

N.T. YOUNG LAWYERS

On 16 April 1999 the Northern Territory Young Lawyers Inc held their Annual General Meeting, which was well attended.

A new committee was elected and they are as follows:

President: Sarah Hills

Telephone: 8981 2971 bh

Vice President: Sally Fielke

Telephone: 8941 1009 bh

Public Officer: Danielle Howard

Telephone: 8981 3133 bh

Secretary: Susan Porter

Telephone: 8941 2544 bh

Treasurer: Jason Schoolmester

Telephone: 8948 1155 bh

Social Co-ordinator: Vanessa Farmer
Telephone: 8981 2971 bh

This year promises to be an exciting one for all members and so we encourage those who are not members to join. It is only \$20.00 per year and for that you get free attendance to CLEs and discounts for the advocacy course and most social activities. Call any of the committee

members above for more information.

First on our list this year is the annual advocacy course to be held on 15 May 1999, generously conducted by Justice Riley and Rex Wild QC. The course will deal with making objections, examination, cross-examination and addresses. The course is fully booked out and we are sure it will be of great benefit to all who attend.

We would also like to take this opportunity to publicly thank Justice Riley who has always given generously of his time each year to the NTYL advocacy course. Of course we also thank Mr Rex Wild QC and all other barristers who have generously given of their time this year and in the past. Thank you for your support.

We are arranging a CLE program, and a timetable will be sent out to all members shortly. But just to whet your appetite, some topics will be:- The Consumer Credit Code, Native Title, Costs, the Work Health Act and Victims Compensation. For details in the

meantime please call Vanessa Farmer.

The NTYL will be contributing to Law Week and will be holding a Seminar on Saturday 22 May 1999 on "How to run a Small Claim". The aim is to assist the public to come to grips with the procedure and be better prepared to conduct their own small claim.

They will be given guidance on drafting their claim and how to present it in Court. As with last year, we are sure that it will be well attended.

We have got some social events planned and will have a "Meet each other drinks" at Kitty O'Sheas at 5pm on 14 May 1999.

The Annual Cricket match will also be on and we suggest you diarise Sunday 20 June 1999 to make sure you don't miss out.

Of course the year would not be complete without the NTYL Ball and it will be on again on 23 October 1999. Watch this space for more details.

Sarah Hills, President.

FROM THE LAW DEAN'S DESK - Sue Oliver

After a year away on professional development leave I am delighted to be back in Darwin to take up my new role as the Dean of Law at the Northern Territory University.

I am committed to the tradition of excellence in teaching that has earned the Law School a strong and proud reputation around Australia. At the same time, I look forward to heralding new initiatives that will ensure we continue to attract top students to study law, here in the Northern Territory.

One change to our program is the introduction, for the first time, of a mid-year intake in July. While places will be very limited this year, we hope to give more students the chance to commence their studies at this more favourable climatic time of year.

I also look forward to continuing



Sue Oliver

my ties with members of the legal profession. One of the strengths and unique characteristics of the Law Faculty is the effectiveness of its

relationship with the wider legal community.

The profession has contributed significantly not only to the teaching program but also to the student life and culture of the school.

This positive interface between learning, teaching, training and lawyering is exemplified by the way in which graduates are well received for employment by the profession.

We are pleased to introduce to the profession new academic staff who have joined us this year. Rosemarie Simpson (formerly Cridlands) has been persuaded to leave practice and join the hallowed halls of academia.

We also welcome Christoph Anton (La Trobe), Marco Piazza (College of Law) and in June, Alan Burman (Washington State).