



## UPEISU Barn goes wet/dry

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A NEW SYSTEM IS on trial at the Barn this year — the "wet/dry" concept. Our beloved building now caters to both legal AND under-age patrons. The first floor is, as always, occupied by the Panther Lounge which will retain its "wet" status, but the third floor will now be classified as a wet area for all Student Union-sponsored events. The second floor (which now contains amusement machines as well) will be the "dry" area for under age students.

This means that under age students will not be permitted in the lounge or on the third floor. Of-age students will not be permitted on the second floor with drinks. Since most bands are sponsored by the UPEISU, this means that drinking while dancing will end.

"The Freshmen, about half of them, I believe, are under the legal drinking age", says Darren Ford, Assistant Campus Police Chief. The students will be able "to come down and experience the pub atmosphere, that's the best way to go about it... the Third and Fourth year students will come down, hopefully, and support the cause."

According to Ford, a special licence is required from the PEI Liquor Commission to have this type of pub, and this licence covers only Thursday nights. Other special licenses will be requested for special events, such as the Winter Carnival. Ford's response was generally optimistic, saying "I think that the benefits will be positive."

The decision to implement the wet/dry system was made by UPEISU President Steven Wynne, and was announced to the other executives in mid July.

In previous years approximately 8 Campus Police officers were needed at a Main Event, but now this number will increase to 12. All floors will be patrolled by officers, and ID's will be checked more thoroughly. All persons under 19 that were born after July 1, 1969 will not be permitted into the wet areas. As well, surprise guest appearances by the PEI LC will bring a tighter sense of security to the Barn. According to Ford, "it's pretty well mandatory that we check everybody's ID, unless we know them, like a friend or someone that we know."



Wet/Dry stamps will also be used as a security precaution; red and blue cups will be used on the second floor to denote soft drinks, while yellow cups on the third will be used for all beverages. No transport of drinks from either floor is permitted, and possession of a yellow cup on the second floor is considered an offense. As always, drinks

may not leave the lounge area on the first floor.

While the wet/dry concept will be in effect at all SU events (to accommodate the Frosh class), this may not be the case for other events, such as the Engineers' Pub. According to Judy Meyer, Panther Lounge Manager, "(they) have the option of going to totally wet or wet/dry, that's

their option." Meyer hopes that the wet/dry system will promote better university spirit, and assist Freshman integration. As Meyer says, they will be able to come here "when they couldn't go any place else." The main idea of the program is to accommodate our new Freshmen, although the system may

## Close shave for SU President

THE ANNUAL SHINERAMA campaign for Cystic Fibrosis was given a boost this year by a barbershop promise. Campaign Chair Mark Griffith and SU President Steven Wynne pledged to undergo brush cuts if the Shinerama campaign reached \$6000.

"It was called six-for-six," says Wynne, "they raise \$6000 and take six inches (of our hair) off."

The two made the promise during the Shinerama opening ceremony. The Shinerama campaign, in which students take to the streets

shining shoes to raise donations, raised approximately \$4620. The following day saw further donations raised through the efforts of upperclassmen, a bike lottery, and general contributions quickly take that figure to just over the \$6000 mark.

Wynne and Griffith were shaved in the UPEI cafeteria Thursday during the Frosh Banquet. Shinerama top fundraiser Spenser Macpherson, who brought in around \$367.13 was allowed to take the first cuts of Griffith's mane. John Lecky of John Lecky

& Co. graciously donated his skills to finish the job.

"I'm willing to lose my hair for a good cause," says Wynne. The president also says that he would like to see a challenge like this become tradition among future SU presidents. While female presidents may not agree to have their hair removed, Wynne says he would like to see future presidents take on some form of challenge.

"I think it worked well, for Mark and I both," says Wynne.

