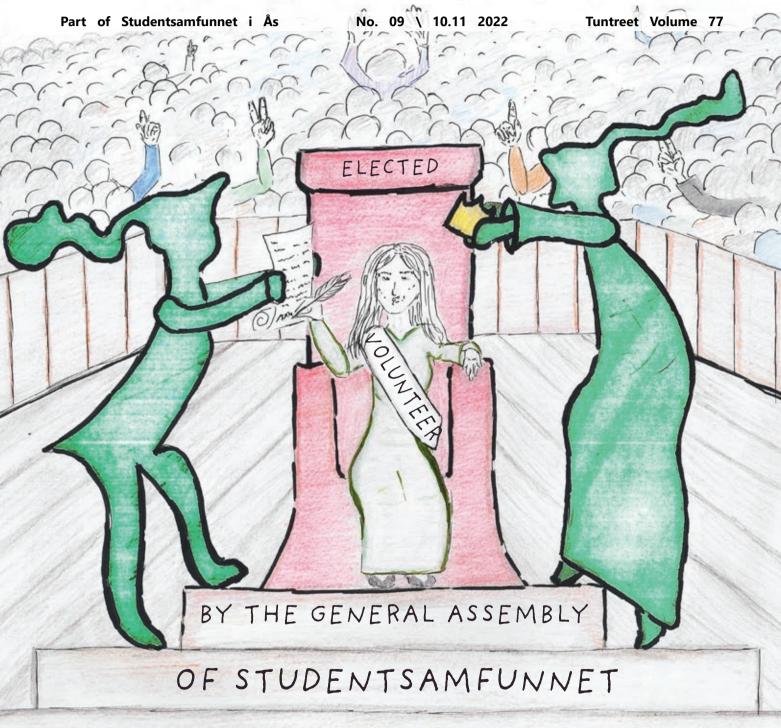
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Time to get it together?

Currently, the Norwegian public cares less about the climate than before. You could read about it in an article from NRK this week. Other stories interest and worry us more, like the current health service situation, increasing social differences, and the threat of war. Youth, those who traditionally have cared the most, are less preoccupied than previously.

The fact that there are so many ongoing crises which we hear more about, such as the mental health crisis and the energy crisis, is seen as a possible explanation. How we experience the effects of these crisis daily, unlike we do of the climate catastrophes which occur in other countries and the future. Simultaneously, an explanation is the frustration and apathy since we're not seeing enough results. We have been talking of a climate crisis for a long time now. We know that it is an exacerbating problem. But the will to act that's needed from politicians and ordinary people, that's what's missing.

I really recognise myself in this. I currently care less and less about the climate and the environment than I did three years ago. Something that is pretty terrible to say as I am in my third



year of a bachelor's degree in environment and development studies. But much of the passion which made me apply to the degree in the first place, is gone.

Maybe it's because we're constantly learning about how great the challenges standing before us are, and that most ventures, agreements, and climate change conferences end in disappointments? That corona and war has made sure money, time and efforts which could have been utilised to save the world has had to be reallocated? That we are delaying the work which in reality should be accelerated, and that the global collaborations we're desperately relying on are crumbling?

All this while the financial support for education never increases, the government decreasing funds to research, and it is suggested to cut free education for international students – at a time where we really are in need of the greatest heads being educated, conducting research, and collaborating.

In all honesty, it's getting too demotivating. And too grand, too severe, too tiring for me to have the energy to really care. I've honestly tapped out.

But that's pretty scary, because we can't actually tap out now, now when everyone has to take responsibility. As I write, the climate change conference in Egypt has just started. I have decided to get it together and tap in again. Going to try and catch up on what's going on, even if it won't be particularly uplifting. And trust in that the politicians also will get it together soon. Eventually protest a time or two. Join me?

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AN AGRARIAN NOVEMBER

The wind gets cold, The leaves are falling

We look towards Aud.Max. The GA's calling.

November is doing its best, I wonder if the students will submit their assignments on time?

Eventually, it gets dark, and what will we do? When each and every one receives the course's average grade

Where we stand, exhausted, to a sounding applause

When the candidates are elected at the assemply, no student remain silent

Yes, we feel it coming When the cold starts to pinch

But do we forget volunteering? No further comment.

-Viktor

Court case concluded between Einride Berg and SiÅs

The majority opinion is that the dismissal of Einride Berg was made on reasonable grounds. The minority argues that Berg should have been offered another position.

Benjamin Alexander Faulkner Journalist





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Dismissed after 25 years

Last November, Einride Berg, CEO of Studentsamskipnaden i Ås, was dismissed from his position. He had been working in SiÅs for thirty years. After unresolved negotiations, he went to court against SiÅs in February, arguing that it was an unfair termination. The court case lasted from Monday the 12th to Thursday the 15th of September. Tuntreet was present at court proceedings, and you may read our official summary in the 7th edition. The court majority assert that the dismissal of Einride Berg was made on reasonable grounds, and that SiÅs is acquitted.

Unlawful dismissal?

Einride Berg claimed that the dismissal was unlawful, and that the Board of SiÅs "propounded speculations". He argued against the claims by emphasizing the "accomplishments in relation to student housing, sports and health and more", and that many of the accusations happened too long ago to be taken into account. In addition, he received no clear warnings beforehand. Therefore, the verdict is unlawful, according to Berg.

Grounds for dismissal

SiÅs' premise for dismissal was failing confidence in regards to communicative aspects, and a lack of ability to serve the uphold the reputation of the studentsamskipnad. The opinion of the court is that various message received from Berg have been excessively harsh, and some of them, enough to damage public reputation. Various episodes were brought up, namely Hans Hovenhest Hestehoven, Urban Lab and Tuntreet, where Einride Berg behaved in a highly aggressive manner towards students. The court made their most significant remarks during the Urban Lab episode.

SiÅs' reputation

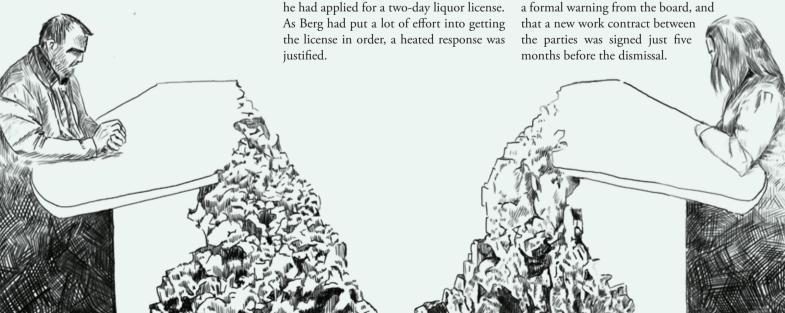
The statement of the board about failing confidence is, according to court, not "an unjustified assertion". In his role as CEO, he is a public face and bears responsibility for how his communication style might be perceived. The court found the episode with Urban Lab to be very unfortunate for public reputation. Berg explained that he thought a student had tried to play him and a colleague against each other by saying he had applied for a two-day liquor license. As Berg had put a lot of effort into getting the license in order, a heated response was justified.

Breached the boundaries

Berg, in hindsight, considered the damage to be minimal as the contact was with only one person. The court maintains that such a message would naturally spread across the student mass and discourage people from organizing student welfare. Furthermore, the court disapproved of his sending this message just months after a meeting where it became clear that he would change his communicative style. Lastly, the court found it highly unlikely that a student would ever dare to put Berg up against another colleague, but if it indeed was the case, then Berg's response would "breach the limits for what is acceptable" anyway.

Justified but out of proportion?

The majority of the court ruled, based on the episodes involving Berg's communication style, that the dismissal is justified. A minority agreed that there was a significant basis for dismissal, but that Berg should have been offered another position due to the length of his career and his age. The dismissal was fair and justified, but out of proportion. The minority also underlined the fact that Berg never received a formal warning from the board, and that a new work contract between





Tuition fees for international students

On October 6th, the government presented The National Budget for 2023, where they suggest cutting back on financial support for higher education. As a solution to earn money, they have suggested that the institutions should start demanding a tuition fee from international students. This suggestion has caused a lot of debate throughout Norway's learning institutions, and we have talked to several people at NMBU to hear what they have to say about the proposal.



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The government's suggestion take a tuition fee from international students goes against the promises in 'Hurdalsplattformen', which states free education for all. The State Secretary, Oddmund Løkensgard Hoel, explained in an interview with NRK, on October 11th, that if the suggestion passes it is estimated that students from outside of EU, EØS and Switzerland must pay approximately 130 000 NOK to study in Norway.

After the interview, SV, has taken a stand against the proposal, but are not willing to give an ultimatum on the matter during negotiations.

The Student Parliament's concern

One of the people we spoke with was Jens Bartnes, the leader of the Student Parliament at NMBU. He is one of the people fighting against the proposal and is actively working to prevent the approval of the National Budget.

"One of my biggest concerns is the quality of higher education in Norway," Bartnes explains. "International students bring new perspectives and insights. I know, from my own experience, that having international students in the classroom, and in social settings, brings important lessons. With less diversity the quality of everyone's education will be reduced. Today's system allows the most qualified students to study, not the wealthiest."



We also asked Bartnes what he believes NMBU will lose if the proposal is accepted. "The suggestion is most critical for NMBU's academic environment at NORAGRIC. They have a high share of international students, and several from outside of EU. They do important research, take PhDs, and several come back to work as professors. The professional environment is very important and well known international."

At the end of the conversation, Bartnes explains his thoughts on what the government has started with the proposal.

"I would just like to say that I'm very disappointed that the government can break their promises like that. Both AP and SP supported the principle of free education in 'Hurdaldsplattformen' but are already defying it. I think this will lead to a stratification in higher education. I did not expect it from this government."

ISU's thoughts

From the organization International Student Union (ISU), we managed to talk to both the president, Nisha Jha, and the Vice President, Muammed Usama Ali. They are both international students at NMBU, and work along ISU to stop the suggestion. Both Jha and Ali express deep concerns for how the proposal will affect the once with most to lose.

"I fear that students that want to take a higher education to make a better life for



themselves and their hometown no longer will be able to," Jha explains. "It will affect low-income students the hardest. They need to spend all their money on life necessities and cannot afford to spend it on education instead. The suggestion will only give high-income people the chance to get an education, and not the people who truly needs it."

Ali supports this claim, and also points to the consequences it will have on the education. "Students from countries in the global south will have a lower chance of getting a studentship. This will give a reduced quality on education and the variation of people getting an opportunity will be limited."



Will this lead to more studentships and accommodation for Norwegian students?

Both Jha and Ali disagree with the statement that the suggestion will free up studentships for Norwegians and remove some pressure from the housing market. "The Minister of Education and Research explains that this is a way of increasing the budget and shrinking the pressure on the housing market, but the suggestion of introducing a tuition fee is not the solution," Jha states. Ali continues, "When we experience a housing crisis, the solution is not to minimize the population."

What can be done?

that the government

"We are trying to reach as many people as possible to bring attention to the case. Especially towards the people who have a say, meaning SV, AP and SP. We want to show them that breaking promises only will weaken our trust in them. If we cannot trust them to keep the promise of free education, how can we trust them on other matters?" Ali asks.

hear what the students feel. We are talking to newspapers, NRK, and we have an agreement with the Student Parliament to work alongside each other to protect the students from the suggestion." Towards the end, Ali wonders how the solution is to work long term, "if you look at other countries that has implemented a similar solution, they now have trouble getting international students. They have even found it necessary to hand out scholarships."

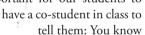
At the end of her interview, Jha gives a clear request to the government: "All along, I have been saying the same thing. To everyone we have contacted – at a university level, regional or international - please do not let the hope die. Do not let the hope of all the students that come to Norway to make a better future for themselves, or their community, die like that."

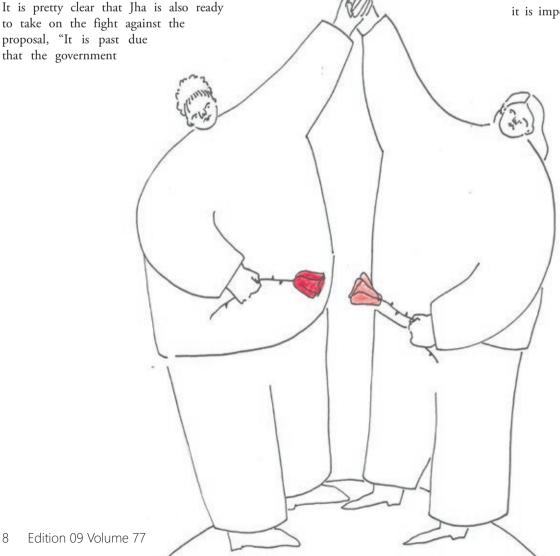
The rector's concern

The Rector, Curt Rice, is also critical to the suggestion and explains how he has two main concerns.



"One of them is my wish that all our students attend a university that tries to understand the world around it. One part of this is to have students from all over the world. If the National Budget is approved, it will mean a massive reduction in the number of international students. I believe it is important for our students to





what, you need to get out and see the world because what you are saying now makes absolutely no sense where I come from."

Rice's second concern considers Norway's position in the world, and what signal we send with such a suggestion. "Norway is in a position where we are seen as a country concerned with aid work and sharing our wealth. Giving students from the global south the opportunity to come to Norway and study, is part of this aid work." Rice continues to explain how he finds the claim cynical, "The suggestion makes university's take money from students that come from the poorest countries. Earning a profit of money from students who wants to pursue higher education is to me absolutely absurd. The concept is that the universities have to set a tuition fee and administer this themselves. One consequence might be that we cannot take in any international students because we don't have the capacity for the administration needed."

What about the studentships?

When we ask what Rice thinks about the possibility of freeing up studentships, he responds, "Where is the queue?" He points out that, with the exception of veterinary, medicine and a few engineering studies, there are very few people applying that

criticism, "It is distasteful. Out with the international: Norwegian universities are only for Norwegians."

What will NMBU do?

Rice is also clear on the fact NMBU will work to stop the suggestion and have already started the work. "We are in collaboration with other institutions and student organizations. I do also try to speak up in media. It is important to make it clear that the government must keep the promises they make in 'Hurdalsplattformen'."

Rector's final thoughts

"The simplest argument I hear is that Norwegian students must pay tuition fees in foreign countries, and therefore foreign students should pay here as well. I don't find this argument valid. Not because it isn't true, but because it weakens the principal attitude that everyone should have access to free education."

Rice focus on how this will make Norway appear in an international setting. "Do everyone in the world have access to free education? No. Should we therefore give it up as well? No. I believe we should hold

What does NSO think?

After the demonstration, arranged by the Student Parliament and ISO on October 26th, we managed to get a quick chat with a representative from The National Union of Students in Norway (NSO), Simen Tiølsen Oftedahl.

He explains that NSO has estimated that the number of international students outside of EU and Switzerland will be reduced by 70 % with the current suggestion. They also doubt that the proposal will lead to better economy at the institutions of higher education. "They remove the foundation fundings and allows the schools to earn the money they lose by taking it from international students instead. The 78 million NOK that the schools will have to earn will not come from the 2600 vacant studentship filled up by students from Norway and EU. They will have to be covered by the students from outside of EU and Switzerland that still wants to come."



GET TO KNOW THE DEGREES

MASTER'S DEGREE IN PROPERTY AND LAND LAW OR REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT

– WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE?



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Land consolidation can be explained as a tool to recreate property, physically or organizationally, to make them more expedient. It can be the property boundaries to your neighbour, the rights to the tree that always shades for the sun, or registration of rights to the road leading to your cabin. Property boundaries have always been a topic of discussion, and that is why we have a special court in Norway that handles property disputes. The land consolidation court stands out from the other courts by the fact that there doesn't necessarily need to be a disagreement to get help. One can also agree to fix the boundary between you and the neighbour.

What is Land Consolidation?

Master's degree in Property and Land Law

- You Can Work Anywhere

Even though the degree has traditionally educated people to work in the land consolidation court, students have many options today. "Today, you can work within basically everything you can think of regarding judicial economic problems and property, if you have this degree," Steinsholt explains. This can be everything from property development, property registers and the Norwegian Mapping Authority, property acquisition, or managing property in the municipality. There are many who require specialists in managing all legal aspects of property. One example of this can be the Norwegian Public Road Administration who need ownership of the areas where new roads are to be built. "It is a broad study that enables you to work with many different things." Cartography is also a big piece of the cake, where you learn how to interpret maps that were drawn one to two hundred years ago.



What is really the difference between the master's degree in property and land law and the master's degree in real estate development?

egree in real estate development?
Isn't it the same thing? Did you know that there is a study programme where you can become a judge in a specialist court here at NMBU? Despair not, associate professor Håvard Steinsholt has the answer!

PROPERTY AND LAND LAW

Many people are under the impression that the Property and Land Law degree is all about real estate business, but this does not have a lot to do with the five-year integrated master's programme. "Property and Land Law has since 1998 been the degree for those becoming professionals in managing property for areas, and conflicts to this regard," Steinsholt says. Historically, the purpose of the degree was to educate land consolidation judges here at NMBU. It was then established a department of property replacement at the Norwegian College of Agriculture. The same year, the country's first national meeting for property replacement chairmen was held. In those days, the degree lasted only one year, with inspiration from land consolidation in Sweden. Even though the degree is specialised to the legal aspects of property, there is a huge demand for people who know a mix of the professions of law, property, cartography, and economics. This is exactly what the degree of property and land law focuses on.



What is the difference?

The difference between the two study programmes is that the master's degree in Property and Land Law is a five-year integrated master's programme, while Real Estate Development is a twoyear master's programme. Over the course of two years at Real Estate Development, you will learn to see potential in properties to develop, while Property and Land Law includes more aspects. "The old land consolidation study that is now called Property and Land Law, is a much broader study where you learn how to manage property in every way, both in a private and public context." He explains that these two educations are intertwined in many ways, and that there are several with an education in Property and Land Law that end up working in real estate development.

But what about land surveying?

The study is composed of many cartography classes, and one comparable study programme is what is called Geomatics. "In the past, land surveying was the same as land consolidation here at the university. Back then there weren't maps like we use today, and to manage property you had to learn how to make maps," Håvard says. These two professions were after some time split when newer inventions like GPS and satellites came to be. "It is an engineering profession about making pictures of the earth's surface in different shapes, while land consolidation and property is law and social science."

What the student says

Markus Foss Hegerstrand has always wanted to work with property. Which study to choose was therefore not a difficult choice, and he quickly landed at the five-year master's programme in Property and Land Law. "I have always known that I wanted to work with something within property, whether it was architecture or real estate business. When I found this study programme it fit perfectly." Markus explains that he liked how many opportunities the classes gave him. "With this education I am not locked into doing one thing for the rest of my life, I can work with so many different things," he says.

Do you have a favourite subject?

"I really like Planning and Building Law with Fredrik Holth," Markus answers. He says that it is interesting to gain knowledge about important things like the Planning and Building Law, which provides rules for how public governance should be implemented.



REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT

Real Estate Development is a two-year master's programme specialising in the development of property. "In short, Real Estate Development is about acquiring property, doing something with it, and then selling it or renting it out to get a profit off the property," Håvard says. He further explains that the profit can be economic, but also the profit of an improved property. In the Real Estate Development programme, you learn how to develop an idea for a project, what you call a value creation process.





These are the degrees which most people want to hear more about, according to Tuntreet's survey. Would you like to know more about a degree?

Scan the QR code and respond here!

WHAT'S THE DEAL ABOUT THE GA?

The General Assembly (GA) will be held Monday, the 14th of November at Samfunnet.

But what is Samfunnet's General Assembly and why is it so important?





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WHAT IS THE GA?

It might not be known to you what the General Assembly is, especially if you are like me, a fresher trying to find their way through Studentsamfunnet here in Ås. General Assembly can sound boring and dry, but it is this year's most important meeting at Samfunnet. Here, it is decided how Studentsamfunnet will be operated going forward and who will be operating it.

WHY SHOULD YOU ATTEND THE GA?

It is important to use your right to vote and participate in the Samfunnet democracy, no matter how tame this might sound. The GA is first and foremost a meeting where new candidates for positions are voted in, but normal members also have the chance to confront those in charge, and last but not least, influence, learn and ask questions about the operation of Studentsamfunnet. Important matters are voted on, and the future of Studentsamfunnet is in the hands of the regular citizens of Samfunnet. Are you unhappy with DiggiPay, LinTicket or the social life as a student? Attend GA and make a difference! This is the time of the year when Samfunnet wants to hear your voice the most.

The deadline for submitting items to put on the agenda for the GA was the 24th of October, and the deadline for running in the election was on the 7th of November. You will, however, be able to volunteer yourself or your fellow students during the GA itself. So, if you want to influence Studentsamfunnet from the inside, you can still do that!

The most important thing you can do is still attending. The General Assembly needs everyone. You don't need to show up super prepared with a fresh take or read all the case documents in great detail to participate. Just stopping by and being a little curious is also important. This recommendation is particularly aimed at new students.

Studentsamfunnet needs all our votes, new and old.

If you find it hard to keep track of everything happening at the GA, you should try Tuntreet's GA Bingo! Here you're introduced to the GA's clichés and processes. This way, the GA will be more exciting and fun to attend.

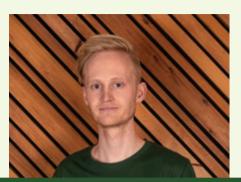






POSITIONS AVAILABLE

- 1. DESCRIPTION OF POSITION
- 2. WHY YOU RAN FOR ELECTION
- 3. THE BEST PART OF YOUR POSITION



Fredrik Skistad Head of Concerts for Samfunnet, Duration: 1 year

- around concerts (and other events) at Samfunnet!
- 2. I have worked in the concert block since I started in Ås and wanted to contribute.
- committee head level



Harald Vie Pettersen Head of Marketing for Samfunnet. Duration: 1 year

- 1. Responsible for all the marketing of Samfunnet i Ås, social media, the web page, design and layout, film and Marketing, you must coordinate internally and externally at
- 2. I ran as the candidate for Head of Marketing because own competence and gain a lot of experience in leadership
- board all voices are heard equally and being able to speak the cause of the Marketing Block is something I am proud of



Emilie Reitan Head of Bodega for Samfunnet, Duration: 1 year

- 1. Head of Bodega is the one in the Board of Samfunnet nights, Klubben, maintenance of the house and contact and Red Cross.
- 2. I chose to run for election as Head of Bodega because several ideas for improvement.



Anna Imsgard Strøm Head of Administration for Samfunnet. Duration: 1 year

- 1. Head of Administration is the vice chairman
- 2. I ran for Head of Administration to gain a better



Vishnupriya Jayachandran Head of marketing for NU. Duration: 1 year

- **1.** Main responsibility for marketing of the Business Committee's career promoting events, among other things the shaping of marketing material, promotion on social media.
- **2.** Challenging myself and getting to know other people across the campus
- **3.** The liberty of how creative I can be, and the good people I work with!



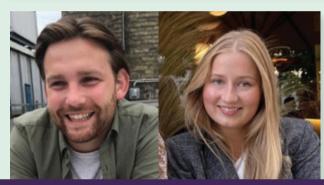
Thea Dyring
Head of Events for the Business Committee.
Duration: ½ year (suppleringsvalg)

- **1.** The Head of Events is responsible for the career-oriented events in cooperation with NMBU, Business and different organs at Samfunnet.
- **2.** I ran for the election to engage in something social, but that was also directed towards a career-oriented life after the study period.
- **3.** The best thing about my position must be the incredible network you build and the acquaintances you get! It is a unique experience to take with you and you get to know yourself well.



Nora C. Hjelme
Head of the Business Committee. Duration: 1 year

- 1. The leader is responsible for the Business Committee's economy, meetings and operations, and is the Business Committee's face outwards and a representative in different committees.
- **2.** I ran for this position to challenge myself, give back to the students and gain a better insight into what is happening at Studentsamfunnet in Ås!
- **3.** The best part of my position is to be part of a little of everything, to see how much the board accomplishes, and the social aspect.



Mattias Flakkenberg and Eline Furuseth The Election Committee. Duration: 1 year

- 1. In the Election Committee you get to contribute to finding good candidates for the different elected positions
- **2.** I ran for this position because I felt I had something to contribute, and because the position seemed exciting!
- **3.** The best part of being in the Election Committee is that you get to talk to so many nice and skilled people.



Sofie Bergset JanolsEditor for Tuntreet.

Duration: 1 year ($\frac{1}{2}$ year as Managing Editor, $\frac{1}{2}$ as Editor-in-Chief)

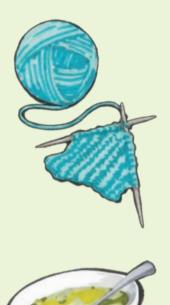
- 1. The Managing Editor is responsible for the creative content and the layout of the editions. The work involved among other things setting the agendas, leading editorial meetings, and following up on journalists and others who work with the editions. As Editior-in-Chief, you are the formal leader of Tuntreet, and have the superior responsibility for the editorial office and the operation of Tuntreet.
- **2.** Because leading a student newspaper seemed like an incredibly exciting and unique challenge, and because I wanted to contribute to Tuntreet.
- **3.** To be able to lead such an incredibly skilled and wonderful group, and to see how hard work and creativity time after time becomes really good editions.

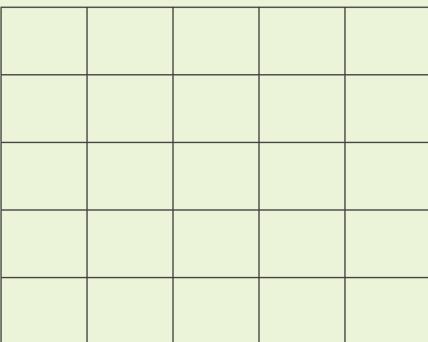
THE GA BINGO

Bring an issue of Tuntreet with you, and join this semester's edition of the GA bingo!

Fill in the squares with any of the numbers below from 1 to 44. Choose an event you think is going to happen during the general assembly. As each event takes place, mark off the corresponding number. If you happen to get five in a row, shout out "Bingo!" and inform the closest Tuntreet member you can find. If you fill all 25 squares, shout "Bingo bananas!"

Locate one of Tuntreet's editors during the next break, or after the gathering is done, in order to receive your prize. The first person to shout "Bingo bananas" will receive a Flax scratch card. Good luck!









Technical Problems

- 1. Audio issues
- 2. Problems with the projector
- 3. Someone stumbles on their way to the stage
- 4. Someone drops the microphone
- 5. Screeching sound from the speakers
- 6. Grammatical error in presentations
- 7. Someone drops the overchair table

GA Clichés:

- 8. The agenda is approved
- 9. At least five people in the room are knitting
- 10. The chairman corrects someone
- 11. Someone is volunteered and elected
- 12. At least 30 new people arrive pre voting
- 13. Someone says they grew up on a farm
- 14. The formulation of a regulation is changed
- 15. More than half the candidates are part of associations
- 16. Someone talks past their speech time
- 17. A candidate promises to include everyone
- 18. A candidate reminisces about UKA

- 19. Head of finance promises cheaper beer
- 20. Free events are discussed
- 21. A candidate agrees with the previous speaker
- 22. Someone swears whilst on the podium

Will be Said:

- 23. Someone shouts «BINGO!»
- 24. «Honoured assembly»
- 25. Board of Samfunnet shares 'new vision'
- 26. «How to recruit the first-year students»
- 27. «Community spirit»
- 28. «No further comment»
- 29. «Rota system»
- 30. Pea soup is mentioned a total of 5 times
- 31. «I hereby stand as a candidate»
- 32. Someone wants to «continue the work»
- 33. «Tora og Thorvald» are mentioned (in that order)
- 34. Someone in the room falls asleep
- 35. Tuntreet has broken even

GA Special:

- 36. Someone volunteers themselves out of the blue
- 37. A 20 year-old is elected
- 38. At least 9 people play Tuntreet's GA Bingo
- 39. A candidate completes at least five cells of the bingo in their speech
- 40. Tor Pedo doesn't win
- 41. Two candidates run for the position of Tuntreet's editor
- 42. A Hankatt volunteers another Hankatt
- 43. All the mentometer buttons are correct
- 44. Same person is volunteered at least 4 times



Marie Tjelta Journalist

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Dear Ås Politicians...

The national budget that is currently discussed in the parliament may have a very strong impact on NMBU and its international community. The Norwegian government (coalition of Senterpartiet and Arbeiderpartiet) is proposing in its 2023 budget to create an education fee of 130 000 NOK per year for students from outside of the EU, EEA, and Switzerland. Tuntreet took the opportunity to talk with the local politicians about the opinion of their party and more.



Mathias Tupinier Journalist



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Simen Walbækken Tangen Photographer

- 1. What is your favourite meal?
- 2. What is your favourite beer?
- 3. How would you describe your party's ideology?
- 4. What are you doing at the local level in As?
- 5. What do you think about the national budget and its impact on non-European international students?

Senterparti (Center Party)

Representative: Odd Vangen

- 1. "Australian stew."
- 2. "1664"
- 3. "Liberal centrism. On cultural issues we are a bit conservative and on other aspects we are quite radical."
- 4. "We don't believe in centralisation, so we are trying to make sure that the new houses being built are pavilion houses and not blocks. We are also trying to focus the mobility plan on bus and not train; we have to make medium routes greener."
- 5. "The party is supporting it. Personally, I'm divided. International students are an enrichment to NMBU and Norway, but we need money to finance the state. We have to keep the fees lower than other countries to make sure that Norway remains attractive, but it is logical to put a reasonable fee. Overall, it doesn't surprise me if fees become established: countries all around us started recently to put fees on non-European international students."





MDG (Green Party)

Representative: Martin Løken

- 1. "Any vegan meal."
- 2. "Beer without alcohol."
- 3. "We want to build society on the basis of the boundaries of the planet."
- 4. "We are fighting to preserve as much biodiversity as possible in Ås. Right now, we are trying to either change or stop the construction-project next to Palisaden, in order to preserve the forest."
- 5. "We are completely against it. Free education is an important principle. The international environment at campus is also important for everyone. It is a strict budget this year, so those kinds of cuts were expected. The party, however, is negotiating as much as it can to propose another budget."



Venstre (Left)

Representative: Olav Fjeld Kraugerud

- "Grilled scallops."
- His own homemade beer. 2.
- "A liberal party supporting Freedom and Responsibility." 3.
- "We are trying to maintain the health centre. As' financial situation is also a disaster: we need to reduce our expenses to pay our loans, but health is something we need to protect."
- "We are against it. Norway is a rich country; we can afford to make education free for everyone and it is good for us. Those people will enrich Norwegian students by their culture and some of them will become Norwegians, and end up working here."

Rødt (Red)

Representative: Morten Anker

- "Pizza" 1.
- 2. "Chimay Bleue"
- "We are a socialist reformist party. We are like the Arbeiderpartiet in the 1930s but 3. with ecologism."
- "Until 2 years ago, we were part of the majority here in Ås, but we had a strong 4. disagreement over some issues regarding the security conditions of construction workers, and we decided to opt-out. We continue, however, to negotiate with the majority from the outside, by for example supporting the Greens on the ecologist fights."
- "It is the exact opposite of what needs to be done. Solidarity is a key value, and preventing people from poorer countries from studying in Norway is a disgrace. It's not even a good way to cut expenses because most international students come from the EU."





Arbeiderpartiet (The Labour Party)

Representative: Edvin Søvik

- "Indian food" 1.
- 2. "Blond beer"
- "Centre-left, classic social-democratic party. We are fighting for workers rights, the welfare state, and against inequalities."
- "During the last years, we built 3 schools, a kindergarten, and a retirement home. We are also protecting the health station from the parties on the right, to make sure that students can have access to healthcare."
- "The party is supporting it, but I disagree. In 2014 'the right party' tried to do the same and we fought them at that time. The economic situation changed, and I understand why the party is looking for ways to save money, but this measure is a mistake. There are negotiations with the parties on the left, so it may change, and I hope that we won't continue on that path."



Silje Bie Helgesen



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When the pandemic hit Norway in 2020, 639 suicides were recorded. 467 of these were men. "Whatever you grow will save a bro" is the first thing that crosses your screen when you load the Movember official website. What is Movember, and why is this movement so important?

Movember is a leading volunteer organization that works towards bringing men's health into the spotlight. Men all around the globe grow mustaches or engage in physical activity every day all through November. This is done to show their support for men's health. Prostate cancer, mental health, and suicide prevention are the core causes of Movember. The last two themes have gotten increased attention in the last few years.

According to the Public Health report by the Norwegian Institute of Public Health (NIPH), 600 people commit suicide every year in Norway. Two out of three are men, and the median is at 47 years. It is concerning that the numbers show such large gender disparities.

What creates such a difference? In 2014, the NIPH found some interesting discoveries when interviewing the loved ones of young men who committed suicide. The same discoveries were made in older generations.

Often suicide is experienced as unexpected or sudden, without any signs that would indicate what was about to happen.

I interviewed two anonymous men in their twenties for a chat about the heavy subject. We choose to call them Lasse and Trym.

Why are men struggling mentally?

"It is probably a combination of many things. Men are generally less inclined to talk about their feelings, and when you are young, it is tough to talk about. It is a combination of struggling or being brave enough to talk about it," Lasse says.

NIPH claims that transitioning from being young to being an adult can be a tough period where young men commit suicide. We, students, are in this period now or will meet it when we leave university.

"When you experience this transition into adulthood, there is a social shift from student life to another type of environment, maybe with even more pressure," says Trym. Trym explains that the older generation, with high numbers of suicide, grew up under different conditions.

"The father was supposed to watch over others and provide safety and security, and feelings were linked to vulnerability. As a man you were supposed to take care of yourself and be strong, it was a weakness to show that you were feeling down."

This is a stigma that is important to dismantle.

Considered suicide

Your friend, someone in the classroom, or the person you say hello to, can appear happy on the outside and seem eager for life. But on the inside, the story can be drastically different.

"I struggled with my mental health a year ago and did consider suicide. This can apply to anyone," Lasse tells us.

He explains that young people have developed strong attitudes about always performing well. In his case, this pressure grew too large and the strain resulted in his psyche not being able to handle it anymore.

"I was very down, and I think more people have thought about suicide than we know. Today I am doing much better."

He talks about how crucial it was to open up to a close friend, and how important it is that the boys in the friend group watch out for each other.

Lasse explains, "We agreed that we will look after each other and make sure no one closes themselves completely off, that is important if you are extra worried about someone."

It is getting easier to talk about feelings

Equality means that men are also breaking out of their old gender roles. Movember contributes to an environment where it is easier for men to talk about heavy subjects.

"Men struggle as much as women, but women are brave enough to ask for help. Over the last few years, it has become more acceptable for men to open more up," says Trym.

"If you are struggling, accept it. When you take this first step and have a serious conversation about tough feelings with "the boys", the standard is lowered and it is made so more people do the same thing," Lasse mentions.

Check yourself - Testicular cancer

Young men in particular are at a higher risk of getting testicular cancer. Testicular cancer starts out as a growth in the testicles, and in 90% of the cases, it starts in the cells that produce sperm. The risk of getting cancer is increased by family history of testicular cancer, if you have had it before, undescended testicles at birth and if you have Down syndrome. Movember rejects claims that harm to the testicles, strain from sports, hot baths, or tight clothing can increase the risk of getting testicular cancer.

Symptoms of testicular cancer:

- Swelling or a lump in one of the testicles (normally painless)
- A feeling of weight in the sack
- Change in testicular size and shape
- Aches or pains in the lower stomach or groin
- Sudden fluid formation in the sack
- Pain or discomfort in the testicle or the sack
- Expanding or tenderness in the breast tissue

Prostate cancer

Prostate cancer occurs when the cells in the prostate reproduce faster than normal. A tumor will appear, and the cells can spread to the rest of the body. The disease can develop without the man experiencing symptoms, which means that it is incredibly important to check yourself.

Symptoms of prostate cancer:

- Frequent need to urinate, especially at night
- Difficulty starting urinating or holding the urine back
- Weak or broken urinating
- Painful or burning urination
- Difficulty getting an erection
- Painful ejaculation
- Blood or urine in the semen
- Frequent pain or stiffness in the lower back, hips, or thighs

Facts from movember.com





Daily chaos in the Meierikryss: 80% are driving alone

County Road 152. A road we all have to cross sooner or later. Not necessarily a simple and smooth event, as there are 10 500 cars passing in the span of a day. It is 16:00 o'clock, and the last lecture has ended. Traffic jam is a fact. Why is the Meierikryss entangled in the same jam almost every single day?

Tuntreet counts

To better understand the situation at Meierikrysset, Tuntreet took a sample from the largest traffic jam. On Thursday October 27th, Tuntreets journalists stood from 15:57 to 16:34 and counted the number of cars driving through the intersection and the number of pedestrians and cyclist that crossed the crosswalk. During the sampling we only counted passing people over the western crosswalk. In hindsight, one should also have counted passings over the eastern crosswalk, but one can estimate the same number of passings over this crosswalk. During the total of 37 minutes there where 734 passing vehicles.

80% drives alone

The count of cars was further divided into the number of single drivers, and how many cars that had two or more passengers. Of those 734 vehicles observed, 150 of them where cars with two or more passengers,

while the remaining 584 cars were single drivers. The traffic is slower in the direction towards Ski. By the numbers alone we can see that 80% of all the cars driving past had only one passenger. According to Georg Ståle Brødholdt, Communications Advisor for Viken County Municipality, "90% of the vehicles are (normally) only carrying one person. This is also the case for the rest of the country. We have no indications of As being an exception of this in one or the other direction." This can only mean that during one day about 9450 cars pass with only one passenger. Even if it is not as critical all the time, we would still claim that only one passenger in the car is an issue.

A busy intersection

According to roadmaps on vegvesen.no, the county road through Meierikrysset has 10 500 passing cars in the span of 24 hours. In comparison, there are 10 000 cars passing

Karl Johan every day in ring 1 in Oslo. Tuntreet got in contact with Vegvesenet for more data and discovered that 1 277 cars passed the closest measuring point to Meierikrysset, in the space between 16:00-17:00. This further strengthens the assumption that our measurements might be accurate, considering the fact that their numbers are twice the size of ours, and we were measuring for a little over half an hour.

What about the bus?

Communications Chief Sofie Bruun at Ruter tells that especially Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday stand out as busy days at the Meierikryss. Delays in this area is experienced as the reason behind the doubled amount of bus departures during the rush hours, to reduce overcrowded busses and to secure punctuality. The graph below illustrates departure times for line 510 between 15:00 and 17:00. Bruun shows that its especially the stops between

Brønnerud primary school - Sentralholtet, Holstad primary school - Holstad, and Ski station that are exposed to disruptions during the mentioned times. Universitetet i Ås, the closest bus stop to the Meierikryss, is a part of the mentioned stretch.

A difficult intersection

So why is the situation still like this? There have previously been proposals of stack interchanges, underpasses, and traffic lights as possible remedies to the issue. Kjersti Sørlie Rimer, Director of Property at NMBU, says that: "It was concluded that there were no possibilities to build solutions like footbridges or pedestrian tunnels because these would be too tall/ deep that the structures would effect both croplands, protected buildings and park areas..." A bridge or tunnel would also have been longer, and Rimer explains that speaking from experiences one would still have made use of the existing crosswalk. Ås Municipality has also taken note of the problem and has pointed out Meieribygget's status as a protected building as an issue.

One step forth, and two steps back

The problems that the Director of Property at NMBU brings forth has been carefully considered by Viken County Municipality. It's Viken that is responsible for road 152. Brødholdt tells that since the Meieribygning is protected, "a potential new underpass would have to be put further west and it would have been quite expensive."

In relations to traffic regulations the traffic light would have been placed further west to avoid confusions regarding yielding. This would have resulted in the crosswalk being moved at least 30 meters from the roundabout. "(...) in our experience only 10-20 meters detour is enough to make pedestrians cross the road outside of the assigned crosswalk, and that it therefore



would create more traffic safety issues than it would resolve. Because the traffic jam contributes to reduced speed, he is not worried about the current situation. "We are of course not regarding the driving-situation as a tool of traffic safety, but it is still a reality."

Where are people going?

A question we in little to no degree has gotten a direct answer to is where people actually is driving to on this particular road. We saw a lot of company vehicles probably related to work-traffic, and company vehicles is also overrepresented by single drivers without passengers. For many this would be impossible to avoid, but it could considerably help to share a ride or to travel by public transportation. By examining the Vegkart Service we see that many of the cars probably headed to Ski. It is precisely road 152 that is recommended by Google Maps as the better alternative route for the stretch between Moss-Ski, a highly trafficked stretch, all through the bottleneck that is the Meierikryss.

One thing Brødholdt is conscious about is the driver's duty to stop for pedestrians and the consequential stops that is created in the queue. "(...) especially if pedestrians are

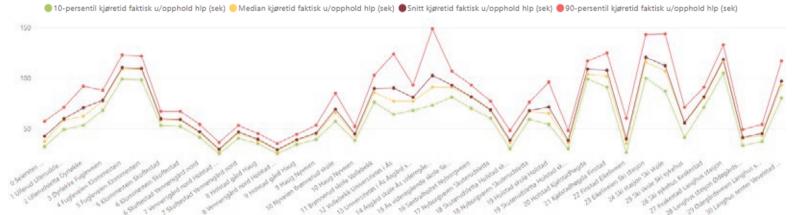






walking with some distance between them, then the traffic "stops" over a larger span of time". It is then important to remember that it's not the student's fault that the traffic has increased beyond the roads' capabilities. A road the majority of the students has had to cross since the early 60's when Pentagon Student Housings was built. As the student masses has grown regular, one can safely say that the situation surely wont resolve itself in the nearest future, especially when the number of cars that want to pass through is as large as it is.

Thanks to Ragnhid Sunde Stokke for the help counting cars.



Graph sent from Ruter.



Did you ever regret your choice of degree?



Helene Sylvarnes Writer

You who are reading this has probably,

like me and many others, reconsidered

the education you have started on.

Maybe your studies feel like a chore, or

you don't want this or that kind of career,

or vou don't feel like vou're mastering

your subjects. This is my story of how

I've changed my education several times,

One day in August of 2017 my twenty-year-

old self entered Western Norway University

of Applied Sciences, campus Førde, ready

to start a nursing degree. Well, maybe not

ready, but I was convinced it was the right

other reasons that made becoming a nurse

seem like a no-brainer, first and foremost

with a reminder that it will be okay.



Jeanne Michielin Illustrator

the fact I was almost assured to get a job once I was done. Even if I as a twenty-year-old didn't feel like I was prepared that day, I had resolutely decided that this is what I would start off with and complete.

Studying to become a nurse is incredibly exciting. However, finding your studies exciting isn't enough if you don't want a job related to it. It didn't take long before I realized I didn't want to work as a nurse. Already six months into my education came the proclamation that I should have realized was the beginning of the end: 'I don't understand why I bother to read this, I'm not going to work as a nurse."

It's a weird thing when you've committed yourself to one thing, how much is takes to admit that it wasn't quite what you thought. And especially how much effort you are willing to put into making the study right,



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all the time you spend convincing yourself that this is exciting and will be a really good profession for you.

Fifty percent of the time spent studying to become a nurse is practical work, and through this, you often get a confirmation whether this is what you want to work with or not. While many of my peers found the practicals exciting and informative, I sat there, stressed out, counting down until the day it would all be over. This was usually how each practical went, so after a couple of practicals I should perhaps have realized that I should quit. But after spending time and effort convincing others that this was exciting, quitting wasn't easy.

I never managed to quit my nursing studies. However, on my last year, I realized this simply wasn't something I wanted to work with in the future.

thing for me. The conviction came from, among other things, that I had proclaimed I would become a nurse for many years, and many of those around me confirmed that it would suit me. But there were also

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While I limped my way through the last couple months with practicals, another difficult challenge stood ahead of me: I had to tell those closest to me.

The news that I was planning on moving on to another study wasn't received particularly well. One of the comments I heard most often was that I just had to try out actually working, before I could say for sure that I didn't want to do it. For a long time I felt like I just had to show more patience and willpower. What reason did I have to believe I wasn't able to work as a nurse when so many other people do? But with all my practical experience I felt I had really tried.

At the same time as my nurse certificate arrived in the mail in July of 2022, the student admittance e-mail for Business Administration at NMBU also came. It wasn't any sort of burning desire to become an economist that motivated this choice. The reasonable side of my mind told me it was a safe choice with lots of possibilities, so that way I wouldn't be forced to fall back on my education as a nurse if anything went awry.

I'll be the first person to admit I'm probably never going to finish my bachelor's degree in Business Administration. I didn't feel like I could master the subjects, but most of all I felt the same feeling that this wasn't what I want to work with. So, one day in the fall of my third semester, I decided to find another solution for my education, and the fourth semester was used to take random subjects just to try things out.

In many ways the decision to not complete the education this time was easier than it was with the nursing. Because I already knew what it felt like when something wasn't right, it became far was easier to figure out what was wrong. The first time around I tried to figure out what to change about myself to get the education to fit. Now I know that's not the case; I have to change degrees, not myself.

DO LIST

I honestly feel ashamed sometimes when I reflect on my education choices. When I was studying to become a nurse, I felt shame to suddenly walk back on something I'd talked about wanting to do for years. But when it was over, I felt ashamed once more for actually having finished it, despite knowing fully well I should have stopped. Regarding the Business Administration degree, I felt unsuccessful because I feel like I didn't master the education. But surprisingly enough, I don't feel ashamed for quitting. It feels like a genuine victory, listening to my own thoughts, and didn't waste energy on what others thought of me.

To this day I still don't have a clue what kind of job I want or what kind of education that will get me there. And it feels uncertain not having a clear roadmap for my future. At the same time, it feels like I have so many more options ahead of me. I have no obligations to complete something or take a specific job. The only thing I do know is that I am admitted to an exciting and fulfilling master's degree. Whether or not I actually pursue it or complete it remains to be seen.

Karrieredagen 2022: The final fight

Companies are in competition everywhere: In the supermarket, in the stock market, and in the streets. But most important, they were in competition to win your hearts on the 19th of October during the Karrieredagen 2022. Tuntreet went there to investigate and establish a list of the top 7 best stands without any subjectivity.

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Astrid Moltu Photographer

This year the stand at the bottom of the ranking is HYDRO, and I want everyone to applaud them for getting in. Not the best presentation, not the nicest people, but the fact that they are producing low carbon aluminium with the energy they produce with their hydro-electric dams was quite impressive, so they deserve their place. Also, their caramels were amazing. No, really, if you haven't tried, CHEH, they were delicious.



6: NVE

The public organisation in charge of water manages to be second to last of the ranking, thanks to their really cool pens, but mainly because they spoke the best english at Karrieredagen 2022. But honestly, they were not really interesting so let's get to the top 5!

5: Olav Thongruppen

The presentation of the international hotel and mall group, Thon, was a disaster. Their english was one of the worst at

Karrieredagen and they didn't interest me at all. BUT they had a cool game where you had to guess the weight of a bag, which I won. So, because of that and their really good popcorn, let's put them at the 5th rank.

4: INGENIA

5th one was a bit of a troll but that INGENIA was a really good stand. An engineering consulting firm in fluid mechanics may not be the sexiest thing, but I must admit that INGENIA knows how to grow a wonderful beard. Their presentation was extremely clear, their english mastered, and their chocolates with caramel sweet, so I don't see any reason to put them lower than 4th.

3: ENVAC

Waste ... Also, not the sexiest thing. But automatized pressured waste collection? presenters were really into it and their energy was really nice to see. They also had a quiz, which they are getting extra points for (even if it wasn't really fun).



I'm going to be honest; they should be 1st... they had a clear presentation, good english, control over our roads and all the regular stuff, but much more important, they had cinnamon brioche. I never tried to put cinnamon in a brioche, but I'm a huge fan of it now.



1: NIBIO

Ladies and gentlemen, they have worldwide connections, they are located in Ås, they study biology and agronomy, they are not in the pocket of big capital, and they have cool beards: let me present you the winners of Karrieredagen 2022: NIBIOOOOOO.

Haters gonna hate, but I stand with that choice.



komitesjefer 2022









Whåssup?



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Autumn is well underway, and November has spread itself far beyond Ås.

While I sat thinking about these words I am currently writing, my colleagues in Tuntreet were discussing the pros and cons of November. "Nobody likes November," one of them exclaimed. Is that the case?

I know I already have focused a lot on stress, but November is actually a stressful month. UKA is now officially over, term papers shall be handed in, and exams are closing in with a thunderous speed. It is the last push before completing the whole semester, and your work shall be evaluated.

Christmas is also around the corner – yes, I know, it is quite crazy. I took a walk to the store yesterday and the only things I saw were Christmas ribs, Christmas cookies, Christmas meatballs, and Christmas soda. Those I live with at the dorms are discussing shopping for Christmas gifts, and that hit me pretty hard. It is something I actually have not had time to give as much thought to. The shift from autumn to winter is abrupt and can feel dark and heavy.

However, autumn is also beautiful. The leaves are still falling, the colors of autumn keep coming through, in the morning one can see frost on the windowpane, and it is also the time to dress up in good, big clothes that warms the body well. November is also the month for an important celebration, namely Movember: raising awareness and focusing on men's health. Maybe you have already read about that in this issue? If not, I would like to recommend turning some pages back.

I can name a whole bunch of things I think are beautiful about November, but what I am thinking about the most right now is gratitude. Maybe you have noticed that it was what I was bringing into this text. Thursday, 24th of November, is the day of gratitude. Maybe it is not a tradition we typically celebrate in Norway, and although the exam stress is building itself up in the Ås bubble, we can perhaps show a little extra gratitude during these times.

There are many good things about November. Just like there are many good things in life. The Christmas gifts might not be purchased yet, and the syllabus is yet to be read through – but there is still time. We, hopefully, have many years awaiting, and that is also something to appreciate.

Good luck with the last push! Remember to take a break;)

Prejudice: Student Associations in Ås pt. 2



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Foreningen Hankatten



Loud "shitfaced" boys in striped pajamas who are sweeter than you'd think

Swingklubben



Create a nice atmosphere when they always offer to dance! A bit scary with people who dance swing sober – but a cosy part of Ås' starter pack

Frøy



Dance-loving old souls from a village in Vestland. Described as traditional and show us Norwegian culture at its best!

DÅs



Cosy, way too clever, and unattainable ladies who cannot stand still when "Mango IPA" comes on.

Koneklubben Freidig



A satirical association that does not take itself too seriously while also making good food and drinks. The skirts seem to be getting shorter by the passing day...

Åsblæsten



A fun primary school marching band for adults. We can always rely on them stealing our night's sleep, as they have become Ås students' own alarm clock.

Tuntreet sent out a survey where we asked you about what kind of prejudices and sentiments you have connected to the student associations here in Ås. You did not hold anything back! We received many good, funny, and somewhat strange answers. The students have spoken, and we tried our best to paint a picture of these prejudices:

Flatlusa



Old souls part 2. Provokingly talented people in wool sweaters and berets who create an atmosphere when they play anything from a banjo to a fiddle in the Bodega.

Collegium Alfa



American sorority girls who are described as pretentious, ambitious career women. Wannabe F&F but have a little more upper-class vibe.

Studentstorbandet



A talented bunch who is described as extremely skilled and suuuupergood! A bit square but a gala with them is known to be magical.

Sangkoret Lærken

Bjældeklang

Gents Academy

Corpus Luteum



A choir of free souls who love to run around naked and create a good atmosphere. It is more about drunkenness than singing, but they are the afterparty's highlight!



A proper testosterone choir that offers guttastemning (boys' atmosphere) and handsome guys. They could have made a larger effort and worn shirts.



Daddy's boys part 2. A bunch of polite gentlemen in vests, consists of those who did not get into Unity.



Currently an unknown gang here at Ås, but they seem to be less troublesome that Åsblæstn' and yellow?



Home and farming

To questions about where she comes from, Ida tells us that she usually says she's from Sunnfjord. "I feel I can't fully call myself a Førdianar nor a "Florø-væring", even though I've lived in both places." Ida explains that by the time she was eight years old, she had already moved eight times, still within the same area in Sunnfjord, except for spending her first year in Drammen. Sunnfjord is located in Vestlandet, between Bergen and Ålesund, in what's formerly known as Sogn and Fjordane County. Here Ida grew up on a farm together with her mother, and it was later passed on to her aunt and uncle. "If I have to choose, it's the farm that is my home." With four acres of cultivated land, some forest, and 30-40 winterfed sheep, Ida says with a smile that she has many great memories from hashing, hay stacking, and cuddles with the lambs.

"My home has meant a lot to me."

"Look, a woodpecker!"... and other experiences from nature

With a western mountain landscape in the background, I wonder what role nature has played in Ida's life. "It has meant very-very mu... oh, look! A woodpecker," Ida says, as we take a short break from the interview to study the bird that has landed on a birch trunk nearby. Ida continues, "I love going on hikes, it's been quite a distance between people growing up, so one had to resort to nature. For me, going on hikes has been as natural as brushing my teeth." She continues by telling me about playing with acorns in the woods, freestyling with a snowboard on powdered snow, and hiking in the mountains where the first leg was done on horseback. Ida admits that at times she thinks it's weird to be in As, which is so flat.

"I usually look forward to the time of year that starts in about six months. During summer I think about ski trips, and during winter I look forward to summer and long hikes in the woods. But if I must choose a favourite, it has to be winter and the skiing season. Most of all, I like being up in the mountains. I like to follow the philosophy of Nils Faarlund about carving your own path, and demonstratively walk beside the tracks, it's something about the natural experience. A machine does not belong in nature in that way, and even if

I see the advantages of a formed track for availability, I try to use my own paths outside the machine-ready tracks."

Ida says that it's been challenging here in the east, especially in the Oslo area.

"When I lived in Oslo, and the Veterinary Institute was located in Adamstuen, I tried to find a place without ski tracks during winter, but that was almost impossible."

A climate-committed caveman

I've heard rumours about you living in a

Ida laughs a little behind her mug with Malstraum: "yes, that's correct, I lived outside for a whole year. The first weeks felt like camping, then it became a home. I still had a kitchen, a bathroom, and all that during the day, I just slept outside in the cave." Ida describes it as "a simple and minimalistic life," and would definitely advise others to have the same experience.

It became a real eye-opener for how I looked at consumption in the world and also in my own life, Ida continues. "I think today's consumption is sad, and that it's not necessarily the fault of the individual, but the system. The way we use up all of our natural resources faster, and how Earth Overshoot Day comes earlier and earlier. I think it comes ridiculously early. At the same time, I have a car and more clothes than most, so I am also a part of it. I understand that it's difficult to change the system, but I hope we can do it soon."

It might not come as a surprise that Ida is actively a part of the politics regarding the climate. "I come from a politically active family, where we've talked about politics at the breakfast table and dinner table and watched the news every night". She goes on to explain how important it is for politics to be for everyone, something everyone should be able to influence. "I think it's stupid that just a few professional politicians should decide on behalf of everyone."

Ida herself has been engaged with Natur og Ungdom (Nature and Youth) and MDG. She is still a part of the latter, but she is a bit on the fence while waiting to see which position the party takes regarding the EU question, in regards to Norwegian agriculture, which is closest to Ida's heart.







Additionally, veterinary studies are demanding, with little to no spare time. "I'm interested in the socio-political, but I've chosen to spend my spare time on other interests."

The agronomist that became a "leopard driver" ...

Before we move on to Ida's time at NMBU, I would like to hear a little bit more about the time before the University in Ås. Ida says that she's and educated Agronomist from an agricultural high school. After she got her competence, she went on to serve in the military as a "leopard driver". "I was the driver of a large tanks." Ida thinks that it's also important for the military, as well as the politics, to represent the people. "I can't argue against a pacifist, because war is stupid, but I still believe that a defence is necessary when humans fight over the resources we have. We then need the military to be for and of the people".

...and later a choir loving, folk-dancing veterinary student came

When questioned if NMBU was the obvious choice, the answer is yes. Ida is an active member of "Leikarringen Frøy" and the veterinaries student choir "Tonus", while also being on her fourth year of Veterinary Medicine. "I love folk music and folk dance, which is something I think I've been fed since a was a baby. At home, we have a big international folk music festival, so it's something I've enjoyed for a very long time". She continues to tell how well she get along with the people in Frøy and the weird, genius humour, both unserious chatter and the deep conversations. Tonus creates unity across the different years, Ida explains, "I remember the time as a larva, and that it was nice to get tips and hear about the experiences of the older students. I'm very happy to have that gang," Ida says.

Now she has just finished her work for a research track. This was the start of her research, which will end with a research article before the end of the degree. The work is in total worth 120 credits. "I've always wanted to become a veterinarian." Ida says. "I'm very engaged with animal welfare, and animals used in food production, so I hope to first work as a "klinker" before I start working for an organisation that promotes better animal welfare."

Live in the now

With so much life experience already, I wonder if Ida has any wisdom to share with others. Ida thinks about it. "I think that you should be a little bit more here and now. Think that what was, was and what comes, comes. Focus more on what happens here now, and enjoy it. Like that woodpecker earlier, we would have missed him if we weren't right here right now."



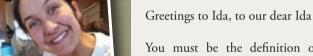
Greetings for Ida

Brun Ida Brun

An old soul in a fit and energetic body! A choir and a song book on two legs. Nobody can enchant and bend a whole drooling leikaring with all 28(?) crows like you. Show song catalogue, fearless and fearsome, you are fine. And string. And real! You burn as a flash fire for both us and Norwegian traditional culture. HAVE A NOISY SHIT DOG THAT SMELLS LIKE DRY FISH, and you also always smell a little like dry fish. You are the finest.

You are crazy on the dancefloor and can conquer even the biggest room with your raspy voice and prominent communication skills. Ida, a true authority – we follow you like sheep. Yes, we wouldn't have a better shepherd. Your love pushing every exhortation and exclamation, and our hearts dance in honour to you, you exhaustible powder keg of a woman. We look forward to you becoming a fable teller and liar. Thank you for always being lovable, inspiring, crazy eyed, loud and absent-minded like a true "Askeladd" in women's clothes. To think that you notoriously wreck your voice for us! You know how to raise the roof. And have lots of ants up your ass.

Ida, our ancestor/joint mother - you've made your marks <3



You must be the definition of a super human. We don't know how many hours there are in your day, but there must be at least 5 hours more than us mortals. You juggle everything from association life, research line, dog and your countless, creative hobbies. Nevertheless, time and time again you manage to stand up for your apple of the eye, Tonus Uteri.

For those of you who don't know Ida yet (and if so, have you lived under a rock, or in a cave like Ida has??), she is one of Ås' biggest personalities in a small, energetic body. And don't be fooled by her small stature, because this is a lady with a strong voice. Clear opinions, commitment and energy are things she never runs out of. And what is certainly not small about her is the space in her heart. Ida brings out the best in everyone around her, and always has a good story/drinking trick lying around, and this is one of the things we like best about you. Ida, you are the best of the best and Tonus Uteri would certainly not have been the same without you.

You are a passionate person like no other, and we are so grateful to be able to call you a fellow student, a fellow student and, last but not least, our good friend! We never cease to be impressed by your capacity, and like a true Thorvald and Tora, you are a guest at every merry drinking table!

Sincerely, your choir, Tonus Uteri. Ida, you always get us for free!

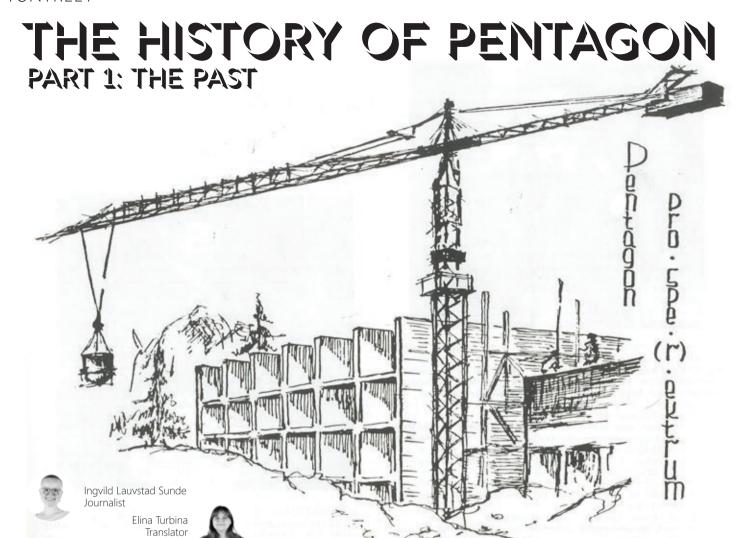
Ida Beate Løken (The cave man/The woman in the military commercials)

You are our forever yes-person and personal trainer environmental activist. Without you we would have eaten climate hostile rice that has travelled over long distances, without thinking about the fact that Norwegian barley is a more nutritious and environmentally friendly option that also supports Norwegian agriculture. We had, in all our ignorance, gone to the yarn store and bought Merino and Alpacca wool instead of Norwegiann sheep wool to use for knitting. The list is long, even if you are not. A small but loud "Sunnfjording" found her way to Ås in 2017 (at the same time as us, thank god) and has since found many things to engage in, also here.

You won't find a more enlightened lady, and if you decide to share an argument or two, you can be sure that Ida follows with both one and two counter arguments, before we can settle down with what we originally were doing. Your engagement in everything from the cow's vagina slime to politics and folk music and- dance is remarkable, and each and every one who gets you on their side have made a great deal!

We are so happy to have you, and Reino, in our lives! <3

Greetings from your flatmates (more or less), good friends and former classmates Kristine and Mari



Climate crisis, pandemic, and war. Even in a constantly changing world, they stand there faithfully, always ready to house an infinite number of students. I am, of course, talking about the apartment buildings of our dear student town, Pentagon. But the dormitories from the 60s show signs of wear and tear and do not fulfil the requirements for a student housing in 2022 anymore. Something is finally going to be done about this! Tender drawings are ready for the new and improved Pentagon 1! But how did this start? This is the first part of the history of Pentagon.

THE STORY BEGINS

In 1948, the welfare organization law was passed. The law said that all colleges and universities in the country were obliged to create a student welfare organization. Earlier, the Student Committee of NLH had been responsible for the welfare services at the college. In 1955, the newly founded "Studentsamskipnaden i Ås" (The University Foundation for Student Life in Ås) swiftly took over these responsibilities, and on March 2nd, 1961, they announced that they "are in favor of The University Foundation for Student Life in Ås taking over all the construction and operation of the new student dormitories and apartments at the Norwegian College of Agriculture." It happened with Halvor Holtestaul in charge, who is also known as "the man who built Pentagon".

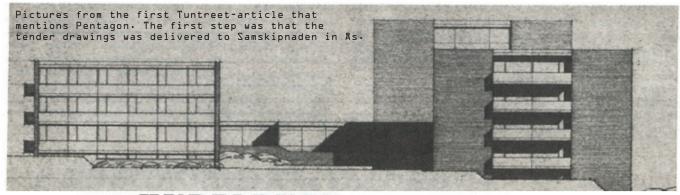
"BEFORE, THORVALD LIVED IN CIRCUS AND TIVOLI BY THE ROOTS OF TUNTREET"

There was a big need for new housing. Before Pentagon was built, most of the students had actually lived at the attics of Cirkus and Tivoli campus buildings, "by the roots of Tuntreet". Hankattene had also had their first Hankattloft here!

Just like Pentagon does now, Circus and Tivoli showed wear and tear by the end of its lifespan as a student housing. The student welfare organization built new houses in Kajaveien, but it still was not sufficient to accommodate the ever-growing number of students at the college. But what about building a whole "dormitory town"?

PENTAGON 1, PENTAGON 2 – AND PENTAGON 3?

The first time the construction of the new student town was mentioned is in an article with the title "Dormitory town is soon a reality", from an edition of Tuntreet dated March 1963. The first step in the job was for the architects' tender drawings to be sent to The University Foundation for Student Life in Ås. Initially, the welfare organization had gotten money for 100 housings, and Arken and Børsen took up 96 of these housings together. With Casino, the number reached 150, with the welfare organization hoping to get money for those additional 50 housings a year later. The rent for the housing was 100 kroner!



HYBELBYEN snart en realitet

The construction of Pentagon 2 was not commented on much by Tuntreet, but in the article from 1971 about the further expansion of Pentagon, it is mentioned that Pentagon 2 was commissioned into exploitation in 1967. It is here that things become a bit complicated. Pentagon 2 did not refer to today's Pentagon 2, but to GHIJ - Grotten, Hemsen, Inferno, and Jubilo. 'D' and 'E' were planned, but never became reality.

Kringla, Løa, and Mølla therefore became "Pentagon 3", and they stood ready for moving in in 1976. It did not take long before ABC and GHIJ became Pentagon 1, and KLM became Pentagon 2, as we know them today.

WHY THE NAME «PENTAGON»?

Before laying the foundation stone, the area was just called a "student town". In Autumn of 1963, a contest was announced by the student welfare organization to find a name for the area in which the construction work had begun. A professional committee was also to review the proposed names. The wish was for the student town to get "a name that can survive so long that no one knows where it came from anymore". Examples of name proposals were "Solbakken", "Kilejordet", "Kjerringhagen", and even "Mekka".



This picture was featured in an article on a lecture on UFOs held at Samfunnet. The journalist was kidding with the whole UFO-belief.

"Fortunately," the choice fell on "Pentagon" and we even know where it came from! The word means "five-sided", and the name is linked to the star on the candidate ring at NMBU, which also has five sides - one for each of the original educations at NLH, namely land consolidation, agriculture, horticulture, dairy and forestry. The ring has come full circle. Or shall we maybe say the pentagon?

"PENTAGONISM" - WILL THE STUDENTSAMFUNNET BE ABANDONED IN FAVOR OF PENTAGON?

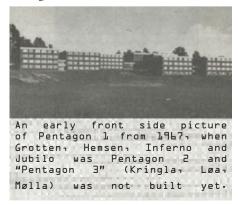
When the name was finally chosen, another challenge appeared - what if the students become so fond of Pentagon that they stop using Studentsamfunnet? The fear for this phenomenon spread itself so much that it got its own nickname "pentagonism". The worst-case scenario was that the students would isolate in their own dorms of six. To prevent such "pentagonism" from becoming a reality, measures were introduced in the planning of the housings.

The article from 1963 describes the common rooms at ABC. "The 150 housings shall therefore share a common room in the basement. (...) the basements [will be] used for luggage storage, ski and bicycle stables, saunas, and emergency shelters." The fear of pentagonism is especially easy to read between the lines in descriptions of how useful these shelters are: "The shelters can also possibly be used for things such as TV rooms, hobby rooms and whatever one shall find appropriate. It can be mentioned, among other things, that there was a proposal for furnishing a prayer room/meditation room here." The student welfare organization also suggested that the flat roofs on the blocks can be used as sun terraces, as compensation for not building attics in the blocks.

Luckily, "pentagonism" never became a reality, and one can only wonder about if SiÅs of today is as satisfied with the common rooms in the basements and the layer of solidified alcohol which has been covering the floors since 1963.

Worse conditions, but Pentagon has, after all, experienced many drunk students. An era is coming to an end. The student idyll of the 60s will be replaced in favor of the student idyll of 2022. There is no way of avoiding the fact that students demand different functions from a dormitory now than they did 60 years ago. And it actually is almost 60 years since the founding stone of ABC was put in place. The technical requirements are higher now, and there is a larger focus on sustainable and compact urban development. But with increased technical requirements, there shall also be more things to get worn out. Will Palisaden and Skogveien live for as long as the good old Pentagon? Pentagon has actually withstood the test of time, although it is time that the drunk students got themselves someplace new to live.

Despite the aging buildings and poor standards, I am citing an article about the laying the foundation stone in Pentagon, "Thorvald reveals a sincere gratitude for his Pentagon."



Review of Spritsløyfa







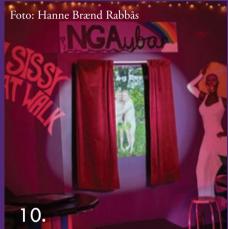
















Now we have reached the part of UKA where the associations turn on their creative brains and begin building bars, namely for Spritsløyfa (The Liquor Loop). This year, the associations have served us good, well-executed concepts, creativity, and a proper drunken adventure. Here is our review. This is what we looked at when we were reviewing the bars: Service, atmosphere, creativity, execution, concept and drinks.



1. Nordisk landskamp - Most stylish

Out in the tent, athletes do pull ups in 'fast glasses' in the Nordisk bar. Here, the Olympic Games logo and the grins are in place! Here they offer snacks, drinks, and a proper Norwegian afterski atmosphere!

"Un dos tres cuatro, La Pantera!" is their message to us, for those who can speak Spanish, that is.

2. UKEbaren - Beste selection

Out in the tent we also have the UKEbar itself! Here we meet nice hosts who offer a large menu with UKEdrinks, UKEgrill, and much more for those feeling hungry.

"A little lame that it can be cold out in the tent, but as long as there's enough people it is no problem. The pizza we sell also helps a lot!" a cold volunteer comments.

3. Hun- og hankattene - Most challenging bar

We take a trip in the time machine back to the Viking times when we reach the bar of Hankattene and Hunkattene. Here, they have gone all out with a mischievous Viking concept. The bar is converted into a Viking ship out in the troubled sea, and it has details such as leather, a pillory, and naughty quotes such as "take me from behind" and "too drunk". There is no doubt that we are visiting the cats.

"A ragnarrunk a day keeps the doctor away," we hear from a Hankatt.

Vestlandet (Bergensforeningen Breiflabb, MF Svela, og Løgnaslage) -Best atmorsphere

Sløyfa gets a little tacky, but good start when we enter our first bar. One might associate Vestlandet with terrible weather and lots of rain, but this bunch takes us to the South of Europe, with heat, and Fireball by Pitbull blasting from the speakers.

"The concept was Southern European Holiday, but it ended up as a make-out hole," says a bartender from Rogaland.

5. Tradenigheten (Frøy, Flatlusa og Budeieforeninga) - Best concept

Here, Tradenigheten takes us into the world of Norwegian folk tales. This cave, decorated with trolls and national romantic elements, has live music flowing with fiddles and accordions, among other instruments, while the students dance swing on the floor.

"It is the Hall of the Mountain King made with a cave concept ... and there have we the Mountain King, " says a bartender in suspenders, pointing at a large troll.

6. Skogbrukerforeningen - Coziest bar Further, we take a tour through the Barkebilla bar. An earthly nook decorated with wooden planks offers both drinks and snus. What's simple is often the best!

"We have our own song: Barkebilla burger," the Barkebilla employee tells us.

7. Trønderforeninga - Most jovial bar

We step into Trønder territory as we arrive at the Trøndernes Fagforening's bar. Here, they hold nothing back and we are met with a poster with the internal agenda points, including concerns regarding West Trøndelag. And, of course, they offer karsk and good humor!

"Sløyfa is nice!" we hear from a local Trønder in a leather vest.

8. Broderskapet Unity - Most thoughtthrough bar

Sløyfa ends on a strong note with a jungle party. A lot is happening here. A detailed bar with hand-painted animals, a professional DJ, a swing, and attentive bartenders.

"We go full throttle because we love Samfunnet! We do what we can, it is our small contribution to UKA," explains a Unity Tarzan in the bar.

9. Pikekoret IVAR og Mannskoret Over Rævne - Most creative bar

These two choirs take us into the circus tent and offer many fun festivities. This is an interactive bar where homemade drinking games decorate the tables, in addition to a large wheel to spin.

"Our bar sells very well for one that doesn't have music," a Rævne man says, standing at the bar.

10. Noe Ganske Annet - Most unforgettable bar

Here we find Sløyfa's very own gay bar! Decorated with rainbow flags, a catwalk, and iconic catchphrases like "Sissy That Walk", and placed in the heart of Sløyfa.

"There has never been a gay bar in Sløyfa before, so we thought it was time," a fabulous NGAer tells us .

11. Collegium Alfa og Feminin & Fornem - Most exciting bar

Here we are greeted with all-things pink, glitter, and a properly girly atmosphere! This shiny bar offers both Twister and a stripper pole if you're feeling a little playful. The concept is "We love the 2000s" - and yes, that's right, we love it!

"Come and try the stripper pole!" encourages a crazy bartender.

12. Gents Academy og Koneklubben Freidig - Best drinks

Ay ay, captain! We set loose and join the ship of Gents and Koneklubben with the concept "Pirates of the Caribbean". Here they offer cool pirate designs, fun drinks with candy, and handsome pirates.

"Damn fun to stand in Sløyfa," says the gentleman in the bar.

13. Laget - Beste service

We are nearing the end of Sløyfa and enter the harmonious Garden of Eden, where we find the Sobriety bar. It is like a little space to breathe away from Sløyfa's crowdedness and antics. Here we are met with smiling bartenders who offer a nice chat, freshly baked waffles, and alcohol-free drinks. A little like coming home to grandma.

"You can have fun even sober," points out a happy waffle-maker.



Moose debates, fast chugging tricks, pirates with scurvy, and rural pop completed with pyrotechnics. Join me on a deep dive into a thrilling fever dream!

Benjamin Alexander Faulkner



Vors at Kringla

The journalist was lucky enough to be invited to a vors at Kringla. The pizza was in the oven, the beer was frothing, and spirits were high. Monika Evjenth was in an especially good disposition, having newly made a discovery within rapid chugging techniques. The thing is that, when you pour beer slanting your glass conventionally, you preserve the carbonic acid. That way it'll foam in your stomach. But if you wish to down as much beer as possible that evening, you should actually pour it straight into the glass. It'll foam a lot, but that means the stomach doesn't fill up as much and you can drink a lot faster. It seemed that was the goal for everyone here.

The moose: a rodent?

The discussion shifted from rapid chugging techniques to forestry the second "the moose is a nuisance animal" was uttered. Evidently, clear-felled areas in forests host perfect conditions for moose during the winter months, causing a nightmare for the forest owners as they eat the buds and saplings. The culinary habits of wolves were also discussed, but were violently interrupted as bottles of Minttu and Jägermeister slammed on the table. Ole Ivars played in the background with the song "En får væra som en er" (One will have to be what one is), and there was no doubt that we were steaming in the right direction. After a hard-hitting statement from the journalist, "Tuntreet is a serious student paper" was the toast of the evening.





A coveted vors collective

Later, more and more people appeared in the small living room. Ludo Vanderlee, a local man and Blæster, explained the occasional difficulties of running off drunks from their collective. The veranda is conspicuously placed at the entrance to the courtyard at Kringla. At Tour de Kringla, great hordes of people struggle to get in and use their toilet. Tonight, everything is under control. Only Flatlusa and Tuntreet appeared with guests, and that was on invitation. Trumpets and violins joined the singers, and it became a nice little evening of Stentor harmony, punctuated by occasional bursts of Åsblæsten traditional singing.

Halloween Party at Krona

Before the journey to Samfunnet, I received a tip concerning a Halloween Party at Krona which had, apparently, gone mad. There, a boozy, scurvy-ridden pirate told me his father was the bass player of a leading Nordic dansband. On the question on whether he would continue his father's legacy or not, the answer was "no". Unfortunately, I could not stay for long. Staysman had already begun in Aud.Max., so I had to run.

Fire and ass crack

The only sign of anyone I knew in that great mass of an audience was Blæsten-Vetles top hat, in the middle of a sea of Felleskjøpet caps. The vibe was absolutely tangible. In the middle of it all, parts of Churchill's "We shall fight on the beaches"-speech was fitted to a hymn to the sacred guttastemning (lad vibes). The bass was so coarse, it could have single-handedly defeated the French at Waterloo. As if that wasn't enough, it reached its climax when man rose into the air in the middle of the room playing an unholy guitar solo. "A completely bonkers sensual experience," was all I wrote.

Reforming democracy?

Hagle was good too. But we soon turned towards a place to nasj. As always, there are some mysterious scribblings in the notebook. The most bizarre one was an out of place: "What we need to do is to reform democracy". No more, no less. It shall remain a mystery. It has been a delirious evening, which all ended unhurriedly at Bohemen. What happened there will neither be written down or remembered, and maybe that is for the best.







OCTOBER in pictures

SmakÅs Saturday 15th





Career Day Wednesday 19th







Opening of Storebrand Saturday 22nd













Pumpkin carvingFriday 28th





TIX and Soppgirobygget Friday 28th







Staysman and Hagle Saturday 29th

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Would you like to be a part of Tuntreet?

Then you're in luck, because right now, we are searching for people to fill the most fun committee (head) positions of Studentsamfunnet!

HEAD OF PHOTOGRAPHY

As the head of photography, you're the head of the photo committee at Tuntreet and responsible for the photographic content in the paper. You will be organising the work of Tuntreet's photographers, assisting with training, and giving advice when needed. Also, you will be available during the layout weekend and go through all pictures before the paper is published. You should be well-versed in camera technicalities and photo editing. Training and starting will be as soon as possible.

Application deadline: as soon as possible

KS EDITORIAL ASSISTANT

Are you an orderly and responsible person who likes to get things done? Tuntreet has just created the KS (Head) position of editorial assistant whose main job is to support the editors with the various organisational and administrative tasks that working for a student paper entails. The tasks include working on contracts and committee vacancies, and keeping the books for Tuntreet, amongst other things. Other tasks will be to receive submissions and maintaining an overview of the paper's content in the days prior to the layout weekend. The editorial assistant will also be tasked with the organisation of social events and workshops together with the

Application deadline: 20th of November

HEAD OF PROOFREADING

Do vou enjoy keeping track of things and keeping them in order? Are you annoyed by strange syntax or improper comma use? Then head of proofreading in Tuntreet might be the position for you! As the one responsible for proofreading, you will be working to perfect the journalists' work by providing feedback and correcting texts. At the same time, you have the main responsibility of your proofreaders, and will work to connect them and the journalists. This job includes making schedules and having work assessments with your committee members. Training will be given at the end of November during the preparation for TT10, and the official starting date will be in January. Application deadline: 19th of November

Don't hesitate to contact us through email tuntreet@samfunnetiaas.no if you have any questions about the positions. Applications can be sent to the same mail, or through the form at http://www.samfunnetiaas.no/stillingsutlysninger.

Studentenes (korte) sjekkliste for **Studentvalget høsten 2022**

1. Møt opp til Allmøtet ved ditt fakultet

Informasjon om hvor og når du skal møte opp ved ditt fakultet her



2. Stem når valgportalene åpner



Få en påminnelse og lær mer om hvordan du får stemt her





"Tomorrow has worries of its own"

November is a dark month. And I mean that literally. If we're lucky, we will get some snow to light up the ground. And as a student, November often contains the stress of exams as well. There are deadlines, exams and a lot that needs to be learned.

Some are very stressed. Other are less stressed. Have you ever had the feeling of lying in bed at night, trying to sleep, but it is just not possible because you have too many thoughts about what you should have done and have to do tomorrow? Everything you need to learn. That's a feeling I have experience numerous times – both as a student and later in life. In times like these, I like to think about a few of Jesus' words from what we call the Sermon on the Mount:

"Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself.

Each day has enough trouble of its own."

Matthew 6:34

Well, that is easier said than done. But at the same time, it is a nice reminder. That tomorrow will come whether you want to or not, and everyday is its own worry. Not all days are filled with troubles and terribleness and stress — but that every day is its own day, and that stressing about tomorrow will only drain you of energy.

I often (not always) feel a prayer helps. Like, "God, I can't seem to be able to stop stressing. Can you help me? Let me relax and fall asleep and take tomorrow as it comes. Amen." A prayer might not be for you – but maybe you can try to say the same thing to yourself, somehow? Remind yourself to try disconnecting? Give it a shot and try to treat yourself nicely.

PS: Do you feel your shoulders rising, or that this text or tips isn't helping? Come by my office and have a chat. It might do some good.

Ingrid, student priest

Kristin Gilboe Translator





Ingrid U. Øygard is the leading student priest at NMBU. The student priest have an office in the basement to the left in the Clock building. The student priest is available if you would happen to need someone to talk to, discuss with or get advice from. The office hours are every week on Thursdays 9-14, but Ingrid is also available for appointments on other days.

Appointments can be made with Ingrid here: io484@kirken.no , 95919318

The Office

Hi, again!

November has begun, and like the rest of the students in Ås, we are working to get our routines back in order after an absolutely amazing UKA i Ås!!

UKA i Ås is finished and we could not be more satisfied with how it turned out! After planning UKA for a year and a half, it has been really fun to see how well it all turned out. We hope everyone has had fun and have had the chance to experience the great UKEfeeling we all love so much. Now awaits evaluations and the accounting, which will last until Christmas. We wish to thank all the volunteers that has contributed to making UKA i Ås so amazing, we could not have done it without you!

The Business Committee at NMBU (NU) looks back at a successful Career Day this Autumn. Even though NU's biggest fall event is over, the semester is not. We have already started to plan this spring's Career Day, and we are working on the presentation from AF Energi for the 8th of November, and the seminar for the study associations on November 10th. We are closing in on GF, and the board is looking forward to meeting all the newly elected!!

Samfunnet is excited to be back in charge of "the house" again, after an amazing UKE where we have had such a good time. It has been fun seeing how the committee heads and the committees have functioned during UKA, and we are looking forward to work even more on optimization. Even though we haven't been operative this month, we have had the chance to work on our administrative tasks in the board, and the rest of Samfunnet.

We have finished The Work Program for 2023 and evaluated the benefits of our volunteers and members. The Bodega Block have been working on a plan to offer varied dinners at Klubben, so from Thursday, November 11th, you will find a weekly menu at Klubben. On three party evenings in November, you can, as a volunteer, enjoy a completely new VIP room. We have also gotten our application for the welfare fundings accepted, which means we can start working to change Halvors Hybel into a multipurpose room and purchase new chairs and tables for Rosehagen. At last, but not least, the head of administration and the rest of the block have been working on the GA, which we are looking forward to! The Office is looking forward to seeing old and new students at the GA, and to eat pea soup. We hope to see you all in Aud.Max. on Monday, November 14th, at 17.00!

Jørgen Bonden

UKEleader for UKA i Ås 2022

Nora Hielme

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Leader of the Business Committee at NMBU

Vilde Kjelsrud Pedersen
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Student things

Hi, lovely student! Winter is closing in, and even though all the UKA-fun is behind us, there is a lot of exiting things waiting to happen (yeah yeah, we say it every time - but we like to look forward to things!)

A lot has happened since last time. Students and student politicians from all over the country has kept putting their foot down against the National Budget and the implementation of a tuition fee for international students outside EØS and Switzerland, and on Wednesday, October 26th, a demonstration was held across the country – here in Ås the event had an amazing turn-up! The newly renovated Storebrand was opened with great speeches, a proper duel and mixed skills in bubble football (read: the participants from AU did not seem to have very impressive football skills – or basic coordination). The Student's Peace Price 2023 went to the Russian student magazine DOXA for their work on keeping a free and independent media, and uncovering political corruption, stalking, and suppression. AU Åse had a seat in this year's Peace Committee, thus we participated in the announcement ceremony at Samfundet in Trondheim on October 27th.

If you are a 2nd, 3rd or 5th year student at NMBU, you will now have the opportunity to answer "Studiebaromenteret", which is NOKUT's mapping of the level of satisfaction students feel about their studies. We encourage everyone to take this chance to improve your study days and programmes by answering the questionnaire before the deadline on the 14th of November.

Now we look forward to The Faculties' General Assembly (November 23rd), The Student Election for the 2022 Autumn (23rd – 30th of November), and Studentting 6 (November 21st). All students at NMBU are a part of the student democracy. Keep an eye out and pay attention to the information published around these dates, both from us and your faculty - this way you can affect how the future of NMBU will look.



Chairman's Column

Dear students.

We are entering an exciting period for SiÅs. We are hiring a new CEO, we are starting on the regulation of the Pentagon area with a goal to increase housing, we will focus even more on sustainability, and we will strengthen and improve our communication with the students.

On the 1st of August, we had 470 students waiting for a place to live, and in September the queue consisted of 270 students. This was the third highest number out of all student welfare organizations in the country. This shows a large demand for an increase in housing for current and future students at NMBU. We will soon begin the regulation of the Pentagon area with a goal to continue increasing the accommodation offers. So far, we have received many good and important suggestions from the students through the Studentting. In the planning of the student housings, students' wishes, and suggestions are crucial for us to be able to develop the best type of residences. It is after all the students who will live there while they study and know what is important to them. Because of this there will be several more opportunities to share suggestions for the residences with us later in the process.

We have also made the strategic decision of starting to reduce our own environmental and climate footprint. And isn't this only to be expected from the association for students studying at the sustainability university? At the same time, it is difficult navigating towards the best and most correct measures. We need to keep in mind that sustainability is a lot more than just the climate and environment, and that SiÅs' mission is to handle student welfare.

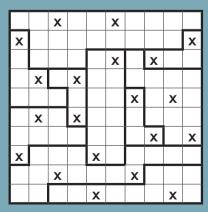
We therefore need to build up our own knowledge and map out which measures increases sustainable operation without make the students' welfare worse off. Maybe we will find a solution that allows us to make both the environment and the student welfare better off.

We wish to make the communication and information that reach you students easier, make it easier to get familiar with all the different services we offer and get the help and support you need when studying. In today's society, and especially as a student, you get drowned in information. This can make it difficult to navigate in the sea of channels that try to give you information. SiÅs' motto is "the student in centre", and it is with this in mind we want to improve. We want to focus more on openness and accessibility and hope that this will give all students in need of it, the support they need from our welfare services.

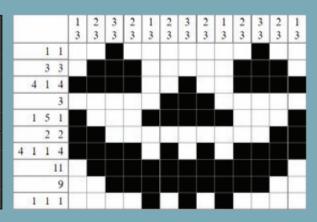
Chairman of the Board, SiAs



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GAMES



JOIN THE GAME PAGE PUZZLES!

Each puzzle will contain one yellow cell. The letter of this cell is part of a five-letter word. If you can figure the word out, send us an email at tuntreet@samfunnetiaas.no, and you get the chance to win a Flax scratch card!

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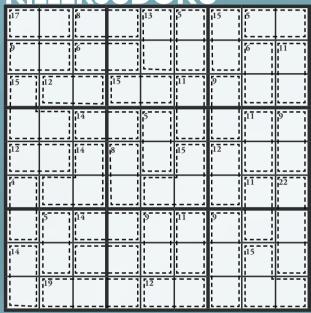
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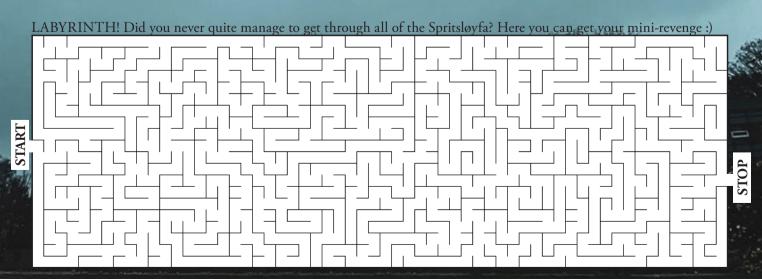
In nonograms, cells in a grid must be colored or left blank according to the numbers on the side of the grid to reveal a hidden picture. The numbers tell how many cells should be connected. 2 3 means that there should first be 2 connected colored cells, then at least one blank cell, and then 3 connected colored cells. Try crossing out the cells that should remain blank, to eliminate more possibilities. Good luck!

KILLERSUDOKU

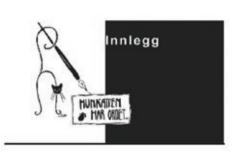


The rules for KILLERSUDOKU are the same as in normal SUDOKU, with the addition of smaller sum-cages. The digits inside these dotted cages must sum up to be the small number in the corner of each cage. Start with the cages with smaller numbers, and use pencil notes to keep track of your options.

TIP: The sum of all 9 digits in eack row, collumn, or each of the 9 larger squares, always sum up to 45. This can be helpful in for example the top right square.



Club Banter



Cheers FFD!
Cheers Skriver!
Cheers \$paregris!
Cheers Hunkatter!
Cheers Qlturelle samt Xklusive!
Cheers Pusekatter!
Cheers Tora and Thorvald!

There was a time a Week lasted a Month. The ride is over for this time, with the paws safely back on land.

Cheers for a UKE with medium sea sickness! We have travelled far and wide, from Bar to Bar. We have drunk 19,60 Bottles each. Now it's about time to get back on land and change the Mead with Water!

Cheers for cats having nine lives!

Many awaits a quieter time, but not these Cats! In the darkness we will sneak around to new adventures!

Cheers for the upcoming "Julebord" season!

Cultural greetings, Læge, Matrise, Løpekatt and Kittycat Thea



Gooooood day you magnificent people!

Hope that UKA has been good to you, and you got the most out of the festival and had some good fun with either the concerts, the unique bars in the "*Sprit-Sløyfa*", or one of the revue performances!

Congratulations to UKA for a well-done festival! Cheers to all of you!

But even though we had a full month of music, dance, and partying... We in the club don't feel like we have squeezed enough out the semester and, in a way, yearn for more. So, during the semester our bands, both old and new, have been preparing something for **you**. A way to go out with a bang before all of us must bury our heads deep in exam-preparation.

So, we invite you, dear reader, to our concert the 19th of November! The concert will be held at the charming bar and live stage of Kulturbrakka in Ås center where our multiple bands are going to blow the roof off, with music ranging from Country to Indie, to Punk to Rock and Metal.

So, it would honor us, if you would consider joining us in the **fun** and coming to the **concert**!

Tickets can be bought through the Facebook event and ticket page which you can find right at this QR-code:

The one under here:

Scan it: DO it:







Sigthseing NMBU

- Curt Rice's new hotel
- The mysterious Skogsdammen
 - Half-bottles on trees
- The tree is already named after
 - The IAESTE office
 - Tequila shot in Johanne's
 - De great stools
 - All-nigthers at Sørhellinga



UKA is over for this time Hope people had fun at our strip bar Congratulations to Rævar on his victory Their costumes lit up every road

The S-weekend consisted of visits from our favourites

Mannekom always creates good atmosphere which is contagious This is the group that wears sixpence the best

And who always joins our party

The aquavit was lined up at Skogsdammen That's what lit the flame Fjøsfest brings out alfa and omega If you have something to hide...

We are looking forward to the anniversary with the Studentstorband NMBU Hope the guests are not down with man flu The time ahead offers colder weather Take care of your loved ones

Miss writer



Dear Agrarmetropol,

Gents Academy turn 11 this November! It is a special one since we were founded

This must of course be celebrated! We look forward to celebrating this birthday With our Gentlemen,

in good company with the Gents of Honour and other from the Agrarmetropol.

Cheers Agrarmetopolen!

Gents Academy v/ Lord Ambassador



No matter how dark life is, there is always light in the fridge.

Best regards

Koneklubben Freidig v/

Nestsjefskoneemne

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Good Evening!

Queen Elisabeth's passing has hit StoreAlf very hard. As magnanimous as he is, he has even installed a new Head of State. We wish King Charles all the best in the future.

The UKEauction has turned the candidates into celebrities, and Alf is looking forward to the FernetAlften with the girls in blue.

Big Alf has always wondered why a bidet was used with water, and not with chlorine. Who knows, maybe it will do even better with Alfohol?

Regards from, Kjell

Have you heard...

#tuntreet

Admirer in Love

Rævne will always be Ås' most rugged men, Bjeldeklang are tryhards

VETBabe

Bjældeklang sings the best at least

Tired of the uka nagging

Norwegian Championship of resale of Astrid S/honningbarna tickets on the buy and sell page on fb right now. Seems like people got cold feet. Not unlikely after 3 weeks of heyhoherewegoukaiåstakemymoney...

Enjoy the final week of UKA cause it won't return for a long time

The winds must have changed as the tickets were sold out!

<NAME?>

How lovely to see all the pupils getting work experience at Aud. Max. this Saturday!

Not a hater, but

UG were giving middle school talent show vibes://

When the line turns into a mess....

Ivar

*puke

Rock n roll

Sick that the banquet is prioritised in Festsalen.

obviously Elina I'm not even gonna make up a nickname

Yoo the joint UKEgig ticket sucks. Why do I have to suffer without a UG ticket while many are only going to see Kjartan? I couldn't care less about seeing Kjartan. Can we split a ticket? Like who's a fan of both Astrid S and Honningbarna? You must have versatile music taste, congratulations, but how realistic are we being? I can understand some of the reasons this is a solution, but I wouldn't even be complaining if the elephant in the room, Linfuckingticket, didn't crash on me while I was already paying for the ticket. Uventet feil, my ass. Nothing uventet about this! Get a better ticket selling website oh my god!! It doesn't have to always suck this bad!

Drater a era uoy

While you are correct about Linticket, you obviously seem to be clueless how festival planning works

all good at home, bro? <3

haha thank you for reminding me! <3 ukebooking did as good as they could even if i hate on it!

Sicko

What's up with always getting sick after being out at samf??

VETBabe

Chlamydia

Vetbabe

I'm scared of bananas

nut

Monkey time

Vetbabe

Touchy subject:,(

