

Member Script

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Foreword

Hello everyone! The thirty-fourth board of Babylon wants to help out a little bit! During the year Babylon organises a lot of interesting, fun and creative activities for its members. Although, the board gets that it is sometimes a little unclear what is expected. Consequently, the thirty-fourth board wants to help all the members understand what Babylon does and is! Therefore, the board came up with the idea to form a so-called 'Member Script'.

In this script you, as a member of Babylon, can find all the activities that are planned this year and read exactly what the activities may entail. If you ever end up in a situation in which you do not exactly know what is expected or what the activity means, then just look it up!

Below you can find all the activities with an explanation, from *borrels* until a Job Market. Although this may seem like everything is straight forward, do not hesitate to ask questions whenever there is something unclear. The thirty-fourth board has as a goal to help and bond the members as well as possible.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the activities!

Kind regards,

The thirty-fourth board of Babylon

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1. Orientation Week

One of the most important and biggest weeks throughout the entire year! Each year this week is organised by the Orientation Week Committee. This takes a lot of time and effort but it is so worth it! It is a week full of new experiences, for the new students but also for the mentors. There are two possibilities: The first is to take part in the Orientation Week during your own introduction period, and the other is to take part in the Orientation Week as a mentor.

As a new member of Babylon, the Orientation Week is a week where you meet a lot of your fellow students and Babylonians. You do all sorts of activities, from a pub crawl to competitions against teachers. You really get to know the student life inside out, a great start of your student years! Please take your advantage out of this week and meet as many new friends as possible, you will not regret it!

Secondly, there is the other option. Being a mentor. This means that you will be a contact person for the groups of the Orientation Week's new students. You will be assigned to one of those groups and walk them through the entire week. This comes with great responsibility of course, but do not forget to party! Because, as a mentor you may be the one responsible, but also the one that makes the week fun for the Orientation Week participants! You take part in all the activities organised, that means it will also be a week full of fun for the mentors!

2. Informal activities

2.1 Borrel

Every month our beloved Committee of Informal Activities (CIA) organises a so-called *Borrel*, which is a Dutch word for a socialising event where you get together and have a few drinks. This event is ideal to get to know your fellow Babylon members in a fun and informal setting as you can catch up with your friends, make new acquaintances and go crazy on the dance floor! Often a *Borrel* has a different theme and it might be the best opportunity to dig out those old party costumes that lay forgotten somewhere. We strongly recommend every Babylon member to come to as many *Borrels as possible* as they are a very low effort way of going out and making friends.

2.2 Special borrels

2.2.1 BaMyPo

BaMyPo is a special borrel that takes place three times per year, and is organised together with two other study associations, Mycelium and Postelein. It is one of the best visited borrels and is always a success. It has a different theme every time, for example, the BaMyPo in the Orientation Week is called BaMyPintro. Some themes require a special outfit, but nothing is mandatory. The BaMyPo begins at 10.00 PM and ends around 4.00 AM.

2.2.2 Inglorious

Inglorious takes place two times per year and is one of the biggest *Borrels* Babylon organises. The CIA organises Inglorious together with five other study associations. Those associations are GSV Excalibur, Mycelium, Postelein, SVN and de ESV. At Inglorious you have the chance to meet so many new amazing people from different associations. Just like the *BaMyPo*, Inglorious begins at 10.00 PM and ends around 4.00 AM.

2.2.3 Pre- and after-ski trip Borrel

The Pre- and After- Ski Trip Borrels are *Borrels* in a bit of a different setting. This *Borrel* is accessible to people who have signed up for the Ski Trip and the Sports Committee (see chapter 2.7). It will be held in a bar with a more chilled setting.

The goal of the Pre-Ski Trip *Borrel* is getting to know the fellow Babylonians that are going on the Ski Trip. Next to this, during this Borrel you will get more information on the Ski Trip, for example the room division, packing list and the schedule for the week.

Furthermore, you will play some games which will help break the ice with your roommates and fellow travellers.

At the After-Ski Trip *Borrel* everyone comes together after the Ski Trip and we will look back at the amazing week we have had. This is also located in a bar, in a similar style as the Pre-Ski Trip Borrel. Usually there is an after movie and a little Kahoot quiz to remember all the amazing and funny things that happened during the week.

2.2.4 Pre- and after-Study Trip Borrel

The Pre- and After- Study Trip Borrels are two different *borrels*. The Pre-Study Trip *borrel* is before the Study Trip itself and it is accessible for all the signed up members for the Study Trip (see *chapter 4.1*) and the Study Trip Committee.

With this *borrel* the goal is to get to know the fellow Babylonians that are also coming on this amazing Study Trip. Usually, all members go to a bar on a set date and thus location and play games that allow you to meet all the other Babylonians that are joining.

During this *borrel* you also get information about your trip. This means: room division, packing list, schedule for the week and maybe the activities that are planned by the committee.

For the After-Study Trip *borrel*, everyone comes together after the Study Trip to look back at the amazing adventure they all had together. Usually there is an after movie and a quiz to test who paid attention to the important and not-so-important activities that happened throughout that week. This again, is located in a pub.

2.2.5 Christmas Dinner Borrel

In December the Committee of Informal Activities (CIA) organises an amazing three-course dinner at The Waagh. The CIA makes a seating plan so you will have the opportunity to meet new people and make new friends. It is not a proper Christmas Dinner without dressing up nicely, so usually Babylonians put on their suits and dresses for the dinner. After the dinner everybody heads down to the Molenstraat for the Christmas Borrel. Which is basically just a normal *borrel* but everybody is wearing a suit, dress or anything else formal.

2.2.6 BBQ Borrel

The BBQ *Borrel* is just like a normal *borrel*, but with a barbeque in front of the tribal pub to start it off. The BBQ *Borrel* is usually held at the end of the year, because the weather is most likely to help out then. Everyone dresses up in their best summer outfit and enjoys an evening of eating, drinking, dancing and catching up with friends!

2.3 Lunch

After every *Borrel*, the Board will provide a lovely Lunch for everyone in the Babylon Room (E12.09). This will be held during the break of the University, so from 12:30 until

13:15. You will be able to chill and relax in the Babylon Room, maybe to recover from the Borrel or just to chill a bit with your favourite Board Members.

2.4 Babylon Weekend

The Babylon Weekend is a weekend full of (informal) activities, partying, little sleep and having a great time with your fellow Babylonians! You get to know a lot of new people, which means that this is a great way of making new friends within the association!

This Babylon Weekend is organised by the Weekend Committee. They arrange a place to stay for the weekend and come up with all sorts of fun activities to do during the weekend, such as the Weekend Cantus or the Weekend Olympics.

Usually a lot of Babylonians sign up for this activity! In total, around 40-50 people can sign up for this.

2.5 Efteling

Yearly the International Committee organises a day to the Efteling. Which is, for the people that do not know, a Dutch theme park. This is mainly supposed to be for the international students to get to know the Netherlands and the culture, but the Dutch students are also free to join the trip.

The Efteling is a theme park based on the fairytales of the brothers Grimm. In the '*sprookjesbos*' (fairy tale forest) you can find for example Snowwhite, the Wolf and the seven little goats and Rumpelstiltskin. Some of their roller coasters are also based on fairy tales like the flying Dutchman and George and the dragon.

2.6 Active Member Activities and Evening

The active member activities and active member evenings are the board's way of saying thank you to all the active members that enable Babylon to host our fantastic events and parties. Twice a year there is an active member evening and once a year the board will host an active member activity during the day. These activities are of course a secret, as a surprise is way more fun! If you're unsure if you want to join a committee let the prospect of fun surprise activities organised especially for you be the factor that changes your mind!

2.7 Pubquiz

Every year the CIA organises a Pubquiz for all Babylonians and teachers. The pub quiz has multiple rounds and every round has a different subject. These subjects could be music, entertainment, fun facts, etc. You will make small teams and battle for victory and of course the winner will receive a nice prize. Usually the Pubquiz is held at, obviously, a pub! Feel the ambiance, have a drink and enjoy together!

2.8 Ski Trip

The Ski Trip is one of the biggest activities Babylon has to offer. It speaks for itself, you and your fellow Babyloniërs going skiing. The Ski Trip lasts a week, and in that week you will have the opportunity to ski, snowboard or do whatever you want. The Sports Committee will have a fun activity planned every evening, such as a room crawl and a game night, with prizes of course. The trip usually takes place somewhere in the first two weeks of January. You will travel by bus, and you will be picked up and dropped off at the University. This is also one of the most memorable activities Babylon has to offer!

2.9 Family Day

The family day is a day where you can bring your parents or other family members with you to experience a day in the life of a university student. You can introduce them to our wonderful association and show them around in Nijmegen. This day will be filled with fun activities and a tour around the campus. So if your parents ever wonder what you are actually doing while you're away at university, this is the perfect opportunity to show them! We will even provide them with a guest lecture to show your family what you are actually studying!

2.10 Sport activity

The Sports Activity is a separate Activity organised by the Sports Committee, next to the Ski Trip. This activity can be any sport, from boxing to dancing. People will have to sign up for this activity, as there are limited spots available. The Sports Committee will make sure the day will be fun and healthy, as we are exercising all together!

2.11 Prom

The prom is THE event to dress up in your best formal attire and party while looking absolutely stunning. You will maybe even be able to bring a date ;). We will organise the prom with several other associations so it is plausible you will see friends there as well. You and your friends can have your pictures taken by a photographer to never forget

this amazing night and most importantly you can dance the night away on the dancefloor with your loved ones and babylonians!

2.12 DIESweek

Happy birthday to us, Happy birthday to us... The DIESweek is the birthday week of Babylon and we love to celebrate it with you! This week is always stuffed with fun activities in order to celebrate the birthday week of Babylon! It is from 7 March until 10 March and every year all the Babylonians have fun!

During this week the activities mostly take place after 3:00 pm. This is so that most of the people do not have lectures or exams anymore. To name a couple of examples of activities that have been done so far: Scavenger hunt, Jumpsquare, Table fries at the pub, *borrels* and much more!

There is a sign-up policy for this week, each day or a one time deal for the entire week. Purchasing the ticket for the entire week is relatively cheaper than signing up day by day. So keep an eye on the ticket sales for this week and make sure you do not miss it!

2.13 Cantus

The Cantus is a special activity for our members. It is an activity all about friendship by singing and drinking, where the ones who need to be punished, will be punished... It is something you will never experience quite the same.

3. Formal Activities

3.1 CIS in the Field

CIS in the field is one of the formal activities organised by the Education Committee. During the event former students of Babylon will talk about their experiences and their career. It is very informative and gives a good perspective of your own possibilities after you graduate. There will probably be some sectors you would not have thought of yourself, so it can be very inspiring. There will be around nine or ten speakers all from different companies and organisations. This is also a good opportunity to create a network which could help you in your future career. The event takes place from 6.00 pm until 9.00 pm on a location that is still to be discussed!

3.2 Company Visit

During a company visit Babylon will travel physically to a company to look around and learn. Often this will consist of a tour and a lecture/case study to learn more about the company and how they deal with communication within the company. By organising a company visit Babylon enables its members to orient themselves towards their future as they can learn about potential jobs and work environments. This is a formal event so dress accordingly and act professional.

3.3 Lunch Workshops

Lunch workshops are organised during the lunch break at the university. During this break a company will come to the university and give you a presentation about their company and probably in which way they relate to our field of communication. With this event we hope we can easily enable you to learn more about your future job possibilities as you can eat your free lunch while listening!

3.4 Job Market

The Job Market is a new event organised by the Career Committee. This Committee will organise an event which will have stands where employees of top companies in the communication branch will hold their story of how they got where they are. They will elaborate why the communication studies are important towards building a future in the branch where they will work. This event inspires, gives insight and offers tools to build your own career. The board advises you to use that and is looking forward to seeing you there!

4. Other activities

4.1 Study Trip

One of the biggest activities Babylon organises is the Study Trip! During this trip you travel abroad with around 40 other Babylonians to discover the different countries' cultures and ways of education. It is truly an amazing journey, which is filled with educational but also informal activities that you will hardly forget. In recent years the Study Trip has gone to: Vienna, Budapest, Colombia and Dublin! (All great successes)

The Study Trip is organised by the Study Trip Committee, a fun and dynamic committee that ensures the entire week of running smoothly. For the Study Trip there is also a *borrel* to get to know your fellow travelling Babylonians (*Pre-Study Trip borrel*, see 2.2.4) and a *borrel* to look back at this unforgettable week with an after movie and quizzes! (*After-Study Trip borrel*, see 2.2.4)

4.2 General Member Meeting

There will be three General Member Meetings (GMM's) in a year, if no additional meeting is necessary. The three GMM's are: the Financial GMM, Semi-Annual GMM, and the Switch GMM. These will be held in the Waagh. People can freely join a GMM, except for the Chairs of the Committee's, RvA and the Till Committee who are expected to be there. People can vote in favour, against, withhold and blank.

The Financial GMM will be an explanation of the Board where all of the budget will go to this year. The people who are present can then vote if the budget is voted in or not. If it is voted in, the GMM ends and the Board can start working on their plans, if it has not been voted in, an Additional Financial GMM has to be planned where the Board will have revised their budget.

The Semi-Annual GMM is the GMM where the Board explains how everything is going by showing the Semi-Annual Report. The Board will evaluate the first half of the year. This means showing if they achieved their goals, and the progress of how certain goals are going. Also past events will be evaluated.

The Switch GMM is where Boards switch. The Current Board will explain what they have done all year, and if their goals have been achieved. They do this via the Annual Report. This has to be voted in by the people present. When this has happened, there will be a vote to vote in the new Board. After this, the Prospective Board will take over and

become the Current Board. They will explain their Policy Plan, which also has to be voted in by the people present.

4.3 National Day of Communication (NDC)

The Nation Day of Communication is a day on which every study association in the country who are communication oriented, team up to organise a day on which the students can learn about the opportunities the study offers. These associations are called sister associations. They are: Mycelium (Nijmegen), Flow (Tilburg), Commotie (Groningen), Communiqué (Enschede), EOS (Amsterdam), Mercurius (Amsterdam), Contact (Utrecht), Ipso Facto (Wageningen) and IFA ACE (Rotterdam). Besides networking with people from all over the country in the same field of work, there will be speakers that are going to tell about their experiences and working career. You will solve communication related cases, and learn all sorts of stuff about communication in general. The NDC is organised by a different study association every year.

4.4 Committee market

The Committee Market, the chance to become an active member within Babylon! During this activity all the committees of the previous year are presented! People from those committees will then explain what all the committees actually entail! It is at the Elinor Ostrom building (the Radboud Sports Centre).

Here you will receive all the information about the committees and you can see for yourself what interests match which committees. After the Committee Market there will be an option to sign up for one, two or even three of those committees! You just have to write down your preferences, your motivation and your order of preference! Then the Commissioner of Activities will do his best to make sure all the members are evenly divided over all the committees!

The committees are:

- Publication Committee;
- Graphic Design Committee;
- Prom Committee;
- Study Trip Committee;
- Education Committee;
- Committee of Formal Activities;
- International Committee;
- Career Committee;

- Congress Committee;
- Committee of Informal Activities;
- Weekend Committee;
- Sports Committee.

So, if you are even in the slightest interested in one of the committees above, come and have a look at the Committee Market! The board hopes to see you there.