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A QUT Design and Built Environment education information booth was available at the recent Australian Spatial Odyssey conference with a number of inquiries made by practitioners for QUT courses, particularly the post-graduate certificate programs in GIS and Geomatics. QUT staff also presented a number of papers at the 42nd Australian Surveyor’s Congress during the week at the convention centre.

Next year’s community design and mapping program looks set to startle as a multi-disciplined collaborative project gains momentum. The "Living Suburban Dreams" initiative will include many disciplines from the Built Environment as they come together to take on challenges of real-world suburban problems and use design to improve a situation. It is envisaged that a Project Week/School Festival/Learning Event will be the focus of some activities associated with the project.

The annual combined fourth year students and first year surveying students attend the SURVEY camp held at Pittsworth and Linthorpe Valley. The camp was held nearly a month earlier than normal to fit into university project week timing commitments. This meant that the camping was cold and crisp with wintry winds on the last day. The cadastral orientated camp was generally enjoyed by all with many opportunities for inter-year field survey parties and socializing. The survey work is still being analyzed as part of the fourth year cadastral learning projects.
Several first-year QUT surveying students discuss the method to undertake a Remote Elevation Measurement task of the light tower in the background at Pittsworth Showgrounds.

Fourth-year QUT students doing traverse calculations on the first night of Pittsworth camp.

Survey Practice Course students have just concluded the intensive contact mode at QUT. Students are currently involved in self-directed assignment and research work until the end of the year on topics of cadastral re-instatement, management of GPS data acquisition projects, GIS/LIS project life cycles and the processes involved in medium to large size mapping projects.