



Worcester College MCR Newsletter

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From the MCR President

I am writing to you in exciting times indeed. The new MCR building is now completed and you will no doubt have already used this great new facility. Admittedly, we surrender our old MCR on the Quad with some regret but we move to the sedate and shady Sainsbury area of College. This location centralises all MCR facilities and is in close proximity to Worcester's graduate accommodation. I would encourage all members to regularly visit the MCR and the new Committee would welcome any suggestions you may have.

On behalf of the Worcester MCR, I would like to thank Patrick O'Hagan and his Committee whose contributions to the MCR have been greatly appreciated over the past year.

Rick McPhee

The New MCR Committee

The new MCR committee comprises of the following people:

President: Rick McPhee, Grad Pad.

Treasurer: Matt Crockett, 21 Worcs. Pl.

Secretary: Rupert Wilmouth, Grad Pad.

Welfare: Alison Falby, Grad Pad.

Social: Sheri Bélanger and Asim Siddiqui, 20 Worcs. Pl.

O.U.S.U.: Jason Duckworth, 21 Worcs. Pl.

Computing: John Curran and Ray Eason, Grad Pad.

Franks Society: Craig Taylor, living out.

Sports: Dave Kirk, Canal Building.

Please feel free to contact any Committee member with questions or comments.

THE NEW BUILDING!

The new MCR building opened on Friday, April 28. A spacious tv/function/bar area downstairs is complemented by a more relaxed reading room and hi-tech business/computer centre upstairs. All in all, this must rate as one of the best MCR facilities in the whole of Oxford and I'm as excited about it as you are! Most of our social events will take place in the new building and I strongly encourage everyone to come along to all the events.

Everyone in the MCR will need a new U-Key (catering key) to gain access to the MCR building. These can be collected at the lodge on exchange for your old one. Any money you may still have on your old key will be credited to your next battels.

Special thanks go to the Building Committee—Steve Pethick and Patrick O'Hagan in particular—for the time and energy spent in coordinating such a great facility.

Housing Allocation

The Dean of Graduates has compiled a list of those students requesting College accommodation for a second year. Only the Worcester Place houses are over-subscribed and it is unlikely that existing residents will be able to keep their rooms. I would

like to avoid a ballot in favour of the Worcester Place applicants specifying their preferred house, room, and thus housemates. A ballot may, of course, be necessary depending on the amount of clashes. I will contact all students concerned over the next week or so.

Emos Cards for Printing

If you have not received the Emos Cards needed for photocopying and laser printing, please leave a note in the MCR President's pigeonhole and we'll get one to you as soon as possible.

Whilst on the subject of printing, I must announce with regret that someone has stolen the Apple laserprinter from the Graduate Building. If someone has only "borrowed" it, please contact the President immediately.

Welfare and Safety

Several disturbing incidents regarding safety have come to the Committee's attention. MCR members should report any intrusions or other breaches of security to the College Security Porter, Dave Roach, as soon after the event as possible. Alison Falby, the MCR Welfare Officer, will be happy to discuss any related matters or concerns.

Women's Dinner

A dinner organised by the Worcester College Ladies' Dinner Society celebrating fifteen years of co-education at Worcester will take place on Saturday, May 20. The black-tie event—open to both women and men—commences at 6:30pm with drinks in the Provost's Gardens and dinner in Hall at 7:15pm. The speaker will be Dr. Kate Bucknell, one of the first woman to matriculate at Worcester and the first female captain of the boat club. A sign-up list will appear shortly in the MCR and tickets will cost around £10-12.

The Garden Party

The MCR\SCR Grand Opening of the new MCR is being combined with this year's traditional Garden Party, held on Sunday, May 28. We will stroll over to the building along with the SCR and the Benefactor, Mr. Faulkner, who will unveil a small plaque. Be sure not to drink too much Pimm's beforehand!

Sports Issues

The Sports Rep, Dave Kirk, has organised cricket nets for the MCR each Sunday at 10:30-12:00. Dave, being a real sporty chap, is keen to hear from any MCR member who would like to participate in College Athletics. Worcester are in the cuppers final (held on May 28) for the fourth year running so drop Dave a note if you want to be involved.

Finally, congratulations to the Worcester MCR Football team, skippered by Steve Pethick, who were runners-up in the MCR cuppers final in April. Stunning performances from the dynamos Pat O'Hagan and Stu Edmonds were, unfortunately, not enough to secure victory against a honed Corpus-Linacre side, the final score being 3-1. With Steve Pethick around for another six months, Worcester should go all the way next year!