

Editor's letter



by Rob Gascoigne

love movies. In many ways, it's accurate to say that I've vicariously lived much of my life through them. I get so into them, so utterly addicted. I've even got time for the crap ones – I've seen every Police Academy. Ah, but for Hollywood, I might be a High Court Judge by now (perhaps that's a stretch).

My favourite movie is Ordinary People. It's about a seemingly perfect family falling apart as a young boy tackles his demons. It's way better than it sounds. Though it won the Best Picture Oscar in 1980 for some reason few people I know have heard of it. If you want to

Perhaps the reason it's so great is because it's a classic drama. Drama is about

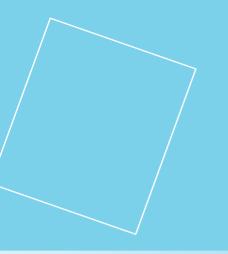
It's something common to all drama; the characters struggle with themselves and deal with the consequences. It's true of all dramatic heroes. As strange as it may be to consider, Hamlet shares a lot with Alf from Home and Away. This idea – the universality

week.

To get the story to the screen, you need

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By Flick Strong

here is a perception that to become

or Tarantino you need to cut Australia loose and head overseas, preferably to LA. This perception is linked to

industry produces low budget "quirky" classics - like *Muriel's Wedding* or *The Castle* that only appeal to a certain sense of 'Aussie' humour. Whilst

special place in our love/hate relationship with 'Aussie' culture, many have a cool response to

fail to compete with big budget Hollywood blockbusters. is *Crocodile Dundee*. You might be thinking that's a big movie but

list of highest grossing movies in the world (it's the only Australian

It's an image problem the industry continues to struggle

due mostly to our relatively cheap production costs and a comparatively weak dollar. Most recently, the new Superman

weekends; Wynyard became a makeshift Metropolis.

Beyond the attraction of Australia's cheap production costs, this country actually has a lot to offer the world in terms of its talent and a lot of opportunity for those wanting a career in

largest animation company and is currently working on

animation Happy Feet.

UNSW alumnus Ingrid Johnston works as a sequence

Why should Australians participate in ANZAC day?

I think there are two perspectives on that, there is a perspective from the point of view of someone who was a member of the Defence Force. They believe that defence is something important to the country. Then there is the perspective of someone who is civilian. I will speak as a member of the Defence Force because I think that has more to it. Once you're part of the Defence Force you feel that you are part of a greater purpose. ANZAC day is the day in which what you do as a defence member can be on display to the public. It is the day in which you can march down George Street and have people acknowledge what you are doing for your country. It's also about realising that you're playing a role in what is

Why is Australian military history worth celebrating?

time the Australians fought in the First World War. It is considered to be sort of the birth of our nationhood. It was a time in which Australians began to think about themselves what made them unique from their British the f things come out of a such as the Australians considered good fun. There are stories at war memorials about Australians making cricket bats out of old tins and bits of shell cartridges. Australians, in the hardship that was Gallipoli – that entrenched warfare that went on for months and months and months – and the tragedy that came from that, came

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Library Lawn Band: Ultimo

1pm Library Lawn Free

Education Action Group

1pm

The EAG is a group of student activists interested in campaigning for equitable and accessible education for all students. Come along to catch up with the latest campaigns and get involved. Student Guild Free

D2MG Beginners Popping taught by Kenky

2–3pm Popping is a unique style of dance that strongly focuses on the movements of individual parts of the

'robot' and 'liquid'. Blockhouse \$8/class or \$35/5 classes for members, \$10/class for non-member, Sign up with us for just \$10 a year!

D2MG Girl's Hiphop taught by Erico

3-4pm

This class is especially created for the Ladies out there who want to learn how to shake it like a polaroid picture! Blockhouse \$8/class or \$35/5 classes for membetrs{{121(\$}sts(6(a)bre)r9(m)bt7(1) Sign up with us for just \$10 a year!

Shack Tutoring

3.30–6pm Shack Tutoring is a unique opportunity for UNSW students interested in provid2(t)-7(u)-1 interes21

Garden Beats

DJ Adam Bozzetto (YU, Eastern) 5pm Beergarden, Roundhouse

Free Trivia

5pm

The art of smalltalk is greatly enhanced by your knowledge of trivia! UniBar, Roundhouse Free

Happy hour

5–7pm Mmm Beer! Unibar, Roundhouse

Beginners Salsa classes

5-7pm Hutcheson Room, Roundhouse A Gold Coin donation for two hours of Salsa!

Pub Grub

5.30pm Mmm Pub Grub! Clems, Roundhouse

Ultimate Frisbee Eastern Suburbs League

7-9pm This exciting new sport is for men and women of all skill levels, combining some of the best aspects of soccer, (har side all and) grid (grid best har for the Ultimate Frisbee Club runs a weekly league for players - beginner or advanced. Come along and give it a go!

Village Green \$35 for the session

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Learn the Lingo Coffee Meeting

2-4pm Come chat with students from AMMUN2(B)91948995091 Tmoe vBTto I Coffee Republic Free

S.A.L.S.A. Social Soccer

3.30-5pm Unigym Level 1 \$2.50 per game

Shack Tutoring

3.30-6pm Shack Tutoring is a unique volunteering opportunity for UNSW students interested in providing free tutoring to disadvantaged high school students. HSC tutors for English, Maths and Sciences required urgently. Students volunteer 1 hour per week. Email shack@source.unsw. edu.au or sign up at Blockhouse now! Roundhouser AIR Room Free

Compass Workshop: Relaxation and Meditation

4-5pm

This weekly session will look at strategies of relaxation and meditation. Best results will be reached by attending all sessions, but come to as many as you can! Newton 306

UNSW Ultimate Frisbee Club Training

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First Aid course

8am – 5pm The 2-day First Aid course covers a broad range of topics to enable

emergency situations, providing care for the ill or injured until medical aid arrives. To register www.source.unsw.edu.au \$95 Blockhouse

Ping Pong

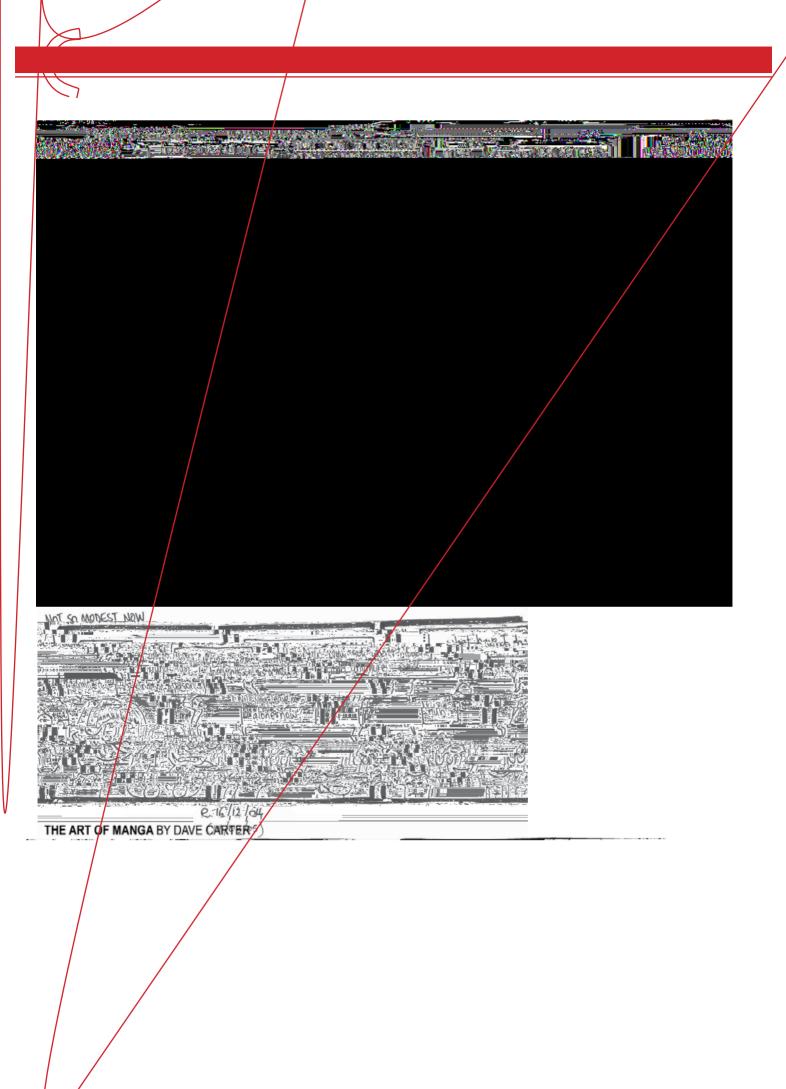
11am Play the real Ping Pong! Roundhouse Free

Compass Workshop: Demystifying the studentsupervisor relationship (postgrad students only)

11am-1pm

For postgraduate research students who are entering or continuing a student-supervisor relationship and want to make sure they begin this

or improve it. Quad 2008

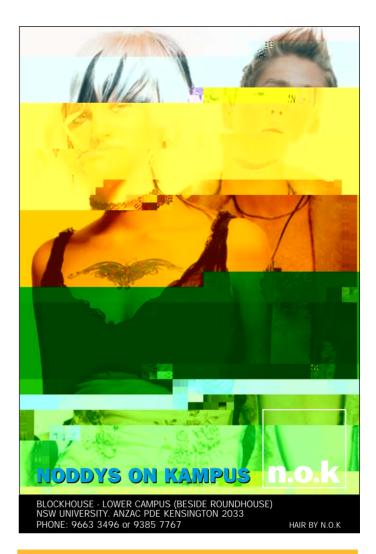


CD: The Vines – Vision Valley

ike Killing Heidi before them, The Vines have a tough job ahead of them if they want to recapture the public's love, which has

Meanwhile a weak, yet attractive, female counterpart and an effete sidekick (think of Sam in The Lord of the Rings) support them. Generally, these Hollywood heroes can only be a man and, ironically, when women are placed in these roles they take on masculine characteristics. Lara Croft is a good example. Feminine in form, she takes on personality characteristics that would traditionally be conceived of as "masculine". Politically, Hollywood villains tend to be one-dimensional stereotypes of evil communists or anarchic terrorists.

Beyond the preference of the audience, the uniformity of Hollywood scripts is driven by commercialism. From an





by Alex Serpo

Ben Lexcen was a champion Australian sailor. As well as winning National Championships in six different classes and representing Australia at the 1972 Munich Olympics, he also designed the winged keel for sailing boats: a major leap forward in sailing technology. Lexcen believed that everyone had the ability to attain excellence, however he acknowledged that we are often burdened with a lack of opportunity. The scholarship was set in 1988 to allow athletes to continue their sport while studying. Ben Lexcen scholars must represent the university in sporting competitions, as well as being registered students.

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By Edmond Tran

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