

NSO 2K4 SETS UPEI RECORDS AFTER ACTIVE WEEK

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Without an aerial view, who else can tell what this is?



Whoosshh... or something like that.



That's just asking for trouble.



Shiner what??

As per annual tradition at UPEI, the week of September 5-10 was dedicated to the series of events that made up New Student Orientation 2004, also warmly known as "Frosh Week '04" or "NSO2K4."

Led by NSO Coordinator Ryan McDermott and a team of between 70 and 80 volunteer student leaders, the week was pulled off for the most part without a hitch, with highlights that exceeded anyone's expectations and record-breaking achievements. The number of incoming students was thought to exceed 370, and was the biggest crowd ever to form the NSO teams at UPEI. The numbers are thought to be the result of successful advertising and good old fashioned word of mouth.

Early on the morning of the 5th, the new students began to arrive and register for the week's activities. After the frantic and energizing opening ceremony, the afternoon was taken up by a trip to Brackley Beach that, despite the cold wind, was an entertaining way to allow the new students a chance to interact and get to know each other. Early Sunday evening was dedicated to Playfair, one of the

most unique and entertaining ice-breaking sessions to take place on campus. The evening came to a close with a disco dance party at "The Wave", which afforded the first real chance for frosh to hang out with their fellow new students and begin to forge friendships that would solidify throughout the week.

Monday morning, the 6th, was tame compared to the first day, but the information sessions offered were hopefully a good start to getting the frosh oriented to their new surroundings and their future faculties. The afternoon was dedicated to one of the most cost-efficient, yet most entertaining, scavenger hunts in a while. It was at the dry trivia in "The Wave", humourously and excellently hosted by Matt Stewart and Lennie MacPherson, that McDermott revealed his promise to shave his head if the teams reached his set goal for the next morning's massive cystic fibrosis fundraiser. The evening was capped off by NSO's version of ever-popular TV game show "The Price Is Right", featuring the infamous Wendy's Combo #1 blended shake as one of the many daunting challenges.



Somewhere, locked away in our minds, we all remember how that tastes.

