



Society's Report

Submitted to the Annual general Meeting on 2nd June 2012

The Executive committee presents this report as a summary of the activities carried out during the last year:

- The Society's financial standing is sound. Documentation is under control and fulfilling auditing requirements as shown in the financial report.
- **A highlight for the Society, hosting Sheikh Desougi Mohamed Abed Hussein for the holy month of Ramadan as our guest, once again from Al Azhar, Egypt. Amongst the many activities the Sheikh led were:**
 - Taraweeh prayers together with our own Sheikh Ahmad Talaat.
 - Dars/talks at Arkana, Friday Jumma prayers and after Taraweeh prayers
 - Ramadan Iftar dinner was again a popular event
 - **Another highlight was the establishment of the YouthIES group who have already established an active collection of members successfully contributing to their own events, in addition to the societies.**
- The Society together with YouthIES organised an engaging Ramadan calender. This continued with a well attended Eid breakfast event at Arkana College and was followed by the Eid picnic at Auburn botanical gardens.
- Fortnightly gathering's continued with several key talks, information sessions and vote lodging opportunities taking place.
- Creation of the society's own space on the premises of Arkana College allowed the society and members access to the school hall (outside of school hours and functions). In addition, the Society and members will have access to an office and private meeting room for which renovation work is almost complete.
- The Society continued its active role in events taking place in Egypt together with the Egyptian consulate and other Egyptian organisations, assisting many members of the community register, complete and lodge their votes in the election process.
- The Society continued to receive donations from the Supreme Islamic Council for Halal Meat of Australia (SICHMA). It should be noted that our direct involvement in the council through Dr Mohamed Helmy's representation in SICHMA's management is an important factor in continuing to receive such moneys. Jazaa Allah kheir Dr Helmy.
- The Executive committee continued its responsibility in supporting our members in their time of difficulties and needs by providing physical and moral support as well as the social participations in accordance with the Islamic manners and obligations among Muslim brothers and sisters.
- In addition to the previous point and more specifically, the society conducts the chaplaincy service through specific visits to the sick and/or hospitalised. These visits are completed by Hag Mohamed El Shafei, Hag El Sayed Kandil and Hag Mohammed Helmy.



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- The Society assisted and supported worthy muslim welfare and community matters, doing so through donations to recognised local and international welfare and muslim community organisations such as Islamic Relief, NSW public schools scripture program and JMA (Just Media Advocacy).
- The funeral assistance account has been active in collections and assisting in funeral expenses. The money in the Funeral assistance fund has increased however more funds are needed to assist in emergencies. Few cases needed the Society's involvement to make sure burials were promptly completed.
- We have renewed the public liability insurance which is important for the continuation of the Society's activities and members.
- The Society's new website and domain name and ability to connect with social media sites has been a strong driver in attracting our youth.
- The YouthIES group have in one short year conducted the following events:
 - YouthIES Ramadan Iftar
 - Snow Trip
 - Eid Bowling
 - Paintball
 - Kid's fun day at Arkana College, December 2011
 - YouthIES BBQ at Bicentennial park, February 2012
 - Family fishing day at Georges River
 - Kid's talent quest day
 - Ongoing children Quran and Arabic lessons

The executive committee notes an increase in support and attendance to society activities. We also note positive developments with the youth group leading to a greater number of activities and services the Society can provide for the community. The constitution, annual and financial reports can be downloaded from our website www.IslamicEgyptians.com.au

Wasslamu Alaikum
The Executive Committee