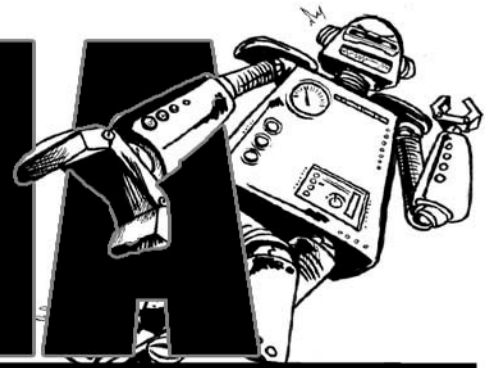




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# MECHA



A Mechanical Engineering Newsletter of Sorts.

Want more Mech Info? Visit <http://www.mech.ubc.ca/~clubmech/> Mech Meetings Wednesday 12pm @ Club MECH  
Want more EUS Info? Visit <http://www.ubcengineers.ca/> EUS Meetings Tuesday 12 noon @ the Cheeze  
October 22, 2010

## UPCOMING E-VENTS!!

### MECHSTRAVAGANZA

October 22 - 6pm-  
10pm, SUB 207/209

### MECH Halloween Party!

Next Week - Keep  
your ears open!

### EUS Cultural Gala!

*(A cultural event with a  
cooking competition)*

Nov 19<sup>th</sup> 12pm-2pm

### Grad Photos!

Sign up NOW!

Today's Mecha is brought  
to you by:  
*Kyle Philibert, Mech Prez*

Have a photo or  
something cool to put in  
the Mecha?

Just talk to an exec!

/insert cool photo here



## Club Mech News:

Our Cheer Machine has umm.. tall cans of cheer! \$2.50 each

Foos tables are lubed up! **STOP USING SOAP!**

### **Grad:**

Fees are \$30

Iron Ring is on March 23<sup>rd</sup>

Photos - Get those booked!

Talk to Chris Elvidge!

## Some more info on Upcoming Events

**MECHSTRAVAGANZA:** Club Mech is bringing back its epic bzzr garden event tonight! Dress casual - it's Hawaiian / beach themed. Classic Mech. Sub 207/209, 6pm - 10pm.

**Grads:** Don't forget to get your photo appointments booked by the end of November!! For other Grad related info, contact Chris Elvidge, Mech Grad Rep

**Halloween Party:** Club Mech is holding a Halloween Party sometime next week. Ask around, we will tell you when we know the details. Expect a costume contest, pumpkin carving contest and .. well probably lots of candy!

**EUS Cultural Gala:** The EUS is holding a cultural shindig next month. There will be a cooking contest and most likely some entertainment. This of course means you can come by and eat some food. Listen up for more details!

## The Requisite Rant Section

What's with the Mech2's and not being REALLY STRESSED these days? Back when I did Mech2, both times, I was freaking out every day! Now they just hang out, play foos, video games .. rubik's cubes etc.

I mean, wth? Where's the stress? Where's the early morning alcohol consumption? Why aren't they studying until 2am? Has Dr. Pete gone soft on them? If they aren't scared out of their wits now, I wonder how easy Mech 222 will be on them.....

## Mech Sales!

**Club Mech has an awesome collection of shirts, hoodies, and badges for sale. Talk to Krista or any exec. A price list is on the bulletin board!**

## Some Stories from Kyle the Complainer:

Ed note: Kyle doesn't necessarily represent the views or opinions of Club Mech or the Engineering Undergraduate Society.  
Kyle's note: He does, however, represent the views and opinions of any rational, reasoning person.

In keeping with my theme of work getting easier for our wonderful youth, this is a quick one about the school system in Ontario a few years back.

I was reading through some news articles while taking a break from Mech2<sup>2</sup> (my second run at Mech 222) and I noticed that there was some concern about how much time students were spending on homework compared to other school districts. Of course, I took a look at this in more detail. After reading through it, it looked a lot like parents saying that their kids were saying that they were doing so much work (like an hour a day or something). This was compared to an adjacent school district where students were spending something like 45 minutes a day on school work. That should jump out at you pretty quickly. 15 minutes difference? Based upon a parent's estimate which is based upon what their kids are saying? So many other factors could influence this too – why check time spent? Why not take a look at actual material? If someone spends longer doing the same amount of work as someone else.. then I think they should spend more time doing the work.

Not to mention that the arguments were that the extra 15 minutes a day were interrupting students time with their family. 15 minutes. A day. And they complained about homework on weekends.

I honestly think that children in Canada need to step up a bit with their work habits so they can actually compete in a world market. Nobody cares what you feel when you have to compete against hundreds of better trained individuals for a job.

Of course, I sent a concerned email to the school district and asked some questions. They didn't reply...

This earned me the title of Kyle the Complainer.

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## Another story:

One day, I was elected President of a little club called "Club Mech". Little did I know that this instantly transformed me into a dishwasher.

## Moral of the story:

Wash your damn dishes.

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## Funny Mech Quotes:

"Being in Mech2 is like being punched in the face, except the bruises show up on your transcript"  
-Chris Elvidge, on Mech2

We don't like cleavage... when it comes to materials  
- Paraphrase – Rommely in Mech 329

"What? You don't like my body forces?!"  
-Dr. Grecov – Mech 380 - 2009

"..make it REALLY hard..."  
-Rommely in Mech 329 in discussion about fracture toughness

"... REALLY REALLY TINY..."  
-Rommely in Mech 329 in discussion about .. fracture toughness and composites

