

## March 2018 Cassandra Coakley's Sports Officer Report

As newly appointed VPA Elect, my goal for this month was to get involved more within societies and to start learning the names and ambitions for different sports teams. I did this by going to as many games as possible, including their warm ups and celebrations/commiserations after. It is one thing to watch a team, another to get involved within their community. I also got involved with Sport Relief attending in the Engine Shed, talking to students about why sport is so important to them. But obviously for Sport this month by highlight was VARSITY!! I cannot express enough how much Varsity meant to me. Being assigned as one of the leaders of the busses including people coming up to me throughout the day needing help was amazing. It felt so amazing to help the other teams and support others in their games against Hull. However even though we are supposed to be rivals of Hull, the Hull Women's Basketball team was a pleasure to play against and to go out with later, they showed great sportsmanship and looked after us throughout the day and night. Overall seeing how people from other teams went to supports others at their games and cheered on win or lose made me proud to be a part of this SU.

On the societies side of my goal I attended the societies showcase where I had a chance to not only support Nat our societies officer, but was lovely to meet all the other societies who welcomed me with kind hearts, telling me they were looking forward to me representing them next year. For my final part of societies I attended front row of Musical Theatre's show 'Guys and Dolls' where I enjoyed myself incredibly, it's amazing to see what a society can achieve in such a small amount of time, also seeing where the SU development fund goes towards and used well.

However this month I had to conquer my most difficult task of all with the cluster reps, shortlisting for the 'We Are Lincoln Awards'. I found it incredibly hard to give my vote due to how amazing our societies and sports have been, representing the SU so amazingly. I feel overall every member of our SU should be proud of what they have achieved, everyone deserves an award for the commitment this year.

Besides from all this I have also engaged within my normal weekly tasks of 'We are Lincoln Lounge', hosting drop in and social basketball. I also had the privilege of talking to potential sports officers next year, meeting them and sharing my experiences with them. I look forward to whoever it is next year and if they have half the fun I had within the role, they are looking to have a great year.

My aims for next month is to keep on top of my weekly roles however, I now need to focus on my studies with dissertation and exams.