

# FABIENNE ROBERTSON -BARNETT #1 SPORTS OFFICER MMUNIFIED



## WHO AM I?

Hello! My name's Fab and I'm running to be your new **Sports Officer** with **MMUnified**! I have been heavily involved with Sport since my first year. I've been involved in Cheerleading, spending this last year as the club's Chair, as well as Equestrian club. Each club showed me areas that Sport excels in but also where it can improve. I believe MMU Sport is where you engage with your passions, relieve stress, or perhaps come out of your comfort zone and try something new. It should enhance your involvement with university and your course. Having been through such a positive experience with Sport, I want every person who enters a club or creates a team to feel valued, supported and included.

## EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Each student deserves the opportunity to partake and excel in sport. There should be no barrier to this and I believe that within the union and MMU Sport there should be equal representation for BUCS and Non-BUCS teams! This should also mean equal opportunities for all teams no matter status and number of members.

## SPORT OPEN DOOR SURGERY

I want to offer a few hours a week to an "Open Door Surgery" to ensure that each Sports club is able to raise issues in a private, low pressure environment. This allows their voices to be heard outside of sports council.

## INSURANCE

The insurance compensation currently offered by MMU Sport has previously been described as insufficient. I want to review what is offered and make sure that athletes will be financially and mentally supported during recovery time. The financial compensation offered after some injuries has been sub-standard and left people with unpaid bills and stress, especially when they were unable to work while they recovered. I believe a wellness and psychological check should be done after every serious injury. Each athlete should be evaluated and informed of where to seek help, treatment and guidance, to aid them with possible post-traumatic stress that injuries can leave. Ensuring every student's studies remain minimally impacted.

## BETTER COMMITTEE TRAINING

I have personally felt that the roles of committee could use better preparation. While they are offered some training a lot of it is taking place in second term instead of at the beginning of the time as committee. When you volunteer for a role you are often unaware of how serious some the issues you deal with are. I want to organize mental health training for committees and better First Aid training with how to prepare for serious or life-threatening situations.

## SOBER SOCIALS

One thing I'd love to do is promote more sober socials. I think having one compulsory social per term would really ensure every member of each sport had the opportunity to go bond with team mates without feeling excluded by not drinking. Sobriety is a choice made by a lot of people and some people just don't like I Love Wednesday club nights. They should not be excluded from the family environment of sport clubs because of this choice.

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