

B&G HALLWIDE

17th November 2020

Weekly Newsletter

Issue 19

"B&G acknowledges the Ngunnawal and Ngambri peoples, the Traditional Custodians of the land we occupy. We would like to pay our respects to Elders past and present, and extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and residents. We honour the continuing cultural and spiritual relationships the local mob have to the region. We recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students' rich contributions to the B&G community."



OFFICE CLOSURES

The office will be opening at 11am on Wednesday due to a staff meeting.

SUMMER ACCOMMODATION

The application process is now open and will close at midnight on Thursday 20/11/20. Please see page 3 for more information!

SPARE CARDS

If you were issued with a spare card to access your room during the year you will need to return the card to the office when you vacate the hall. If you do not return the card you will be charged a \$15.00 fee. All spare cards need to be returned to the office prior to your departure.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS

COVID IS STILL WITH US

As the events in South Australia remind us, COVID has not left Australia. An outbreak can occur very easily and very quickly. Please do not become complacent. Please continue to physically distance from one another. Please keep up your hand hygiene. If you feel sick, you must let the hall know so we can help you organise testing. We will then work with you to obtain alternate accommodation until your test results come back. If you're travelling, please remain vigilant and safe. It's not just about you and your health. It's also about the health of everyone with whom you come into contact.

Upcoming Events Showcase

B&G

Please remember to socially distance (1.5m) at all events.

B&G Op Shop

17th of November 9am - 4pm

Weekly Shopping Trip

20th of November 4pm - 6pm

C25K

21th of November 9am - 10.30am

B&G Yoga

21th of November 9am - 10.30am

Leadership Training

26th of November 9am - 5pm

BAGMA Retreat

30th of November 9am - 5pm

ANU & ACT

Please note that most ANU events are online for the foreseeable future.

ANU Solar Oration 2020 (virtual)

17th of November, 12-1.30pm

Financing energy transitions and environmental restoration: Who pays the price? (virtual)

24th of November, 12.30-1.30pm

Forum on the 2020 National Indigenous Languages Report

24th of November, 2-5.30pm
(Virtual)

Music on the Greens

Various times, Saturdays and Sundays until 27th December at Kambri

GROUP PROGRAM OPEN FOR REGISTRATION: SOCIAL CONNECTIONS

Tuesdays: 1 December, 8 December, 15 December and 22 December, 10.00am-11.00am AEDT.

Did you know that positive social connections improve our health, well-being & longevity? Come along to one or all of these sessions to learn and practice ways to improve your social network and relationships.

You will have a chance to meet new people and have conversations with other students during the meetings.

Register to receive email reminders and the weekly zoom link, but there is no need to commit for the full series.

Week 1: Meeting people -trading information, finding things in common, identifying sources of friends.

Week 2: Increasing your social confidence -initiating and exiting from conversations, managing shyness.

Week 3: How to deepen your friendships

Week 4: Handling disagreements and boundaries

Presented by Michelle Linmore - [Register Here](#) (The link opens an online form)

MEET YOUR B&G STAFF

Stuart MacLaine

Residential Wellbeing Coordinator



G'day B&G! I'm Stu, your new Residential Wellbeing Coordinator/Dep Head. Thank you for all being so welcoming thus far and helping me settle into my new home here at B&G. I am originally from Sydney and have spent the last 8 years studying and working at UNSW. I've worn many hats in my life including being a Bunnings Team Member, an Arts/Engineering Student, a Brewer at the Tooheys Brewery and a Dean of College at Colombo House. So with all those different experiences I've got more than a few stories that I'm always happy to share! Please feel free to say hi/awkwardly wave whenever you see me about as I'm looking forward to getting to know you all over the coming months.

NEW FLAG IN THE KITCHEN

We have decided to add the Tibetan flag to our collection of flags hung in the B&G kitchen. For those who did not know, Tibet is a state between India and China. To them, this flag is a symbol of pursuing religious freedom and pursuing national equality and mutual respect.

We feel that it is important that we include the Tibetan flag to stay true to B&G's promise of being inclusive and understanding to all members of our community. We hope that the presence of the flag will raise awareness of the existence of Tibet, and how anyone and everyone is equally welcomed here in B&G.

-BAGMA and Hall Administration

2020 SUMMER ACCOMMODATION

The 2020/2021 Summer application process is now open and will close at 12.00 midnight on Thursday 20 November 2020. If you would like to apply for summer accommodation you will need to follow [this link](#).

Availability

Summer applications are subject to availability of rooms. Full summer applicants will receive priority over short stays. Returners will be able to stay till 3/02/2020. Non returners will be able to stay till 27/01/2020.

Process Time

Summer applications will be processed and contract variations will be sent from 12pm 30/11/2020.

Summer Block and Room Move

This year, the summer block will be B Block. Residents currently living in B Block that receive a Summer Contract will stay in their current room.

Residents living in any other block must move to B Block on the weekend of the 19th and 20th December. Please ensure you will be available for this move. You will lose access to your semester 2 room on the 21st of December.

Cancellations

If you make a summer application, accept your contract variation but then wish to cancel the following rules apply - You **MUST** advise of any cancellations at least **ONE WEEK** in advance.

If you are in room and wishing to leave early, provide at least one week notice or you will be charged for one week following the notification date.

If you are cancelling an upcoming reservation, provide notice at least one week before your arrival date or you will be charged for any days booked that fall within the notice period.

If you have any questions, please email enquiries.bg@anu.edu.au.



B & G COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

SWEATSHIRTS

Embroidered B&G
Sweatshirts now
available at
Spidies



B & G OP SHOP

HUGE DONATION
TIME WEDNESDAY
18/11/20 11AM-1PM!



Good luck to
everybody still
doing their
exams!



FOUND

Class notes about
Savanna Genome
Please claim at
front office!

PLANT FOUND

Pot plant found behind B
block. Pot was knocked over
and plant was wilting from
the heat and lack of water
:(Has been rescued,
watered and fertilized! If
it's yours, please come and
get it from the office in the
next week - please tell us
the pot colour/shape and
plant type to claim it!!



Have something for the noticeboard? A cute note
for a friend, a congratulations, a found item?
Email it in to enquiries.bg@anu.edu.au!

Pet of the Week

MYSTERY CAT

This is my cat's apparent best friend. They come and sit outside my house all day, and my cat chills in the window and purrs non-stop. Thanks for keeping my cat company, mystery cat ♥



Animal Fact:

Isaac Newton is credited with the invention of the cat door!



Miscellaneous Items

Food Theft

We have received reports of increased food theft. This is not acceptable behaviour. If you are found stealing food from other residents, you risk having your contract terminated. If anyone is having financial difficulty, please contact Jamiyl at Jamiyl.mosley@anu.edu.au.

Please lock your fridge baskets as an extra precaution. You may also purchase a lockable freezer bag from the front desk.

Sanitary Bins

Contractors have advised of an increasing practice of the sanitary bins in the toilets being used as garbage disposals. Please do not put general waste in the sanitary bins. Please be considerate of the contractor whose job it is change the bins over.

Vacuum Usage

Vacuums can be signed out from the front desk between **9.30 and 3.30pm** during office hours as per our COVID-19 Response plan. As a reminder, please do not use the vacuum to vacuum up water and please do not clean out the inside of the vacuum cleaner with water. The vacuum cleaner will be inspected every time it is returned to the office, and if it is found to have been damaged or waterlogged, the person responsible will be billed for the cleaning or repair.

Hall Security

Please do not let anybody into any part of the Hall that you do not know. We are currently in lockdown, which means that nobody from outside the Hall is allowed in without seeking permission. There are also safety and security concerns about letting strange people into the Hall that you do not know. If you do this, you risk the Hall being shut down for non-compliance with ANU mandated regulations.

E-Scooter Safety/Legal Requirements

Please find important information on the website below regarding your legal requirements when using an e-scooter and how to keep yourself safe.

Website

COVID-19 INFORMATION AND NEWS

PHYSICAL DISTANCING AND ALCOHOL POLICY

As a reminder, alcohol can only be consumed in your rooms or in the Redbacks lounge during Spiderbites canteen hours.

There are only 2 people allowed in standard residential rooms. SR rooms and flats can have up to 4 people in them at one time due to the larger spaces. There is a 1 hour time limit for this number of people to be present. Please ensure windows are kept open to improve airflow if possible. You will be notified if that changes. Violations of these policies may result in immediate termination of your residential contract. If you would like to drink in common areas with groups of people, please cancel your contract and move back home. There is no flexibility with this. Do not put the people who are tasked with enforcing this policy in an awkward position. That is not positive B&G behaviour. I don't want to send people home, but I will. And the truth is that it will be you sending yourself home.

-Jamiyl, the Head of Hall

COVID-19 UPDATES

Cleaning supplies will be provided at each kitchen bay. You must clean off any communal object that you touch with the spray and paper towels provided (e.g. microwaves, toasters, sandwich presses, fridge/freezer handles, etc).

You must sign into and sign out of any remaining common spaces that are open using a QR code on the door. Thank you for continuing to sign in at all common spaces even if you're just stopping by for a few minutes.

If you are experiencing distress because of concerns you have about COVID-19 and the impact it is having on you personally, economically, etc., please contact Jamiyl for assistance at

Jamiyl.mosley@anu.edu.au

You can also use resources listed on the page linked below.

[Looking after your well-being](#)

MASKS

ACT residents, particularly those unable to physically distance in their daily work or daily activities, are now encouraged to prepare for a time where wearing a face masks becomes another part of how we respond to the threat of COVID-19. Please begin to consider how you can source reusable masks. You should have at least 2 so you can wear one and wash one. You should wash them in hot water. Unfortunately the hall cannot supply these masks to you.

You can find some great templates and tutorials online like [this one](#).

COVID-19 COMPLIANCE

All residents have received an email outlining the compliance measures currently in place at the hall. All residents must comply with these measures to remain eligible to live at the hall. Regular inspections are carried out by both B&G and non B&G staff.

If residents at B&G are not willing to comply and repeated non-compliance incidents occur, B&G could be shut down. Please be mindful of the current compliance rules and keep Covid safe.

KITCHEN SPONGES

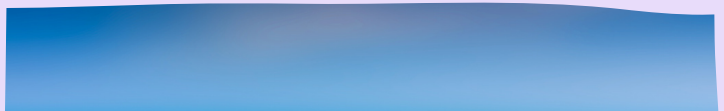
As you may have noticed, the kitchen scrubs have been removed. This decision was reached for safety purposes as communal scrubs and sponges can spread germs more easily.

We ask you to source your own scrub or sponge and to store it inside your cupboard. Please make sure that you rinse and wring it before storing it. Scrubs and sponges scattered around the kitchen will be removed to avoid communal use. Your cooperation is important in keeping our community safe.

Spiderbites is selling sponges for \$1 to make it easy for residents to source their own

HALLWIDE SUBMISSIONS

Do you have something that you would like to be featured in this newsletter? Perhaps a pet of the week or a terrible dad joke? An item for your club, or a reminder for an event? Please email enquiries.bg@anu.edu.au to submit items for the next weeks newsletter. Please submit items by Monday night for inclusion into the Hallwide on Tuesday!



Dad Joke of the Week

Did you hear about the guy who invented the knock-knock joke?
He won the 'no-bell' prize!

GUEST POLICY

As a reminder, you should not have any guest who is feeling sick and/or has recently been in contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19.

Below you will find the guest nomination form. Once you have submitted your request, you must wait for an approval message before your nominated guest can visit you. Your nominated guest can still only be in your room and the bathroom on your floor. They may not enter any other interior common spaces at the hall.

[Find the form here](#)

B&G BURSARY/ ANUSA SUPPORT

The B&G bursary (separate from the Accommodation Services bursary) is still open. If you'd like to apply, please e-mail Jamiyl at Jamiyl.Mosley@anu.edu.au.

Please contact ANUSA if you need financial assistance to help get back home [here](#).

INWARD BOUND

The B&G Running Club is a fantastic part of the B&G Community. Even if you're not really a runner or into hiking or bushwalking, you could discover a new interest, get some outdoor time, and make some new friends.

[Facebook Link](#)

If you are into running, walking or hiking already, come and join B&G's Strava group! Strava is an app that logs your runs, walks and hikes.

[Strava Group](#)

DIRECT DEBIT WEEK AND THE DISHONOUR FEE

A reminder that if you are on a direct debit and your direct debit bounces due to insufficient funds in your nominated account, you will be liable to pay a \$30 Direct Debit dishonour fee in addition to your accommodation fee. If your account rejects you will need to call the office to pay for your outstanding accommodation fee using your credit/debit card details or by completing a credit card payment.

Please see below for the dates of upcoming payments.

Direct debit date	Covers fees from	Covers fees til	Amount
Thu 15/10/2020	Wed 14/10/2020	Wed 28/10/2020	\$468.00
Thu 29/10/2020	Wed 28/10/2020	Wed 11/11/2020	\$468.00
Thu 12/11/2020	Wed 11/11/2020	Wed 25/11/2020	\$468.00
Thu 26/11/2020	Wed 25/11/2020	Wed 09/12/2020	\$468.00
Wed 10/12/2020	Wed 09/12/2020	Wed 16/12/2020	\$234.00
2020 Sem 2 & Full Year Contracts Ends 16/12/2020			Sem 2 & Full Year Residents



LEAVING YOUR BIKES AT B&G DURING SUMMER

During the summer break residents that are returning to B&G have the option to leave their bikes on site. However, it is the resident's responsibility to ensure that the bikes are registered and secured with a bike lock and ideally placed in the bike sheds. The bike sheds provide a bit more security, however they are not guaranteed to be fully secure or thief proof.

Burton and Garran Hall and the ANU are not liable or responsible for bikes that go missing or stolen from the premises. Residents may use the facilities at their own risk. Residents are encouraged to obtain insurance for their bikes, especially if your bike is very highly valuable.

If you are intending to leave your bike during summer please ensure that the bike is registered with the office. Please click on the [link](#) and it will take you to the bike registration on-line form.

MAINTENANCE AT B&G

While you are at B&G, you will more than likely need to log a maintenance request, either for something in **your room or something in a common space. Things you can and should log;**

- Lights that are not working (either inside your room or in the common areas).
- Clogged or leaking sinks
- Broken, blocked or leaking toilets
- Showers that are not functioning correctly
- Door locks that are not working (non-room/block doors)
- Hot/cold water and water pressure issues
- Broken windows, window latches, or flywire.
- Appliances in the shared areas not working correctly (eg. microwaves, ovens, toasters, washing machines, dryers).
- Broken furniture in your room or in the Hall.
- Power outlets not functioning (in your room and in common areas).
- Problems with your kitchen cupboard or fridge basket
- **Other items you find - always email enquiries.bg@anu.edu.au if you are unsure.**

There are also a couple of jobs that are considered urgent. If you find any of the below, you should report the issue immediately to the office or to the duty student.

- Roof leaks
- Bad water leaks from anywhere
- Your room or block doors not shutting or locking correctly
- A smell of natural gas (rotten egg smell).
- Any electrical issues which involve sparks or smoke
- **If you are worried that something is an emergency but are not sure, contact the duty student or the office straight away to ask.**

LOGGING A MAINTENANCE REQUEST

To log a maintenance request, go to the redbacks.org website and to the section entitled "maintenance request". Here you will find a link that will take you to the portal to log your maintenance request.

You will need to log in here with your university ID number and your password. Then, navigate to the "maintenance" tab at the top of the page.

The screenshot shows the redbacks.org website. At the top is a navigation bar with 'HOME' and 'REGISTER'. Below it is a login form with fields for 'Username:' and 'Password:', a 'Remember Login' checkbox, a 'Forgot Password?' link, and 'Log In' and 'Register' buttons. Below the login form is another navigation bar with 'HOME', 'APPLICATION', 'ACCOUNTS', 'MAINTENANCE' (highlighted with a red underline), 'INVENTORY', 'UPDATE DETAILS', and 'CHANGE PASSWORD'. Below this is a section for selecting the job type, with 'Job List - Room ONLY' and 'Job List - Common Area' (selected with an orange square). Below this are 'New Job' and 'View' buttons.

If your job is for a common area, you will be asked to select the room space in question - e.g., the Laundry, or the Central Kitchens. After this, click 'continue', and it will take you to a section to fill in the details of the job.

The screenshot shows a form for selecting a common area. It has three columns: 'Common Area F2', 'Common Area F3', and 'Common Area F Ground'. To the right of these are three 'Administration' buttons. Below the form is a 'Continue' button.

If you are logging a job for your room, it will take you directly to the section for the details of the job. Please always remember to click "**Save and Continue**" when you have completed your maintenance request. If not, your job will not be submitted and passed onto the maintenance staff.

While logging the details of your job, please be descriptive but brief. A good example would be - "Light bulb above sink not functioning" or "Kitchen bay Y Microwave will not turn on".



ANU CRISIS HOTLINE

This hotline is available to anyone within the ANU community who needs to speak to someone, 24 hours a day.

Phone: 1300 050 327

SMS: 0488 884 170

BEYONDBLUE

beyondblue aims to increase awareness of depression and anxiety and reduce stigma. Call 1300 22 4636, 24 hours / 7 days a week.

LIFELINE

Lifeline provides 24-hour crisis counselling, support groups and suicide prevention services. Call 13 11 14.

Useful Numbers

Front Office	-----	6184 0000
Duty SR	-----	6184 0040
ANU Security	-----	6125 2249
Emergency	-----	000
Non-Emergency Police Assistance	-----	131 444

