

L aw Week '99

If there is one thing true about the law, it's an adversarial system. So what better than to start Law Week with a feisty a tug-of-war?

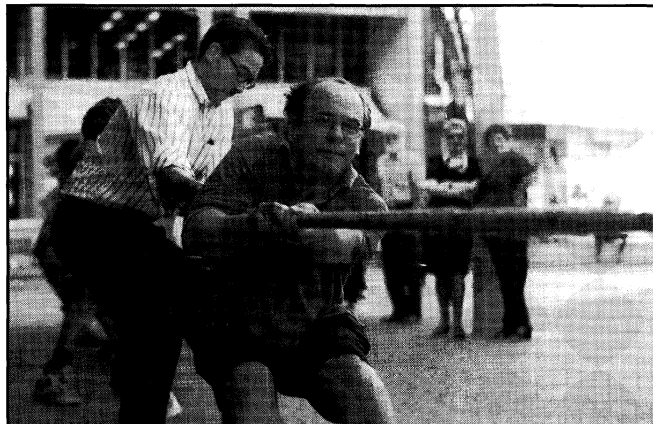
Competitive juices were flowing and there was plenty of good spirited sledging as teams lined up for the event in the Darwin mall.

The Attorney-General's representative, Minister Daryl Manzie, officially launched Law Week and then got down to the business of keeping the teams honest. An excitable President, Steve Southwood, flapped his arms and directed the rounds, ensuring only teams with stamina would make the grand final.

The Scummy Dogs from De Silva Hebron may have been losers but finished ecstatic as they actually won a match after a losing streak lasting many years. The Bar association's team, the Black Sheep, actually triumphed and took home the gross trophy. This year's event left some firms rethinking their selection criteria for article clerks.

During the week Sally Rush from the Legal Aid Commission and her volunteers did a sterling job demystifying the law with the public information booth in Darwin mall. Many thanks from the Law Society.

In Alice Springs Law Week was celebrated by the profession at a gourmet BBQ lunch in the glorious warm weather of the centre. A relaxed group of 20 practitioners were entertained by Chief Justice of the South Australian District Court, Terry Worthington, under the shade of gum trees.

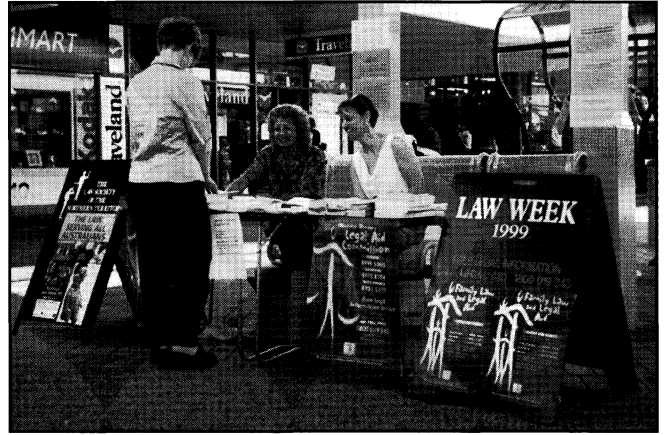


Clockwise from top right.

The Bar team in action; the DPP team; the Ward Keller team; first round tug of war winners, the De Silva Hebron team; Maria Ceresa, Justice Terry Worthington (wearing Mark Heitman's hat), Murray Preston and Tony Morgan at the Alice Springs Law Week lunch.



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Clockwise from top left.

The De Silva Hebron team in action; the Law Week stall in Darwin's Smith St. Mall; legal types doing not such a good job of trying to avoid detection at the Alice Springs Law Week lunch; winners are grinners... the Bar team proudly coveting the 1999 Law Week Tug of War trophy; Daryl Manzie MLA, standing in for Attorney General Dennis Burke, presenting the 1999 trophy.

