

## BACKGROUND

The Builders' Organisation for Students and Staff (BOSS) is a student led and run committee for those undertaking the Bachelor of Construction Management and Economics and associated degrees. The organisation was created in the early nineties and has continued to be an important link between industry, staff and undergraduates. Through a number of social and industry focused events, BOSS encourages student interaction with industry professionals, enabling smooth student transition into their future careers.

## THE BOSS COMMITTEE 2014

The BOSS Committee of 2014 comprises a group of devoted students across all year levels who are aiming to help improve the university experiences of both staff and students. This year's committee includes:

PRESIDENT: Luke Ferme	INTERNATIONAL STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE:
VICE PRESIDENT: Anthony Morris	Christy Chan
MARKETING MANAGER: Eddie Bampton	3 <sup>RD</sup> YEAR REPRESENTATIVE: Totem Douangmala
	<b>2ND YEAR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Maziar Sabet
TREASURER: Jake Harry	
SECRETARY: Abby Waldon	1 <sup>ST</sup> YEAR REPRESENTATIVES: John Belanger & Scott
	Dawson

STAFF REPRESENTATIVE: Konstantinos Kirytopoulos

OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Peter Marshall, Matthew White, Matthew Smith, Jessica Brown & Lloyd Goldsmith

We are always happy to get new members on board to help out. We hold regular meetings and also enjoy catching up for drinks as a group. You may see us wearing our BOSS polo shirts around campus. If so, feel free to stop and have a chat. If any students or companies are interested in developing their network or have ideas for BOSS, we'd love to hear from you. Please do not hesitate to contact Luke Ferme on <u>ferlc001@mymail.unisa.edu.au</u>.

We also have our **BOSS Facebook page** where you can see photos of recent events and keep informed about what's coming up. So don't forget to add us!

# LAST YEAR'S SPONSORS

The BOSS committee would like to thank the companies and organisations who sponsored us in 2013. Your sponsorship and support is greatly appreciated by the committee and all the students who benefited.

**Special Thanks To:** 





## 2014 DIRECTION

In 2014 the BOSS committee has attempted to implement a number of new initiatives to expand the connection between university students and industry professionals. In addition to this, we have begun to develop a social service role as we attempt to positively impact the wider community. While these areas are at the forefront of growth for BOSS, there still remains a large emphasis on social activities and enhancing the enjoyment levels of construction students.

The direction developed by the 2014 committee has resulted in development of the 'Three Pillars of BOSS'.



- 1. SOCIAL: The BOSS committee is made for students and focuses on improving their overall experience. BOSS favourite events such as the pub crawl and BBQ have continued to be a great success, allowing students to interact and develop their network base within the university.
- 2. INDUSTRY: BOSS has recognised the current economic climate requires a greater need to provide students with opportunities to network and communicate with industry professionals to ensure they gain employment post study. As a result we have been working hard to offer more site visits, office tours and industry events. In addition to this we have been strengthening relationships with industry training centres and professional institutions, such as the Australian Institute of Building (AIB) and Young Quantity Surveyors (YQS), affiliated with the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (AIQS).
- **3. COMMUNITY:** BOSS believes that generating a greater social awareness will offer students the ability to give back to the community. Initiatives such as blood donation, Salvation Army programs and leukemia 'be brave and shave' are being organised by the committee and we also aim to provide support to construction companies with their current community service involvements.



# **2014 TO DATE**

2014 has been a busy year for BOSS with the changes the committee has attempted. We have tried to keep the calendar full of events and encourage student interaction as much as possible. Here is what we've achieved so far:

#### PUB CRAWL:

In typical tradition the 2014 construction student pub crawl was held on Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup> May. The evening was a great success with a record turnout of 160 students. All students received a t-shirt and discounted drinks at a variety of city venues. Many recollect, some more than others, that the evening was a lot of fun and students were able to network in a social setting, which subsequently has heightened social activity at university.



#### INTERNATIONAL DINNER:

The annual BOSS international dinner was held on Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup> August at the Quiet Waters Lebanese Restaurant. The aim of the evening is to encourage students from any background to socialise and help them establish networks within the university. It is our feeling that such events are integral for the development of student enjoyment, especially for the many international students here at UniSA. Thank you to Christy Chan, our international student representative, for generating awareness of this event and making sure the evening was enjoyed by all.

#### **GROUP BLOOD DONATION:**

In line with BOSS's attempts to enhance its community presence, a number of committee members volunteered to donate blood at the Regent Arcade Red Cross on Thursday the 4<sup>th</sup> September. It is important that BOSS continues to develop these initiatives to help the wider community and is keen for blood donation to become a regular fixture in future years. We encourage all students to get involved in this worthy cause.





#### BADGE SITE VISIT, MINDA MASTER PLAN:

BADGE has had a close affiliation with UniSA for a number of years and recently BOSS was lucky enough to secure a site visit at BADGE's \$40m + Minda Master Plan Stage 1 project. This development is the first of many stages to be rolled out over the coming years, with an estimated overall value of \$200m. On a wet winter's day on Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> June, students were shown through the site which has been separated into three separate stages, including the beachside retirement apartments (3 separate buildings), apartments and houses for the clients of Minda and the new wetlands area. Through conversations with site staff we were able to gain a perspective on the construction methods, such as hollow core precast slabs, and the scheduling requirements needed for this project. The visit proved to be a valuable learning and networking experience for those who were willing to brave the cold.



#### NEW ROYAL ADELAIDE HOSPITAL SITE VISIT:

South Australia's current flagship construction project is the New Royal Adelaide Hospital (NRAH). This \$1.95 billion project is to become Australia's most sophisticated and advanced hospital. 30 students on Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> August were privileged to be able to undertake a tour of the construction site, guided by 2 site managers from Hansen Yuncken Leighton Contractors Joint Venture (HYLC). For many, this was the first chance to see the NRAH up close and students were able to gain perspective of the magnitude of the works associated with the project. It was a successful afternoon and a great learning experience for those involved.





#### MASTER CHEF LUNCH:

BOSS's very own Master Chef, Totem Douangmala teamed up with his friend and this year's 9<sup>th</sup> placed Master Chef contestant, Colin Sheppard, on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September to deliver one of the tastiest and most popular menus ever prepared on UniSA City East's barbeques! The day was a great success, with delicacies on offer such as 8 hour pulled lamb rolls, chilli dawgs and satay chicken rolls, with many people lining up for seconds. All we can say is, we're sorry if you missed out! Massive thanks to Totem for all his prep work and Colin for coming down from the Barossa for the day to help out. He was such a nice guy and we are more than happy to plug his winery Flaxman Wines. For those wine connoisseurs out there, go check him out.







#### **RAFFLE TICKETS**

In order to keep providing services and subsidies to the students and staff, BOSS has this year organised a fundraising raffle. There are 3 fantastic prizes and tickets are cheap. For your chance to win, please see your BOSS representative or contact Luke Ferme. Prizes will be drawn at this year's end of year dinner on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November. Good luck to everyone!



#### **BOSS MERCHANDISE:**

The BOSS committee has released a line of merchandise which is available for purchase. We believe the polo shirts improve the professional image of BOSS by providing a unified front for events such as site visits and industry evenings, while the hoodies are great for wearing around uni to show your support for the organisation.



Please contact any BOSS representative if interested in purchasing merchandise.

Polos: \$25

Hoodies: \$50



## **UPCOMING BOSS EVENTS**

With the year drawing to a close and everyone busy with study, there is just one main event left for 2014 that must be put in your calendar. Be sure not to miss it because it will be an amazing night!

#### END OF YEAR DINNER:

The annual end of year dinner, BOSS's premier event, is fast approaching once again. It will be on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November from 6:30pm, held at the National Wine Centre in the city. Through fundraising efforts and generous sponsorship from local members of the construction industry, BOSS can offer great subsidised tickets for all students, staff and partners. Early bird tickets are just \$100 and need to be purchased **before Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October**. Non-early bird prices are \$120, while full priced tickets for others are \$135. An excellent 3 course meal and 5 hour drinks package will be included. Be sure not to miss out!

In addition to having a great night out with friends, while celebrating the last official day of class before getting stuck in the books for swot vac, previous years' students have used this event to network with industry professionals present at the dinner.

Payment can either be made online or with cash, as outlined in the recent group email. See your BOSS representatives for envelopes or contact Luke Ferme for more details.



### 2014/15 SPONSORS

BOSS could not continue without the amazing support of our sponsors. They give us the opportunity to engage with professional members of the construction industry, as well as help us financially to deliver all these events and services to you, the students. We are very privileged to have the following businesses provide sponsorship for 2014/15 so far:

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BADGE is proud to be associated with UniSA and has been offering a scholarship to second year students studying the Bachelor of Construction Management and Economics degree for over four years. BADGE has committed to providing this wonderful opportunity to students for a number of years to come.



# Proudly supporting the next generation of construction professionals

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