MERGA Vice President's Report (Communications) to the AGM: July 2011

As of May 2011 the individual membership was 234 (this includes 15 students). The library membership is currently 43.

Location	Percentage of Membership
NT	1
NSW	16
Qld	15
SA	4
Tas	3
Vic	25
WA	7
NZ	16
International	13

The number of International members is showing a steady increase. The library membership has decreased, as expected, due to the changing nature of journal publications through Springer. Libraries access MERJ through a contact with Springer directly The on-line use of MERGA publications continues to increase. Our monthly newsletter has been well received and members are invited to make contributions. Suggestions for regular features and people who may be interviewed will be welcomed.

Andy Yeh has continued to work on the MERGA website and has recently created a members' lounge in the members-only section. An updated members' directory is located in the lounge. Forward suggestions for discussion topics in the members lounge to Julie Clark so that a new folder can be created.

Julie Clark, 22 June, 2011