

Welcome to *UQI Update*, a weekly bulletin for staff of the Ipswich Campus.

CAMPUS NEWS

RESTORATION PROJECT FOR CAMPUS LANDMARK

An iconic landmark at [The University of Queensland's Ipswich Campus](http://www.uq.edu.au/news/index.html?article=15808) is undergoing a facelift to ensure its preservation and historic relevance. The Blair Pavilion, the two-storey building located at the rear of the Campus along the perimeter of the Sandy Gallop Golf Club, is being restored to secure its exterior and protection for the future. Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Academic) [Professor Alan Rix](#) said UQ's Property and Facilities Division had commissioned a maintenance plan for the exterior fabric of the Blair Pavilion to ensure its preservation for future plans and development of the building. See

<http://www.uq.edu.au/news/index.html?article=15808>

THANK YOU TO ALL FOR IPSWICH OPEN DAY

Thanks to all staff for their participation and assistance with the UQ Ipswich Open Day, held last Wednesday, August 20. The Open Day Debrief Meeting will be held tomorrow, Wednesday, September 3 at 3pm in the Staff and Graduate Lounge, Building 8.

Staff are also encouraged to complete the Ipswich Open Day online feedback form, available at

<http://survey.its.uq.edu.au/UltimateSurvey/Surveys/TakeSurvey.aspx?s=4B2E529F976D4A04AA98CBFC73490CA8>

UNISUPER PRESENTATION AT UQI

Topic: An introduction to investing for your future
When: Thursday, September 18, 2008
Lunch: 1pm
Seminar: 1:30 to 2.30pm
Where: Boilerhouse Community Room, Room 118, Building No 22, Ipswich Campus

The introduction to investing for your future seminar has been created to explain some basic investment principles, with a focus primarily on the "risk" and "return" relationship. It also introduces the 12 investment options available under UniSuper. This seminar will help you understand investment risk and which investment option best suits your level of risk.

Main topics covered are:

- Understanding Risk and Return
- Understanding Asset classes
- Setting your goals
- Considering your risk appetite
- Introducing the investment choice range
- The need to manage your investments

To register for the seminar, please go to UniSuper's home page www.unisuper.com.au and then click on the "Seminars" link (see the top left hand side of the home page). If you are

unable to access the web page, please contact UQ's Employee Benefits Section for assistance on 52968, 52605 or 52539.

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN INSIGHT DISCUSSIONS

As part of the Market Research and Strategic Planning INSIGHT Project, the INSIGHT Team would like to invite all interested staff to participate in staff discussion groups to test brand values and brand concepts.

The outcomes of these groups will assist UQ in managing and developing the attributes of UQ into a comprehensive and widely accepted brand framework and also assist in the development of integrated communications structure.

The discussion groups began this week and will continue to next week – the week ending September 12, 2008. All workshops will be facilitated by an external market research agency and will run for approximately 1.5 hours. Space will be limited in each of the workshops so please follow this link to register your interest in participating in these groups
<https://www.uq.edu.au/insight/uq-staff-discussion-groups>

Please do not hesitate to contact the INSIGHT Team at insight@uq.edu.au or on 67674 if you would like further information on these groups.

NIGHT OF MUSIC AND SONG – ALL INVITED!

Staff and students are invited to join with UQI Chaplaincy for a night of 'Music and Song' aimed towards raising awareness of the need for social action both locally and overseas. The event will be held from 7 to 8.30pm on the Wednesday, September 10 at the Activity Centre Ipswich Campus. See the attached flyer for more information.

JOIN UQ WELLNESS & ACTIVITY CENTRE FOR \$100

Until 15 September 2008, UQ SPORT is offering you the chance to enjoy unlimited use of the UQ Wellness and Activity Centre for just \$100 each when you join with a friend!

Located in Building 10, the UQ Wellness and Activity Centre is a fully equipped gym with cardio equipment, weights and Swiss balls. The Centre is supervised at all times by highly qualified Exercise Physiologists. They'll be able to show you how to use the equipment and can offer services such as fitness assessments and personalised fitness training programs.

With the UQ Wellness and Activity Centre right on campus, it's a great way to work a health regime into your busy day.

Sign up before 15 September with a friend and receive a FREE personal training session valued at \$70

Staying active and healthy is an important part of a great lifestyle. Benefits of regular exercise and good nutrition include: improved energy levels, decreased body fat, stronger bones, lower blood pressure, avoiding depression, increased feelings of wellbeing and increased productivity.

That's why when you sign up for this offer with a friend, we'll also provide you with a FREE personal training session to kick-start your membership. For more information visit the UQ Wellness and Activity Centre or call 3381 1341 and speak with one of our staff on how you can get started today.

STAFF & STUDENT BASKETBALL GAME

Come one, come all to the Inter-Faculty basketball game to be held this afternoon, Tuesday, September 2 at 3:30pm at the multi-purpose court. See attached flyer for more information – staff and students encouraged to attend!

TUESDAY LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES FOR STAFF & STUDENTS

Drumming:

Come along and join the fun. You don't need to have a drum but bring one if you have one! There are drummers from Africa, India and Ireland to guide us and teach us how to play. Every Tuesday from 1pm – 2pm outside building 12. Its free and lots of fun!

Meditation:

Escape from the hustle and bustle of your busy life for half an hour a week. Join other staff and students of Ipswich campus for a meditation session every Tuesday from 12 – 12.30pm in the Multimedia Room, Level 3, Building 8. It's free and very relaxing!

For more information, contact Julie O'Donohoe Student Services at j.odonohoe@uq.edu.au; or Di Poke, Health Sciences on di.poke@uq.edu.au

EQUITY & DIVERSITY NEWS

Equity Matters Newsletter

Equity Matters Newsletter Issue 1 2008 – a publication by the Equity Office
http://www.uq.edu.au/equity/docs/em_news_july08.pdf

What's Hot in Diversity? Managing Diversity: The Gap Between Theory And Practice

The theory says diversity should lead to increased dividends for everyone involved, however, in practice it seems that many organisations are unable to leverage upon diversity to deliver its anticipated benefits. This conundrum has led academic and industry parties to join forces in a "first of its kind" major project designed to identify the most effective diversity management practices. The three-year project is auspiced by [Diversity@Work](#) and led by the University of South Australia and the Melbourne Business School, University of Melbourne. We are very excited to be working on this project that will explore the connection between organisational diversity practices and their impact on indicators of organisational effectiveness. Source: <http://diversityatwork.com.au/node/1135>

UQ EVENTS

MIRACLE WORKERS AWARDS

Nominations have now closed for this year's Miracle Worker Awards. UQ Staff are invited to the lunch and ceremony where recipients of 2008 Miracle Workers Awards will be presented with their certificate by Chancellor, Sir Llew Edwards. The recipient of the General Staff Self Development Prize will also be presented with their prize and certificate at this ceremony by Mr Douglas Porter, Secretary and Registrar.

Date: Wednesday 10 September

Time: 12:15pm for 12:30pm

Venue to be advised and further details will be available soon.

EXTERNAL EVENTS

SALAD DAYS – THE CAMBRIAN YOUTH CHOIR

The Cambrian Youth Choir presents Salad Days on September 19 and 20 at the Cambrian Centre in South Station Road, Booval. See attached flyer for more information.

SUBMISSIONS FOR UQI UPDATE

We welcome your submissions. Please ensure that information submitted for inclusion includes ALL the necessary details - including dates, times, location, venue, program responsible, contact person and details, etc.

Please send all submissions to the UQI Update editor (uqiupdate@uqi.uq.edu.au, also found under the Ipswich email global address list). **Cut-off date for content is 5pm each Monday.**