



# 2024 INTERCOLLEGIATE SPORT REPORT



## OVERVIEW

The 2024 Intercollegiate Sporting Calendar was a resounding success from both a competition and administrative perspective. We had positive engagement, a fantastic committee, with strong support and spirit shown by all competitors and supporters alike. The overall level of competition between the colleges was extremely strong and tighter than seen in previous years. All colleges and students should be extremely proud of their efforts.

Congratulations to St. Andrew's College for claiming the Rosebowl title for the 10th year in a row, while St Andrew's College and St Paul's College shared the Rawson Cup for the first time since 2020. As per the Intercollegiate Constitution on the basis that St Andrew's College won in 2023, St Andrew's College will retain the Rawson Cup in 2024.

The year was capped off with the Intercollegiate Sports Dinner hosted by St Paul's College where Lexi Butler from St John's College was named Convenor of the Year and the Sportsman and Sportswoman of the Year both came from Wesley College as Renee Findlay was named Sportswoman of the Year and Logan Staight was named Sportsman of the Year.

## COMPETITION HIGHLIGHTS

- In only its second year in the competition the St Paul's Rosebowl team won their first ever competition, taking out the Rowing by an incredible feat to win by 20+ seconds.
- Women's College clinching the win in the Swimming Carnival by 1 point.
- St John's College for their inaugural Rosebowl Hockey win (sharing the title with St Andrew's)
- St Andrew's College specially designed Indigenous Jersey for their Hockey and Rugby teams. The College held an internal Acknowledgement of Country prior to the finals.
- St John's College winning the Rawson Cup Rugby for the first time since 2011.
- A strong Semester 2 for Wesley College winning the both the Rawson Cup and Rosebowl in Basketball and Tennis.
- Sancta Sophia College claimed a soccer and basketball match win within the same week and finished the year strongly by dominating the field events at the Athletics Carnival.
- Overall, a highly competitive Rawson Cup competition which went right down to the wire with all four participating Colleges picking up at least one win throughout the year.

## COMMITTEE

Thank you to the 2024 Intercollegiate committee, it was an absolute pleasure to work with each of you throughout the year, you have all represented your colleges and the University remarkably.

College	Name	Competition
Sancta Sophia College	Daisy George	Rosebowl
St Andrew's College	Charlie Scott	Rosebowl
St Andrew's College	Bray Downing	Rawson Cup
St Paul's College	Matilda Walker	Rosebowl
St Paul's College	Banjo Cole	Rawson Cup
St John's College	Lexi Butler	Rosebowl
St John's College	Dylan McCann	Rawson Cup
Wesley College	Emma McGrath	Rosebowl
Wesley College	Angus Lee	Rawson Cup
Women's College	Rory Owen / Isobel Prince	Rosebowl

## ROSEBOWL OVERALL POINTS

Pos	College	Netball	Swimming	Rowing	Hockey	Soccer	Bball	Tennis	Athletics	Total
1 <sup>st</sup>	Andrew's	9	7	7	8	9	7	7	9	63
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wesley	6	3	5	5	7	9	9	1	45
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Paul's	2	1	9	2	5	5	3	7	34
4 <sup>th</sup>	John's	2	0	3	8	3	0	3	5	24
5 <sup>th</sup>	Women's	6	9	1	0	0.5	3	3	0	22.5
6 <sup>th</sup>	Sancta	0	5	0	2	0.5	1	0	3	11.5

## RAWSON CUP OVERALL POINTS

Pos	College	Cricket	Swimming	Rowing	Rugby	Soccer	Bball	Tennis	Athletics	Total
=1 <sup>st</sup>	Andrew's	5	5	3	3	0	0	3	3	22
=1 <sup>st</sup>	Paul's	0	3	5	1	5	3	0	5	22
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wesley	3	1	0	0	1	5	5	0	15
4 <sup>th</sup>	John's	1	0	1	5	3	1	1	1	13

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS**

<b>Rosebowl MVPs</b>		
<b>SPORT</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>COLLEGE</b>
Overall	Renee Findlay	Wesley
Netball	Sophie Hanna	Wesley
Swimming	Issie Donnelley	Women's
Rowing	Freya Carmody	St Paul's
Hockey	Fern Deshon	Sancta
Soccer	Jenny Hill	St Andrew's
Basketball	Ines Treharne	St Paul's
Tennis	Jemima Duchon	Wesley
Athletics	Uju Ekeocha	Sancta
<b>Rawson Cup MVPs</b>		
<b>SPORT</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>COLLEGE</b>
Overall	Logan Staight	Wesley
Cricket	Ben Chick	St John's
Swimming	Archie Taylor	St Paul's
Rowing	Luka Mattani	St Paul's
Rugby	Angus Arnott	St Andrew's
Soccer	Alistair Colvin	Wesley
Basketball	Sam Stoyles	St John's
Tennis	Arjun Shah	St John's
Athletics	Lachlan Townsend	St Andrew's

Individual sporting reports and results are below.

## CRICKET REPORT

- Congratulations to St Andrew’s College which took home the title defeating Wesley College in the final round.
- The weather gods were on our side for the start of the 2024 Intercollegiate Competition with no disruptions to the Rawson Cup cricket schedule.
- Thank you to Colin Robertson, General Manager of the Sydney University Cricket Club for his support with the competition.
- Congratulations to Ben Chick from St John’s College who was voted cricket MVP by the opposing college captains.

### RAWSON CUP CRICKET – FINAL STANDINGS

Pos	College	W	L	D	Total	Rawson Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	St Andrew’s	3	0	0	6	5
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wesley	2	1	0	4	3
3 <sup>rd</sup>	St John’s	1	2	0	2	1
4 <sup>th</sup>	St Paul’s	0	3	0	0	0

[Match results can be found here >](#)

## NETBALL REPORT

- Congratulations to St Andrew’s College that took home the title in an undefeated competition.
- A few timing and match adjustments occurred throughout the fixture, however, overall, the competition ran very smoothly.
- It should be noted we struggled to find enough qualified umpires for the earlier fixtures due to clashes with their work commitments.
- Congratulations to Sophie Hannah from Wesley College who was voted netball MVP by the opposing college captains.

### ROSE BOWL NETBALL – FINAL STANDINGS

Pos	College	W	L	D	+/-	Total	Rose Bowl Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	St Andrew’s	5	0	0	200	8	9
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wesley	3	2	0	23	6	6
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Women’s	3	2	0	-4	6	6
4 <sup>th</sup>	St John’s	2	3	0	-37	4	2
5 <sup>th</sup>	St Paul’s	2	3	0	-47	4	2
6 <sup>th</sup>	Sancta	0	5	0	-138	0	0

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## SWIMMING REPORT

- Congratulations to Women’s College that claimed the Rosebowl win and to St Andrew’s College for the Rawson Cup win.
- I’d like to acknowledge Heath McLeod the solo male swimmer from Sancta Sophia, who in all of his races, finished either 1st or 2nd.
- From a date perspective the swimming carnival clashed with the Royal Easter Show, making traffic and parking harder than usual. This scheduling problem should be considered going forward.
- The event ran like clockwork on the night with great support provided by the highly qualified staff at the Sydney Olympic Aquatic Centre.
- Thanks to Paul Bruce, Head Coach of the Sydney University Swimming Club for his guidance in the lead up the carnival and his assistance on the night.
- Congratulations to Archie Taylor from St Paul’s College who was voted Rawson Swimming MVP and Issie Donnelley from The Women’s College who was voted Rosebowl Swimming MVP by the opposing college captains.

### RAWSON CUP SWIMMING – FINAL STANDINGS

Pos	College	Total	Rawson Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	St Andrew’s	163.5	5
2 <sup>nd</sup>	St Paul’s	144	3
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wesley	113.5	1
4 <sup>th</sup>	St John’s	54	0
5 <sup>th</sup>	Sancta	36	0

### ROSEBOWL SWIMMING – FINAL STANDINGS

Pos	College	Total	Rose Bowl Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	Women’s	141	9
2 <sup>nd</sup>	St Andrew’s	140	7
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sancta	123	5
4 <sup>th</sup>	Wesley	83	3
5 <sup>th</sup>	St Paul’s	66	1
6 <sup>th</sup>	St John’s	63.5	0

[Individual results can be found here >](#)

### ROWING REPORT

- Congratulations to St Paul's College who secured the treble at the Intercollegiate Rowing Regatta, taking home the Rawson Cup (its 5<sup>th</sup> in a row), Rosebowl and the mixed social race.
- Sydney experienced its heaviest rainfall in one day prior to the Regatta, and some contingency planning was required to ensure we could go ahead. A big thank you for the team at the Penrith Regatta Centre for their efforts to get the centre ready in time.
- Also, thanks to Peter Wawn of SUBC for his support throughout the planning and delivery of the regatta. His expertise and knowledge made everything run smoothly from the start.
- There is a lot of cross over between Rugby and Rowing competitors, both at Club and College level, and this creates a clash of training schedule. The Sydney University Boat Club (SUBC) suggested moving the Rowing Regatta to be in Sem 2 (September onwards). This would also lead nicely into the Aus Boat Race (usually held in Oct–Nov) where the winning colleges of both Rawson Cup & Rosebowl compete against the best colleges from Melbourne University. This is something for the College Heads to consider for 2025.
- There was appetite from colleges to run a 'B' race. The hire fee wouldn't increase and would allow for greater participation numbers from the students.
- Congratulations to Luka Mattani from St Paul's College who was voted Rawson Rowing MVP and Freya Carmody also from St Paul's College who was voted Rosebowl Rowing MVP by the opposing college captains.

**RAWSON CUP ROWING – FINAL STANDINGS**

Pos	College	Time
1 <sup>st</sup>	St Paul's	6:47.67
2 <sup>nd</sup>	St Andrew's	+14.05
3 <sup>rd</sup>	St John's	+35.81
4 <sup>th</sup>	Wesley	+16.63

**ROSEBOWL ROWING – FINAL STANDINGS**

Pos	College	Time
1 <sup>st</sup>	St Paul's	7:31.49
2 <sup>nd</sup>	St Andrew's	+20.76
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wesley	+7.84
4 <sup>th</sup>	St John's	+14.19
5 <sup>th</sup>	Women's	+34.41
6 <sup>th</sup>	Sancta	+1:19.38

## RUGBY REPORT

- Congratulations to St John’s College for their competition win, the first since 2011.
- For the past few years Wesley College has struggled to field a suitable front row which, for safety reasons, meant uncontested scrums were enforced. This was the case again in 2024 with Wesley College forfeiting all three matches, however we managed to play the games as friendlies with automatic wins to the opposition (except for Round 2 v St John’s College which was cancelled due to wet weather).
- The competition suffered some setbacks with both Rounds 2 and 3 being delayed due to the extreme wet weather Sydney was hit with in early May. Round 2 was played off campus at Latham Park (synthetic field) in order for the game to go ahead.
- There were high levels of crowd intoxication at the finals, resulting in several spectators being refused entry or having drinks confiscated on entry.
- Thanks to Nick Ryan from the Sydney University Football Club for his support with competition logistics.
- Congratulations to Angus Arnott from St Andrew’s College who was voted Rugby MVP by the opposing college captains.

### RAWSON CUP RUGBY – FINAL STANDINGS

Pos	College	W	L	D	Pts	Rawson Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	St John’s	3	0	0	6	5
2 <sup>nd</sup>	St Andrew’s	2	1	0	4	3
3 <sup>rd</sup>	St Paul’s	1	2	0	2	1
4 <sup>th</sup>	Wesley	0	3	0	0	0

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## HOCKEY REPORT

- Congratulations to St Andrew’s College and St John’s College for sharing the Rosebowl Hockey title with four wins and a draw each. This was St John’s College inaugural Hockey win.
- The Rosebowl Hockey Competition was played in great spirits by all teams despite the bad weather for Rounds 1-3.
- Feedback from some students is that its difficult to get to the Sydney University’s Hockey field at Cumberland and the preference is to play more games at St. George Randwick Hockey Club at Kyeemagh allowing more spectators to come and support.
- There were lots of exciting matches with plenty of upsets and tight scores throughout the competition. It was great to see St Paul’s College score its first Rosebowl hockey goal in their history as well as their first victory.
- A large number of spectators turned out for the St John’s College final game of the competition, seeing it take out the win.
- Thanks to Scott Barker from the Sydney University Hockey Club for his support with the competition.
- Congratulations to Fern Deshon from Sancta Sophia College who was voted Hockey MVP by the opposing college captains.

### ROSE BOWL HOCKEY – FINAL STANDINGS

Pos	College	W	D	L	Pts	Rose Bowl Points
= 1 <sup>st</sup>	St John’s	4	1	0	9	8
= 1 <sup>st</sup>	St Andrew’s	4	1	0	9	8
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wesley	2	0	3	4	5
=4 <sup>th</sup>	Sancta	1	1	3	3	2
=4 <sup>th</sup>	St Paul’s	1	1	3	3	2
6 <sup>th</sup>	Women’s	1	0	4	2	0

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## SOCCER REPORT

- Congratulations to St Paul’s College for its Rawson Cup title and to St Andrew’s College for its Rosebowl title and undefeated competition.
- Weather caused several disruptions to both Rawson Cup and Rosebowl matches. A big thank you to the teams for all being flexible with the changes.
- Some concerns arose during the competition regarding the referees’ competencies. This is something we will look at for 2025.
- Congratulations to Alistair Colvin from Wesley College who was voted Rawson Soccer MVP and Jenny Hill from St Andrew’s College who was voted Rosebowl Soccer MVP by the opposing college captains.

### RAWSON CUP SOCCER – FINAL STANDINGS

College	W	D	L	Pts	Rank	Rawson Points
St Paul’s	2	1	0	7	1 <sup>st</sup>	5
St John’s	2	0	1	6	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3
Wesley	0	2	1	2	3 <sup>rd</sup>	1
St Andrew’s	0	1	2	1	4 <sup>th</sup>	0

### ROSEBOWL SOCCER – FINAL STANDINGS

College	W	D	L	Pts	Rank	Rose Bowl Points
St Andrew’s	4	1	0	13	1 <sup>st</sup>	9
St Paul’s	3	2	0	11	2 <sup>nd</sup>	7
Wesley	2	1	2	7	3 <sup>rd</sup>	5
St John’s	2	0	3	6	4 <sup>th</sup>	3
Women’s	1	0	4	3	5 <sup>th</sup>	½
Sancta	1	0	4	3	=	½

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## BASKETBALL REPORT

- Congratulations to Wesley College for winning both the Rawson Cup and Rosebowl titles.
- There were two rounds of basketball which clashed with Palladian events. We were able to move the final night of the Rawson Cup competition earlier in the afternoon, so students were able to attend both events. Sydney Uni Sport will liaise the USU to ensure there are no clashes with Intercollegiate and Palladian events in 2025.
- Congratulations to Sam Stoyles from St John's College who was voted Rawson Basketball MVP and Ines Treharne from St Paul's College who was voted Rosebowl Basketball MVP by the opposing college captains.

### RAWSON CUP BASKETBALL – FINAL STANDINGS

College	W	D	L	Pts	Rank	Rawson Points
Wesley	3	0	0	6	1 <sup>st</sup>	5
St Paul's	2	0	1	4	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3
St John's	1	0	2	2	3 <sup>rd</sup>	1
St Andrew's	0	0	3	0	4 <sup>th</sup>	0

### ROSEBOWL BASKETBALL – FINAL STANDINGS

College	W	D	L	Pts	Rank	Rose Bowl Points
Wesley	5	0	0	10	1 <sup>st</sup>	9
St Andrew's	4	0	1	8	2 <sup>nd</sup>	7
St Paul's	3	0	2	6	3 <sup>rd</sup>	5
Women's	1	0	3	4	4 <sup>th</sup>	3
Sancta	1	0	3	2	5 <sup>th</sup>	1
St John's	0	0	5	0	6 <sup>th</sup>	0

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### TENNIS REPORT

- Congratulations to Wesley College for winning both the Rawson Cup and Rosebowl titles for the second year in a row.
- There was a 3-way tie for third place in the Rosebowl with St John's, St Paul's and Women's all having two wins a piece.
- By some miracle we managed to get through both Rawson Cup and Rosebowl competitions without any weather disruptions!
- There was a clash this year with UniSport Nationals (which was held 2 weeks earlier than normal this year) meaning some students couldn't participate in both competitions. I'm advised UniSport Nationals will return to its normal scheduling (during Semester break) for 2025, which will avoid this clash happening again.
- The tennis competition is a big commitment for all players, with the long days. The biggest day running from 9am until 4pm. To help reduce the time commitment we played all the doubles matches at the same time across three courts followed by all the single matches.
- For future consideration, we may choose to run the Rosebowl and Rawson Cup concurrently (e.g 2 Rosebowl and 1 Rawson cup a week over three weeks) instead of one after the other, this will give students a bigger break between games and more time for other commitments.
- Thanks to James Palmer from SULTC for his guidance with the tennis competition as well as Rouna Daley, Grace Bruce and Mackie Evans for their support on game days.
- Congratulations to Arjun Shah from St John's College who was voted Rawson Tennis MVP and Jemima Duchon from Wesley College who was voted Rosebowl Tennis MVP by the opposing college captains.

**RAWSON CUP TENNIS – FINAL STANDINGS**

College	W	L	Pts	Rank	Rawson Points
Wesley	3	0	6	1 <sup>st</sup>	5
St Andrew's	2	0	4	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3
St John's	1	2	2	3 <sup>rd</sup>	1
St Paul's	0	2	0	4 <sup>th</sup>	0

**ROSEBOWL TENNIS – FINAL STANDINGS**

College	W	L	Pts	Rank	Rose Bowl Points
Wesley	5	0	10	1 <sup>st</sup>	9
St Andrew's	4	1	8	2 <sup>nd</sup>	7
St John's	2	3	4	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3
St Paul's	2	3	4	=	3
Women's	2	3	4	=	3
Sancta	0	5	0	6 <sup>th</sup>	0

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## ATHLETICS REPORT

- Congratulations to St Andrew's College for winning Rosebowl athletics and St Paul's College for winning the Rawson Cup athletics, which led to them tying the overall Rawson Cup competition with St Andrew's College.
- The evening event continues to be well received with a healthy crowd showing up to support (mainly from St Andrew's and St Paul's), consideration will be given to if there is a track closer to the University available so more spectators can attend.
- The Sydney Uni Athletic Club volunteers do most of the heavy lifting for this event and their subject matter expertise were invaluable. Thanks, in particular to Lilly-Ann Ohora, Josh Tassell, Andy Heil and Brian White staff and committee members of the Sydney University Athletic Club for their professionalism in delivering the meet.
- Overall, the carnival ran extremely smoothly with no incidents on or off the track.
- Colleges should consider whether some distance running and field events could be held on campus in front of a good crowd on an earlier night in order to allow students who can't get out to Sydney Olympic Park to cheer on their college, while also shortening the SOPA track meet slightly.
- Congratulations to Lachlan Townsend from St Andrew's College who was voted Rawson Athletics MVP and Uju Ekeocha from Sancta Sophia College who was voted Rosebowl Athletics MVP by the opposing college captains.

### RAWSON CUP ATHLETICS – FINAL STANDINGS

Pos	College	Track Points	Field Points	Total Points	Rawson Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	St Paul's	165	134	299	5
2 <sup>nd</sup>	St Andrew's	179	93.5	272.5	3
3 <sup>rd</sup>	St John's	111	85	196	1
4 <sup>th</sup>	Wesley	85	59.5	144.5	0

### ROSEBOWL ATHLETICS – FINAL STANDINGS

Pos	College	Track Points	Field Points	Total Points	Rosebowl Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	St Andrew's	151	61	212	9
2 <sup>nd</sup>	St Paul's	116	44.5	160.5	7
3 <sup>rd</sup>	St John's	94	59	153	5
4 <sup>th</sup>	Sancta	66	72	138	3
5 <sup>th</sup>	Wesley	58	52	110	1
6 <sup>th</sup>	Women's	54	29.5	83.5	0

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## SOCIAL SPORTS

### WOMENS RUGBY 7s REPORT

- The Women's 7s Gala proved to be a success once again.
- Congratulations to St Andrew's College that took home the win in a nail-biting finish over Women's College.
- Thanks to St John's College for hosting a wonderful Gala Day. We had approximately 100 female students take part in the Gala Day which had a great atmosphere with live music, BBQ and pitch side bar for the spectators to enjoy.
- A surprise leader emerged in the pool stages with Wesley College finishing on top.
- The second Semi Final ended in dramatic fashion with a 17-17 draw taking it to Golden Point with St Andrew's College 1 progressing to the Grand Final.
- While having the 7s finals played with the Rawson Cup finals is a huge boost to the women's competition as they play in front of a packed SUFG stadium, it has been decided by the Heads of Colleges that the finals should be played in the context of the Gala Day in future.
- Women's Rugby 7s has been successfully running for a few years now. Consideration should be given as to whether to include it as an official sport on the Rosebowl calendar in the near future.
- Thanks to Teki Tuipulotu and Ash Miller from the Sydney University Football Club for their incredible support to deliver the Gala Day.

[Match Results can be found here >](#)

### AFL GALA DAY

- Unfortunately, despite many efforts from Sydney Uni Sport and the student reps we couldn't make the AFL Gala Day work in 2024 due to the weather and running out of available days before the fields closed for cricket season.
- We have a solid concept and competition structure in place now and if there is interest from students and the support from Heads of College, we can look to run this in Semester 1 of 2025.

### OTHER SPORTS

- St Paul's and St Andrew's managed to play a social game of Rugby League on St John's Oval in late September.
- We also received enquiries about running a Water Polo Gala Day, however there was not enough time to organise this event for 2024.

### GENERAL BUSINESS & OBSERVATIONS

- There has been a significant increase in the price of services from St John Ambulance. Our observation is that they are not knowledgeable in sports specific injuries. Our recommendation is to enquire about the cost of replacing St John Ambulance with a having a sports physiotherapist, who are better experienced to deal with sports related injuries (in particular, basketball, rugby and soccer).
- A common issue is fixture swaps due to other college events. For 2025, we will endeavour to get all fixtures for the entire year to the student reps at the AGM, so all parties can work around clashes in a more timely manner. If swaps need to occur it should be for the colleges impacted to rearrange themselves.
- The schedule for Semester 2 is incredibly gruelling with Weeks 2-8 jam packed with Soccer, Tennis and Basketball, consideration should be given as to whether these can be more spread out.
- When scheduling the calendar, wet weather days need to be more spread out as fields don't usually re-open the day after.
- St John's College have expressed its desire for more events to be played on its Ovals.

- We had a lot of requests for the footage of the rugby final. Unfortunately, this wasn't filmed (as agreed by colleges in 2023). In hindsight it might be worth considering filming the final fixtures across all sports in 2025.
- Sydney Uni Sport's aspirations is to have an athletics track on campus in the future, SUAC has suggested trying to host some of the Intercollegiate athletics events on campus next year. This opportunity will receive further consideration by the Heads of Colleges.

### SPECIAL MENTIONS

On a personal note, I must express my thanks to all the College Heads and management who have provided guidance and advice along the way, Daryl Davidson and his hard-working grounds team who battled to get us on the field on more than one occasion throughout 2024, and of course Ed Smith, CEO of Sydney Uni Sport for his confidence in me to manage and shape the program this year. The key to the ongoing success of Intercollegiate sport is the continued support of the Sydney Uni Sporting Clubs who I have mentioned above, their advice and support to deliver the competitions was invaluable.

The logistics and operations of each event ran extremely smoothly, with no major administrative issues experienced on the various event days. Thankfully, there was no incidents or breaches of the code of conduct which needed to be escalated to the Intercollegiate Tribunal.

in what has been my first year running the prestigious Intercollegiate Competition. I want to take this opportunity to express what an honour it has been to be part of such a prestigious and historic competition, and I look forward to seeing it continue to thrive and play an important part in the University calendar and the student experience on campus in 2025.