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MEDIA RELEASE

LOCAL STUDENT REFINES STUDIES WITH SCHOLARSHIP

Local Central Queensland University (CQU) engineering student Alexander Bletchly, was awarded the annual Queensland Alumina Limited (QAL) Scholarship at an official function today.

QAL Managing Director Johann van Zyl said Alexander, a first year student studying Bachelor of Engineering (Co-op) and Diploma of Professional Practice at the university, would receive \$5000 per annum towards his studies.

“The annual scholarship program is highly sought after and an important part of QAL’s commitment to local education, the development of youth and the future of Gladstone.”

“The selection of a QAL scholar is not only based on academic excellence, but also community involvement, overall personal presentation and commitment to the successful completion of studies as a full time student at Central Queensland University,” Mr van Zyl said.

“This years scholarship attracted many applications, with three very strong applicants in particular. After much deliberation, Alexander was announced as the recipient on this occasion and we have also chosen to award two \$700 runner-up prizes to Andrew Williams and Joshua Worley.”

“By supporting our local students we are fostering local talent and making an investment in our future. All of our finalists will be able to access vacation employment and work experience at QAL to compliment their studies.”

The QAL scholarship program has been running since 1975. It is open to CQU students whose homes are in the Port Curtis region, who are full-time first year students proceeding from year 12 and are enrolled in one of the following QAL industry related courses: applied science (including environmental studies), business, engineering or information technology.

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