

News from the Annual General Meeting and the new LSNT Council

The Law Society Northern Territory Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held in Darwin on Wednesday 12 October 2005.

Merran Short finished her rein as Law Society President, after two years of committed service.

Elections were not required for the new Council positions as all were uncontested. Congratulations to the members of this year's Law Society Council:

President - Allison Robertson (Cridlands)

Vice President - Rhona Millar (Cridlands)

Treasurer - Jacqueline Presbury (Hunt and Hunt)

Secretary - Jodi Truman (Halfpennys)

Alice Springs Representative - Tom Svikart (NT Police)

Alice Springs Alternative Representative - Kim Raine (Morgan Buckley)

Councillors:

Kate Hughes (NT Legal Aid Commission)

Jo Pattinson (De Silva Hebron)

Jodi Mather (Summary Prosecutions)

Markus Spazzapan (Ward Keller)

Matthew Story (Department of Justice)

Lisa O'Donoghue (Minter Ellison)

Longtime Law Society contributors Tony Whitelum (former Alice Springs Representative) and Glen Dooley (former Secretary and Councillor) both retired from Council along with Alice Springs



*Retiring Law Society President
Merran Short*

Alternate Representative Sam Salmon. The Law Society would like to thank these members for their important contributions.

At the AGM there were also discussions about the move towards a Mandatory Continuing Professional Development Scheme, an update on the Legal Practitioners Bill and changes involved with the National Profession Project.

Members voted to present Justice Stephen Southwood with an Honorary Life Membership to the Law Society Northern Territory as recognition of his years of service as a Councillor and member.



Julie Davis, Jacqueline Presbury, Merran Short, Allison Robertson and Barbara Bradshaw at the Law Society AGM



Members at the Law Society NT AGM held in October.