

NT Young Lawyers Upcoming Events



Hugh Bond
President, NTYL

On 21 January 2015 the Northern Territory Young Lawyers (NTYL) held their Annual General Meeting, where the executive committee for 2015 was elected. We are looking forward to continuing the excellent work of the previous committee by running the key NTYL events and exploring ways to expand NTYL activities. In particular, over the course of 2015 you can look forward to:



WELCOME DRINKS

An opportunity for all young (and even young-ish) lawyers to catch up, and to welcome the new young lawyers to Darwin – this will take place in early March.



DRY SEASON LAWN BOWLS

A good opportunity to get out of the office and enjoy some friendly competition, or perhaps settle some old scores.



LUNCH AND LEARN

A lunchtime address by one of the senior members of the legal profession, specifically targeted at young lawyers.



GOLDEN GAVEL

a collection of shameless young lawyers taking pot shots at the profession for your entertainment – always an enthralling show.



JUNIOR LAWYERS VS SENIOR LAWYERS DEBATE

A comedy debate featuring three young, brash lawyers pitted against three more well-seasoned members of the profession.



CHRISTMAS PARTY

“What happens at Shenanigans stays at Shenanigans”.


“ It is important to thank and acknowledge the hard work of the 2014 NTYL committee, in particular co-presidents Peter Clayton and Rose Watts, secretary Jenna Dennison and treasurer Anne-Marie Hardwick. They did a fantastic job in 2014 and their collective effort has been greatly appreciated.



We are also looking at new endeavours for NTYL, including liaising with educational providers in relation to legal education in schools and university; consulting with young lawyers to give feedback to the profession about how to best foster young talent; and collaborating with

other associations to run events throughout the year. If you have any suggestions or queries about the schedule for 2015, feel free to email us on

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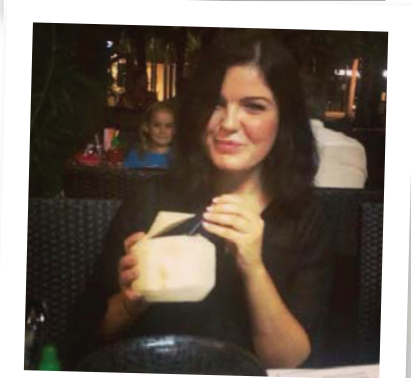
Meet the 2015 NTYL Committee

EXECUTIVE



Hugh Bond – President

Hugh currently works as a family lawyer at NT Legal Aid, having previously worked at the NT Attorney-General's Department. He grew up in Glenelg and studied at University of Adelaide prior to moving to Darwin in 2013. Outside of work and NTYL commitments, Hugh spends most of his time quaffing red wine, playing monopoly and coming up with new pickup lines for Tinder.



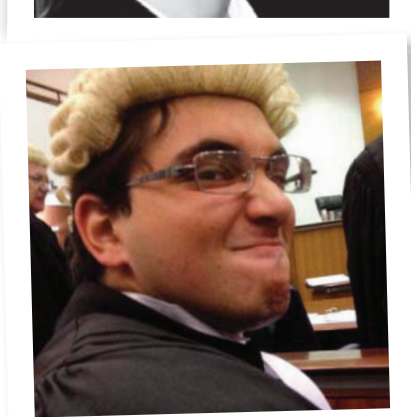
Rose Watts – Treasurer

Rose is a lawyer at HWL Ebsworth (formally CridlandsMB) in the commercial team. Rose studied Arts and Law at the University of Melbourne and has previously undergone a placement at Minter Ellison in their M&A team in Melbourne. Rose wishes she was good at sport. Alas, Rose is good at watching sport, reading documents and trying to read as many classic novels as her leisure time will allow to subdue her inner guilt for purchasing trashy celebrity magazines on a (very) semi-regular basis.



Charlotte Deans – Social Events Coordinator

Charlotte has worked at the Northern Land Council since 2011 as a Senior Minerals & Energy Project Officer and Minerals & Energy Lawyer. Charlotte was an Australia Day Scholar to Bond University where she completed her Bachelor of International Relations (Business)/Laws (Hons) and an Australian Government – Rio Tinto NTRB Scholar to the University of Dundee in Scotland where she completed her Master of Laws (Mineral Law and Policy). Charlotte represents the interests of traditional Aboriginal owners in the Top End.



Dom Gomez – Secretary

Dom has been appointed as secretary of NTYL (much to the chagrin of the remainder of the committee) after serving as a general committee member in 2014. A born and bred Territorian, he is employed as a junior solicitor at Ward Keller, practising in general commercial, property and migration law. His perfect date would be a sensuous stroll along the Nightcliff foreshore at sunset, followed by gelato.



GENERAL COMMITTEE



Claire Doyle

After completing the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme at Kormilda College, Claire moved to Adelaide in 2010 to undertake a Bachelor of Law and Legal Practice at Flinders University. She was admitted to the Supreme Court of South Australia in February 2014 and graduated in April 2014. She was offered a drafting position with the Office of the Parliamentary Counsel and packed up and moved back to Darwin (thankfully during the dry season!). Outside of work, she is interested in dance, photography, cooking, travelling and long walks on the beach.



Emma Phillips

Emma is a graduate lawyer at the Department of the Attorney-General and Justice. She moved to the Northern Territory in January 2014 after completing a Bachelor of Laws (Hons) and Bachelor of International Studies with a Diploma in Languages (French). She studied at the University of Adelaide and on exchange at Sciences Po University in Paris. Emma has a particular interest in public law, especially the areas of constitutional, administrative, criminal and international law. Currently, she is desperately hoping to achieve local Territorian status, but is finding her vegetarianism to be somewhat of an obstacle in the path of her valiant efforts.



Emma Farnell

Emma Farnell is a commercial lawyer at Ward Keller. This is her last year as a young lawyer and she plans to write her memoirs titled "Carpet-bowls, beer and formatting: how to be a real lawyer on the frontier" to guide the next generation of lawyers. Top tips include: when a cyclone warning is issued the ice-cream at Woolworths goes on sale. Emma considers herself to be warm, friendly and approachable and invites people to prove her wrong.



Jenna Dennison

Jenna has been a member of NTYL for the past 3 years and has served as Secretary for the past two years (sharing the role with Imogen Taylor in 2013). She moved from Dubbo via Sydney and landed in Darwin commencing at the Solicitor for the Northern Territory in 2012. Jenna currently works for Correctional Services and through her role with NTYL is interesting in bridging the gap between young lawyers and senior practitioners. She also likes to go on crazy adventures with her bicycle not far behind.



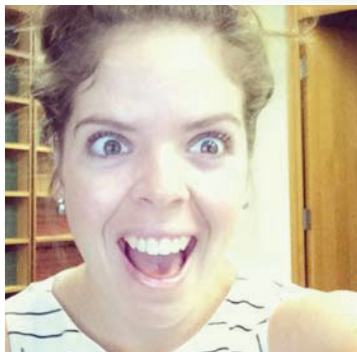
Lokesh Kashyap

Lokesh is from Tasmania and currently employed as a Tenancy Solicitor at Darwin Community Legal Service. He believes in empowering people to stand up for themselves and educating them not only about their rights but their responsibilities as well. Between trying to cope with the culture and climatic shock since arriving in the Territory, Lokesh likes to analyse the complex behavioural and social cues that vary from person to person. He is passionate about many subjects – but not writing self-serving introductions.



Nhi Tran

Nhi is another stowaway from Adelaide who has been in Darwin for a couple of years working in the NTPS. Currently she works for SFNT in the Child Protection Team. Despite living in the NT, Nhi avoids the outdoors and related activities - instead preferring to stay indoors with consistent air-conditioning and wifi for her reality television binges.



Michelle Duggan

Michelle Duggan is a General Committee Member of NTYL. She is a baby lawyer at Ward Keller, currently practising in commercial litigation. She was admitted in December 2014. In her spare time Michelle enjoys playing touch football and visiting her family and friends in Katherine. ●

