

Bar, Sports & Amenities/Bar Secretary



Hi, I'm Patrik, a 1st year PhD student at Downing. Having already done an MRes at Downing the year before, I am familiar with the workings of the MCR and the bar specifically, as I spend a lot of time in MCR drinking coffee after lunch or after formals.

This means I have a vested interest in making sure the bar is run as good as possible! :)

I have been treasurer for my handball club at Imperial College, where I had to manage the club budget throughout the year, organise transport, hall bookings etc., so I'm aware of what I can do with our budget and not go (too) overboard with finances.

During my mandate, if elected, I would liaise with the college to introduce a wider variety of drinks, with occasional guest drinks. I would also aim to introduce more mixed drinks, and upgrade the ones we already have (proper Cuba Libre with limes/lemons instead of Rum&Coke etc.). Having been around a few of other

college bars, I see some strong points in emulating some of their practices, specifically Clare MCR's whiskey stock and craft beer options.

Those who know me, are aware of my penchant for good drinks, so I would bring that over to the bar by:

- Introducing a wider variety of drinks, such as craft beers, choices of spirits etc.
- As I really like the formals at Downing, and go to most of them, every Friday will be bar day, something which unfortunately could not always be the case
- Organise thematic events, such as mojito night, wine nights, etc.
- Take opinion poll of what drinks the members would like to see in the bar
- Recruit bar volunteers to ensure a high bar availability for our member
- Keep bar operating over the summer

In addition, the role covers responsibility for the MCR, where I will continue to do what I so far did in unofficial capacity, i.e. keeping the coffee machine stocked and clean, with a ready supply of mugs, making sure it is tidied up after events/bar close etc.

Some member complained about the state of the surface of the pool table and cues, this would be one of the first things to fix in my mandate.

Thank you for reading so far, and I hope to have impressed you enough to vote for me :)