

(SPORTS CLUB REP) REPORT

For the attention of:	Executive Committee	Taking place on:	11/01/16
Name:	Jessica Bush	Action:	To note

Summary: ASSESSING STUDENT'S PERSPECTIVE ON THE QUALITY AND VARIETY OF SPORTS MEMBERSHIPS IN ORDER TO IMPROVE PARTICIPATION AND FACILITIES TO ULTIMATELY CREATE A CAMPUS 'VIBE'.

Priority campaign(s) and objective(s)

Create a survey to be posted online to a selection of ARU students in different faculties. This will support me in gaining student's opinions and providing a clear picture of their interests.

Objective: establish interests and reasons from students who do not take advantage of sporting facilities and clubs. In order to assess where I need to facilitate further campaigns to improve sport participation.

I have many tasks and objectives that I hope to achieve this year but this is my main priority for the start of the year. Other campaigns and activities are stated in my action plan.

Progress on priority campaign(s)

The creation of my survey is in progress and will be completed by the end of the week to then transfer to mentors 'Leigh' and 'Alun' to be posted to a selection of students in different faculties of study.

To help raise my profile, I am going to add a manifesto about myself and my role as a rep on the ARU official website and Leigh's 'Tell Me What You Think' board displayed in Ashcroft.

Once I have analysed the results from my survey, I am going to create a sports workshop, opening new ideas of sports to all students to support my main objective and ultimately create a 'campus vibe'. Including, methods of fitness and updates regarding the gym. In addition to this, my aim is to discuss an idea regarding outdoor sports that could be generated into a sports society.

A sports workshop would not just benefit my role as a sports representative and the objectives I hope to achieve, but also working collaboratively with the Women's Rep and Disabled Student's Rep because it is significant to have sports accessible to everybody. This includes not being afraid of participating in sport due to sexuality. Therefore, a sports workshop not only promotes new and latest sports and improvements to sport participation, but also to help advertise awareness to sport participation in disabled and LGBT students. I am looking forward to getting started on this idea and making a difference, ensuring everyone is positive and happy about uni life.

An update on engagement with coach and mentor/mentee(s)

I have kept in contact with my sports mentor 'Leigh' (Experience Officer), she has given me great knowledge from her previous and latest experiences to support me with the upcoming year.

After my recent mentor meeting with Leigh and Alun, they will be assisting me in the sports workshop and further advertising regarding the interests of winter, outdoor sports. In relation to this, I have discussed an idea of a new society called 'Adventure Sports' that I hope to generate this year if there is a good turn out of students that are

interested in helping out and being club members of the team.

I believe if I organised a trip to Cambridge with Leigh regarding the sporting opportunities and societies accessible at Cambridge Campus, it will help me understand how they manage and administer their sports to fulfil students. With regards, to my idea of a new society, I would like to contact the Societies Rep in Cambridge to discuss their societies based on outdoor sports. This includes the 'Skiing and Snowboarding Society' etc, as these winter sports I would be focusing in my society, so further communication outside of campus on the terms of outdoor sports will greatly guide me in the right direction for a new society creation.

Also, raising awareness of methods to improve the campus gym.

Further support required from the Executive Committee/Students' Union

- Transferring my survey created by 'Survey Monkey' to a selection of students via ARU official student accounts Leigh and Alun.
- Contacting Active Anglia and other mentors of sport in ARU Chelmsford Campus. I am in the process of
 organising a meeting with Sally Pearson regarding assistance with a sports workshops, new programme for
 taster sessions, sport relevant 'GIAG' trips (help and guidance from Leigh) and further questions regarding
 my objectives as Sports Club Rep in 2016.
- Guidance in producing a blog and newsletter on my priority campaign while presenting a bio as Sports Rep

 support from mentor Leigh.
- Raising awareness of methods to update the campus gym support from mentor Leigh.
- Getting involved with the 'Varsity' programme. Attending methods to support promotion Leigh.