

Editorial

I'm going to be completely honest here-I personally struggled with this edition. I don't know if it was my brain going on holiday after semester 1, Winter School or whatever, but anyway here it is. A HUGE thank you to the contributors of this edition. Without them, this edition would not have come to fruition.

Anyway another semester approaches, so what does that mean for **The Zweihander**? Well, for better or for worse, the editor's position will be up for grabs towards the end of this semester. I encourage anyone who would like a challenge to run for this role. It can be both mind numbing and fun, but the Zweis you deliver will be all worth it in the end. The final edition with me as the editor will be the AGM edition, outlining all the roles to be filled within the executive. If you're interested in running for a position, I highly recommend you talk to the executive members currently in them to find out more.

-Petra Cranshure-Player, Editor 2017

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Never, she is afraid I will drop her.
Our trust in each other is so complete,
That we become a unit, whenever we meet.

A single entity, traveling through cyberspace,
We rock the world, whenever you pump that bass.
My heart races when I see your curves,
The touch of your screen jiggles my nerves.

When I'm at school I constantly wish,
That my snail-paced laptop would go to the dish.
For my wonderful iPad is the only one,
Whose brilliant graphics seem brighter than the sun.

As millions of pixels brighten up my day,
Happiness and confidence seem to stream my way.
Interaction and games catalyse my creatism,
While phone and email often halt my cataclysms.

If I forget my homework, all I do is ask you,
For you remember all that I tell you to.
Unlike my brother, mother, or friend,
Your memory and useful help hold till the end.

Sometimes I fail you and put too much strain on your chips,
But after a reboot, your name regains sweetness on my lips,
Not even a crash can break up this great love,
My iPad is always there when I need her, that is what I am proud of.

My devotion to you will never end,
Until a new model my eyes does blend.
But till then I will always be yours,
Not one of those half-wit Windows 7 boars'.

Into my mind you constantly sing,
And forever will I be yours, O marvellous thing.

-Simon Koch

Ode To my iPad

*No greater love hath a Geek,
than the Love that binds chip and meek.
But is there no greater star-crossed lovers,
Then carbon-based life form and silicon wafers?
-unknown origin*

Oh my new iPad, you are so fair,
You greet me each morning when I reach for my chair,
Your loving glow illuminates the dark room from my desk,
And unlike my human friends, you are never a pesk.

The fastest in the world, you always come first,
Unlike the poor Thinkpad, who's always the worst.
Lenovo definitely stuffed up at that,
Unlike Apple, who've got the stuff in the hat.

Your speed is unrivalled, when compared to your weight,
Your camera wonderfully manages to collate.
Those dots that mean a lot to me,
Into an image for the rest of the world to see.

You help me when I need it, provide internet when I greed it,
And even dictate my book to me when I don't want to read it.
Your keyboard is always soft and warm,
Because as part of your matrix, it was born.

I enjoy touching you,
Because you're screen is always such a pleasure to use.
I just tap here and you'll do what I say,
And what I think or want, you do anyway.

Your bits and bytes wake me up in the morn,
Your soft alarm always making me yawn.
Your wonderful music making the most beautiful of sounds,
Your speakers' dear crystal of brilliance abounds.

Never, she tells me my clothing is improper,

President's Address

Wubba Lubba Dub Dub! What's up everyone?

Hope your results aren't as devastating as hearing a creeper hiss while crafting the last set of blocks for your monument. If not and your results look like the Twins after the Red Wedding then feel free to drown your sorrows in Raspberry Lemonade with your fellow Sutekh comrades.

This semester we have some exciting special events both old and new!

Jump in the symbolic TARDIS that is public transport and come camping with us. Basically all of our usual events will be mashed into a few days. See page 3 for more details.

Now our regular events have been switched up a bit with a new weekly event *Monday Mario* being held each Monday with *TV Time* moving to Tuesday.

Tuesday the Gathering may no longer be but Magic the Gathering players are welcome to continue untapping, upkeeping and drawing at *Wednesday Cards and Carbonation* and *Friday Pizza and Games*.

At *Monday Mario* you'll have a chance to play a range of games from Halo to Super Smash Bros on our consoles. Any handheld consoles are also welcome, so if you're itching to find someone else with a Switch to play Arms with come along! Of course this event is perfect to train your thumbs for our annual Video Game Olympics the event where you can show off your mad gaming skills while possibly winning some prizes along the way.

This year is looking like the Video Game Olympics shall be held on Wednesday Week 4 and shall feature a larger range of genres to play than previously.

Anyway hope everyone's semester has the minimum amount of stress possible and that you all shall have a chance to stop by our events to escape assessments for a while.

Good luck and have a great semester!

Helen Munro – Current President of Sutekh

Camp

Do you find yourself regretting missing out on camps in first semester? Do all your friends have this unexplainable bond which could only have been formed through a society camp? Do you have an indescribable urge to play board games and Mario Kart in an isolated cabin? Have you found yourself playing Werewolf until 3.00am because Sutekh events just don't go long enough? Do you just want blurbs with rhetorical questions to get to the point?

Then Sutekh's camp is for you!

Come join us during the mid-semester break from Wednesday September the 27th to Friday the 28th at Sydney, Pittwater YHA. The campsite is approximately 2 hours above the city centre by public transport, but don't worry we'll have a group meeting at Central Station for those wanting to brave public transport together.

This camp will basically just be a chance to escape the city, play some board games, level up your Mario Kart skills, watch a movie with friends and of course play Werewolf.

The camp costs are as listed below (this includes food and accommodation):

Sutekh Member + Access Card Holder: \$60.00

Access Card Holder Only: \$65.00

Non-Access Card Holder: \$70

There are only 32 places so be fast, hope to see you there!

The Sutexh Server

Sutexh is of course Sutekh's marvellous personal server. It has a myriad of useful functions for the society, both for the executive team and for members.

Firstly, it hosts the executive forum, the main platform by which executive communicate and organise the society. It also hosts our public site. Having this site on our personal sever makes it easy to customise the content and control site availability. Lastly the Sutexh server is where we host private servers for our games.

Sutexh Game Servers

While we may be keeping up with current technology, we haven't yet abandoned the days of Steam and Valves!

The Sutexh server is additionally used as a private server for several games at our weekly Steamy Saturday online gaming nights. Enjoy all your favourites such as "Terraria", "Mining and Crafting", "Team Fortress II" and "Garry's Modification". We are also ecstatic to introduce our new Starbound server as well, letting out explore the galaxy with friends!

Be sure to keep a keen eye on the Facebook group to find out what game we will be playing each week.

Players can also join in with voice using our Mumble group, hosted on the Sutexh server as well. Mumble acts as the online lounge room for Steamy Saturdays giving voice communication for those playing.



As part of our broadcast we provide our Mumble, Minecraft and Starbound details. Please note that while our Minecraft server will available all week, it will be unavailable while the Starbound server is running on some weekends.

-Thomas Selvaraj (Information and Technology Curator) (IT Officer)



We apologise for any inconvenience as we interrupt your regular programming to bring you a special update on the Sutekh internet network server. We are proud to announce several additions to our online repertoire including the addition of new game servers and the addition of electronic mailing!

Sutekh's Online Presence

During Semester 2 we continue to maintain and expand our online presence.

Our brilliant public site (sutekh.org.au) serves as the go to spot to find information about the society, the events we run, our library, the code of conduct and links to the sponsors that support us.

Additionally, we have our Facebook group (SUTEKH – Sydney University Pop Culture & Games Society) which is the place to be to find out about upcoming society events and news, keep up with other members or check out events in local area that might be of interest. To keep up with society events, be sure to add "Sue Tekh" on Facebook to be added to them.

We are also introducing a new mailing list to keep in touch with members via email allowing us to send newsletters or important updates. We hope to have this system operational by week two of semester.

Semester 2 Events

This semester SUTEKH has decided to switch things up a bit and bring in a new event to trial every Monday. To keep updated on all our events this semester, be sure to join our group [SUTEKH-Sydney University Pop Culture & Games Society](#) for more details pertaining to special events and any changes to our weekly ones.

Monday Mario

3pm-5pm, Holme Media Den (downstairs in the Holme Building)

Entry fee: None

As a lead up to this year's Video Game Olympics, SUTEKH members will be gathering every Monday afternoon to test their skills in a variety of different games. Each week a new game will be played, giving members the chance to not only relax after a full day at uni, but also the chance to play a variety of games. Is this week's game not to your fancy? Feel free to bring your own hand held device along to play any game of your choice while still having the chance to hang out with other members of the society.

Tuesday TV Time

2pm-4pm, Manning Meeting Room 2

Entry fee: None

TV time has moved this semester to fill in our Tuesday timeslot! If you like watching TV shows with a group of friends between lectures, then this is the event for you! Rumor has it that this semester's regular TV show might involve Ice, and Fire, and Dragons.... Come along to find out if these rumors are true!

Wednesday Cards and Carbonation**4pm-6pm, Isabel Fidler, Top Level (near the Bar), Manning****Entry Fee: Free for access card holders, \$6 otherwise**

Join us for card games and our favourite carbonated drinks (alcoholic or otherwise), and chill out with us at what is likely our most relaxed event. From Tsuru to Canaan; whether you are a Munchkin or a Wizard of the Coast, we welcome you to our Coup against the exec.

This event is perfect for all card games, from Cards against Humanity to Magic the Gathering. Whatever your style, come and join in the fun.

Thursday Movies and Munchies**6pm-9pm, Holme Media Den (downstairs in the Holme Building)****Entry fee: Free for access card holders, \$6 otherwise**

Each week we vote on tributes from a pool of 5 movies; one gets watched, two survive to the next round, and two are dropped into a bottomless pit, never to be heard from again. Each week we will add two additional movies to the pool to top up the numbers again and ensure a never-ending bloodbath. Oh, and occasionally we throw the whole kit'n'kaboodle out the window and just watch random conspiracy theory documentaries on Netflix. You know, for edumacational purposes. Free food is provided; we will continue with our previous trend of providing real meals of substantial sustenance alongside our usual offerings of lollies and soft drink. Even if Subway this week isn't quite your "thing", you can be sure that we'll try our something new and exciting the next week (or we'll just be lazy and default to Thai).

Special events

Besides the first ever SUTEKH Camp this semester, a number of other special events are going to be run as well. Not all details are known at this time, so make sure to join us on Facebook at [SUTEKH-Sydney University Pop Culture & Games Society](#) for more info.

Video Game Olympics**Date and Time: Wednesday Week 4 from 3pm-7pm****Location: International Student Lounge****Price: TBC**

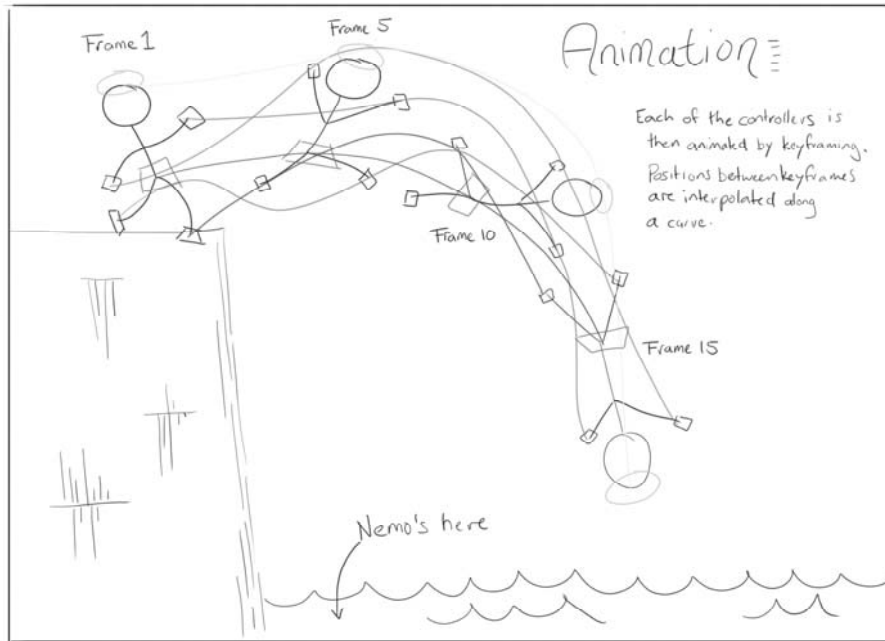
Do you want to show off your gaming skills? Do you want to go into the draw to win some totally awesome prizes? This year's VGO is ramping up to be a good one, so be sure to keep an eye out for more details in the upcoming weeks.

SUTEKH at the Movies 3.0 and 4.0**Date and Times: TBC****Location: Some Cinema Somewhere****Price: Dependent on the Cinema**

This semester, SUTEKH plans on seeing 2 more movies at the cinemas. With films such as Valerian and the City of a Thousand Planets, Thor: Ragnarok, Blade Runner 2, and many more being released this half, SUTEKHers are spoilt for choice.

Pride Week 2017**Date and Time: TBC**

Join SUTEKH as we celebrate the LGBTQ+ community in Pop Culture and Gaming, and discuss the further steps needed to be made to become an all inclusive society.



Friday Pizza and Games

6pm-10pm, Holme Media Den (downstairs in the Holme Building)

Entry fee: Cost of whichever Pizza you order (adjusted to pizza type and membership status; usually in the range of \$2-\$8 for access card holders).

Our flagship event (and usually our most popular). Be sure to attend regularly, 'cause this one is a crazy ride all throughout the semester. You will be welcomed regardless of your preferred method of getting your game on, whether it be monopolising the wheat in Settlers, betraying the inhabitants of the House on the Hill, racing down Rainbow Road in a mushroom kart, tricking the DM into giving you Polymorph a couple levels early, or buying out Park Lane and Mayfair.

We also provide the opportunity to order pizzas at highly subsidised prices, to make sure you stay well-nourished during your long campaigns and short bouts.

We are also proud to announce that in Week 1 we will be trialling a new pizza supplier, and as a result we will provide free pizza for all access card holders for just that week, in return for your feedback and thoughts on our new supplier!

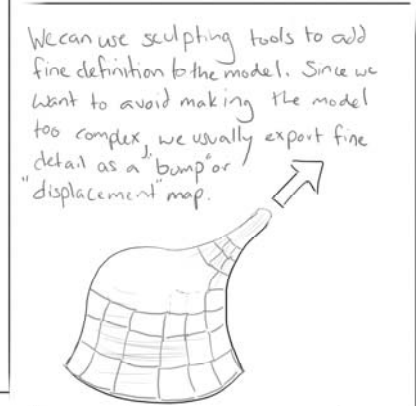
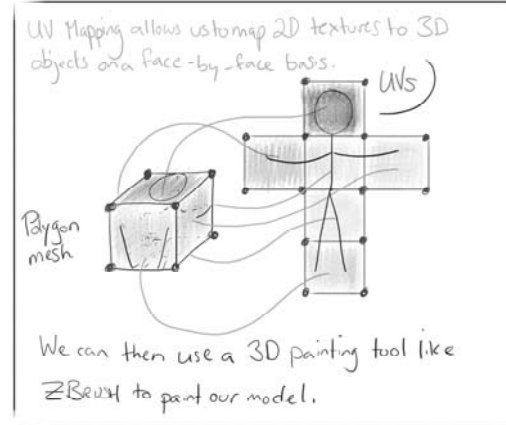
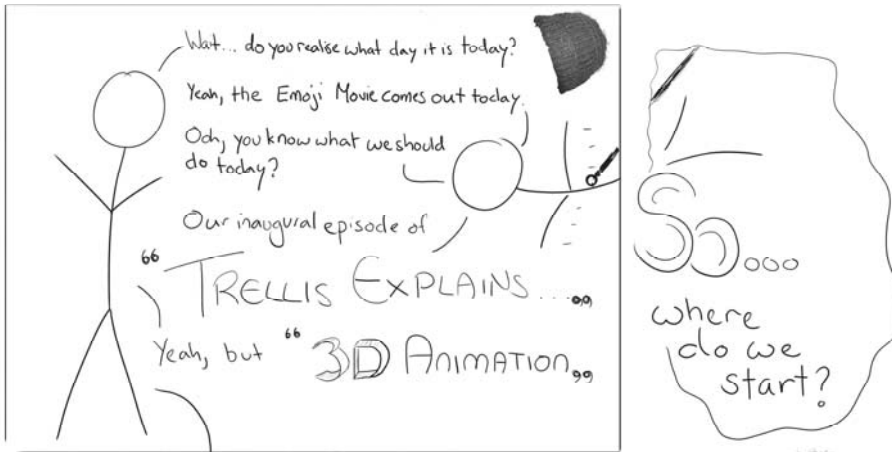
Steamy Saturday

8pm till the wee hours of the mornin'

Entry fee: Your IP address

What better to do after a hard week workin' than procrastinate your two assignments and quiz with a night of good old-fashioned video gaming? Sutekh is fortunate to own its own server, and as a result runs dedicated game servers for Minecraft, Terraria, GMod, Starbound, and many more.

Each week we will pick a game or two to play; you can find us on our very own Mumble (voice chat) server. To join us, simply download Mumble from mumble.info, then add a server with address mumble.sutekh.org.au (the default port, 64738, is fine). Keep an eye out for announcements on which games we will be playing each week.



After sculpting, we usually manually recreate a low-polygon mesh over the sculpted model. Doing this manually lets us make sure the resulting model will deform nicely when animated.

