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## President's Welcome

Since you last heard from us, we've hosted the NSW Governor and an ex-Federal Opposition leader at our inspiring Leadership Development Seminar, we've laughed our way through MedRevue, ate our way through the GHAWS Bake Sale, sutured with SAWS, PBL gamed, Short Courshed and were undefeated in all heats (minus Netball) at NSWMSC Sports Day.

We also have nominations for the 2014 MedSoc Executive opening next Monday. See below for more information about how you can contribute to MedSoc supporting students in the future.

There's plenty happening with UWSMS, so make sure you GAI and don't miss out on the good times and learning opportunities!

### **Mitchell Waters**

UWSMS President 2013

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## mOSCEs

mOSCEs are here and they're a great opportunity to prepare for OSCEs! Dates are as follows:

- Year 3: 4/9/13 and 17/9/13
- Year 2: 1/10/13 and 14/10/13
- Year 1: 16/10/13

Year 1 will have one mOSCE night and Years 2 & 3 will have two. The first mOSCE night, will be OSCE style stations in small groups with senior students marking and teaching.

The second mOSCE night, for Years 2 & 3 will be identical to an OSCE exam (with less stations) and will be marked by GPs from GPSN. Each second session will have a limited capacity, as each station may only have one student.

If you'd like to attend a mOSCE, you must first register online. Registration for the first Year 3 mOSCE (4/9/13) opens at 7 pm on Tuesday, the 27th of August [here](#). Registration times for other mOSCEs will be released in the future.

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## Secret Soiree

UWSMS's exciting new event, [Secret Soiree](#) is coming soon! Tickets are on sale for only \$5. With \$4 drinks (spirits and mixers, beer and cider) until midnight, you really don't want to miss this. **Ticket sales end at 11:59 pm, on Thursday the 5th of September.**

The theme is Under the Sea and ladies and gentlemen, we will be having a foam party! The winners of the theme guessing competition are: Michael Lee, Niamh Day, Sonali Gupta, Karina Hall and Maiyoori Jeyaprakash. Congratulations to our winners, you'll be receiving a free ticket! [Buy your ticket now to join our winners](#) from **7:30 pm onwards on Friday, the 6th of September at Scruffy Murphy's!**

**Kate Sandy**

UWSMS Social Representative 2013

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## Inter-Year Sports Night

It's time for our annual inter-year sports showdown. Year vs. year, until only one is left standing, crowned UWS sports champions. This year, sports include soccer, touch and basketball. Sports Night will be held at the UWS Campbelltown sports field (next to the gym) from 5:30 pm on Monday, the 2nd of September. Dinner will be provided. For more information, see the [Inter-Year Sports Night Facebook event](#).

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## Vice President Updates

### Medical Student Wellbeing Study

Research is currently being undertaken into the **wellbeing of medical students** by an international research team, led by Kathleen McNeill from ANU. This is a high priority issue and study participants are needed. All participants can enter the draw to **win an iPad** after completing the study. Start the survey [here](#).

### Spreading MedSoc Love

**Competition 8:** Congratulations to our winners **Lilia O'Connor (Year 2)** and **Charitha Siriwardena (Year 3)** who are our two lucky winners!



There are **two mystery prizes to win in our ninth competition!** To enter the draw for the competition, head to the [UWSMS website](#), **login** with your username (your student email address) and password and head to the Members section, to enter the competition! You will not be able to enter, if you are not logged in.

### AMSA National Blood Drive: Vampire Cup

We are currently 2nd in the state, and 6th in the country - follow the blood challenge results [here!](#)

Less than one week to go, please consider donating blood and saving lives! You can either donate at Parramatta / Liverpool Donor Centres (walk-in) or by visiting one of the mobile donor centres below:

- East Campbelltown Hall: 27, 28, 29 August
- Blacktown RSL: 30 August

Please call 13 95 96 if you wish to book an appointment and remember to fill out the Club Red slip and enter 'UWSMS' as the organisation! If you have any questions, please email me at [vp@uwsms.org](mailto:vp@uwsms.org).

## Avant Leadership Tour

Book your free spot to attend the Avant Leadership Tour on **Tuesday, the 27th of August, at the Garvan Institute in Darlinghurst.**

Avant is bringing Dr Gerald Hickson, a world-recognised expert on promoting professional accountability amongst doctors, patient outcomes and litigation. Register [here](#).

## Policy Writing & Advocacy

The NSW Medical Students Council is currently looking for students who have an interest in contributing to the development of academic-related policies, which will convey the consensus opinion of the NSWMSC, on behalf of NSW Medical Students. If you are interested, please get in touch with me.

### Neel Gobin

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## MedBall

Prepare to be the belle/beau of the ball at this year's "Once upon a time" themed MedBall. For **\$79**, you will be greeted by canapes followed by a 2-course dinner, accompanied by drinks all night, **starting at 6:30 pm on Friday, the 4th of October on the Bella Vista Cruise ship.**

It'll be a spectacular night, a chance to send the year off in style, as you're swept away by the beauty of Sydney Harbour.

**Ticket sales end at 11:59 pm on Friday, the 20th of September.** Buy yours [here](#).

### Kate Sandy

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## September Elections

While the Australian Federal Election is set to run this September, UWSMS is looking for a fresh new Exec for 2014!

Whether you've been considering running for a position for a while, or haven't really thought about it, we encourage you to take a look at the current Executive's profiles, which you can find [here](#). You should also read the Official Position Descriptions and Election Rules for UWSMS September Elections, which will be posted on our website soon. These documents will give you a great guide as to what each position involves, but if you are interested in running for a position, it is necessary to contact the current Exec member holding your position of interest, to discuss what the position entails.

Nominations for the UWSMS Executive will open on **Monday, 2nd September 2013**. We will release more information on how to nominate yourself this week, so keep an eye on the [UWSMS Facebook Page](#) and the [UWSMS website](#).

In order to vote in the September Elections, you will need to be able to login to the [UWSMS website](#). Head to the website today, to make sure your login is working and while you're at it, enter the draw for Spreading MedSoc Love Competition 9. It's simple, just **login** with your username (your student email address) and password and head to the Members section, to enter the competition! You will not be able

to enter, if you are not logged in.

If you have any questions regarding September Elections, contact [president@uwsms.org](mailto:president@uwsms.org).

## Travel Grants Scheme

Division 2 Session 2 applications (for conferences from 1st May - 31st August) must be submitted by **11:59 pm on Saturday, the 31st of August**. Students who present a research paper/project at their nominated conference could receive a travel scholarship to the value of \$500.

Division 1 applications for workshops and other up-skilling events, held on any date in 2013 must be submitted by **11:59 pm on Tuesday, the 31st of December**. If you're attending GHC, send through an application, for your chance at a travel grant.

Head to the [Conference Corner](#) to find out about upcoming events.

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## GHAWS Corner

### AMSA Management Team Applications 2013

The AMSA Global Health (AGH) Committee is one of AMSA's subcommittees and is made up of an executive across Australia. It's a wonderful way to gain experience with global health and make new friends from across Australia. Applications close on the 31st of August. See [here](#) for more details.

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## Conference Corner

Head to the [UWSMS website](#) for a comprehensive list of conferences in the near future, which may interest you.

UWSMS is proud to support member attendance at conferences through our [Travel Grants Scheme](#), which aims to ease your financial burden.

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