.

Swine Flu

As you know we have implemented procedures to help prevent the spread of Swine Flu to the NCV community. While Australia now has a number of reported cases (mostly in Victoria) we do not need to upgrade our measures. In fact, we may consider a reduction in the requirements when the impact of the illness becomes clearer. While the severity of Swine Flu is appearing less dramatic than first thought we will maintain our existing procedures but we will continue to monitor the situation. The procedures are as follows:

If for some reason you need to travel overseas you must let us know where you are travelling and when you will be returning. Upon return residents are required to furnish a written certificate (or letter) from a medical practitioner prior to re-entry to the NCV indicating that they do not display any symptoms of Swine Flu. If necessary the NCV will facilitate a medical examination prior to re-entry. Such examinations must occur on the day that you wish to re-enter the NCV and must be in Sydney.

Trevor Cairney

From Admin...

ATTENTION RESIDENTS	The Cleaners advises that there is insufficient linen in stock therefore residents will only receive one sheet today until stock arrives.
FINANCIAL REVIEW	A copy of Financial Review is found in the courtyard every morning over the last 2 weeks. Will the rightful owner please collect it up from Reception or discontinue the subscription if no longer required.
PIANO	Pedals and connection cables for the Piano is to be returned to the equipment cupboard after use. Key must be returned to the office or to the Snr Resident on duty if it is after office hours.
MEAL PLAN	There will be NO DINNER THIS WEDNESDAY 27th May for residents on the Meal Plan.
PHONE SYSTEM	The PABX system will be closed between 7:30am and 8:00am on Thursday 28th May.

Around the Building...**Doors UNLOCKED!**

Leaving your door unlocked is a Security Issue. Please ensure that you lock your door when you leave your room. This also means you must carry your Card with you at all times.

Please also note that the cleaners CANNOT lock your rooms after they have cleaned them if YOU leave your door unlocked. They will have to leave your door how they found it. Therefore if you want your room to be secure—make sure you LOCK IT!

Linen

Residents are reminded that linen should be placed outside the door ON THE SCHEDULED CLEANING DAY. As a reminder, the cleaning schedule is as follows:

Monday:	All 1st and 2nd floor Apartments, Studios: 1.12–2.31
Tuesday:	All 3rd floor apartments, Studios: 2.34–3.43
Wednesday:	All 4th floor apartments and 5.11 apartment, Studios: 3.44-5.24
Thursday:	5.17, 5.32, 5.39 apartments and all 6th floor apartments, Studios: 5.26 - 6.28
Friday:	All 7th Floor apartments and Studio 6.30–7.37

SMOKING

NCV is a non-smoking area. As such, any residents found smoking in their rooms, on the balconies or any other areas of the building are liable to be cautioned. A fine of \$100 may apply. Repeat offenders may be asked to leave the NCV. Please refer to Pages 22 and 29 of the NCV Residents Handbook.

Academic Support...

Tutoring Times ...

Esmail Sarabian **Ext: 5324** **E-mail: dmeg.sarabi@gmail.com**

Tues 9pm–10pm

Thurs 9pm - 10pm

E-mail me or call my extension for individual consultation times. These times are flexible if it ever happens that we can't make it during the dedicated fixed times.

Subjects: Math, Physics , Chemistry , computer science and Fundamental engineering courses

Niloufer Johansen **Ext: 3150** **E-mail: n.johansen@powmri.edu.au**

Wed 9pm—10pm (3rd level common room with the TV)

Thurs 9pm—10pm (3rd level common room with the TV)

Subjects: Immunology, Molecular Biology, Honours/Research-related courses in Biological Sciences & Medical Sciences. Happy to help out with essay writing, preparing CVs and opening letters for job and scholarship applications

Natalia Garabato **Ext: 3300** **E-mail: ngarabato@hotmail.com**

Mon 9 to 10 AM

Thurs 8 to 10 PM

Subjects: Macro and Micro Economics, Econometrics, Statistics and related subjects.

Mark Dixon **Ext: 4230** **E-mail: mdixon1@nd.edu.au**

Thurs 4pm-6pm

Mon 11am-1pm

Subjects: Any of the biomedical, biochemical or biological sciences, Japanese, political science (international relations, development, etc.), psychology and philosophy.

Sheau Fang Ng **Ext: 1300** **E-mail: sfng_2001@yahoo.com**

Tues 7pm-9pm

Fri 8pm-10pm

Subjects: Medical Research, Clinical Medicine (especially Pediatrics and Endocrinology)

Timothy Yang **Ext: 7380**

Will be looking over assignments and projects, bring them for editing.

Wed 8pm-10pm

Thurs 8pm-10pm

Subjects: Medicine (Years 1-3)

Dates for your Diary...

NCV BBQ's 29th May, 3rd July, 14th August, 25th September, 30th October, 4th December

NCV Seminars 28th May, 23rd July, 20th August, 17th September, 15th October , 29th October, 12th November.

NCV Church Services 1st June, 3rd August, 7th September, 5th October, 2nd November, 30th October

NCV Formal Dinners 11th June, 6th August, 8th October

New College Lectures 8th, 9th, 10th September



Upcoming Events...

Bible Study

TONIGHT @ 7:15pm in the MCR

Supper

TONIGHT @ 9:00pm

NCV Seminar

6pm-7:30pm Thursday 28th May — Prof. Joe Wolfe



Professor Joe Wolfe teaches in the Physics department at UNSW. His research fields of interest include music, speech acoustics and cellular biophysics. His group studies the acoustics of musical instruments and of the vocal tract, and the production and analysis of sound by physiological, mechanical and electronic systems. He has been recognised with various teaching awards including the Australian College of Educators ACE quality teaching award in 2006.

Come along and hear about his journey arriving at UNSW and his ground-breaking research that he is currently undertaking.

Please RSVP by Monday 25th May, 2009 to ncvdean@newcollege.unsw.edu.au and include Joe Wolfe in the subject line.

Research students

Practice Annual Review—NEW DATE CONFIRMED

Thursday 28th May 8:30pm—10:30pm

Interested residents are asked to come along and support their fellow residents by being a part of the audience.

NCV BBQ

Friday 29th May from 5:30pm

The next instalment of BBQ fun for residents—Come along and enjoy!

PUBLIC LECTURE

Friday 29th May @ 7.30pm in the MCR at New College

Professor Gareth Jones (Professor of Anatomy & Structural Biology, and Deputy Vice-Chancellor at Otago University in New Zealand) will be giving a public lecture on the topic: 'Manufacturing Humans: The Borderlands between Human and Divine Control' in the MCR at New College. This event will be jointly run by ISCAST (Christians in Science and Technology) and CASE. Everyone is welcome. More info at http://www.iscast.org/event_2009_05_lecture

GSA Semester Ball

5th June, 2009 (Friday Week 12) 7:00PM till 12:00 PM Dress theme: James Bond—CASINO ROYALE

GSA has organized an exquisite venue, which we would like YOU to attend. It will be a four-hour night cruise around Sydney Harbour. First 100 tickets @ \$59, then @ \$69. Tickets sold outside the ASB Postgraduate Common Room. See posters in your common rooms for more details....

Recipe of the week — Butternut Pumpkin Soup



Ingredients

- ◆ 950g Butternut Pumpkin, de-seeded and peeled, then cubed
- ◆ 2 onions, chopped
- ◆ 15g butter
- ◆ 950ml vegetable stock
- ◆ 120ml thickened cream
- ◆ Salt and pepper to taste
- ◆ 1 dash ground nutmeg
- ◆ 1 dash ground cloves
- ◆ 1 dash ground cinnamon

Method

In a large microwave safe dish combine squash, onions and butter. Cover and microwave on high for 4 minutes. Stir in broth and cook on high for another 20 to 25 minutes, or until squash is tender. Puree squash, onions and broth in a food processor or blender. Add cream, salt and pepper, and microwave on high for another 3 to 4 minutes, or until heated through. Flavour with nutmeg, cloves and cinnamon to taste.

Recipe courtesy of www.allrecipes.com