Disorientation, 3rd Year Social

Where: Undisclosed House Near UVic

When: Friday February 5th

This evening event will be centered on getting the bridge students acquainted with their UVic brethren. Tickets will include dispensed drinks and will go on sale Monday January 24th for $10 in the ESS office.

All third year students are encouraged to attend. This is your chance to meet all the students you will be spending the next two years with. Any questions can be directed to essb-eve@engr.uvic.ca.

Frosh Committee

The time of year has come to select the chair(s) for the upcoming Frosh. If you intend to run, wish to have input, or generally want to be involved in Frosh shenanigans this Committee is for you! This is for First Year students only!

Meetings will take place at some point in January/February. If you wish to be involved (co-chair or Fro), please send an email to jasonjub@uvic.ca.

Engineering Jackets

If you are interested in owning a really snazzy engineering jacket, there is a sign-up sheet outside the ESS office. Jackets in different sizes are on display in the showcase outside of the ESS Office. The jackets must be ordered in advance, so sign up quickly or risk missing out.

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Grad Committee Meeting

Where: ELW Lobby
When: Friday January 21, at 4:30

This meeting is to get things started. Anyone interested in helping with anything is welcome. Come get your ring sized in the ESS office.
Meet the Spring 2011 ESS Executive

Jason Jubinville (President)

Looking for a good time but tired of busty, shallow escorts with no comprehension of the engineering regime? Experience Jason Jubinville: 21 Years of Age, Gingerlicious and Bodacious Bod!. Very familiar with the right hand rule. Will keep your vector pointed orthogonal to your rigid body.

Annie Beauvillier (Vice President Academic)

Annie Beauvillier has only recently stopped demanding to be referred to as Mrs. Bieber after a restraining order was filed due to an outburst at the latest Justin Bieber concert in Vancouver. The outburst was a direct result of anger stemming from the rumored relationship with Miley Cyrus after which she was quoted saying “I will teach him for cheating on me.” Now on heavy medication Annie can be found somberly wandering around the ESS office simply looking for “somebody to love.”

Taylor Entz (Vice President External)

Though he still enjoys solving statically indeterminate problems and looking at himeself in the mirror, Taylor has grown a lot since this summer. He no longer has erotic fantasies about the latest apple products and has finally popped the question to his long time sweet-heart Sean Walsh. We look forward to his crazy antics as he continues to represent our interests at home and abroad.

Julian Grove (Vice President Finance)

Julian Grove has been raised from birth to be a numerical ninja. It has been said that he owns a vast collection of fine abaci and can perform inverse fourier analysis in his sleep. By night he avenges the tragic murder of his parents by dawning his superhero persona: Math Blaster, Defender of Fiscal Responsibility!

Max Gerrie (Secretary)

Maxwell “Gerrie-Curl” Gerrie, born on Irish Isle of Sydneyham, stands 6’8” with a shock of gloriously curly, red hair (which is surprisingly soft…). Be warned... Max takes great offence at being called a Ginger, and will smite anyone who does so. As Secretary, Max has promised to translate all meeting minutes to his native Gaelic language. In his free time he takes pride in throwing rocks and drinking beer. Among notable engineering achievements, he pretty much hand built most of Stonehenge.
Mike Anderson (Director of IT)

Some say his watch goes up to 14, and that he thinks the credit crunch is a new type of breakfast cereal. All we know is, he’s Director of IT.
...Whatever that means.

Ben Cosman (Director of Services)

Ben is a hobbit! Prove it you say? For one, he’s short and wears a funny hat, but these attributes are more closely associated with Santa’s Helpers. Believe it or not, that’s what he wants you to think. It is a little known fact that Ben’s childhood dream was to become an elf and make toys for all the little boys and girls. However, Ben’s true identity was discovered when he bared his legs (and feet) in order to partake in a game of the ever popular Beach Wildlife Viewing. Low and behold, hair everywhere! So there you have it, Ben is a hobbit (don’t let his pointy shoes fool you)!

Nigel Syrotuck (Director of Events)

Nigel is bold like a bag of Doritos. Nigel is also a bit ‘special’. He doesn’t get invited to many events, so he has made a habit of planning his own.

Soroush (Soro) Rezaian (Director of Corporate Relations)

Unfortunately his status as a S.A.I.T. Alumus is pretty much the best thing he has going for him. He’s taken on the position of Director of Corporate relations because he’s excited to finally be allowed to shamelessly solicit himself for a real cause. Welcome Aboard!

Brandon Nikolaisen (Director of Communications)

And I quote:
“B. Nickle-eye-a-sun, a bright and golden star in our sky. A true beacon for the rest of us to follow. Brandon is the man every hero wants to be, and the man every heroine wants to be with. He is our mere mortal. One to look up to, one to mimic in every way. Brandon is the true man’s man.”

Rob Carr (Director of Sport)

Wanted for copyright infringements against Avagadro, and for the consumption of several small children. Recently escaped from a correctional facility in Southern Texas, Rob is rumored to be lying low in the Victoria area, and acquiring a degree in electrical engineering. If you see Rob, please alert local authorities.
Recap of Congress 2011

After spending three days in St. John’s, Newfoundland getting acclimatized to the time change and the intensity of George Street, both the UVic ‘B’ & ‘A’ ESS representatives headed to the Delta hotel in the heart of downtown St. John’s for the week long Canadian Federation of Engineering Students (CFES) Congress.

First time attendants Jason Jubinville (Stream ‘B’ President) and Austin Warren (Stream ‘A’ VPX) had signed on for their first inside view to the inner-workings of the CFES with only the slightest idea of the week they were about to experience.

The week consisted of us meeting some of the most influential students in engineering across Canada, as well as learning many valuable lessons from the lectures held during the day.

The conference began on Sunday, January 2, 2011 with students flying in from all across the country. Old friends reunited and new friendships were formed as the steady influx of engineers from all across Canada flooded the entrance and halls of the third and fifth floor of the Delta hotel. After the excitement settled we slowly began to fall asleep as the first day wound to a close, and the five days of seminars and lectures sat upon the horizon.

The first three days of seminars were spent on learning about who, what, when, why and how of running an engineering students society (ESS). With seminars on a broad spectrum of topics saying, “much was learned”, would be an understatement. Led by some of the best student leaders from across Canada, we had our eyes opened on what we can do to move the University of Victoria engineering students society into the future.

The following two days were held to vote in new executive for CFES and run plenary where all of the big decisions are made for the engineering across Canada. All new executives were voted into positions this included a very promising new president from Laval University by the name of Nicolas Blanchet taking over for Rob Stalker (current President).

After the new execs were voted in, the day and a half marathon of plenary began. Both Austin Warren and myself represented the two UVic votes (one for stream ‘A’ and one for ‘B’) in CFES, and therefore got to sit and discuss all of the new motions with all of the other member school head delegates. After motions and counter motions had been made, the voting process continued before the final hours of Congress 2011.

With the conclusion of the seminars, voting, and plenary all that was left was the closing banquet and silent auction. Conversations were had, bread was broken and drinks were shared as new friends parted and the amazing week at Congress 2011 came to a close. We are all full of anticipation for Congress 2012 in Whitehorse, Yukon - a new spark of passion for our ESS was lit as we begin our term with the right foot forward for the University of Victoria Stream ‘B’ ESS.

-Taylor Entz your trusted VPX
ESS Intramural Soccer

Word has it that the Flying Mongeese have abandoned their annual mating rituals down south this year on account of their poor girl to guy ratio and returned to play intramural soccer.

Where: Turf Fields  
When: Wednesday Nights  
Cost: Free

If you're interested there is a signup sheet outside the ESS office. For detailed information, join the facebook group “Flying Mongeese”.

Got Questions?

There is a new Question box outside the ESS Office. Ask us questions and they will be answered (possibly in Tubes). SO ASK ME ANYTHING!!!!  
Taylor Entz

Know What’s Happening

ESS Meetings will be every Tuesday @ 5:30pm in the ESS Office. We would like to extend an invite to any students who would like to join us, whether it be to become a Director at Large, or just to make sure we still exist.

- Your Steam ‘B” Executive

IEEE, Student Branch Robot Explosion

With Support from: Science Venture and ECE/Engr

Saturday, January 22nd
11:00am - 5:00 pm  
ECS 668

Design lego robots and compete against others for cool prizes!

Food and drink will be provided.

Register your team of 2-3 people by emailing:  
ieeesb@engr.uvic.ca

More information can be found at:  
http://ieeesb.uvic.ca

Space is limited, register early.
Academic Advising

Academic Advising is a free service offered to all students at the University of Victoria. It is extremely useful for students who are looking for advice regarding their programs or courses, university or faculty regulations.

The Engineering Undergraduate Programs office is home to all 1st year advising. If you’re in 1st year, LeAnne Golinsky is your advisor (in EOW 206). Contact LeAnne: engradav@uvic.ca

Belinda de Jong is the academic advisor for all Software Engineering students AND 2nd & 3rd year Mechanical Engineering students (Engineering Lab Wing B208). Contact Belinda: bdejong@uvic.ca

4th year Mechanical students should see Dr. Yang Shi on the 5th floor of the Engineering Office Wing (Room 519). Contact Dr. Shi: yshi@uvic.ca

Lynne Risk is advisor to Electrical and Computer Engineering students on the 4th floor of the EOW (Room 403). Contact Lynne: eceugadv@uvic.ca

For more information visit: http://www.uvic.ca/engineering/undergrad/advice/index.php

Cinkant Endowment!

The application process for Cinkant Endowment Fund dispersal is now open. One can pick up an application form in the ESS office. Applications must formal and comply to the Cinkant Endowment Fund Policy Manual Article 4: “Proposals”. For more information on Article 4, please see the ESS website, or email jasonjub@uvic.ca.

Declare Your Major

First years BEng and SEng students will be emailed midway through this semester and will be asked to submit a web-based form ranking their program choices in order of preference as they approach the end of their first year. Progression into their 1st program of choice is based on GPA/performance in first year. Specialization or Option declarations usually require a written request and submission to the Engineering Undergraduate Programs office (EOW 206).

Important Reminder

Friday January 21st is the LAST day for adding courses which began this term!
NHL Mid-Season Recap

With the NHL season more than half over, it’s a good time to look back at what has been an interesting first half. While many teams are performing similarly to last season, some teams are in drastically different positions than they were a year ago.

Let’s start with the good. After missing the playoffs and finishing 12th place in their respective conferences, the Tampa Bay Lightning and the Dallas Stars are currently leading their respective divisions and each sit third in their conferences. The Lightning are led by superstar scorer, Steven Stamkos, who is on pace to eclipse his preceding 51-goal season and is currently second in scoring. Dallas is led by former Lightning star Brad Richards and a young Swede in Loui Eriksson, who both sit in the top 10 in scoring.

On the flip side are some teams who fell from prominence in just one season, most notably the New Jersey Devils. After another 100-point season and Atlantic division title, the Devils were expected to at least contend for the division title. However, injuries to star player Zach Parise and poor performances by star players Ilya Kovalchuk and future Hall-of-Famer Martin Brodeur have caused the Devils to plummet to dead last in the NHL, below even the lowly Islanders and Maple Laffs. The Buffalo Sabres have also fallen well out of the playoffs after a division-winning season one year ago. Much of their lacklustre season can be attributed to the average play of Ryan Miller. With only a 2.72 GAA and .911 save percentage, Miller is under-performing compared to last season when he posted career bests in wins, GAA and save percentage.

With 4 of the 6 Canadian teams sitting near the cellar of the league, Canada’s cup chances are riding on the Canadiens and the sensational play of the Canucks. While the Habs still remain in contention, the Canucks are obviously the best chance for a Canadian Stanley Cup this season. With the Sedins firing on all cylinders, Kesler having a breakout year and a two-goalie tandem, the Canucks have proven to be very tough to beat.

And what about the rest of the NHL? Detroit continues to remain superb even with tons of injuries. Pittsburgh and Washington’s Winter Classic was the most watched regular season game in 36 years. Pronger still reigns as the dirtiest player in the league. The Lames finally decided to get rid of Darryl Sutter, and Rick Nash continues to be the only player people know on Columbus.

To finish off my inaugural hockey article I’ll leave you with my mid-season Stanley Cup prediction: Though all you Canucks fans will disagree, a wise man once told me that “the road to the Stanley Cup goes through Detroit”. A healthy Detroit team in the playoffs is nearly unstoppable, so as much as I’d love to see the Rangers beat the Canucks in 7 again, I’ll take Detroit in 6 games over Boston.

- R. Petty

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A Note From The Dir-IT

Hey guys, Just a quick note from inside the tubes. I am trying to make sense of the website. Personally I am of the opinion that it needs some fixing. Some-time in the next week I’ll be sending out a notice to people who already expressed interest in helping me with site upgrades. Helping make changes to the ESS website is a great way to expose yourself to professional web development and looks good on your re-sume. If you are interested in helping, you can email me at mrlanders@uvic.ca.
Also, the same goes for helping with Tubes!

-Mike
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Signing off, Brandon Nikolaisen

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**Super Sudoku**

A sundial is the type of timepiece that has the fewest moving parts. What type of timepiece has the most moving parts?

Three travelers register at a hotel and are told that their rooms will cost $10 each so they pay $30. Later the clerk realizes that he made a mistake and should have only charged them $25. He gives a bellboy $5 to return to them but the bellboy is dishonest and gives them each only $1, keeping $2 for himself. So the men actually spent $27 and the bellboy kept $2 - what happened to the other dollar of the original $30?

Send answers to essb-com@engr.uvic.ca. Correct or creative solutions may be published in the next edition of Tubes and Wires.

Answer to Last Weeks Puzzle (How to Maximize Winning Odds with the Hat Game):

Out of the three players, the player that gives the answer is the player who sees the other two people with the same colour hat on. This will give the best chance to win the money. Out of the 8 combinations, if only the player that sees the same colour on the other two players says the opposite colour then they have a 75% chance to win the prize. The only cases that they would not win the prize is if all of the hats were the same colour.

- Answer by Kazu Arai

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**Editor’s Quip**

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