That’s a wrap!

After a long hard-fought year of House Challenges, Townhouse has managed to take home the 2017/18 House Cup for the first time in 8 years! This means Fraser House’s win streak is finally over!

The Sports Marathon was a smashing success with a mini tournament at the Langille Athletic Centre of volleyball, basketball and dodge ball. After the Sports Marathon there was a presentation of the House Cup at The Barn. Thank you to all the Aggies that showed up to compete in the Sports Marathon and all other house events throughout the school year. A special thanks to the House Councils for their enthusiasm and participation towards house challenges this year.

**Final House Points Tally:**

Townhouse 164

Fraser 144

Chapman 130
President’s Corner

Hey Aggies!

This might be the last time I write those words and that's pretty unreal. Looking back, there has been a consistent stream of memorable moments and charitable initiatives this year that make me proud to be an Aggie. To those who displayed real spirit for our sports teams, those who participated in clubs and societies, and those who worked to make this campus a better place: Thank You. You're more important than you know, and I truly appreciate it.

From breaking the AC record for the FCC Drive Away Hunger Campaign to Farmer’s Olympics to crazy Pub Nights, there’s a lot to be said about the collaboration our campus has had this year. Aggies are characteristically decent people and that’s why I’m so happy to have studied here. I remember being a skinny, wide-eyed 17 year old kid first arriving at the AC without knowing a soul east of Montreal. I was greeted kindly and hospitably by the individuals on this campus four years ago. After this year, I’m confident that you will greet the next generation of Aggies with just as much benevolent vigor.

On a final note, I am so happy to say that the coming DASA team looks absolutely awesome. You're in great hands and I can't wait to see what they have in store for you this September!

Jeremy Stroud
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A Letter from the Editor

Hey Aggies!

It’s crazy How fast a goes by! I for one have had yet another amazing year here at the AC! I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as editor of The Golden Ram. I didn’t think I would get to meet so many new, awesome people through this position and have as much fun as I did editing the paper each month. I hope I was able to keep everyone informed and entertained through my monthly papers 😊.

I would like to say a huge thank you to the support I received from DASA! I would also like to thank anyone who submitted articles throughout the year, without you guys this paper wouldn’t be the same! To all of those who read the Ram on a regular basis, THANK YOU! Your positive comments and feedback has made my position so rewarding! This is truly a special campus and I am so grateful I was able to spend the last four years here. All the best Aggies, I hope our paths cross again!

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House Updates

Here are the final house updates!
Overall, all houses sounded like they had a great year!

Chapman House
Chapman house has had a good year overall. We have done well in the challenges, house points and have also had many bonding opportunities. We are very excited to wrap up the year with a trip to the pond for our annual supper, and also house awards and a little party down in the basement. There will be dogs, ice cream cake, and also pizza at our house party. We are hoping to do well in the house cup this upcoming Monday to secure a high ranked spot in the house points! It has been an honour to become close with everybody in chapman house this year and we are excited for next year!

-Laura Murphy, House President

Fraser House
I’d like to congratulate the new members of house council: Hannah McCarthy as VP, Raven Ritman as Social Coordinator, Therese Wilson as Secretary, and Michelle Walters as Treasurer. I am looking forward to working with this great group of girls and with the house members to make next year awesome!

It has been a good year in Fraser house so far. We have our end of the year celebration coming up on March 29th. There will be a gathering at Levels Game Loft and a Lounge party with a DJ, pizza and house prizes.

We are currently in 3rd place for the house cup, one point behind Chapman house. We are trying to motivate the house to get involved so we can continue our consecutive victory of the house cup before this year comes to an end.

-Leah Hocquard (new President of Fraser)

Trueman House
Trueman has had a great year. We started doing movie nights, which were very successful. We also used left over house funds to purchase board games that can be used for incoming students and aid in creating an overall inclusive house dynamic. We have our end of year house supper coming up and there is a lot excitement around this event! We are trying to get as many out to Last Class Bash in two weeks and finish the year strong!

-Bri Carkner, House President

Townhouse
Townhouse is still staying on top of the leader board for house points and is hoping to finish strong with the upcoming sports marathon. Townhouse also gave free admission to off campus students, for the AC theaters society production of Game of Tiaras this past weekend. We will also be planning an end of year meal to bring students together before exams start. Townhouse is also looking for a new house president for next year. If you are interested, please get in touch with me.

-Scott Withrow, House President
Get to Know Your NEW DASA Executive Council!

We asked your incoming DASA Executive Council some interesting questions in order to get to know the team better! Here is what our council wants you to know about them!

**VP Internal Affairs**

Rachel Heron  
Favourite class at the AC?  
Lunch  
What is the Campuses best kept secret?  
Grill  
What is your favourite food?  
Goldfish crackers  
If you could visit anywhere in the world, where would you go?  
Egypt  
Favourite childhood show?  
Lizzie McGuire  
What’s your hidden talent?  
I can say the alphabet backwards  
What talent would you like to have?  
Mind reading

**President**

Scott Withrow  
Favourite class at the AC?  
Environmental studies  
What is the Campuses best kept secret?  
Student access to Scotia Pool  
What is your favourite food?  
Chicken wings  
What is a hidden talent you have?  
Solving a rubik’s cube with one hand  
If you could visit anywhere in the world, where would you go?  
New Zealand  
If you could share a meal with one person, living or dead, who would it be?  
Gordon Ramsay, but only if he cooks it

**VP External Affairs**

Gaby Sabat  
Favourite class at the AC?  
Biology with Dr. O  
What is the Campuses best kept secret?  
The Turtle’s Greenhouse  
What is your favourite food?  
Cheese  
If you could visit anywhere in the world, where would you go?  
Africa  
If you could share a meal with one person, living or dead, who would it be?  
Frida Kahlo  
Favourite movie?  
Death Becomes Her  
What do you never leave home without?  
House keys hopefully
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**VP Finance**

**Robert Larsen**

Favourite class at the AC?
*Forages with Nancy*

What is the Campuses best kept secret?
*Thomas the Cat*

What is your favourite food?
*Island Beef*

If you could share a meal with one person, living or dead, who would it be?
*Winston Churchill*

Favourite childhood show?
*Thomas the Tank Engine*

What’s your hidden talent?
*My farmers tan*

Who do you admire most, living or dead?
*Jake Read-Futter*

What do you do in your spare time?
*Feed some Beef*

What do you never leave home without?
*ADL chocolate milk*

**VP Administration**

**Nellie Wood**

Favourite class at the AC?
*Calculus with Jin*

What is your favourite food?
*Mangos*

If you could visit anywhere in the world, where would you go?
*Scotland*

If you could share a meal with one person, living or dead, who would it be?
*Albert Einstein*

Favourite movie?
*Twilight*

Who do you admire most, living or dead?
*My Grandmother*

What do you do in your spare time?
*Train my cats*

What do you never leave home without?
*A good hair elastic*
**Pub Update**  
*By: Jeremy Stroud*

Aggies once, aggies twice ... holy moly cheese and rice! This pub year has definitely been a rollercoaster ride, and at the end of the day it’s the people who support us that keep it going. There have been so many wild moments to look back on, from College Royal to Woodsmen Weekend – and this month may have some of the best Pub’s yet! We are looking forward to our annual Barley Party Pub on April 6th, followed by the Barn’s much awaited **Last Class Bash** on the 7th. A reminder that we will not be having pub on Easter Weekend, so you can save your energy (and your spending money) on the best party of the year!

We’re proud to announce that despite some trying setbacks this past year, we have been able to replenish the funds that were lost due to your kind patronage. This means that DASA can continue to invest more into the Pub in coming years and keep it open going forward. We want the last week of pub to be the **BEST WEEKEND YET**, and this can only be done with participation from everyone on campus. Look out for prizes, specials and maybe a few guest appearances... We want each of you there to make it a truly awesome night!!

**Christian Fellowship Club**  
*By: Ruth Ernst*

This semester we had between 5-10 members coming out to one or both of our weekly meetings on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. The group’s goal has been to provide an environment for Christians on campus to get together to support and share with each other, and to talk about our faith and God. The meetings include prayer, scripture reading, and discussion. We share bible passages and truths that have stood out to us over the week and also discuss various other issues, thoughts, and ideas. We are planning a small year-end celebration to enjoy some snacks and fellowship, and to give thanks to God as a group for an amazing semester. Next year we hope to recruit more undergraduate student members to the club. It has been a wonderful group to be involved with and has been great for providing balance in the midst of other school activities. If you have any questions, please contact Ruth Ernst at R.Ernst@dal.ca

**WUSC at the AC**  
*By: Lenka Wicha*

This year is coming to an end already, and yet I feel like it only just started... I am happy to say that your WUSC Local Committee has been working tirelessly to provide you with some fun volunteer opportunities and show you guys our spirit! Maybe you **STILL** don’t know who we are, but we are the World University Services of Canada and we run the Student Refugee Program (SRP) on campus!!

This year we have done many events on and off campus, and I am proud to say that everyone really enjoyed themselves. We started the semester with a Ride for Refuge, were we walked for 5km and raised over 2000$ for WUSC and refugees all over. We even got together and did a “Reverse- Trick-or-Treat” for Halloween; we all got dressed up in awesome costumes and went around knocking on people’s door giving away chocolate. (Side note: we still got lots of our own chocolate and candy) We have put on a fairly large bake sale both semesters and managed to raise over 500$ in total for the SRP program!!

Our members got together and baked in the Haleys’ Institute kitchen, we really got the chance to bond but we also got to destress for a few hours and take a much-needed study break. We even had the opportunity to partake in a trip to Sugar Moon Farm thanks to the Agrology club. Many people who have never had maple syrup or visited a sugar shack could now see why us Canadians love it so much!! Some of our members even participated in the “Truro’s Coldest Night” walk to raise funds for Truro’s local homeless shelter. Needless to say, we are a very active club that has lots of fun together while also doing something to better the community and our campus. If any or all of this sounded interesting to you, feel free to send me an e-mail at Lenka.wicha@dal.ca I promise I am very friendly and would LOVE to have more new members for next year!! GOOD LUCK ON YOUR EXAMS 😊
A Successful Year for the AC Judging Team
By: Madalyn Nielsen

The Dal AC Judging Team had a successful year with a diverse team participating in competitions at agricultural institutions across Canada. After attending judging clinics for crop and livestock classes at local farms and on campus, members kicked off the semester by travelling to Quebec City to attend Université Laval’s Judging competition. Dalhousie was well represented by new and returning members, with this competition being the first for many. The team’s preparation for the Maritime Intercolligate Judging Competition hosted by the Dalhousie Faculty of Agriculture was evident as five members placed in the overall top ten, and many more were recipients of individual awards. The year wrapped up for the Judging Team at the Canadian Intercolligate Judging Competition hosted by the University of Guelph which provided another valuable opportunity for Dalhousie to be represented, and for students to network with fellow Aggies from across Canada. Congratulations to all members of the Dal AC Judging Team on your accomplishments!

Hey Aggies!
This semester the Agrology club has been busy. We had a farm tour day where we visited NorthumberLamb, Upperbrook Farm and Charles Hill and Son Ltd. We also attended Agriculture in the Classroom Events at the Truro and Halifax libraries. And we ended the semester with a pizza party with guest speaker Jolene MacEachern. We’ve had a great year, thanks to all those who came out to the events, had some fun and learned more about Canadian Agriculture! If you are interested in chairing the Agrology Club next year, email me at Brooke.K.McNeil@Dal.ca. A special thanks to the NSIA who generously funded the club this year. Thanks, and hope everyone has a great summer!

Dalhousie Aquaculture Student Society
By: Audrie-Jo McConkey

The Aquaculture Society has had an exciting winter semester! With over 30 members, the group has various opportunities for participants. The group had an open discussion on potential Aquaculture Internship Opportunities. Members attended the Aquaculture Association Nova Scotia Conference held in Halifax. There have been several members complete their Aquaculture Training Certificate and are actively volunteering within the Aquaculture Centre feeding fish, measuring water quality and helping with sampling. There is a tour of Millbrook Fish Hatchery on March 30th. Members had an opportunity to visit North River Fish Farms and help sample striped bass.

Get Involved

(From Front Left: Ashley Eason, Hannah Facey, Karlie Lewis, Madalyn Nielsen, Jenny Mutlow, Ashley Oates. Back row, from left: Alex Surette, Julian Albring, Julia Vosman, Andrea Hayes, Eilish Conners, Sam Dykeman, Bri Carkner, Ella Lentz)
Take a Minute to...Relax...

Are you finding school to be stressful? Too many finals? Take a few minutes and relax, refocus and carry on! You’re almost there!

**INSPIRATION**

“To be nobody but yourself in a world that’s doing its best to make you somebody else, is to fight the hardest battle you are ever going to fight. Never stop fighting.”
-E.E. Cummings

“Doing the best at this moment puts you in the best place for the next moment.”
-Oprah Winfrey

“Folks are usually as happy as they make their minds up to be.”
-Abraham Lincoln

**Jokes**

What kind of dinosaur has the biggest vocabulary?
A Thesaurus!

What’s large, grey and doesn’t matter?
An irrelephant.

What do sprinters eat before a race?
Nothing, they fast!

How does Harry Potter go down the hill?
Walking. JK Rolling!