

Varsity Vibes

June Edition – Goodbye and Good luck

Can you believe it?

The semester is coming to a close already and it only feels like you all just moved in! This month's Varsity Vibes is a dedication to the great semester we've just had.



Good bye doesn't have to mean good bye – it just means 'see you later'

The ups and downs of the term have been one heck of a rollercoaster, but the parties have been marvelous and the friendships formed will etch memories that will be everlasting. To some of you – it's good luck with exams and be safe on your break. To others, it's goodbye for now, but we hope to see you soon! The Varsity staff has been incredibly happy to report that this would easily have to be one of the semesters had at Varsity. We've had a healthy balance of parties, study sport and the occasional muck up. We want to say a huuugggeee THANK YOU to all of you for one amazing semester. We only hope that when you leave, you leave with positive thoughts and happy memories. Please don't forget that we want your feedback! Come in and fill out our feedback forms or submit a story/testimonial for the website for us.

Check out's

1. Book your inspection by the 18th of June – or it's booked for you
2. Pack your gear and clean your room to its original condition
3. Exit Inspection will be conducted
4. Come to the office to finalize payments and collect your forms. Bond can be collected from the post office
5. If you leave before your inspection – make sure you've returned your international bond transfer forms

Photo of the Month! Thanks to Aaron Ford for submitting our photo of the month. Aaron will be able to collect his special prize from the office!



Linen Sales? Make some cash before heading home

Many of you brought linen when arriving at Varsity at the start of the semester and we understand that it's a lot of extra weight to take home. If your wanting to sell you linen – bring in a letter detailing your name, your best contact details for once you leave Varsity, a list of the items you have for sale and a price you want for them. Reception will put these details up on the website for students entering Varsity next semester to have access to. We only ask that you organize the collection and payment for these items your self as we have plenty to be getting on with for intake. Please see Brooke in the office if you need any more information.



Guests

Now that exams have let up we know that you'll have a lot more spare time on your hands to socialize. Just to reiterate – you must sign your guests in AND out and guests must remain in your company or they will be escorted from the property. When you sign guests in, they are your responsibility. Please do the right thing and there will be no battles with security over the holidays.

Room Cleanliness. Don't I pay money for that?

When exiting Varsity, your room is meant to be in the condition that you found it in. Bathroom is to be spotless and floor vacuumed and dust gone. The exit clean fee you pay is for the carpets and tiles to be professionally cleaned. It is up to you to remove mould and the 'grungy' parts.



Compliments and Feedback

We at Varsity are always striving to make the stay at our apartments to be pleasant and fun (as well as a good environment to study in) and who better to ask than the people that live here everyday and are involved in the culture here. We would love to hear your compliments and constructive feedback so that we can continue to improve future residents' stays. I've been a little disappointed in the language and aggressive nature of some of the compliments on our surveys – we want your feedback, but please do it in a constructive manner. Don't hurt my feelings.

Some good news for our remaining tenants

Heading into semester 2 may start with some sad faces who miss the semester 1 friends – but we've got some exciting things coming up that will get you into the spirit of things. New faces, new events, new rec hall (yes I confirmed it!) and plenty more to make this coming semester just as good as the last one!

New Housemates

Your new housemates begin arriving around the 15th of July (some earlier and some later) and we hope that you can make a good impression. Its pretty tough moving houses and into a new environment, and even tougher when your moving from another country. We hope that you can help your new housemates settle in by keeping your common areas clean so they at least arrive into a clean unit and feel a little at home. Other ways you can help is by walking/or driving with them up to Woolworths for the first time to show them where they can get food or by walking with them over to the uni and help them to their classes etc. We want to be a community in Varsity and making these new tenants feel welcome will only helps us get along better. THANKS!

Recreation Hall Upgrade!

That's right people! By next semester we hope to have our rec hall completely refreshed and renewed for your events/parties. Please be patient with us while we have tradesmen and such in and out of it and if it's closed a couple of nights, we hope you'll understand. We will have an unveiling of the new improved rec hall one night – so until then – we'll let the anticipation kill you!



Fire Evacuation Plans

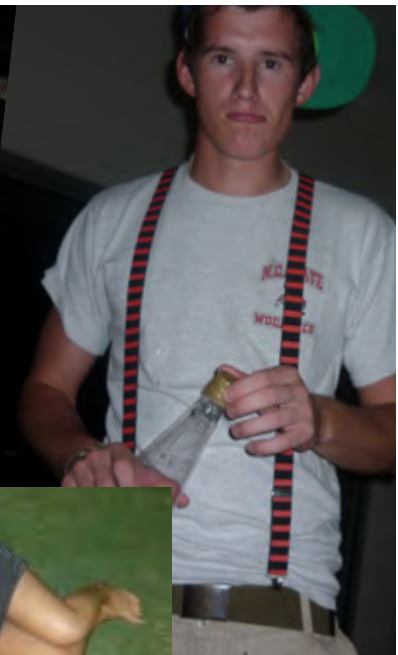
As most of you know, you have had new fire evacuation plans put up on the backs of your doors in recent weeks and you may have seen the staff running around doing fire drills and wearing funny firemen hats. Please make sure that you take note of your evacuation route and assembly points **JUST IN CASE!** You never know when we might spring a drill on you and award prizes for the best evacuee.

Extension Changes

From January 2011, there are going to be numerous changes coming into play with leases. Lease extensions will only be able to be extended for a minimum of 6 months. Exceptions to this rule can be submitted in writing to be approved by management for extenuating circumstances but the general rule of thumb will be that lease will be a 6 month minimum.

Varsity Library?

We are looking at setting up a Varsity library for books and movies. Let us know if you're interested.



We are hoping to have a fully functional library in the rec hall in which people can share books and DVDs. Perhaps even set up a monthly swap meet in the rec hall for all things wonderful – remember, one mans trash is another mans treasure.

Facebook

For those of you who haven't already added us on facebook, make sure you do because all your updates, newsletters and random prizes will appear there for your perusal. For those of you that don't want to be left out of the loop, make sure you add us. Upload pictures, paste your opinions and open up discussions. ANYTHING!

Calling all arts students!

With the rec hall having all its renovations, we were hoping that some of our talented arts students could donate some of their lovely artwork to display in there. We've seen some beautiful paintings and photography around and would love to display it! Come into the office to let us know if you're interested in doing some art for us.

Semester 2 Helpers

For those of you who checked in last semester, you will remember how busy we get in the office. Some of you may also remember the amazing job that Aaron and Bianca did helping out the office staff down in the rec hall. We are sending out SOS calls once again for some student support. We need people in the rec hall entertaining those waiting and keeping things in order and people who are willing to escort students to their rooms. It also wouldn't be a bad thing for helpers who are willing to drive new students to get

groceries on their first nights. We want people who are prepared to do this for love; however, helpers will be rewarded ;) Come in and let us know!

O-Week Party – It's up to you!

Now we know our last effort at an O-week party was totally abysmal (the weathers fault, not ours) but we are hoping that this semester we will be able to pull it off successfully. This time however, we are leaving the decision up to you. In coming weeks a survey will appear on www.varsityapartments.com.au and our facebook page for you guys to select the THEME of our party. Feel free to email me suggestions at info@varsityapartments.com.au and the best 5 will go up on the site for you to vote on! It looks like red bull will be on board as well!

Finally...

From reception girl herself – we will all miss all of you who are leaving very much and hope that you will return back to Australia one day to visit us. Please keep in touch with us and let us know how those degrees are going! It has been very wonderful to meet all of you and I hope to high heavens that goodbye will not mean goodbye



June Babies

Griffin Rule, Olawale Idowu, Krystal Warmington, Sabrina Wagner, Scott Venaglia, Davie Reinhardt, Surat Premsi, Kelsey Haage, Stephanie Partridge, Johannes Bernherdt, Kristina Pfeiffer, Alyce Menzel, Haylie Norwicki, Matt Boyce, Tobias Frodl, Jennifer Vanderburght, Brianna Clancy, Anais Olio, Heidi Holm, Ian O'Rourke, Elke Waldera, Sebastian Mill, Klrissa Streeter, Matt Stone, Lyndsey Helps, Bindi-Lee Fox, Jessica Phillips, Anna Pugh and Beth Miles.



Until Next Time...