



NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE STUDENTS' COMMUNITY SERVICE CLUB

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**[Ethelontêr XV]
[20th June 2018 to 23rd June 2018]**

Ethelontêr, which means "Spirit of Volunteerism", is an annual freshmen social camp organized by the NUS Students' Community Service Club (CSC) to expose matriculating and current undergraduates to the community service scene in NUS.

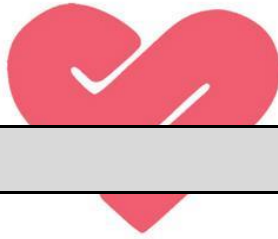
1. OBJECTIVES

Parties of concern	Desired objectives of E15
Freshmen	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Learn more about CSC and its activities;● Form strong bonds within a CSC community;● Become familiarised with the NUS environment;● Inculcate a spirit and passion for volunteerism
Organising committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Deepen involvement with CSC;● Challenge OC to step out of their comfort zone for personal development
Beneficiaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Provide an enriching experience that will leave a lasting impact on beneficiaries and Voluntary Welfare Organisations (VWOs)

participation in community service.

2. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Project Director	Sim Shi Rong
Assistant Project Director (Admin)	Lee Hui Ying
Assistant Project Director (Programmes)	Chua Jia Jie
Secretary/Treasurer	Chua Jing Yang
Councillor-In-Charge	Joseph Chin Hong En
Councillor-In-Charge	Tan Shien Ru
Magistics Head	Pang Lynn
Magistics Assistant	Lee Jing He
Magistics Assistant	Yong Kian Onn Samuel
Magistics Assistant	Linette Ong Hui Shan
Magistics Assistant	Alicia Poh Xiao Xuan
Magistics Assistant	Low Ci Hao, Gabriel
Publicity Head	Lau Ni Yin



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Publicity Assistant	Rachel Chan Boon Yee
Publicity Assistant	Ng Yan Ting
Publicity Assistant	Wong Li Xin
Internal Hunt Head	Lim Chen Xi
Internal Hunt Assistant	So Hoi Kay
Cluedo Head	Stanrly Moo Jia Lir
Cluedo Assistant	Teo Bin Jie
Cluedo Assistant	Tan Hui Ling
Journey in Service Head	Ang Jun Wei
Journey in Service Assistant	The Xue Qing Hazel
Special Buddy Head	Sim Ming Hui Melodies
Special Buddy Assistant	Rebekah Ang Su Ern
Volunteer Extravaganza Head	Lai Wei Xuan
Volunteer Extravaganza Assistant	Ang Jin Wei
Volunteer Extravaganza Assistant	Jackson Koh Choon Poh
Sentosa Head	Lee Ke Hui
Sentosa Assistant	Ang Hui Ru

3. PROJECT OVERVIEW

a. **Programmes/ Events**

Date/ Period	Event
15 January	OC Recruitment Mailer Release
17 January - 2 February	OC Recruitment Interviews Begin Sourcing of Grants Begin Application of Grants
26 - 28 Jan	Fill key positions in OC
31 Jan	Confirmation of OC members (part 1)
1 -2 Feb	Doodle poll on OC Meeting 1 availabilities



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	Confirmation of OC members (part 2)
2- 15 Feb	Sect/treas Induction CIC Induction (Discuss councillors recruitment)
6 Feb	Deconflict meeting
5-8 Feb	OC Meeting 1 E14 & MC Induction
12-15 Feb	E14/MC Induction (for the remaining cells)
8 February - 7 March (4 weeks)	Councilors recruitment interviews
21 Feb - 2 Mar	OC Meeting 2
Recess Week 26 Feb - 4 Mar	Programmes + Logs + Pubs meeting 1
5-11 March	Midterm Exams
9- 10 March	Councilors meeting 1
9 March	Programmes Proposal 1 Submission
10 March	Open Day
19- 25 March	OC Meeting 3 Councilor Recruitment Completion
20 April	OC Meeting 4
31 March – 7 April	Begin Freshman recruitment
21 April	Programs proposal 2
Reading week 21 April – 27 April	
Final Examinations (28 April – 12 May)	
8 - 29 May	PD Mid-Project Reviews with OC members
21 May	Councilors meeting 2
14 – 27 May	Game Trial + Hands-On
30th May	OC Meeting 6
30th May - 2 June	Pre-camp
3 June - 18 June	Hands-on 2
9 June	Flag Painting
20th - 23rd June	Actual Camp



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5th July	Review Meeting
18th – 19th July	PPR Draft 1 Submission

b. Beneficiaries Supported

Name	Address	Category	Number of Beneficiaries participated
Life Community Services Society Yishun	Blk 611 Yishun St 61 Singapore 760611	Children/Youth	50
SHINE Children & Youth Services Yishun	202 Yishun Street 21 #01-89 Singapore 760202		4*
NTUC SilverACE Senior Activity Centre	Block 57, Lengkok Bahru, #01-491, 151057	Elderly	30
St Andrew's @ Henderson	303 Henderson Road Singapore 108925		30
ComNet Senior Activity Centre@ AMK	420 Ang Mo Kio Ave 10, Singapore 560420		30
Care Corner @TP149	Blk 149 Lor 1 Toa Payoh #01-963 Singapore 310149		36
Blue Cross Thong Kheng Residential Home	201 Jurong East Ave 1, Singapore 609791	ID	18
Thong Kheng Day Activity Centre	201 Jurong East Ave 1, Singapore 609791		18



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Bishan Home for the Intellectually Disabled (BHID)	6 Bishan Street 13, 579798		23
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*Initially, we had planned to accommodate over 20 children. Miscommunication led to us over-projecting our expectations.

c. Volunteer Statistics

i. Councillor Recruitment

Councillor Target	40
Total Applicants	43
Confirmed Councillors	40 (16 Key Councillors, 24 Councillors)

ii. Freshman Recruitment

Freshman Target	80
Total Applicants	75
Confirmed Freshmen (Male, Female)	64 (17, 47)

iii. Station Master Recruitment

Pre-Camp						
	Internal Hunt	Special Buddy	Journey Service	in	Cluedo	Sentosa
Required	8	6	11		10	10
Recruited	2	6	8		10	8



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Actual Camp						
	Internal Hunt	Special Buddy	Journey Service	in	Cluedo	Sentosa
Required	8	6	11		10	10
Recruited	8	6	8		10	9

d. Collaborations

No collaboration with external organisations

e. Sponsors and list of sponsor items

Sponsor Name	Item sponsored and Quantity
National Youth Council	200 tote bags
Active Red	200 vouchers
Kim Korean BBQ, GoroGoro, I'm Kim Junior	200 vouchers per franchise
Kimage School of Hairdressing	200 vouchers
Party wholesale centre/ BBQ wholesale centre	200 vouchers
The Dive Ship	200 vouchers
The Escapehunt Experience	200 vouchers
JustAcia	200 vouchers
Swensens	200 vouchers
Royal Banner	200 pens & flyers



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Community Health Assessment Team	200 pens & miniguides
Get Sherious	200 drinks vouchers
Honsei	200 sachets apple tea
BrightSparks	200 magazines
Eng Wah Cinemas	2 bags of movie premiums
Lion Corporation	240 Shokubutsu soap refill packs

f. Financial Statement

Total Amount Allocated	\$4,500.00
Total Grant Funds	\$3,851.08
Total Sponsorship/ Donation	\$580.37
Total Income (Camp fees)	\$6,831.78
Total Expenditure	\$15,723.58
Surplus/ Deficit	\$0.00

4. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

1. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

a. Programme changes

The changes in programmes in this iteration of Ethelontêr have been multifold. First, there has been nomenclature changes to what were previously the Mysterious Journey and Secret Pal to Journey in Service and Special Buddy respectively. This reflects a desire on our part to do away with traditions and have programme names that are more reflective of the true nature of our activities, rather than importing these from past iterations without careful thought. Beyond nomenclature changes, the Journey in Service programme went further to explore areas of disabilities previously uncovered. This included going forth to explore disabilities previously unexplored such as visual disability. The Journey in Service cell planned for a 'Journey in the Dark' segment that exposed participants to the challenges of those living with visual impairment in a



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simulation. Special Buddy, previously Secret Pal, underwent a major overhaul, thus necessitating the change in programme name. The new Special Buddy programme sought to pair freshmen together in a meaningful manner and facilitated their interactions. For example, freshmen were paired together based on common interests that were collected near the start of the camp, rather than on a random basis.

Beyond that, there were changes in programme line-up. Cluedo was moved to Day 1 night after receiving feedback from pre-camp that the first day programme initially comprising Internal Hunt and Special Buddy involved too much running. Therefore, Cluedo was moved to Day 1 night to prevent physical exhaustion of the freshmen and to keep the camp spirits high. Consequently, Special Buddy was shifted from Day 1 night to Day 2 night. One issue that arose from this shift was that the OG shirt's cotton material was not well-suited to the intensive running involved in SB's programme.

b. Raising awareness of mental wellness

The Cluedo cell has introduced mental wellness through the development of character profile and briefing at the end of Cluedo segment. Participants may be exposed to emotions and triggers of the characters when interacting with them. It helps participants to understand the importance of sensitivity and observance. Many times we may experience some common emotions such as stress and anxiety. Through Cluedo, it has aimed to raise greater awareness of mental wellness and also platforms and services available to seek assistance.

2. SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

a. Exploring the Idea of Publicity Videos for Hype

Following the suggestion from E14, we intended to come up with publicity videos to hype up the atmosphere in the weeks and even months leading up to the actual camp. These videos would have been blasted via our social media platforms. Unfortunately, owing to commitment issues and a tight timeline, we were unable to carry out the idea. That being said, we think that there is a real need for publicity videos to hype up the atmosphere, given that the recruitment of freshmen poses a real challenge. Publicity videos might greatly facilitate our recruitment of freshmen in the later phases of our camp planning. Future PDs can consider if they want to take up this idea. It would be good to then identify a publicity team composition that would be able to commit as the videos are an additional workload on top of their existing workload. Alternatively, PDs can also discuss with the publicity team as to whether it would be possible to outsource the idea to other cells, or even to have the seniors (i.e. councillors) take the lead in terms of creating the videos.

b. Initiating Beneficiary Visits for OC Members Before the Camp

Some of the OC members may not have much volunteering experience prior to the camp. It may be good to conduct beneficiary visits to either some of the current CSC RVPs or the PO that we are working with. By visiting the PO before the camp, it gives the OC the experience of interacting



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with the beneficiaries. This will allow them to share with fellow peers the experience and even any challenges, thus better preparing the participants for VE day. Also, VE leaders will have a better understanding of the profile of the beneficiary, allowing them to facilitate expectation- and goal-setting for the participants. For beneficiaries with intellectual disabilities, especially the low functioning ones, not many people have experience interacting with them. Hence, if there is a visit to organization with low functioning beneficiaries, it will help VE cell and VE leaders to plan activities that are suitable for the beneficiaries and provide better knowledge for the participants.

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Project Directors

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