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Buckle up kids, things are about to get moist



Each week Craccum's esteemed Editor-in-Chief writes their editorial 10 minutes before deadline and this is the product of that.

The annual sex issue is upon us, and we at Craccum could not be wetter. AUSA thrust this theme on us so thought we would plow on through. It is not lost on us that most of you probably got the most sexy you will get all year in O-Week, but scheduling is scheduling. On the bright side, if you're an engineer that time is still to come for you (if ever).

This week it was my job to go down to my local sex store to find some inspiration for our pages. I was unprepared for how big my local sex store (Gigi's) was, a surprise that was also carried over to some of their products. I can not personally say that I have ever been impaled, but at least I now know I could be in the privacy of my own home for a mere \$249. During my exploring I got distracted by the clientele in the store, which were so unfortunately stereotypical. Men in their 50's strolling around, gold chains in their chest hair, and bad hairpieces on their heads. I thought these men didn't exist in the modern age, but life is full of surprises. I did, however, have to withhold my deep cringe when one man ambled up to the man behind the counter, and confidently asked "You don't have any of those Asian girl magazines in yet do you?" Gross dude. Gross. But what really got me as I was strolling through the aisles was the music. To really accentuate the experience was the sweet sounds of Life FM, the christian radio station. It was a juxtaposition that I truly enjoyed, even though it gave a "y'all need

jesus vibe".

The preparation for this issue has provided a lot of laughs at the Craccum office. The condom tasting (See pg. 18) was a great team building exercise and I highly recommend suggesting it at your next work meeting. Amongst the giggles there have been a few good lines that we feel deserve to be shared this week.

Top quotes from the Craccum Office this week:

"I bought lunch!" *throws boxes of flavoured condoms on the table*

"Why am I the person that is shitting on the engineers?"
- Brian, an engineer

"I blocked out the pussyeating and the tit" - Lachlan

"Fucking my own ass and pissing inside myself" - Lachlan, 20 times in 3 days

"Nothing will be more timeless than a Madeline McCann joke"

Talking about fucking Guy Williams *"He's tall but he looks likes he has low self esteem"*

"Is there any water for the tasting? Fuck, no one is taking this seriously!" - Daniel at the Condom tasting

After the shit that's happened this week in the office, I think you'll find us listening to Life FM for a while.

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Trump Diverts Funds to Build Wall

DANIEL MEECH

Donald Trump has implemented plans to divert US\$1 billion in military funds to build a wall along the border of Mexico and the United States.

The reallocation of funds was announced in a Pentagon statement which said US Defence Secretary Partick Shanahan had given the Pentagon authorisation to reallocate military funds. As a result, around US\$1 billion will be siphoned off from other military agencies to "support ... the Department of Homeland Security and Customs and Border Patrol". The statement said most of the money would be put towards the creation of 91 kilometres of 5 meter high fencing, while a smaller portion would be put towards improving roads in the area, and installing new lights.

The Pentagon's statement cites a federal law which gives the Department of Defence the authority to construct roads, fences, and other items necessary to "block drug-smuggling corridors across international boundaries of the United States in support of counter-narcotic activities of federal law enforcement agencies". The House Armed Services Committee (the group who usually oversees all budget reallocations) have expressed disappointment over the Pentagon's decision. The committee sent a letter to the Pentagon's

denying their request, but it is unclear whether it will have any legal effect. Although the Pentagon typically must bring all allocations to the committee for approval, it is believed the law cited by the Pentagon may excuse them from seeking approval in some cases.

It is likely the decision will be challenged either in court, or in Congress, where senators have already indicated they will be reviewing the laws which give Pentagon the power to reallocate funds. In a letter written to Shanahan, several senators said they "strongly object[ed] to both the substance of the funding transfer, and to the department implementing the transfer without seeking the approval of the congressional defence committees and in violation of provisions in the defence appropriation itself".

The announcement comes after Trump declared a national emergency in the middle of February. The national emergency was declared as a result of Congress' refusal to pass a bill which would allocate US\$5.7 billion to the construction of a wall between Mexico and the United States. Congress said it would not approve the measure until they had been given a budget which showed how the funds would be managed. In response, Trump declared a national emergency, which allowed him to bypass Congress' objections by invoking a series of emergency powers allowing him to reapportion funds unilaterally.

Severe Floods on West Coast

CHRISTINA HUANG

A state of emergency has been declared in the Westland District after severe flooding caused a bridge to be washed away on Tuesday.

The torrential rainfall caused major flooding from Hokitika South to Haast, resulting in the collapse of the Waiho Bridge, as well as the death of a woman just north of Hokitika. Seven people have been evacuated from their Waiatoto homes due to the rising river levels, with rainfall reaching up to 800mm in some areas.

Sixty-six year old Gloria Reardon-Hirst, a resident of Arahura Valley, was killed after being swept away by the floodwaters when attempting to cross Arahura Valley Road on foot. Her body was found on Wednesday morning by the police. Additionally, a man living near Hokitika broke his leg and had to be rescued by emergency services by boat after it was deemed too dangerous to use a helicopter.

Bruce Smith, mayor of the Westland District, says the state of emergency is due to a "raised risk of life and injury for local residents and further risk to property". Smith also says the residents are the main focus for the council, with a welfare centre being opened in the Haast Hall for displaced locals. Although the rain is expected to ease, Civil Defence is continuing to monitor river levels in the area.

According to National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research Weather (NIWA) meteorologist Ben Noll this torrential rain can be traced back to the marine heatwave in the Tasman Sea (which has raised the temperature of the ocean by several degrees), as well as the moisture from tropical cyclone Veronica in Australia.

Tourism in the area is expected to be affected for the next few weeks, with South Highway 16 remaining closed to repair the bridge, stopping traffic flow from the north. Furthermore, multiple tourists have been left stranded in Franz Josef. Glacier Country Tourism chairman Ashley Cassin says the weather has caused "pretty significant disruptions" for tourists, as well as businesses in the area. Cassin says all scenic flights and helicopter flights were grounded until the weather had cleared, which has had significant effects on the daily net profits in a region dependent on tourism.

The weather is now clearing in the West Coast and the front is expected to move up the country to the lower North Island.

Fights for Flights - Jetstar and Air New Zealand Tiff Results in Cheaper Flights

EMMA ROGERS

Jetstar and Air New Zealand have engaged in a very intense and exciting price war, with both competing to hold the title of New Zealand's cheapest regional airline.

Air New Zealand drew first blood when they sliced the prices of domestic flights to Wellington, New Plymouth, and others by up to 50%. This came after the company revealed plans to downgrade their annual profit margins. The airline justified this as partly to ensure regional routes were accessible to kiwis, and also to help bolster the domestic market. As a result, you can now nab a seat to the capital for (what Air New Zealand claims to be) the low price of \$49 each way, on selected flights leaving at non-peak hours (around midday).

Another of New Zealand's largest regional carriers Jetstar reacted to the price drop by announcing plans to lower their rates too. Jetstar flies regularly to locations such as Christchurch, Dunedin,

Napier, New Plymouth, Nelson, Palmerston North, Wellington and Queenstown. This follows the company's 'Price Beat Guarantee' - one which dares consumers to "find a lower comparable fare online" that the company can't beat by at least 10%. The company released thousands of tickets for prices as low as a mere \$29.

Since then, both airlines have plateaued with their discounts. The low fares look like they have landed for good though, which will serve as a relief to regional airline fliers, and anyone who loves a cheap air fare. This writer hopes the price reduction won't compromise the production value of Air NZ's safety videos, or worsen the already "not great™" reliability of Jetstar's customer service. If you get a high from the excitement of not knowing if your flight will actually lift off until the last minute, Jetstar has it all.

Slowly, with the help of the petrol tax, it is becoming cheaper to fly around the country rather than drive.

Victoria University Poised to Attempt Name Change Again

DANIEL MEECH

Victoria University of Wellington may attempt to change its name one more time.

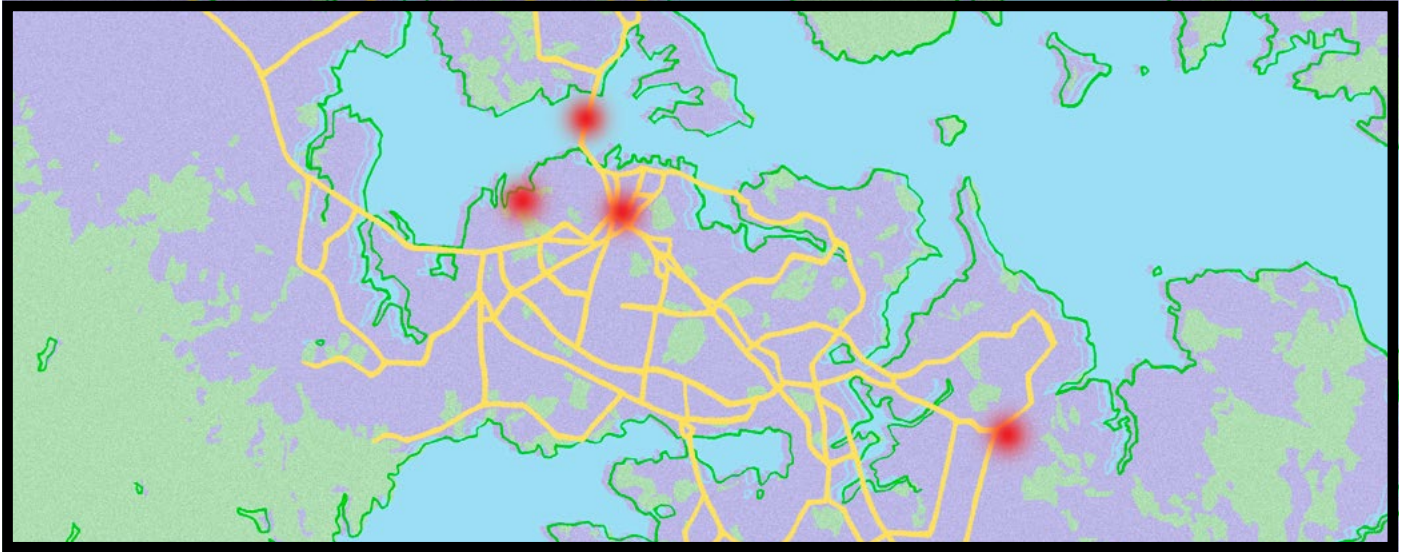
The news comes after the university's council received two legal opinions on Education Minister Chris Hipkins' December 2018 decision to veto a proposed name change. According to a spokesperson for the council, the two legal opinions - which were sought by the university following the decision, and have yet to be released to the public - both suggest the university would have legal standing to seek a judicial review of the decision. A judicial review would allow a court to consider whether Hipkins was acting within the scope of his powers when he vetoed the name change. The court could then uphold the minister's decision, or declare it unlawful. Vice-Chancellor Grant Guilford says the legal opinions both agree Mr Hipkins has "misdirected himself under the law" by failing to act "in a way that both reflects his role and accords with the law". Guilford indicated the council would now be considering whether or not to seek a judicial review of Hipkins' decision.

The opinions were sought as part of an ongoing feud between Victoria University of Wellington and the wider student and Wellington community. The feud began last year, when the university council announced they would be unilaterally changing the university's name. Shortly after announcing the decision, the university was deluged with messages from students calling on the council to rescind the proposal. The university received a petition signed by 10,000 Wel-

lingtonians, and shortly thereafter Wellington city councillors began expressing their disapproval of the proposal. Despite this, the university pressed on with the name change, filing an official recommendation to Hipkins towards the end of September. Hipkins denied the request on the basis that the university had not consulted properly with its faculty and student body. Several "stakeholders" who "should have had their views considered" had been ignored by the university, Hipkins said. The university would have to show it had listened to and engaged with these stakeholders before the name change could take place.

It was hoped the decision would encourage the university to solicit opinions from students and the wider Wellington community. Unfortunately, it appears the university council has instead chosen to dig in its heels. The university has made no attempt to solicit the opinion of the general public following the decision. Instead, in a series of closed-door meetings, the council has debated how best to attack the minister's decision on legal grounds. Speaking to RNZ, alumni and council-member Traci Houapapa said she thought certain members of the council had missed the point of Hipkins' decision. "I think that rebuilding, or attempting to regain trust and confidence with our university community would have been the smart first step [to ensure the name was changed]," Houapapa said, "not going to media".

Education Minister Chris Hipkins says he will not be providing comment while the university seeks legal action.



Auckland Developments: What's Changing?

If you've ever gone for a walk through the CBD, you'll have seen the orange cones and slender steel scaffolding which clutter the streets like litter. Auckland's ch-ch-changing - but why, and to what? Craccum summarises some of the developments we can expect in the next few years.

City Rail Link Summary

RODOLFO VILLANUEVA

Underneath Auckland's city centre exists the construction of the City Rail Link, an ambitious project that's been met with criticism and internal issues alike.

The project was signed and authorized by the Crown and the Auckland City Council to begin construction in September 2016, and is scheduled to be completed sometime in 2024. Shortly after the project was authorised, City Rail Link Limited (CRL) was created to oversee the project, operating independently of Auckland Transport. Original estimates cite a cost of \$2.4bn for the project. The rail system will be 3.45km in length and connect the Auckland city center with the preexisting Western line at Mt Eden via the Britomart Transport Center.

But what actually is the purpose of this giant underground thingy and what problem does it solve? Basically, as it stands, trains from all over Auckland arrive at the city's central station, Britomart. The issue is that Britomart is essentially a dead-end, so when trains arrive, they have to reverse back to their destinations awkwardly, as

other trains await their turn to do the same. The City Rail Link solves this problem by creating a loop around the city so that trains no longer have to stop and reverse, but instead continue their way around the city after arriving at Britomart.

As knowledge of the project grew, advocates and naysayers made their opinions known. CRL CEO Sean Sweeney spoke of the pragmatic benefits of the project, professing that it "will encourage people to leave their cars at home, easing the pressure on the roads for those who need to use them." Others, however, believe that the money spent on the project would be better utilized on roads, or building a new superhighway as a way of improving Auckland's traffic issues.

As with all projects of a colossal undertaking, the City Rail Link has had its share of hiccups. In 2016, underestimation of costs caused a blow out of \$500m, with some fearing it may climb up to \$1bn. Politician Phil Goff expressed his disappointment, saying "New Zealand taxpayers and Auckland ratepayers are owed an explanation for why local and central agencies may have underestimated the costs".

SkyPath Summary

ZACH MACLEOD

Auckland Harbour Bridge's SkyPath could start construction as soon as next year according to NZTA. If you haven't heard of the proposed SkyPath, you'll be glad to hear a walk- and cycle-way is set to be built on the Harbour Bridge.

The original concept of the SkyPath was dreamt up by the SkyPath Trust, a charitable trust whose aim is "to have a world class walking and cycling facility on the [Auckland Harbour Bridge]," and through partnership with the Government, the project seems to be quickly picking up speed.

"SkyPath is a transformational project that will give Aucklanders the freedom to walk and cycle from the Shore to the city, all while taking in an amazing view," Transport Minister Phil Twyford envisions. Whilst declining to give a completion date, the Government agreed to fully fund and build the \$67 million undertaking last August. This project is part of their \$390 million walking and cycling investment package in the 2018/21 National Land Transport Programme.

Placing a date on the SkyPath's completion would just be "making life more difficult for all the people working on the project," says Twyford. However, he assures we can expect the construction to begin "in the next few years." He also calmed fears of a toll on the SkyPath, saying "I do not expect there'll be a cost".

Cycling in Auckland is growing significantly, and Auckland's mayor Phil Goff thinks "by building the most obvious gap in the walk and cycleway network, there will be a huge incentive for more people to use active modes of transportation in the place of our reliance on cars."

So here's hoping the SkyPath will be moving forward in the next few years, placing Auckland's pristine Waitemata Harbour on display like never before, and reducing the traffic volume on the motorway like it so desperately needs.

Speedway Western Springs

GINA HOLDEN

Imagine a sweltering summer evening in Western Springs, a lakeside park that qualified as West Auckland in the late 1800s. Eels flash from beneath the water; ducks and geese mob tourists who stop to feed them, pursuing them down concrete paths and over yellowing grass like ravenous, feathered dinosaurs from Jurassic Park. An eight-year-old careens past on a bike, narrowly missing you. Nearby, a lion roars.

If you're in the vicinity of Western Springs on a Saturday night though, don't be surprised to hear a different noise: the unrivalled drone of car engines. Racing, revving, car engines have flavoured the neighbourhood air from November to March since 1929.

This is the Western Springs Speedway, where the cars are small and the pile-ups are not. Concrete steps ring the track like a petroleum-fuelled amphitheatre. No one sits on the bends in the track. Like how ocean rips conceal themselves in still waters, sitting on an empty corner seems like a good idea - until the first cars spray you with needles of projectile mud, and you learn better.

The Speedway has received a new lease on life: the 15th of March was due to be the club's last meeting, after Regional Facilities Auckland chose not to renew the lease for Springs Promotion's speedway racing. But, following a petition on change.org that ran up over 35,000 signatures in protest, the lease has been temporarily extended for another 12 months. Plans to move the Speedway from its historic venue of 90 years to Colin Dale Park in South Auckland are still underway. The plan is to construct a cricket stadium (seating

at least 18,000 people) in its place - a bold three kilometers from the existing Eden Park. In the meantime, the lease extension has granted a temporary reprieve - it gives time for the new venue to be converted into a befitting race-ground, or further protests for the Speedway to be held in Western Springs, next to the park and Auckland Zoo.

In November, the revving engines will return. In the far distance, they can be mistaken for the Tardis, which makes Speedway justifiably better than a cricket pitch any time of the year.

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Plans to move the Speedway from its historic venue of 90 years to Colin Dale Park in South Auckland are still underway.

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Botany Town Centre Building Development

SHEUK-YEENG TAN

One of the most iconic places in East Auckland is now going to be even better. Botany Town Centre, originally opened in 2001, will soon be developing and making further expansions to the growing shopping town centre. The floor area is increasing from just over 58,000 square meters to 62,700 square meters.

AMP have announced that they will be investing \$78 million into the expansion project, bringing in more international retailers as well as national retailers to create a premium shopping experience for Aucklanders. This upgrade is expected to attract more growth to the area, aligning with the already growing number of residents in Flat Bush.

The Botany Town Centre development project will be overseen by AMP Capital Shopping Centre, the specialist retail division, that currently has over A\$10 billion assets under management.

These new changes include more shops, leisure, entertainment, and (of course) more food and beverages. These retailers include Swedish fashion retailer H&M, Australian beauty Mecca Maxima, Starbucks, Gong Cha, Decjuba, Platypus Shoes, Postie +, The Cosmetic Clinic and Stewart Dawsons.



The first area under development is the row of shops that have closed down between New World and the fountains leading into the food court. It will be upgraded into 'Garden Lane' that allows a botanical and floral environment, with a sunroof to create a more welcoming and bright ambience.

A 'Market Square', just in front of New World supermarket, will be filled with food trucks, kiosks and other food stations as well as an event space. There will be a skylight and a sunshade in the entrance towards the Market Square, with an automatic door that helps to control the temperature inside.

The Pavilion, formerly named 'The Conservatory', will also be upgraded, and will soon welcome Auckland's third H&M clothing retail store. There will also be approximately 63 new car parks within this vicinity.



The investment into the building development for Botany Town Centre will bring more confidence to the centre, provide a more valuable shopping experience for customers, and create a more lively and welcoming environment for shoppers.

The architectural design will see a unique, floral-inspired aesthetic that provides a weather-proof shelter to increase the quality of the experience and lifestyle of shoppers in East Auckland.

The target for completion is expected to be by the end of May 2019, according to AMP.



HEARSAY! (News with less of those boring 'facts')

Mel B Gets Face Deep in Geri's Zigazig-ah

LACHLAN MITCHELL

In what is some of the best possible promo for the Spice Girl upcoming reunion tour and the book deal about her divorce, Mel B a.k.a Scary Spice has admitted that yes, the rumours about her and Geri Halliwell a.k.a Ginger Spice were true.

Yes, while the Spice Girls were advocating for female unity and girl power in their infectious hits, Ginger Spice was dropping her panties and letting Scary Spice getting deep in that auburn poontang. In an interview with known worm-brained shit-breathed flea factory Piers Morgan, Mel B admitted to the beautiful revelations with 'a slight shyness', before gathering herself and wholeheartedly admitting to the tryst. While she had always heard the media rumours about their respective warming of the love muffins, this was the first time that she had confirmed or denied that the respective twat-tickling had happened.

Immediately, Piers wanted to know more. Licking his Cretaceous-period scaly, crusted lips, he asked her to elaborate. "Yeah,"

she smiled, and with a growing smirk "Geri and I were licking each other's muffs! Sometimes you just find a lass that treats you right and, well, I had just gotten the tongue piercing... so I was ready for a lot of things." Mel B sipped her cup of water and stifled a giggle. "Yeah, I taste-tested that punani." Piers Morgan was barely able to keep his translucent two-inch dick in his pants during the discussion, but admirably, Mel B just kept on going. "Oh, I hope she's not mad. She's living in a country house with a husband and I've probably embarrassed her for life! But c'est la vie. Her snatch tasted like a lemon meringue and I'm proud to let the world know that. Girl power, mate."

After the interview, Mel B immediately called up Geri on her phone and alerted her to the story that was about to hit the airwaves. "Geriiiiii, girllll, warn your husband. They know the cooter crunching. I told them. Sorry!!!!!!"

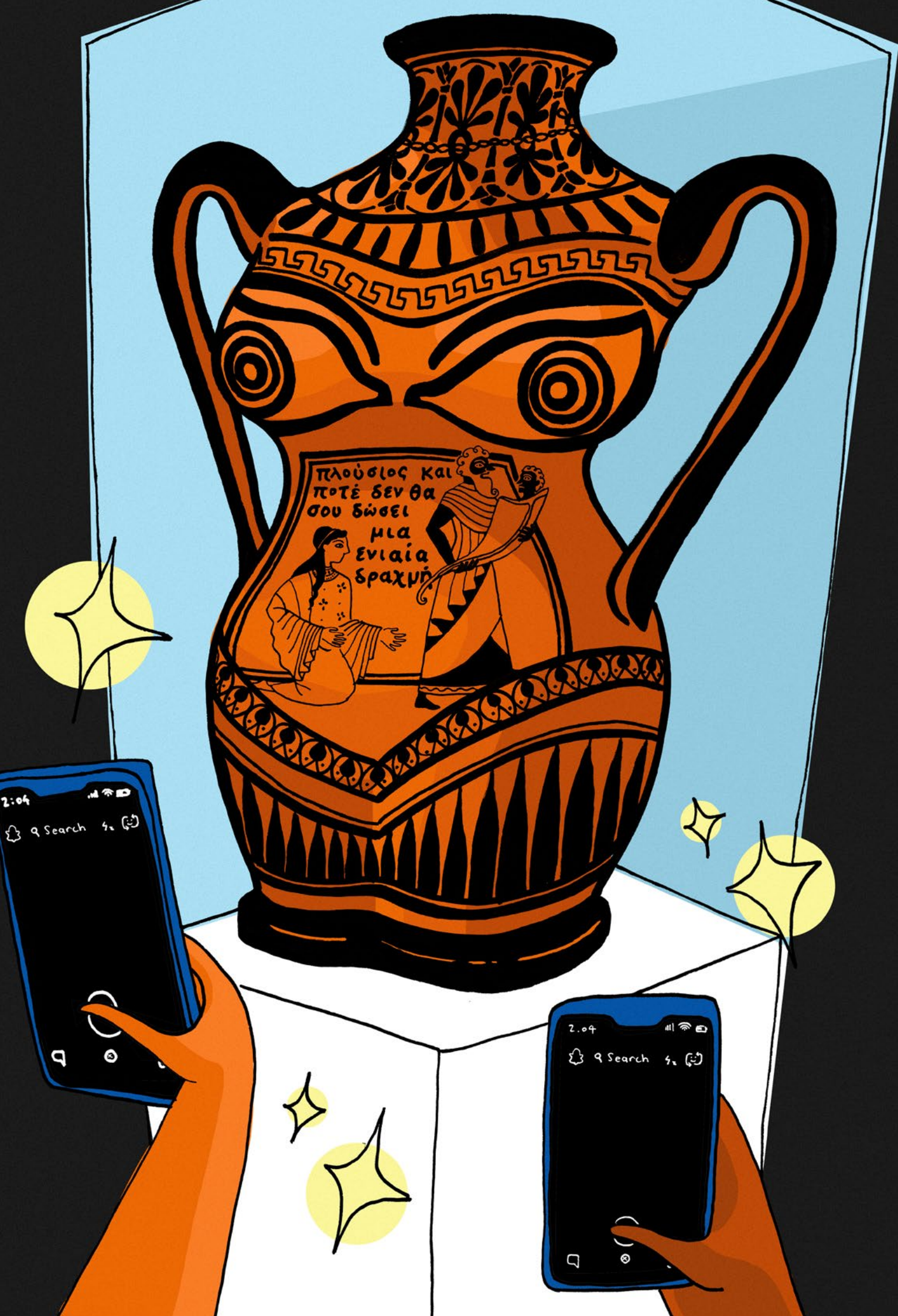
The Spice Girls commence their reunion tour on May 24th in Dublin this year.

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Selling Cyber Sex

By BAILLEY VERRY

Long gone are the days of going to your local sex store and picking out your next porno VHS or explicit nudie mag. The internet has revolutionized consumers' relationship with porn, with a quick google search showing thousands of readily available videos and photos with a variety of compromising positions. However access to porn is not the only thing that has changed.

The creation of porn is now vastly different. Amateur porn is now easier than ever to create and distribute with iPhones, webcams and dedicated websites. Many have turned to creating their own pornography as a source of income. I interviewed three students that have sold their own sexual content.

Sasha* has been a Sugar Baby for about a year, with the idea starting as a conversation between friends. Sasha decided to check it out for herself using infamous website Seeking Arrangement to connect her with clients. "Normally I only message or text Sugar Daddies and send them nudes of myself in exchange for money," she says, "It really is emotional labour that's the main part of this". Sasha stresses that although there is a sexual component, it goes beyond that for her clients "I talk with Sugar Daddies - ask them about their lives, how their days are going. They basically are looking for companionship."

Kitty* has been involved in cyber sex for 4 years. When I ask what she sells, she tells me "a bit of everything". Inspired by a documentary about women selling their underwear online, she thought it would be easy money to begin with, but found that wasn't quite the case, "The traffic to the site was slow and customers weren't always reliable. Luckily, I discovered another website with more members actively looking for a variety of services." Kitty doesn't disclose which platforms she uses, but does mention that she talks with her clients about what they are looking for so she can provide personalized content to their tastes.

KingOfDisaster* was a webcam performer on the platform Chaturbate for two months. He was looking for a little adventure when he began university: "I was in a residential hall so had that naughty college kid vibe going," so decided to try webcamming. Like Kitty, he thought it would be easy money but soon realised the pay was less than he expected: "after calculating I was making around \$50 an hour but not worth the insecurity it put me through."

ILLUSTRATION BY DAPHNE ZHENG

Each student had a different method of receiving their payments. Sasha uses direct debit or paypal in her transactions, because of how quickly she receives her payments. Kitty warns against using paypal as it gives your name and address when a client sends money, which is a danger when trying to work anonymously. She recommends Circle if it is available in the clients country, as it is quick and doesn't give out details. KingOfDisaster set up a bank account through a proxy, which would then be used to transfer money to his New Zealand bank account.

None of the students have sexual contact with their clients, although have met some in person. Sasha has met a few sugar daddies in person but only platonically, to continue the personal connection. She does mention that she had to cut off one after they began asking for sex: "I'm not interested in having sex for money." KingOfDisaster almost met one in person, but it involved being flown out to New York City, and decided against it at the last minute. Kitty however, is decidedly not interested in meeting any of her clients "Don't get me wrong, I have made some friends since working in the cyber sex world but I wouldn't like to mix my online life with my offline life".

In putting themselves out there on the internet, I wonder if privacy is issue for the students.

Privacy is huge concern for KingOfDisaster "I am extremely worried about privacy. The degree I'm in would mean instant black-balling. I knew people could screenrecord and upload to other sites. Sometimes I would have upwards of 2k people viewing me so it's probably on a porn site somewhere unfortunately. Maybe not".

Kitty is also concerned but slightly more resigned, "There's always a chance that a buyer might decide to share one of my images or videos with someone else or upload it to a website. I try to do as much as I can regarding privacy but, unfortunately, I don't think achieving 100% privacy online is possible".

Sasha on the other hand, doesn't share the same concerns. "Normally the photos I send have my face covered by my phone, I just try to make it about the body and the right angle and lighting". But when it comes to the internet it is also important to distinguish between privacy and safety. While the internet may give a feel of anonymity, it does not mean it is always safe. Kitty says that she doesn't really feel safe but accepts that it is part of the industry that she works in. Sasha is more on the fence. Although she finds her work empowering, she doesn't like to think too much about the aspect of selling her body. KingOfDisaster makes note of the objectifying nature of selling cyber sex "you're treated as a commodity by customers and the company" meaning you and your images can be traded like one.

Being treated as a commodity has long been an issue in traditional porn. It has long been critiqued that it is dehumanizing and degrading to performers. But our performers dictate their own content on their own terms, so do those critiques really apply to the new generation of user generated porn? Sasha tells me, "selling sex can also be extremely degrading. You just have to know your own morals, how you feel about certain things." Kitty has her own view, encouraged by the control that she has over the autonomy of her body and income. "I'm participating in pornography because I want

to. It was my choice to enter this world and I've never felt degraded once. Cyber sex has empowered me and allowed me to have my own business where I set the rules."

But selling cyber sex is not perfect. When asking about negative experiences I get a bit of a range. For Sasha a negative experience is when clients start asking for sex, which is disrespecting the boundaries she has put on place. KingOfDisaster has had threats of exposing him to his family, with his IP address used as hard to dispute evidence. But the most worrying one was mentioned by Kitty, "a major negative experience would be the time when a customer flew to New Zealand and practically stalked me!"

The stigma in selling cyber sex is still as present as being involved in traditional porn. The students told a few people in their lives but largely it was very personal to them. Kitty mentions that "only my partner knows. Not everyone is understanding about this type of work and even if people say they are, I still think there's a lot of deep-seated stigma present." Sasha admits that she actually told her mum about it, which honestly surprised me. "She thought it was insanity (laughs), it's like a different world for them." She also mentions that she doesn't talk about it a lot. Sasha, like Kitty, found some people were less approving than others. "I think it's because some people don't understand it." And I think she is right. Both Sasha and Kitty find using their sexuality to make money empowering; essentially taking back control over the male gaze and monetizing it. But the risk of image sharing in the digital age is a limiting factor for many.

Ultimately I wonder if those who have experience in cyber sex would recommend it. From KingOfDisasters it is a flat out no: the unforeseeable risks do not make it worth it to him. Kitty says yes, but also points out that it can have consequences: "Yes, cyber sex has its benefits in terms of flexibility and working from home. However, you are always putting your privacy and safety at risk and I don't think it's worth it if you're only doing it just to make 'easy' money". But the most interesting response came from Sasha: "I think it really depends on who you are as a person and how well you are able to handle things. I think you do need a lot of emotional intelligence and stability."

Emotional stability isn't synonymous with pornography, but makes sense considering the vulnerability that is involved with selling sexual images of yourself. From what I can gather, the comfort with selling cyber sex has a lot to do with client base. Like any business it relies on the mutual trust of business and client. For the women that spoke to me, they rely on the relationships that they create with their clients to not release their material. I suppose that part of the service is getting porn bespoke to you, so perhaps there would be less satisfaction in having to share it with others, losing the connection to it. For the man that spoke to me, the depersonalized nature seemed to give him a more negative experience comparatively. At the end of the day whether you agree with their choices or not, there are still people on the other end of the lens that deserve respect. Chances are you have watched someone just like them, who are just trying to make a little money on the side.

*names changed to protect privacy

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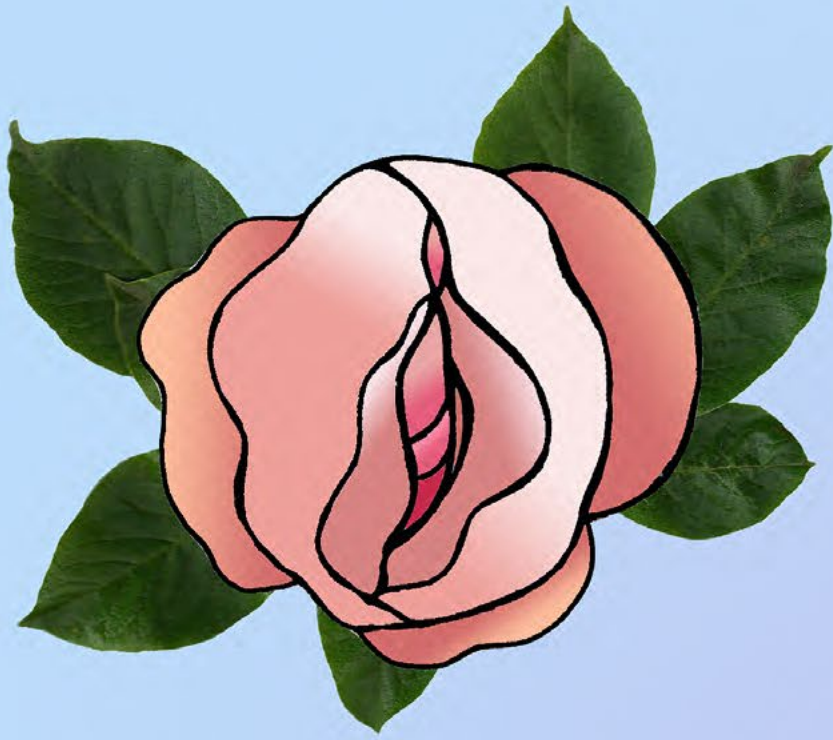
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How / Where Should You Fuck?

BY THE CRACCUM EDITORIAL TEAM & SPECIAL GUESTS

The Craccum Editorial Team assembled on one very fortunate afternoon with some very special guests to discuss various sex positions and situations. Our sex positions are taken mostly from the Wikipedia page 'sex position', which includes some lovely illustrations for our readers. Our editorial team would like to note that these opinions are purely our own. You might strongly disagree with us and find our least favourite positions highly enjoyable, and that is fine. You are probably more flexible, more fun and more capable than we are, and for that we salute you.

#15: Ekiben Position

Also known as "guy stands up and holds woman while they fuck" - this position looks fucking impossible. It involves an intense amount of arm strength, and unless you're fucking The Rock or Chris Hemsworth, this is not gonna be a great time. Huge respect to porn stars who pull this mad amount of manoeuvring off. Ultimately, our panel decided this would not be a great time, and those who had attempted it didn't enjoy it.

#14: The Piledriver

The piledriver looks hugely uncomfortable, and as though it would likely lead to some major neck strain. None of our panellists had attempted the piledriver, and no one seemed particularly keen to. We imagine that it could leave you with mad

blood rush and dizziness. If any readers would like to correct us with their positive experiences with the piledriver, please contact us at features@craccum.co.nz. We are expecting no emails.

#13: Amphibian

Like a 69 but at 90 degrees, we figured this move was largely unnecessary. Unless you've got some super flexibility and a fetish for making things more difficult for yourself, there is very little point in this - just stick to 69ing the normal way.

#12: The Wheelbarrow

This looks like it requires some core strength, which isn't the point of sex really. It generally doesn't look fun and we imagine it could become bad quite quickly.

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#11: Scissoring

Scissoring, according to our expert panelist, is a myth – it simply doesn't work. It was described as awkward because of how you are staring into each other's eyes, knowing that you are perpetuating the male gaze. There are so many other things you could do. Scissoring is just not quite cutting it.

#10: Viennese Oyster

Fucking hell – what a position. #crampalert. Many of our female panellists were uncomfortable at the idea of this position, and felt there was a level of flexibility required for this position that would be hard. One panellist questioned why folding up and looking kind of like a crab was a comfortable position? The jury is out.

#9 The T Square

This position looks significantly less intimate than side-on fucking, however also creates a lovely capital T shape. The best sex positions are the ones that make letters. T is for T square, but that's not at all good enough for me. Our panel agreed it might look fine, but lacked the personal experience to make a judgement call other than a hearty 9th place.

#8 69

Everyone's favourite number was our 8th favourite sex position. A position that just feels like Christmas, requires both giving and receiving. It can be okay, it can be super awkward – how do you decide if you go top and bottom or side on? If there's a height difference does someone have to put their booty at an acute angle? We aren't sure about all the multitasking, but ultimately we're down with 69ing.

#7 Reverse Cowperson

We don't care if you're a cowgirl or cowboy, but riding backwards isn't the best experience, and one panellist noted this position is the most common for people to strain their banjo string (break their dick). Our panel noted this position is great however for the person giving – they get a view of the booty – and the person receiving – who is able to do other things too – because ultimately, sometimes you want to watch Al Jazeera

while you fuck.

#6 Equal – Car Sex and Shower Sex

We know that these aren't positions but they are their own category and we don't care that much about consistency so...

We couldn't really decide which was better. Car sex is its own vibe – it's cramped. It's the sort of thing you do when you're a teen and you're not out to your parents. One panellist vibed the nice possible scenic aspects of where you could park your car. Another panellist wanted to remind Craccum readers to not have car sex while roadtripping, as the smell of sex lingers. Car sex is rated highly for its convenience, and also for the fact that if you can't wait till you're home (and you are able to do it at home), then you must be really horny and the booty must be worth it.

Shower sex, meanwhile, had its own pros and cons. Whilst it can be difficult, soapy and the risk of slipping is high, the efficiency, lack of clean up and the sexiness of it outweighed its negatives. If you have a shower seat in your shower like an old person, then that can also spice up the possibilities. Shower sex is a winner for some, a loser for others.

#4 Spoons

Wikipedia liked to refer to this position as 'spoons' but you might know it better as 'fucking side by side'. Our panel were big fans of this position, associating it with true love and morning sex. Some members of the panel didn't quite get this and one in particular noted it was a boring position. Nevertheless, the 'cuteness' of this position earned it a rightful #4.

#3 Cowperson

Again, cowgirl or cowboy, you do you. This position allows the easiest access to snacks and water, and hydration is key during any sex you have. This position can be quite fun and can hit that spot just right. Cowperson is fun.

#2 Missionary

There's a reason that everyone orders butter chicken at Indian restaurants – it's because

it's good. And just like butter chicken, missionary is good. We get it's basic, we get it's a bit Christian, but it works. Our panel noted that it's not interesting and they'd much rather be fucked sideways or bent over something but there are much worse positions to be in than missionary. It works, it isn't difficult – missionary is here to stay.

#1 Doggy Style

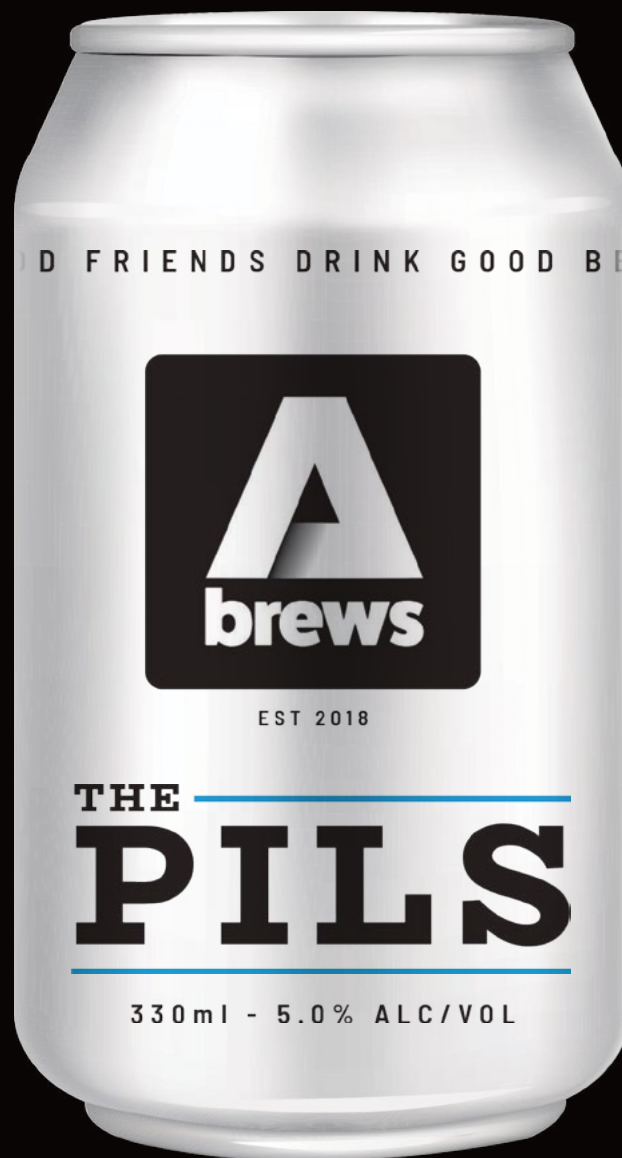
It's a firm panel favourite: it's great, it's raunchy, there isn't an inane amount of eye contact, and it works. The panel were overwhelmingly big fans of Doggy Style.

Honourable Mention: Threesomes

Not technically a position but worth noting. This couldn't be peer reviewed as only one panellist had entered a ménage à trois, however they can assure you it was fucking awesome.

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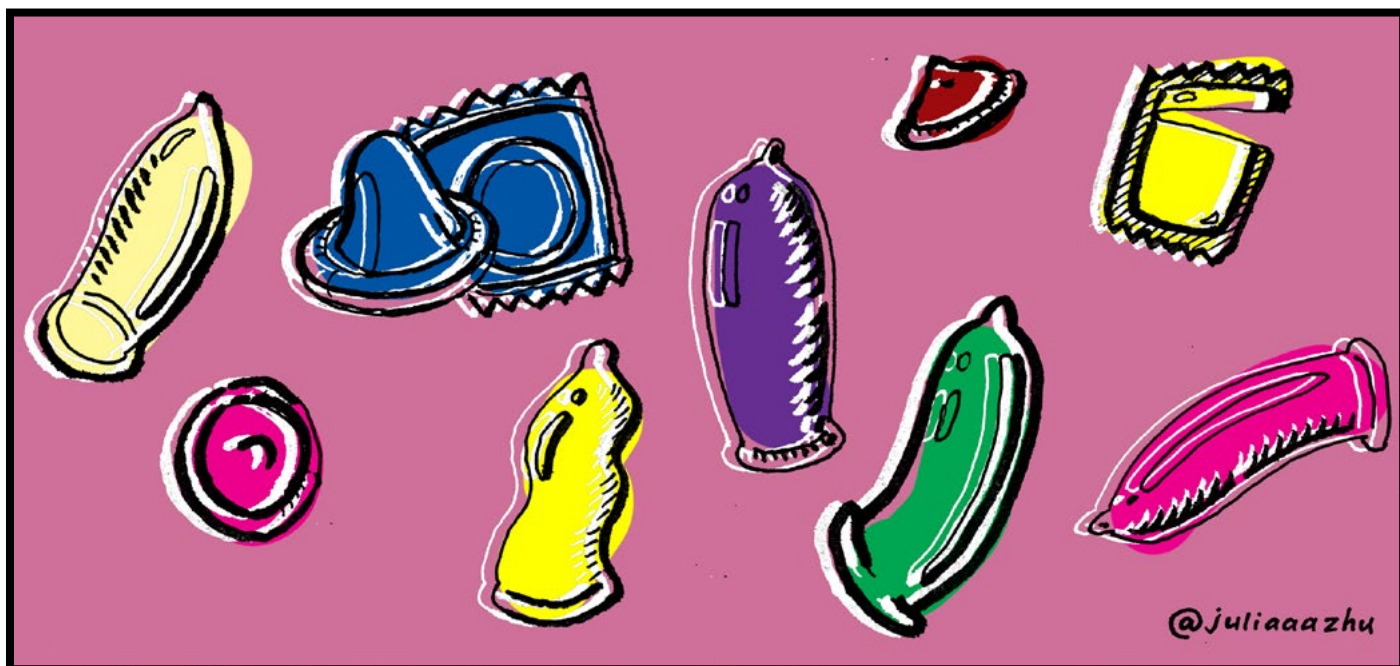


A Pilsner with character – Japanese inspired with a hint of Motueka to finish. Perfect for any time of the day but as you would expect, we recommend during AUSA Sessions.

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Craccum Taste Tests Flavoured Condoms

CRACCUM EDITORIAL TEAM + SPECIAL GUEST

Flavoured Condoms: like regular condoms but with a taste. Flavoured condoms are designed to spice up oral sex by adding flavor while also promoting safe oral sex practices. You have many options for flavours for when you get tired of the taste of dick. Try Chocolate, Strawberry, Cola, Bubblegum, Grape or Banana. Alternatively, if you want the mild taste of something without any of the calories, suck on a flavoured condom instead.

Grape

Grape tasted a bit fucked. No one on the team had any positive comments about this one. In particular, noting the taste of petrol of vinegar, which is not at all what grape should taste like. We wouldn't recommend this flavor at all. It tasted worse than a regular condom which, yes we did taste test further down.

Quotes:

"It's Fucked" – Cameron
"Dip your dick in Diesel for the same effect" – Daniel

"This tastes like Chlamydia" – Lachlan
"Tastes like it's already been on a dick" – Claudia

Taste Comment: Petroleum

Cola

Cola smelt delicious – like coke bottle lollies. It was also the only non-coloured condom Intriguingly. It did however lack a strong taste and we thought it a poor substitute for real coca cola. We do not think that this product was approved by the Coca Cola Company.

Quotes:

"It tastes like ectoplasm" – Lachlan
"What is ectoplasm" – Cameron
"Ghost Cum" – Bailley

Taste Comment: Muted. Not Quite Cola

Bubblegum

Yeah bubblegum was good. It definitely wasn't Hubba Bubba however but for a flavoured condom, we thought highly of it. Please do not chew this like regular bubblegum though.

Quotes:

"I believe Britney would approve of this one"
– Lachlan

Taste Comment: Bubblecum

Strawberry

Very sweet tasting but the texture of it really put our testers off. The texture was bad. Like rough. The taste however was not bad with the taste of a red fruit burst being pretty prominent. Taste approved but the texture let Strawberry down unfortunately.

Quotes:

"Too much texture" – Claudia

Taste Comment: You like fruit bursts don't you?

Banana

Banana was an aptly flavoured condom however it got a mixed reception from the team. Although the taste rated highly – because it tasted like a Banana Fruit Burst – it was slightly acidic and one tester then struggled with the amount of lube on it which left a

bad taste in their mouth for a long time.

Quote:

"No amount of water can wash away this flavor" – Brian

"I'm a fan of fruit bursts already so this is great" – Sherry

Taste Comment: Lacking in potassium

Chocolate

Some of our editorial team were craving a chocolate fix when we tasted these condoms so this condom was highly appealing. Unfortunately, like in most instances, this flavoured condom was a not a good substitute for food product. There was also discussion about whether dick and dairy is a good combo but nevertheless, chocolate wasn't awful. Whittaker's is kiwi made, and much more delicious, but this flavoured condom was okay.

Quote:

"Smells like chocolate milk" – Bailley

"Will leave you wanting actual chocolate" – Bailley

"What's the RDI for this? Where is the calorie information?" – Cameron

Taste Comment: Just buy a chocolate bar.

Durex Extra Safe

All scientific experiments require a control and so we made Daniel taste a regular durex extra safe condom so he could tell us how it compared. It rated higher than grape by all counts.

Quotes:

"Tastes Normal"

Taste Comment: Safe and standard.

Overall, Flavoured condoms are great for encouraging tasty, safe, oral sex. However, they are poor food substitutes, non-surprisingly. We would definitely encourage anyone to try flavoured condoms for themselves. The best way to have sex ultimately is safely.

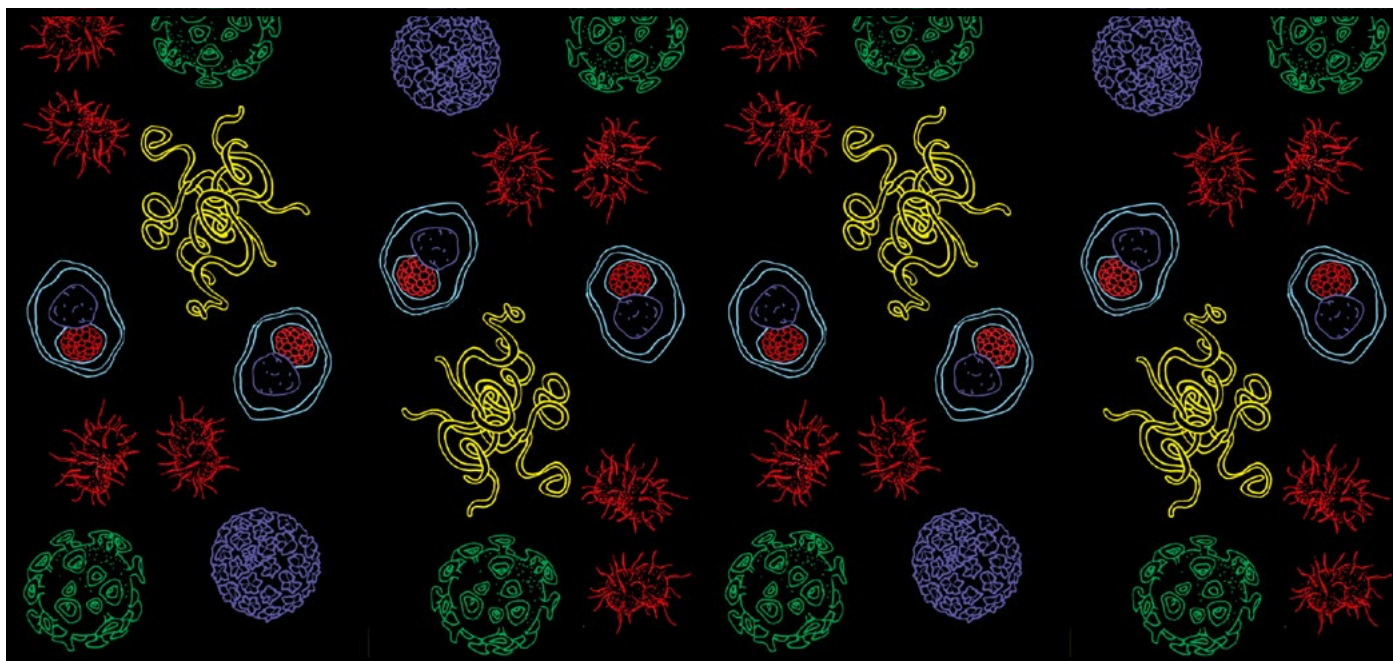
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You probably have an STI

CAMERON LEAKEY

Okay, I should rephrase that; you 'could have' an STI. But seriously, sexually transmitted infections (STIs) are something that you should be concerned about. Regardless of how many people you've had hooked up, if you use condoms or if you have no symptoms, you should be getting tested for STIs. For Sex Week 2019, Craccum gives you a quick low down on all things STI

What is an STI?

A STI, or Sexually Transmitted Infection, is an infection that is spread by sexual contact. These infections can be spread by oral, vaginal or anal sex. If you are sexually active, you are at risk of an STI; this risk just varies on your number of sex partners, your sexual practices and if you use safe sex measures.

Who has an STI?

A lot of people do. STIs are incredibly common. Sometimes a stigma exists around having an STI but people can get them regardless of how many partners they've had or how they've had sex so there is no need for any judgment.

They are also very common for young people – those under 25 are at the highest risk of getting an STI. Chlamydia is the most

common STI in New Zealand followed by Genital Warts. You should assume that any new sexual partner you have could have an STI.

What STIs should I be concerned about?

There are a range of STIs that can be of concern, in particular:

Chlamydia
Gonorrhea
Genital Warts
Genital herpes
Trichomoniasis
Syphilis
Hepatitis
HIV
Public Lice
Scabies

Family Planning have a comprehensive range of information on their website or you could book an appointment with a Sexual Health Nurse to discuss what STIs you may be at risk for.

What symptoms could I have?

There are many symptoms you could have, but in general, if you have been sexually active and there are symptoms down there that concern you then you should speak to a Health Professional. Otherwise, some STI symptoms are:

Vaginal Discharge
Penile Discharge
Pain during urination
Pain during sex
Bleeding
Small flat lumps on the genitals

Painful blisters/ulcers/sores

Itch

Rash

Many STIs can have no symptoms at all, meaning you wouldn't know you have an infection. This is why regular testing is important – you could find out that you've caught something and had no idea.

How can I prevent an STI?

The most comprehensive way to prevent STIs is to use a condom. Ideally for all types of sexual contact but specifically for Vaginal and Anal sex. There are guides on Love Your Condom and Family Planning on how to correctly put on a condom. Make sure to use lube and to also leave room at the tip for ejaculate.

Men-who-have-sex-with-men can consider medication called PrEP that is taken daily to prevent HIV infection.

Getting tested regularly can reassure you that you have been checked and do not have an STI, limiting the ability you have to spread the STI if you have it.

To prevent genital warts, the HPV vaccination is important and funded for all young men and women.

Where can I get tested?

Family Planning are your experts for all things sexual health however have a long wait time for appointments. The drop in clinic is available but requires you to be waiting usually 1 hour or more early.

University Health and Counseling offer sexual health testing as part of their services and are conveniently located on campus.

Your local GP clinic will also offer sexual health services. If you are under 25 ask if they have discount for sexual health appointments, some medical practices do.

When should I get tested?

You should be tested regularly if you have many new sexual partners. Annually at a minimum, more often if you're a bit hit or miss at using condoms. Queer men should consider getting tested every 3-6 months depending on their sexual practices.

If you are entering a new, monogamous relationship, firstly good on you, secondly, you both could get tested as you become monogamous to confirm you both do not have an STI

If I test positive do I need to tell my sexual partners?

Yes. Your embarrassment is completely unnecessary and most people will appreciate the honesty. If a sexual partner doesn't know they have an STI they could spread it further. It is not the most pleasant conversation but it happens.

My previous sexual partner has tested positive for an STI but I have no symptoms, should I get tested?

Yes, to be certain that you are not infected.

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THE BEST FUCKING FANTASY: GROUP, BIG DICKS, SPUNK, BARE, GANG... NAME IT | LUCY MERKIN

7.25/10: *Automatic, supersonic, hypnotic, fuck me fresh*

Well this one has absolutely no plot whatsoever. We begin with a man giving a blowjob, shot at a very low angle, it makes the audience feel small and vulnerable. What a great way to start this journey!

The setting of this film is a house, with a bunch of young men in it, taking part in what appears to be an orgy. I cannot tell how many people are in this orgy due to the complete lack of diversity in casting (young white dudes in snap-backs) and poor camera work. As I am writing this, the camera just cut to a POV shot of four dudes performing bukakke on another, central, dude. There we have it, at least 5.

The themes of vulnerability carry throughout the film, with "spunk" landing on the camera lens at one point, making me really feel like I was there, really wanting to wipe cum out of my lashes. The fact that these men all took turns bottoming and being vulnerable with each other shows me just how far we've come as society. I wish we could all be bottoms and open ourselves up for new experiences and worldviews.

All in all, a thrilling piece that made me feel as if I were really part of this orgy. However, I heard the exact phrase "Oh fuck, I'm gonna come" far too many times. Can we get more original? Please?



BIG BOOB BRITISH REBECCA MOORE HOT FUCK | SAN DE TAINTE

10/10: *An outstanding classic*

Rebecca Moore, famously known by as 'the Cock Destroyer' is a British treasure. She has these huge 35F cup boobs that don't individually move, huge red lips and the filthiest mouth you've ever heard. I've reviewed what I can only assume is one her classics, the aptly named *Big Boob British Rebecca Moore Hot Fuck*. Now I should clarify I don't watch a lot of Rebecca Moore videos. In fact, I don't watch them at all. As a friend of Dorothy's, these videos don't tend to be my chosen category on Pornhub. Nevertheless, she persisted. And so did I. *Big Boob British Rebecca Moore Hot Fuck* (BBBRMHF) delivers on exactly what it offers. There are big boobs, there are British accents and I can only assume this is a hot fuck. The premise? Her male co-star is a psychic/detective/I-have-no-idea and this lends to the brilliant lines at the beginning of the clip "I must clear my thoughts... focus all my mental deduction on this one special case" as Rebecca Moore immediately starts giving him head. The video just gets better following this and after 19 minutes of very standard sucking and fucking, the psychic/detective unloads the money shot. Then, as Rebecca Moore walks off camera, her male co-star calls out that he'd like two sugars in his tea. Way to completely reinforce the patriarchy. BBBRMHF is an absolute british classic, if you only see one porno this year, this is it.



FUCKING MY OWN ASS AND PISSING INSIDE MYSELF | DUSTY MUFF

9/10: *Hole new stretch of the imagination*

Camilo Brown's latest artistic endeavour is an avant-garde piece that speaks to the auteur theory of film - allowing an artist to have an unconquerable personal voice in their media is what creates great works to the medium. When you have a director with such an uncompromising vision like *Fucking My Own Ass And Pissing Inside Myself*, it defies the very idea of criticism. When Brown starts off the piece, we are treated to the in-media res shot of his dick tucked firmly inside his tight little hole. We don't know how his dick got in there and we don't find the answer of why he's smashing his own cheeks, the point is that he *can*. The motif of running water, a common thread in Brown's other works, makes yet another appearance in *FMOAAPIM*: just when you think that his rosebud couldn't have been spread any further, and just when you think he's gone far enough in personal discovery, he outdoes himself by pissing all over his dirty body and cleaning out the cum from his ravaged hole. The viewer is not meant to understand why he is doing this - it is not clear whether Camilo Brown means these actions as an ode to independence and self-maintained purity, or whether his bulging nutsack covered in his own yellow piss is meant to evoke something deeper within ourselves. Nonetheless, his artistic vision has won out and we are just audience to his genius.



LEMON STEALING WHORE | BUSTER NUTT

10/10: *No sourpusses here*

Okay kids, this one's for anyone, like me, who's ever looked at sex and thought: "Man, this could use more lemon." The premise for this short film is that there is a couple who own a lemon tree and a whore that is stealing their lemons. Being a bit of a Citrus Slut myself I wanted to see how zesty this got; I was not disappointed.

As far as pornographic content goes, this one seemed rather violent - it was about punishing a lemon whore for her crimes, after all. Despite the cinematography looking like it had been filmed on a Motorola RAZR, I could still make out that the "whore" didn't look like she was enjoying much of this tomfoolery until about 6 minutes in where she had a dick AND a lemon in her mouth at the same time. I mean, who wouldn't smile at that?

She spouts some great one-liners such as: "Fuck the Lemon Juice out of her.", "I need you to make her come on the lemon." and "Save the lemon, she doesn't deserve it."

Lemon content takes a backseat at around 16 minutes, which I felt really deflated the film. However I did let out a cheer when the lemon made a return at 32 minutes, with the man saying to the lemon whore: "You can have that one". Overall, this was one of the more pleasurable half hours of my life. Lemon really does make everything better. I'll sign off with a quote: "Everything tastes like lemon."



NOT THE WIZARD OF OZ XXX | ROSE BUDDINGTON

8/10: *New definition for 'friend of Dorothy'*

L. Frank Baum's *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* has had many adaptations over the years, and while they all occupy some place in the public consciousness, only this addition to the *Oz* canon can truly be said to achieve a uniqueness that Baum had wanted all along. In this feature length legally distinct adaptation of the famous 1939 movie classic, it follows mostly the same aesthetic and story cues that we're all familiar with, but with some surprise additions that really flesh out the motivations for the characters we thought we were familiar with. Filthy slutbag Dorothy Gale sheds the Judy Garland cutesiness of the original movie, and when she's getting split like a roasted pig, we really come to understand the character further. The addition of Aunt Em getting on her knees and sucking the living shit out of Uncle Henry's giant cock provides renewed plot interest for the sepia tone sections of the film. But amazingly, the film manages to keep the musical heart of the 1939 edition intact - while they are not the same songs, they will be sure to go down as quotable classics, nonetheless. The Cowardly Lion's song must be seen to be believed. Overall, it's a feature-length movie that outstrips the classic in every way - if you want to get your Tin Man oiled, this is the art that will achieve that.



LITERARY REVIEW: ASSGARD | PENNY PUPUSA

3/10: *Plot holes amongst the other holes*

archiveofourown.org has been a successful competitor to fanfiction.net as the years have gone by, due to A000 not shying away from sexual content and embracing the true nature of fanfiction as a sexual medium. Unfortunately, *Assgard* by user imwithtony has not fulfilled the promise set up by other prominent stories on A000, including one with Hulk fingering the living fuck out of Tony Stark which I could not review due to, well, Tony not surviving it. *Assgard* takes place on Asgard during Peter Parker's 21st birthday, and without literally any hesitation, the author is throwing Peter Parker onto Thor's massively erect dick and giving Peter his own taste of Mjolnir as a birthday present. And yet, despite the fingering, the (plot) hole seems unsatisfactory. There is no attempt to set up any prior context, any reasoning, any plot motivation for why Peter and Thor are now writhing on the golden floors of Asgard. While the story does have attempts at standing out from its peers, namely the final scene in which Peter Parker ingests Thor's cum with an unrestrained smile on his face, it does not go far enough into why Thor and Peter are at such a stage in their lives. Does Natalie Portman know about this? Is Peter out to Marisa Tomei yet? I have many questions, and I just don't think imwithtony has the answers I need.



The Playing with Yourself Playlist

CAMERON LEAKEY

Wanking, jacking off, the taco handshake, celebrating Palm Sunday, consulting with Doctor Jack-off or having a Girl's Night In. However you say it, everybody masturbates. It's no wonder that so many artists have turned to their music to describe the time they touched themselves. I've rated the top ten songs about masturbation, in no particular order:

Motherlove – Bea Miller

"I'd rather lay in bed and Motherlove myself"

Bea Miller is sick of men having all the fun, throwing off the disappointing two-minute hookups – she'd rather just do it better herself.

Body Of My Own – Charli XCX

"I don't need you. My touch is better. I'm rolling much harder"

Charli XCX goes in hard on this track. Rejecting her love, finding solace in herself,

nothing screams bodily autonomy than touching yourself.

Dancing With Myself – Billy Idol

"But your empty eyes seem to pass me by and leave me dancin' with myself"

Idol himself has proclaimed that this song is not about being lonely and having a wank but... there are just too many signs for that not to be the case. Please tell me more about those 'love vibrations' aye Billy. He's just dancing with himself in the club, defi-

nitely not touching himself.

U + Ur Hand – Pink

"It's just you and your hand tonight"

Pink (or is it P!nk?) has always vibed her own self-independence, but this song is a savage rebuttal to being hit on in Impala.. Pink craves to get out, get drunk and not get hit on. Female empowerment, rejection of club creeps and a song about masturbation? Three times yes.

I Touch Myself – Divinyls

"When I think about you I touch myself"

Completely not subtle and extremely creepy – Divinyls are telling you straight up that you're making them horny and that is just something you shouldn't really say to people. I've heard slow covers of this song and it doesn't really make it better? If you want to tell someone on Tinder you find them hot, don't fucking quote Divinyls.

Love Myself – Hailee Steinfeld

"Pictures in my mind on replay. I'm gonna touch the pain away"

On the mostly unknown kiwi Youtube series, *Pop on the Couch*, Alex Casey described this song as a great song to play at a fun run, and I can't totally take that thought out of my head even though Hailee is clearly talking about having a taco Tuesday. Hailee even wears this tee-shirt that says 'self service' in the music video - what bigger sign is there than that.

Dancin' In Circles – Lady Gaga

"I lay around, touch myself to pass the time"

Appearing on *Joanne*, 'Dancin' In Circles' takes that country, ska and reggae vibe to a place of self-worship. You expected a Gaga song on this list, didn't you? Well, this is the one. She's dancin' in circles.

Liquid Dreams – O-Town

"you got the star of my liquid dreams"

You probably haven't heard of O-Town. Neither had I, 'till I did some searching. They're some boy band, and the music video for this song is so early '00s it's fucking great. O-Town are a bit creepy in this song, talking about some girl who's a mix of Destiny's Child, Madonna and Janet Jackson – a truly strange combination.

B.O.B. – Macy Grey

"B is for battery, O- operated, B is for better, cos he's not complicated"

Macy Grey once wrote a song that was nominated for three Grammys and won one. Now she writes songs about her vibrator. Go figure.

This song isn't fucking around, you know exactly what it's up to. I can't imagine loving a vibrator so much you write a whole song about it.

What are you doing Macy?

(Arts Editor: SHE'S LIVING. YOU CAN WRITE WHAT YOU WANT WHEN THE AS TOLD BY GINGER THEME SONG PAYS THE BILLS!)

Party For One – Carly Rae Jepsen

"I'll just dance for myself, back on my beat"

I'm still unsure if this one is actually about masturbation, but a lengthy office debate surrounding it resulted in the conclusion that it really could be. Carly is having a party-for-one after all, and if Billy Idol can't dance alone, then neither can Carly Rae Jepsen. She's definitely masturbating after being broken up with. It happens Carly.

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An Engineer's Alternative to Sex Week

By Second-Year Electrical Engineering Student, and all-round charitable person Brian Gu.

Being an engineering student, I am always the butt of abuse in the office, as we all know how much other faculties look down on us dirty, pitiful creatures. Like the plague, wherever we go, engineers always get a bad rep. And as if matters couldn't get any worse, this week is AUSA's Sex Week, which for engineers amounts to as much as a search and rescue effort for Madeleine McCann.

So because we practically shit out listicles for your reading pleasure, this week I've drawn the short end of the stick. But because I'm the one holding the microphone this time round, I'm going to pass it round to our most underrepresented demographic on campus – our eligible engineering bachelors!

So if Sex Week is more like *cry at your desk* week for you (please don't, I tried really hard to make that rhyme work), then this listicle is your in-flight air manual to survive the bumpy (lack of) ride that is Sex Week.

1. Play as Lara Croft on Tomb Raider:

Because you need a strong, independent woman in your life.

2. Spend quality time with your assignment:

Romantic computer screen lit dinner with ramen.

3. Contribute to Craccum:

Because we love and support you even if no one else will.

4. Go to the Arts Section and check out this week's reviews:

In what is perhaps the most relevant internal plug we've ever added to a listicle, check out the selection of porn that our gracious contributors have lovingly reviewed for your cultural enhancement.

5. Treat yourself to Lynx Africa:

Because you're worth it (and you need it).

6. Find an editor that appreciates you:

Just going to leave that one there

7. Bottle your own tears and use them as your own lube:

I swear to god this was not mine. Our editor also insists there's nothing like a salty surprise.

8. Take a break from studying:

Your wheat on Minecraft needs tending.

9. Get yourself in on this measles thing:

Because it's nice to be the centre of public attention for once. Don't follow the herd! Besides, you've had a lifetime of quarantine, why stop now.

10. But Brian, you're an engineering student.

I'm getting paid for this. Leave me alone.

11. Walk up to Shadows after an 11am lecture:

Make sure to stop by the Craccum office so we can name and shame.

12. Get yourself lost in Portugal:

What? I hear Praia da Luz is real nice this time of year.

13. Go out and get yourself a new wardrobe:

Nothing is better than a good rebranding. Just ask UBIQ.

14. Also, treat yourself to a new hoodie!

Or at least treat the people who have to look at your same one everyday.

15. Do you have any more shit to say about Engineers?

Lachlan worked really hard to find images for those porn reviews. Give him some support, guys.

If you feel like you were grossly misrepresented by this listicle, put down that Xbox controller that you're holding with one hand and email us at editor@craccum.co.nz. Please do not attack me on my way to any engineering lectures this week; I tried my best to alleviate the stereotypes where I could, but come on, you guys could also make the effort to give me less to attack ourselves about.

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LACHLAN MITCHELL

Clean-up on Aisle #3

AliExpress is a magical world with no true peer – the Eyes Wide Shut side of the Amazon-style distribution services. It is a realm where you can buy your cherished partner their wedding ring for \$5 and at the same time, buy their enduring love with a \$1.20 golden cock ring.

As part of Craccum's unwavering policy towards bringing you the best in sex, sexuality and the pursuit of pleasure, we've done a little search and uncovered the best and most affordable products for all your kinky needs out there. I made the mistake of initially doing this AliExpress search without Incognito mode on, and now I've doomed myself to fucktons of targeted butt plug advertisements from Google. So appreciate the lengths I've inadvertently gone to in order to bring quality into your life. I'm so happy.

This is not in any order, for I could never rank some of the implementations that were found on my travels. Pricing is in NZD.

Deuce Double Penetration Dildo and Anal Plug Double Ondulation Picket

Cost: \$25.09

Why buy it: With this snake-like double ended instrument of pleasure, you can recreate the famous Ass 2 Ass scene from *Requiem for a Dream* within the privacy of your own home! All for a cheap 25 dollars and negligible shipping! Multiple colours!

Smooth Touch Aluminum Alloy Metal Butt Plug With Crystal Jewelry Small Medium No Vibrator Anal Plug Private Goods for Men

Cost: \$3.42 (singular) \$21.40 (all 14)

Why buy it: The aesthetics of this collection really stood out to me – the varieties of cubic zirconia really catch one's eye, and with the option to purchase any number from 1 to 14 of the crystalline buttplugs, you can buy one for everyone you know, or buy beautiful Christmas decorations well ahead of the season.

Handcuffs Tied Hand Open Legs Binding BDSM Bondage Toys For Couples Set Adult Game Erotic Toys Rope For Women Couple

Cost: \$14.70

Why buy it: Ever wanted your legs over your head, and your arms tied to a 30cm leather chain, with no choice but to turtle-walk your way across the bed? If that's the fetish for you, look no further. AliExpress has your bondage needs sorted. Well, almost.

camaTech PU Leather Full Body Bondage Bag BDSM Binder Straitjacket Sleeping Sack Fetish Slave Restraints Body Harness Adult Game

Cost: \$ 76.77

Why buy it: Wanna feel like you're a corpse? Wanna be completely immo-

bile in a high quality nylon sack, utterly at the whim of God, since you're likely to not have any friends to help you when your Grindr date runs out with your wallet, you fucking loser? This is for you.

BDSM Bondage Sex Hood Mask Leather Zipper Dog Puppy Slaves Hood Blindfold

Cost: \$21.96

Why buy it: You wanna buy this leather BDSM dog mask if you're a fucking loser who hasn't washed their armpits in two fucking months. You also probably consider brushing your teeth an optional activity. If that describes you, you might as well complete the stinky wet dog aesthetic by wearing this hood. Go fuck in a kennel.

1 pair Electro shock us Women Tassels Breast Nipple Clamp Nipple Sucker Cup Fetish Flirting Teasing Erotic Sex Toys

Cost: \$4.70

Why buy it: You've come home from a long lecture in... probably Civil Engineering. You're alone. Because you're an engineer. You want to feel satisfied, but you want to feel alive at the same time. So, you try on the nipple clamps. It's a beautiful time. It makes you change your field to Electrical Engineering. Three years later, you're found dead in a Hamilton alleyway (so you also have chlamydia), murdered by your Facebook Buy and Sell contact, who stole the \$3400 you had saved up to buy the ultimate gear in hardcore electrical nipple sensation. Was it worth it? Yes.

Sexy Bondage Silicone Dog Bone Mouth Gag Adult Game Erotic Product Sex Toy for Couples Woman SM BDSM Erotic Flirting

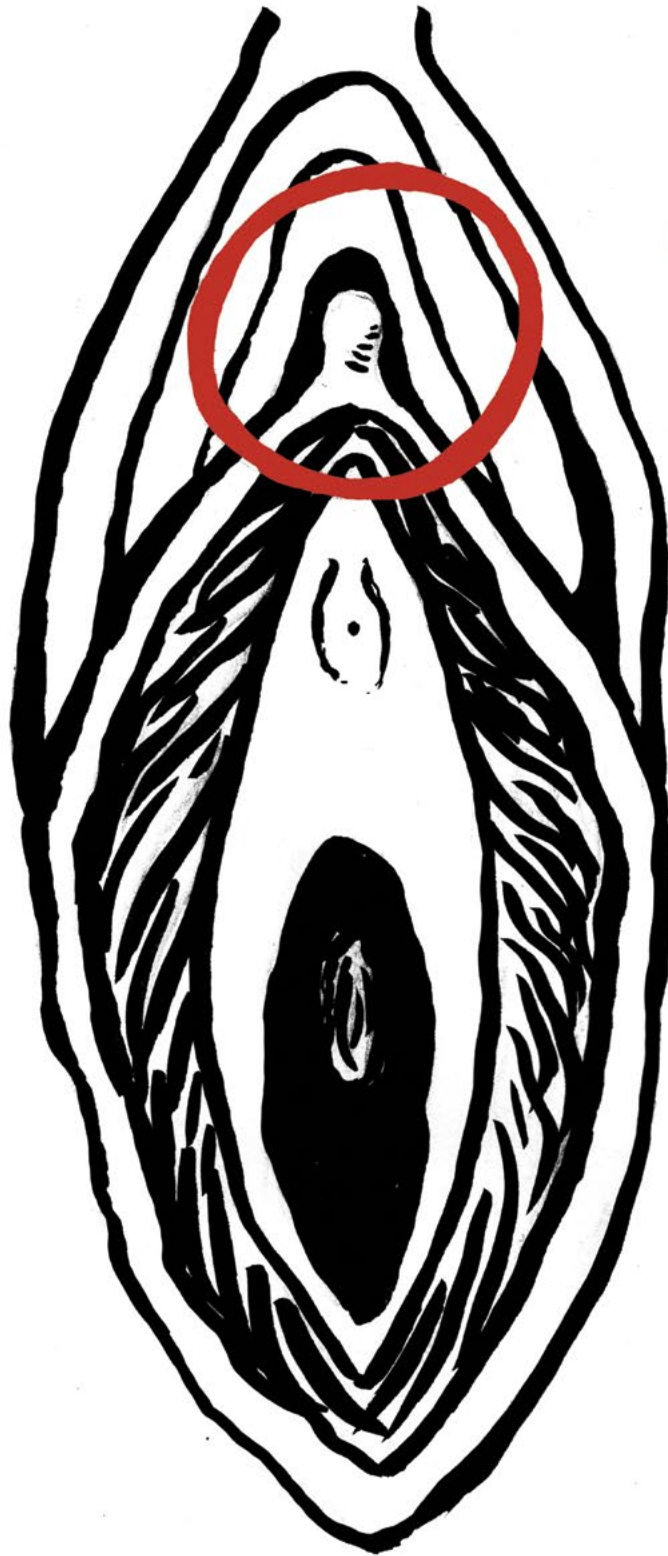
Cost: \$ 8.02

Why buy it: Just buy it if you're a furry. I'm tired at this point. Why did I choose to take part in this? Why did I choose to scour through all this shit for you, the reader? Who is chewing on this bone, with four different colours to choose from? Why is the shipping so good? You know what? Here's my question. Why does AliExpress have a 25 day return policy AFTER all these items have been used? Like, what the fuck? Is that part of the marketing? "Yeah, this double penetration dildo has the scent of the previous owner on it :) Shove it in your arse :) Smells like shit, doesn't it? :)"

I'm done. I'm just done. Have a great Sex Week.

Find the Clitoris!

Hint: It's
in the
circle!





New Zealand's Sex Education is Still (Almost) as Shit as You Remember

CLAUDIA RUSSELL

I have only brief snippets of memory from my high school sex ed classes, which come and go in flashes.

Flash; our elderly science teacher wheels in the VCR player. "Is anyone here good with technology?" She asks. It's time to watch a video of some woman giving birth in a bathtub. We watched the same video last year in health class, and a month ago in P.E. I don't think I will ever know another woman's anatomy so intimately.

Flash; I'm the only girl at a table full of 15-year-old boys. It's my turn to put the condom on the big plastic penis. All eyes are on me. I'm trying my best not to seem *too* experienced, but not too inexperienced either.

Flash; we're looking at a PowerPoint presentation about STD's. So many pictures, oh my god. Sex looks *terrifying*.

Being part of the so-called #metoo generation, one would expect that current-day high school students would be receiving a more comprehensive sexual education than I did, one which includes issues of consent, gender identity, and sexuality. While some schools are taking the lead on these discussions, others are falling behind, according to a new survey released by Family Planning. The survey, based on over 1100 young people's experiences of sex education, found that topics like consent, pornography and LGBTQI+ issues were receiving less classroom time than is recommended

under Ministry of Education guidelines.¹

University of Canterbury Associate Professor Kathleen Quinlivan states that these are often areas that teachers and parents feel uncomfortable going into. "It is not easy teaching these things. The Ministry of Education is risk averse and doesn't provide support for professional development, plus the sexual education guidelines are not compulsory – in fact, schools didn't even receive a hard copy of them," she says.

The lack of a compulsory standardised model for teaching sexual education in New Zealand is one of the key reasons young kiwis are left in the dark when it comes to having safe sex. Although sex ed is compulsory under the national framework, specific topics like consent and sexuality are not. In fact, no topics are compulsory; it's up to the discretion of each school to choose the scope of its sex education curriculum.

What this means is that the variation in programmes can be massive. One 17-year-old student, interviewed for Radio New Zealand's *BANG!* Podcast, says she had "a whole term about consent and sex, and a little about sexuality as well." On the other hand, finding adequate time and resources can be a real struggle for low-decile schools. Despite good intentions, pressure to meet numeracy and literacy standards means schools often brush over teaching sexuality units in favour of national standards.

Rumour has it that some schools even farm out their sex ed programmes to religious groups, simply because they're the only ones putting their hands up.

Reports from the Education Review Office also show that the scope and quality of sex ed programmes have not significantly improved since 2007.² Māori and Pacific students were being particularly let down, as were students with additional needs, and students who were sex-, gender- or sexuality-diverse. One student states "I had to google how to have safe gay sex because I just wasn't taught about it."³

Despite these complaints, it's not all bad. Secondary schools are increasingly making the effort to branch out beyond heteronormative traditions. Gender-neutral bathrooms are on the rise, while gender-divided sporting events are on the decline. Believe it or not, plenty of teachers are active online and aware of the generation Z zeitgeist. Despite what baby-boomer fear mongering would have you believe, the internet has a wealth of well informed resources for young people wanting to learn more about sex and sexuality. And no, I don't just mean porn. Radio New Zealand's *Bang!* Podcast by Melody Thomas and Lizzie Marvelly's *The Real Sex Talk* are just some of the many resources providing practical advice and personal anecdotes in a far more interesting format than your average classroom PowerPoint.

¹ Felix Desmarais, "Sex positivity and the Scandinavian Model: visions for the future of Kiwi sex ed." Stuff.co.nz, 2019.

² Josephine Franks and Felicity Reid, "NZ sex ed was bad in 2007 - it's still just as bad, report shows." Stuff.co.nz, 2018.

³ Bang! Episode 2: Sex and Sensibility, Radio New Zealand, 2017.



10 Things That Turn Me On But Shouldn't

EMILY YI

I made a dumb list in my notes and Daphne Zheng (Craccum's Illustrator Editor 2018-present) has peer pressured me to put it into print. How exaggerated is this list? Is it even truthful? Who knows, but I hope it's a good read for all the horny students out there.

A clean flat kitchen

Living with 6 other people means that I constantly live in fear that I might get gastro. How long has that stain on the one chopping board we share been there for? When was the last time we wiped down the benches? Thankfully we've recently pulled it together and have made a chores list. The internal warmth from seeing a clean kitchen is such a beautiful thing. A giant orgy of teamwork that has led to divine cleanliness. Heavenly.

Soap cutting videos

Slime videos and ASMR can rollover for the superiority that is soap cutting videos. The moment the tiny soap squares hit the table is pretty satisfying, both visually and aurally. There's a reason my explore page on Instagram is full of these. An endless hole of boxcutters and soap. Nice.

Approval from a senior member of staff

Nothing gets me more revved up than a boss giving me praise. No matter how generic, the combination of affirmation and unwavering eye contact from someone who has so much power than you is ... incredible. Seniority is hot. Who knew?

Fingers in my mouth

Whether it's in my own or someone else's, there is such a weird intimacy to it. It's probably because its combination of two sensitive areas of the body. However, I would also like to think it's because of the tension between the possibility of having someone's fingers bitten off or a whole hand shoved down their throat. Steamy.

Vaccinating your children

Nothing turns me on more than a re-

sponsible parent. You can only be horny if you're alive and free of the measles, mumps and rubella. The only thing that will scratch this non-chicken pox itch is having someone acknowledge that herd immunity is important and that vaccines won't "give you autism". I rest my case. Thank you for coming to my TED talk. And please check your immunisation status.

Knowing that I'm loved and appreciated in this world

This warms my cold, cold heart like nothing else. Whether this is coming from friends, family or even strangers, the fuzzies are unbeatable. Maybe I'm not so insignificant after all.

Fruit with that good-good bite

It can be a crunchy Jazz apple or a peach that is on the brink of being too ripe – that

first bite is absolutely magical. The subtle vibrations and tingles in my jaw from biting down on a crunchy apple is sometimes the highlight of my day. I've missed the Jazz apple for the past few months. I can't seem to find any at the local supermarket. There's only SweetTango and Gala. Despite all the marketing, SweetTango does not stand up to the greatness that is the Jazz apple. The crunch is lacklustre, and the skin is a bit of the thick side. I rest my case.

Just as summer is slowly fading away, so are the stone fruit that provide such a luscious feed. It'll probably be another 10 months until I can feel peach juice dripping down my wrist so I can then lick it back up again. Stay juicy.

Women at least twice my age

Unresolved maternal issues? Or a recurrent joke about how much Daphne froths over Cate Blanchett? You decide.

Licking salt lamps in a stranger's room

It's that moment when I lock eyes with a giant slab of salt in someone's bedroom at a mediocre Auckland flat party that I realise I'm trapped. Trapped in my own vortex of temptation. In my defence, I've only done it a few times. I've yet to be caught doing such an indecent act.

I don't know when I started, or when my first time was. Maybe it was all those years spent in Lynn mall perusing the hippie shop that sold dream catchers, lit-up fountains, and giant salt lamps. The forbidden whisper from rosy pink and amber blocks has been calling me ever since.

I think what keeps drawing me back is the adrenaline rush I get from having the door open as I attempt the cheeky taste test. I know I've outed myself on a public platform, but nothing can keep me from living my truth. Empowerment.

Just a simple touch

Anybody and anything. Even a simple cool breeze will do. I'm a sensitive lady.

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Where will you next have public sex?

1. Do you name our genitalia?
 - a. No
 - b. Yes
 - c. My partner names it for me
 - d. I have its name tattooed right above the base
2. What's your favourite George Michael song?
 - a. Freedom! (90)
 - b. Father Figure
 - c. Careless Whisper
 - d. Faith
3. What's your go-to 'Netflix and chill' series?
 - a. Queer Eye
 - b. Black Mirror
 - c. Brooklyn 99
 - d. Doomsday Preppers
4. What do you look for in a sexual encounter?
 - a. Fast, but furious.
 - b. Huge partner cradling me like a baby
 - c. Educational value
 - d. To become lost in the throes of passion
5. What's the one thing you need to carry with you all the time?
 - a. A condom
 - b. A light
 - c. Any valid form of identification
 - d. All of the above

Mostly a's: A disabled toilet stall in OGGB

What a place to get down to business! Nothing like a Young Nat with daddy's money to get you hot and heavy. Get on those Aaron Smith vibes and make sure you get a disabled toilet stall and not a regular stall; more room for activities and often include a handy guide rail to brace yourself with.

Mostly b's: Albert Park

Why not add a little scenery to your next Tinder hookup? Find yourself a nice spot of damp grass behind a bush and really go for it. The handy location to uni means you can get a quicky out and then go right back to study with some post-nut clarity. Plus, pine needles stabbing you in the ass really adds an extra something something.

Mostly c's: Between the General Library Shelves

Lock eyes with someone else hunched over their laptop on level 6 and get ready to bone down. The small spaces between the rows of books really let you show your creativity when it comes to positioning. Be careful in choosing which section you do the no pants dance lest you be caught. We recommend going to a slowly dying academic area, like the Architecture section.

Mostly d's ;) A Law Stein

Because there's nothing sexier than a toga and a pretentious wanker telling you where their dad works.



Why I'm a Dirty Fucking Hippie

ELOISE YOUNG

If you ask for that plastic spoon, plastic fork, plastic spork, and then give a 'tut tut' when you see rubbish on the ground, then you have a newsflash coming. IT'S YOU. IT'S ME. IT'S ALL OF US.

I'm sure you've heard of the plastic epidemic: the growing signs of two minute noodle packets, turtle-killing straws, polystyrene takeaway tubs and cast aside coffee cups never to be filled with the piping hot elixir of life again. Well guess what - you put it there, I put it there, and there's no helping it if we don't make a change.

And I know what you're thinking; 'oh here comes another drawn out speech of save the whales maaaaaan', but you know what? This is about saving the damn whales and all the other creatures we need to share this planet with. We need to make a change so that the next time you chuck on *Blue Planet* and see humpback whales gracefully gliding

through the ocean to the sweet voice of David Attenborough, you can sit there with a smile on your face because *you* are not a sea creature killer.

But how do you get there? What could you possibly do? Literally the simplest things you could think of. Now I'm not talkin' keep cups and organic tote bags here people (not that they are things to be discarded; they are two perfect ways to 'get your eco on', but they are so 2018 and we're gonna take it up a notch). I'm talkin' about switching out your plastic roll-on or aerosol deodorant for the ingenious **cardboard tube deodorant!** I know I know, you're probably grumbling at the fact you'll have to buy one online right? Wrong. They sell them at New World, so get your arse over there and buy one the next time your loser plastic deodorant runs out.

What about that bloody plastic spork though? I'll let you in on a secret of my own moment of embarrassment. I got *Yoghurt Story* the other day with a few friends, and when I reached out for that little, kinda cute plastic spoon, my friend looked at me and said "I have **bamboo cutlery**". Bewildered by my lack of eco knowledge, I skulked away home feeling the heavy burden of that tiny plastic spoon. Now I don't want you to feel the gut-wrenching shame that I did. So be like my friend, prepared for any occasion with her convenient bamboo set. Don't be like me, a flush-cheeked plastic polluter.

But what's that I hear? The infinite possibilities of eco-friendly bathroom products waiting to be heard by boys and girls on the edge of their seats? I mentioned stepping it up a notch, but this is going to blow your plastic ridden, chemical infused, animal tested ~~rubber duck~~ bottled shampoo out of the water! Introducing the incredible, fascinating product (you totally haven't heard of already), the **shampoo and conditioner bar!** All jokes and rubber ducks aside, these bars really do work. Sure they take a little getting used to, a couple bad hair days here and there, and provide little added texture on your Monday mornings, but it's all worth it in the end. Not only do shampoo bars not contain any shitty chemicals that coat your hair, but they also come packaged in cardboard, and are not tested on animals. A nifty extra - some of them are vegan for all the people out there who don't want to steal from bees. And guess what? It doesn't end there. Not only have bars been made for the hair on your head, there's bars for the hair everywhere else, and I mean *everywhere* else. From shaving bars to pimple killing bars (YES!) to exfoliating bars and moisturizing bars, the list goes on and on. All these bars are really easy to find - sure, not all of them have hit the shelves in our local supermarkets, but it's early days. Besides, we are the technology generation, so all you have to do is hope the fucking wifi works and you're in.

There are, of course, many more products out there to replace current plastic monstrosities, but listing those would

require a lot more reading than the society of 2019 is used to.

The thing I really want you to think about (uh oh, shit's getting real) is that each change you make, whether big or small, really does make a difference. We are the future of our planet - it's up to us to decide which way humanity goes. When you're older with a family, three cats and five dogs, do you want to hear the same things about the environment's current state, only amplified? Or do you want to hear how all those little changes are paying off, and making waste-free living a reality?

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Ask Brenda

Dear Brenda,

Over the summer holidays I made a seekingarrangement account and found a Sugar Daddy! He's been sending me \$200 a week in exchange for late night chats and saucy photos on snapchat which wasn't a problem at all. This was all going well until the dude asked me to meet him in real life after 2 months of chatting. The thing is, I've actually been sending him photos of my ex - girlfriend because I'm not who I say I am. I'm a 6'3, average looking, caucasian, commerce student who just needed the extra cash to buy weed. What do I do? I need the money, but I also don't want to break Richard's heart. Send help!

- Dude who should have applied for an AUSA hardship grant

Dear 6'3, average looking, caucasian, commerce student (wow really narrowed it down there),

I want to start by saying that I don't have a Sugar Daddy, I've never had a Sugar Daddy. If I wanted a Sugar Daddy, yes I could probably go out and get one because I am what? SICKENING.

Now that that's out of the way, the way i see it, you really only have 3 options:

1: Completely cut off ties with your Sugar Daddy and apologise to that poor girl for spreading around her photos, however saucy they may be. Send her a joint too. And some chocolate. And a Starbucks gift card.

2: Pray that he's into dudes as well. Might want to test out your gag reflex before you look into this one. You might also want to consider watching seasons 6 - 10 of Rupaul's Drag Race (okkkkkurt).

3: Break his heart the old fashioned way, fake your own death.

Xoxo Brenda

Side note: Your favourite messy bitch is now on INSTAGRAM, follow me! @_askbrenda and slide into my DMs xx

28 March 2019

Notice is hereby given for the AUSA SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

to be held THURSDAY, 11 APRIL 2019 at 1.00 pm Waipapa Marae

The Special General Meeting has been called for the purpose of repealing and replacing the current AUSA Constitution.

Association Secretary

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ANTON HUGGARD

[DISCLAIMER, BY THE WAY. DON'T LET THIS INSPIRE YOU TO DO ANYTHING AGAINST THE LAW. IF YOU DO, IT'S ENTIRELY YOUR FAULT, YOU PSYCHO.]

ARIES

21 march - 20 april



Life is all over the place right now. You signed up to one too many clubs during the clubs expo, and it's taking its toll. Their lack of organisation is starting to get to you, and you've decided to take over one of them. Also, Friday is looking spicy (hubba hubba!)

TAURUS

21 april - 21 may



You're finally starting to get somewhere, Taurus. Your first stride forward in artificial intelligence will be extraordinarily rewarding. Your supervisors will be pleased with your progress, and you will start to feel optimistic about the project. You will try and use this to impress the ladies. They will not be impressed.

GEMINI

22 may - 21 june



Thulium is the 69th element of the periodic table. Remember this. This information will save your life.

CANCER

22 june - 22 july



You will spend an afternoon cleaning your child's vomit off the tiles this week. As you are down on your hands & knees, dark thoughts will enter your mind. You will listen to them. The world still owes you so much. You will go on a shoplifting spree. You'll take magazines and chocolate bars that you feel you are owed. You'd have these things too, if your life had gone the way you wanted it to. If you think about it, it's not really stealing.

LEO

23 july - 22 august



You may have started something new recently, Leo. Wearing your lumberjack hat to the job interview secured you the position. You are able to breathe the fresh, pine-scented air of the forest. Never before have you felt so at one with nature. You will stop shaving. You will become the man (or woman) you always knew you wanted to be. Living in the open. Working all day. Sleeping all night.

VIRGO

23 august - 23 september



You will receive a phone call this week. You have felt a bit unsure recently. After a week of waiting, you will be called into the first beauty pageant meeting. You will meet the other contestants. The other girls will make you feel inadequate. You will think they are prettier than you are. Jealousy will build up within you. Chill out.

LIBRA

24 september - 23 october



Ah, yes, Libra. You may not get any customers, but cheer up, Libra. You're my favourite chef. Another week will come & go. Your hopes will momentarily soar as you hear the once-familiar sound of the bell above the door ring. You then realise it is only a Jehovah's Witness. But, with nothing else to do, you decide to hear what he has to say. You sit and listen for 6 hours. He eventually gets bored of you and leaves, leaving you, once more, alone in the restaurant.

SCORPIO

24 october - 22 november



Trying something new comes with all sorts of surprises. This week, you'll learn that other people sell drugs too. You must have understood this, but never thought you'd run into them. The encounter will leave you & your distributor severely wounded. Turns out your new job has some downsides. You learn that if you want to continue your business, you'll need to arm yourself.

SAGITTARIUS

23 november - 21 december



Make new friends but keep the old. One is silver, the other gold. You will make a new friend this week. You learn that he is involved in illegal activities. Not wanting to make his association with you tar your name, you turn him into the authorities. They reward you with thirty pieces of silver. Your friend, however, will be executed by the state. You try and return the silver. Jokes on you, though. Your friend was resurrected. The moral of the story here is only snitch on your mates for gold.

CAPRICORN

22 december - 20 january



Energy is mysterious. Using ethanol as a bio-fuel is not as promising as perhaps one might have thought in the 2000s. What scientists are now trying as an alternative fuel is human flesh. Given that the second half of your name is corn, it seems only fair that you volunteer for this experiment. If you don't want to, sacrifice either Sagittarius or Pisces. In fact, trick Pisces into volunteering. That'll be fun.

AQUARIUS

21 january - 19 february



Great minds think alike. Have you ever noticed that you never seem to think in quite the same way as anyone else? Especially the smartest people you meet? Don't worry, it probably means that you are secretly a genius.

PISCES

20 february - 20 march



Give a man a fish and he will eat it for a day. Tell a man to go away and he will obey your command. If he doesn't, he's annoying & entitled. Get it? Do you get it, Pisces? It's been a long day and I can't be bothered straining my neck to look up at the sky, after having already done it a lot already. There's no horoscope for you, mouth-breather.

the people to blame.

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