

Lack of interest in double stamp

by Bruce Grant

The issue of liquor and underage students at the SUB has raised its head once again. In the past, the under-19 crowd had been excluded from many events because of liquor regulations. To get around this, the 'double-stamp' system was introduced whereby those under the legal age could still attend the event, provided they not partake of the bar. The problem has been the limited number of double-stamp events actually held.

This year all events at the SUB were supposed to be double-stamp, meaning that underage students could attend everything. However, when a Dal frosh tried to buy tickets for a licensed weekend disco, he was refused because he wasn't 19.

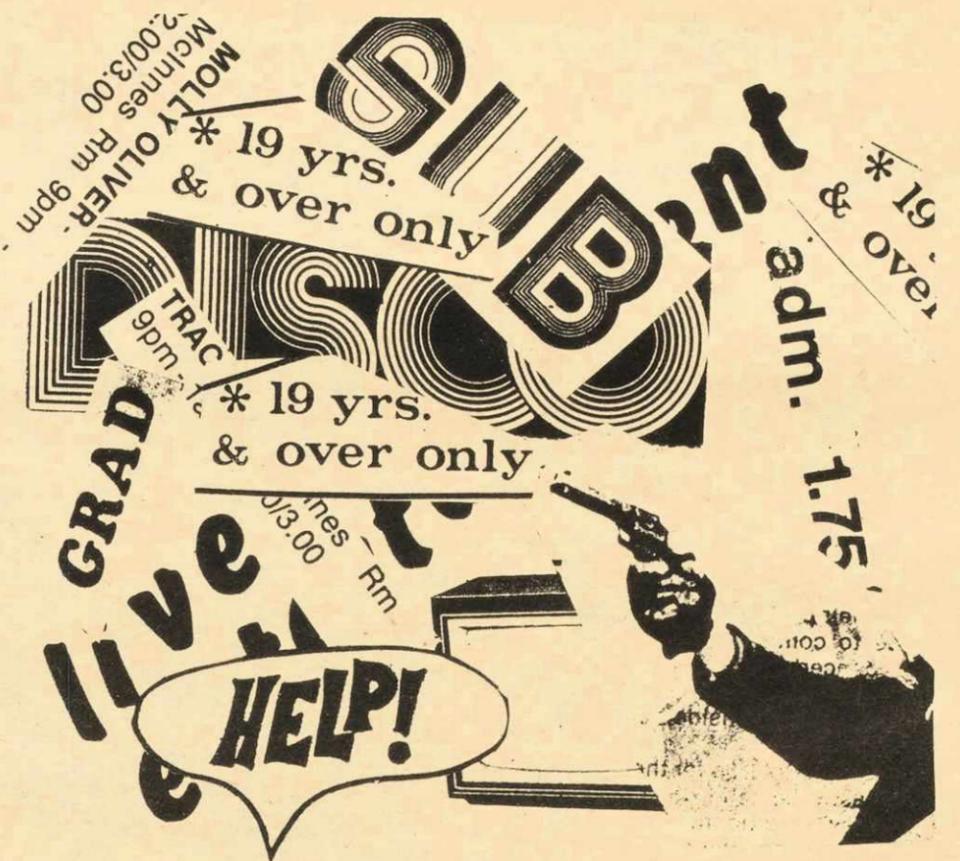
SUB manager John Graham said the reason for the lack of double-stamp events was insufficient interest. Graham told the *Gazette* that Nova Scotia Liquor Commission ID cards were necessary for everyone who was drinking, if double-stamp events were to be held. Graham said posters and announcements publicized the fact that ID pictures were being taken, and the Liquor Control Board sent a photo machine. Response was light and this was interpreted, by Graham, as a lack of interest in the double-stamp.

Bob Anderson at the Liquor Con-

trol Board said that double-stamp events present no special problem as far as the Board is concerned. Under the current licensing arrangement the liquor policy is set by the SUB, subject to Board approval. The number of double stamp events held per year seems to be left up to the SUB management. Proper policing of these events is also the SUB's responsibility and this of course presents somewhat of a problem when double-stamp events are held. Nevertheless it can be done. There is no apparent reason why everything held at the SUB couldn't be double-stamp. The liquor board appears quite cooperative as long as the events are properly supervised. Because of the extra staff involved, double-stamp events are more expensive to operate and it is only natural that the SUB management should shy away from having them if sufficient interest is not evident.

The attitude seems to be that as the majority of people at this university are of legal age nothing is lost by the "be nineteen or be gone" policy.

If frosh and others under 19 want to be included in licensed events at the SUB, it is going to have to be brought to the attention of the SUB people. That means some action on your part.



DAGS president acclaimed

Milton Graves has been acclaimed President of the Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students (DAGS). At the time of the nomination deadline, midnight on Tuesday, returning officer Marian Kielly, told the *Gazette* that all five candidates for the vacant council seats were unopposed.

The new counsellors are Richard DeGrass, History; Eileen Holden,

MBA; Robert Kilgour, Physical Education; Karen MacKinnon, MBA; and Donald G.M. Reid, English.

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