

News and updates

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With a new and enthusiastic committee, the NTWLA has had a fantastic start to 2019! Our year started with a planning day in February, followed by three of our own events and joining the Darwin City Council's International Women's Day March. We have calendars of proposed events for both Alice Springs and Darwin and hope to see you at an event soon!

Welcome to 2019 Drinks – Darwin

It has been a busy start with our first event, Welcome to 2019 Drinks, being held at the Darwin Waterfront. With really great attendance, it was wonderful to have such a diverse range of lawyers and those interested in the law attend.

Welcome to 2019 and International Women's Day Celebration – Alice Springs

NTWLA kicked off its first Central Australian event of 2019 at the Golf Club in Alice Springs on 20 March 2019.

The four legal services in Alice Springs are now all led by female managing solicitors and so to celebrate this milestone, the Alice Springs committee members invited Anna Gill (NAAJA), Kim Raine (CAAFLU), Carly Ingles (NTLAC) and Janet Taylor (CAWLS) to share some reflections on their careers and the reasons why they have chosen to live and work in Central Australia. We were also very pleased to be joined by the NTWLA patron, her Honour Justice Jenny Blokland. Unfortunately, Janet Taylor and Anna Gill were unable to join us at the last minute, but we were grateful to Anna Ryan, CAWLS' practice manager, to step in and join the conversation.

The event was a valuable opportunity to reflect on the unique experience of work in our jurisdiction and to celebrate the contribution of the women practitioners leading the profession in Alice Springs. Many thanks to our guest speakers for their time and thoughtful contributions – we look forward to hosting further NTWLA events in 2019.



International Women's Day Breakfast -

Darwin

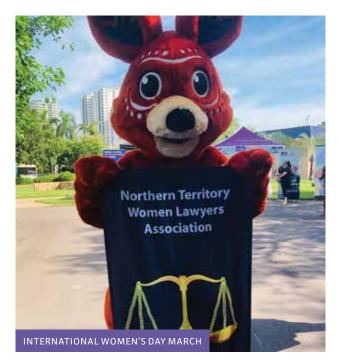
To celebrate International Women's Day, we held a wonderful breakfast in conjunction with our friends NT Young Lawyers on Thursday 7 March 2019.

After coffee and a lovely buffet breakfast, the morning revolved around a panel discussion convened by her Honour Justice Judith Kelly. The panel was made up of Deputy Chief Judge Elizabeth Morris, Sonia Brownhill SC, our Solicitor-General, and Siobhan Mackay of NAAJA Katherine.

We think all who attended would agree that the discussion was insightful and engaging, covering topics including the #metoo movement, the role of mentors and even the conviction of Cardinal George Pell. There was also opportunity for questions and comments from the audience, and it was heartening to hear some very sensible senior practitioners encouraging junior practitioners to reach out to them in times of need.

All in all, we left feeling warm, fuzzy and inspired, and hope that everyone else did too. The breakfast was sold out well in advance—we are already talking about how we can make it even bigger next year.





The event was sponsored by Squire Patton Boggs and we say heartfelt thanks to them for the contribution.

We were also particularly proud to be joining with NT Young Lawyers with such a successful event and hope to continue that great partnership in the future.

International Women's Day March – Darwin

NTWLA was pleased to have a small contingent join in the Darwin City Women's Day March through the streets of Darwin in support of International Women's Day celebrations. An annual event, we are already looking forward to next year! $\blacksquare \rightarrow$

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WELCOME TO 2019 DRINKS – DARWIN









WELCOME TO 2019 AND INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION – ALICE SPRINGS









