Message from the MQES President

On behalf of MQES I would like to welcome you as part of the society. This is the first newsletter of many more to come and I would like to take this opportunity to inform you about what MQES has been doing recently and plans for the future.

MQES is here to build a tighter network of Engineering and like minded students, to raise the profile of Engineering at Macquarie and provide academic support for the mutual benefit of all. We recently put in a funding application with MUSRA and were granted the full amount requested, this will enable us to finally get the society off the ground and begin to work on some projects that everyone can be involved in.

We have quite a few events coming in the closing weeks of Semester 2, 2012. This week (Week 10) we are having our first informal meetup on Thursday afternoon. The LaTeX skills is next week on Thursday morning, followed that afternoon by our second society BBQ - so there are a chance for all society members to meet each other and make new friends.

I strongly encourage all members to attend these events as they are certain to be a lot of fun and beneficial to members in many ways.

Thank you all for being a part of MQES and I look forward to meeting you in person in the coming weeks.

Pierce Rixon
MQES President

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#1 :: MQES Week 11 BBQ
We are having the second MQES BBQ for Semester 2, 2012 on Thursday of Week 11 - it’s going to be right after the LaTeX workshop. This time we are having it in our preferred location - the Campus Hub Courtyard so we should be a lot easier to find.

There are 2 things we are trying to achieve with this BBQ - give our members a chance to meet each other, and to raise funds for projects and events we want to run for members over the 2012-2013 Summer Break and Semester 1, 2013.

Come along and say hi to us, grab some cheap tasty food, and talk about nerdy stuff!

**Time:** 12:00pm-15:00pm  
**Date:** 25/10/2012  
**Location:** Campus Hub Courtyard  
**Prices:** $2 Sausage Sandwiches (vegetarian will be available), $1 Soft drinks

#2 :: MQES LaTeX Workshop
One of the key services MQES wants to provide to our members are workshops for Engineering skills development. The first workshop for Semester 2, 2012 is the LaTeX skills workshop - which is intended to help interested members hone their LaTeX skills and knowledge, which should help with all ENGG designated units, as well as analog electronics units where use of LaTeX for reporting is compulsory.

**Time:** 10:00am-12:00pm  
**Date:** 25/10/2012  
**Location:** TBA  
**Cost:** Free  
**LaTeX Skill Level Recommended:** Basic Knowledge of LaTeX is required.

#3 Informal MQES Meet Up
The first MQES meetup is coming up this week (Week 10)! Looking for a way to make new friends? Or find people studying your degree?

MQES Meetups are a great way to meet other students studying Engineering (and related degrees) at Macquarie. Students from every year will be attending, so it is a great way to get to know people in your year and senior years.

MQES will be hosting a number of these meetups throughout the year: the first of which is this week.

**Date:** 18th October, 2pm.  
**Location:** Macquarie Ubar*.

So come along and meet the society!

*The meetups will alternate between Macquarie UBar, and the Marxine’s Cafe in the Macquarie Campus Hub*
#4 How to get involved/get in touch

MQES have several projects and initiatives on the horizon that we would like to encourage members to get involved with. We currently have the following projects on the horizon that members can get involved with:

- Helping MQES recruit at the O-Week 2013 Macquarie University Campus Experience exhibition
- In order to get the MQES Newsletter off the ground we will be looking for members to help out with either regular input or featured, one-off, material.
- There may be potential for several MQES members to help out with a project the society is looking at organising over the summer break, and for students to help field-test workshop material planned for next semester.

The best way to get involved is to stay up to date with MQES news and come along to one of the upcoming MQES informal meet ups. If you are interested in helping in other areas please email mges.memberships@gmail.com and register your interest directly.

#5 Message from the Secretary

Exciting news from the office of the MQES Secretary - MQES is just short of 100 members at this current moment. We are really excited that within 3 months of affiliation we have already got a significant portion of the Macquarie University engineering student body on-board as members. We are hoping to run a promotion to celebrate the joining of our 100th member, so keep your eyes on our facebook page for all the details.

Additionally we are really looking forward to changing focus from member recruitment into starting to provide members with the support and services this society has been established in order to do. Hopefully we will have some news for you all on this front in the next newsletter.

Looking forward to see you all at the informal meet up this week, and BBQ next week - and keep up the Engineering: we're all almost through Semester 2, 2012!

Joe Campbell
MQES Secretary

Well that's all guys! We are hoping to make this a regular thing starting on a monthly basis. If you want to get involved with the newsletter or have an idea for a story get in touch or drop by one of the upcoming meetings.

Hopefully this has displayed OK in all your email clients - if this is not the case let us know and we will look at putting an online edition up for Issue #2/2012

All the best!

The MQES Newsletter Team

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