New Committee with lots of plans

By Ally Loftus

The NT Young Lawyers Annual General Meeting was held on 1 March and I am pleased to introduce the new committee members.

President: Ally Loftus
Vice President: David Elix
Treasurer: Chris Booth

Public Officer: Mark Wallbridge

Secretaries: Jacky Antoun

Emily Caldwell

Social Co-ordinators: Tamyln Hill

Matthew Garraway

NTYL are looking forward to presenting a variety of CLEs including Local Court enforcement of orders, succession and wine tasting (essential knowledge for any young lawyer).

We would like increased consultation on issues that affect young lawyers in the Northern Territory e.g. considering Admission requirements in the Northern Territory.

We also wish to develop the network of young lawyers throughout the Territory.

This will include updating the NTYL website with the help of the Law Society and keeping a current register of email addresses.

We would also like to increase the NTYL profile nationally and advise that Mark Wallbridge will be our representative at the National Young Lawyers Conference in Sydney to be held on 22 March. Mark will be presenting a piece for *Balance* on the conference for your information.

We will be looking closely at NTYL constitutional change following the recommendations presented by the constitutional subcommittee last year.

Public consultation and comment is not only invited, but encouraged as we wish to have a representative view of young lawyers in relation to this matter. A general meeting will be held on the issue later in the year.

An emphasis will also be placed on social gatherings and to kick this off we will be having cheap drinks on the second Friday of every month at Shenanigans, (to help you get through until the end of month) starting on 12 April at 5.30pm. Put it in your diary. We will also be putting on the annual ball/cocktail party — watch this space for details.

We have a big year ahead of us and look forward to the challenges involved. If anybody has any queries, please don't hesitate to contact any of the committee members of NTYL.

We look forward to hearing from you. ①



An invitation for expressions of interest in the 13th Commonwealth Law Conference

Melbourne, Sunday 13 - Thursday 17 April 2003

The triennial conference of the CLA is to be conducted for the first time for many years in Australia in conjunction with the LCA's Australian Legal Convention.

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- > Family law and child protection
- > Litigation in the new millennium
- > Criminal law and practice
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