

## **Wine and Quiz Nights**

The New Year's resolutions are going well, and I'm feeling very happy that I am now spending more time socialising and less time working. Not sure how the firm feels about that!

The Cheese and Wine tasting was very successful. A big thank you to Vintage Cellars for their presentation and the wines and to all who attended.

For future reference, all functions that are advertised in *Balance* are a general invite and blokes are more than welcome to attend. We have quite a few at the wine tasting and they enjoyed the evening.

### **DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

Quiz Night - Sunday 13 April 2003 at the Waratah's Football Club, Gardens Oval, Mindil Beach from 4pm. (Venue and time change)

Cost: \$10 per person, tables of 10 people.

The Club provides very reasonably priced meals, and there are children's meals also available.

This is our major fundraiser for the year and we really appreciate your support. A flyer will be delivered to all firms soon and we really need our members to get tables together.

### **MEMBERSHIPS**

Cost is \$35 and membership forms can be obtained from me, so give me a call on 8981 3133.

### **AUSTRALIAN WOMEN LAWYERS**

I will be attending my first face to face meeting with AWL in April 2003. This is something that NTWL have worked hard to achieve.

Our contact to date has been by phone link and it will be good to meet other Board Members.

The meeting coincides with the Commonwealth Law Conference and AWL is hosting a cocktail party on the



*Sandra Robinson, president, NTWL*

opening night of the Conference. There are some very interesting women speakers attending the conference, notably Cherie Blair.

### **THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH**

*Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take but by the moments that take our breath away.* ①

## **Calendar of events**

The NTYL executive has been busy organising a calendar of events for the rest of the legal year and we'd like input from young lawyers for ideas and to help organise.

The NTYL is also changing the organisation structure from an incorporated association (now unincorporated) to a sub-committee of the Law Society.

Some of your questions regarding these changes may be answered by referring to the note from Julie in the first edition of *The Practitioner* (an email newsletter sent to LSNT members every Friday)

### **Continuing Legal Education**

The NTYL Advocacy Workshop was held on 22 March and covered the basics of trial advocacy, in particular making a plea, examination-in-chief and cross examination.

This CLE was very informative especially for junior practitioners and has been something the young lawyers have been organising since 1994 (not a bad effort).

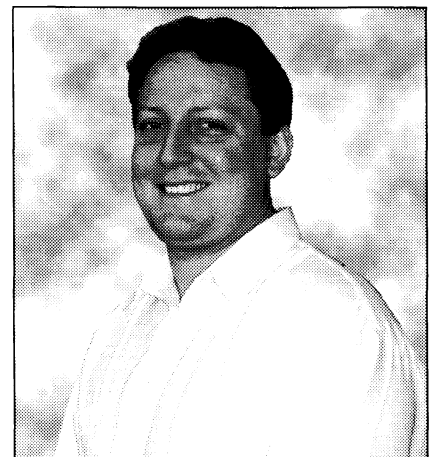
On behalf of the NTYL sub-committee

and the workshop participants, I would like to thank Justice Trevor Riley, Rex Wild QC and Lex Silvester for taking the time to impart their experience and knowledge to the participants and for their continuing commitment to the legal education of junior practitioners.

Other CLEs planned for 2003 are yet to be announced. Please let the LSNT or a NTYL office bearer know if there is any particular subject you'd like organised that complements the CLE program already organised by the LSNT. Senior practitioners who may wish to offer their services as presenters are also more than welcome.

### **Monthly refreshments**

The NTYL monthly drinks traditionally held on the second Friday of each month, will continue to be held at The Cavanagh in the outdoor area until further notice. The next one to be held is on 11 April from 5.30pm.



*Chris Booth, NTYL*

Practitioners are welcome to come and meet fellow colleagues. Contact social co-ordinator Ben Lee with any ideas on alternative venues or any other activity you'd like to see organised.

### **Law Week**

The NTYL has been invited to organise a small claims workshop for Saturday 17 May. We have been doing this event for many years and are looking for new young lawyer volunteers to get involved. If this sounds like you, please call me to register your interest. ①