

THE LAW SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES
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**INTERNATIONAL LAW COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER
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Dear members,

Welcome to the International Law Committee's second newsletter. As this is a new initiative, please feel free to email any comments or suggestions. The feedback I have received so far has been positive, so I intend to keep the newsletter format for all major communications.

Meeting Room Arrangements

See below for the latest information on the meeting room changes from Poppy Dreki in the Young Lawyers Office.

Dear OBs, Executive Council and Chairs

Below is the latest information provided to us re the changes occurring in the building.

Level 2 meeting rooms will close on Tuesday 16 March 2010. Meetings previously held at this location will be relocated to external meeting room premises at:

Level 5
55 Hunter Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

The majority of the Law Society Committee meetings will be held at the external premises (Level 5, 55 Hunter Street) during the period from March to July 2010, by which date the refurbished meeting rooms will be completed in the Society's Building.

Please note: Young Lawyer's CLE seminars during this period will continue to be held at 170 Phillip street premises. Meeting rooms on levels 9 and 12 are not affected during this period.

55 Hunter Street - Building Access Hours

Standard building access hours are: 7am – 6pm Monday to Friday

Level 5 lift access hours are: 7:30am – 6pm Monday to Friday

Meeting Room availability and Catering Services during the Refurbishment

All conveners and attendees at Meetings scheduled at the Phillip Street **are asked to check the Daily Meeting Directory for correct Room Allocation for their meeting.**

Rooms on Levels 12 and 9 will remain operational but with reduced access and will not be able to be reconfigured into smaller spaces. Room 9A and 9B will remain one room in Theatre style set up wherever possible.

The Council Room and Rooms 1 & 2 will be closed and these venues will be replaced by Boardroom 1 and Boardroom 2 at Level 5, 55 Hunter Street.

A meeting schedule will be displayed daily at Level 5, 55 Hunter Street premises. Level 5 comprises of a reception area, meeting room section and office/work section. The access on the floor to each of these areas has been programmed as follows:

- *access to reception and meeting room areas is on open security*
- *access to departmental areas is via access card entry only*

Catering options will be limited to sandwiches and simple menu options which will be sourced from an external Caterer. *This means we will be unable to cater for late bookings and changes. Catering details must be confirmed by 11am the day prior to the booking*

A member the Law Society Catering Team will be on hand at both venues to assist in set up and clearing away of Meetings and Catering. Servicing the Bookings already in the Diary will be a challenge over the two locations. We ask for your understanding and apologise for any inconvenience in advance.

Graham Sachse, Group Catering Manager is the key contact in relation to meeting and catering requirements, ext 360.

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I note that the access hours for 55 Hunter Street are 7:00am to 6:00pm. Since our regular monthly meetings commence at 6:00pm, I would encourage you all to arrive at the venue a few minutes early to ensure you are able to gain access to the meeting room. I will monitor these arrangements, but if members have problems with access, please email me so that I can bring these issues to the attention of the Young Lawyers office.

Golden Gavel

The Golden Gavel is on again!

Date: Friday 21 May 2010
Venue: Four Seasons Hotel
Time: 7:30am

Young Lawyers' Vice-President, Daniel Petrushenko, is looking for quirky topics for the event. If your topic is presented at the Gavel, Daniel promises a free beer/soft drink/cocktail for those who came up with the topic – and further incentives are negotiable! Examples of the topics from previous years are:

1. I'm a lawyer – marry me!
2. Barristers – you can't live with 'em, you can't live without 'em.
3. Why you should never play spin the bottle with a lawyer.
4. Survival of the species – why homo advocatus will ultimately triumph.
5. Borat's Cultural Learning of Litigation for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan.

Please email your suggestions to Daniel at vicepresident@younglawyers.com.au

Careers Fair

I have received an email from Rebecca Barry, Executive Councillor/Vice-Chair, Business Law Committee about the careers fair coming up on Friday 26 March 2010 at Bayside Grand Hall, Darling Harbour, 11.00am to 3.00pm.

Rebecca is looking for volunteers to help manage the Young Lawyers booth (number 13) on the day. This will involve talking to students about Young Lawyers and handing out flyers and merchandise. This would be a great chance to speak to one of our big target audiences – students.

If you are interested in assisting with the careers fair, please email Rebecca at rebecca.barry@younglawyers.com.au

Sydney Law School Events

Please see the attached link for details of events at Sydney Law School, some of which may be relevant to our members:

<http://sydneylaw.e-newsletter.com.au/link/id/32729154b9448ce00d2eP15404954b569bab827c4/page.html#71405614b9447550c879>

AED Oil Limited & Anor v Puffin FPSO Ltd [2010] VSCA 37

Click on the link below for a recent Court of Appeal of Victoria decision (Buchanan & Bongiorno JJA; Croft AJA) in relation to the *International Arbitration Act 1974* (Cth):

<http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/cases/vic/VSCA/2010/37.html>

If you would like to contribute to the next newsletter, please email me at intlaw.chair@younglawyers.com.au.

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