

### McGregor dinner story #1

Plenty of funny tales helped along by plenty of drinking gave the McGregor dinner a convivial atmosphere.

In fact, so relaxed was one of the distinguished guests that during the guest-of-honour's speech he kept nodding off. Well, he appeared to be. Everytime his wife nudged him he started and said: "I was just reflecting on what's being said."

### McGregor dinner story #2

One of the best quotes from the night came from emcee and co-host Law Society president Ian Morris.

Guests were being treated to a spectacular view of a fire across the harbour at what suspiciously looked like Cullen Bay or Larrakeyah.

As he tried to get their attention to begin the second half of the evening's proceedings, Morrie quipped:

"Have we all had enough of looking at (Justice) Trevor Riley's house going up in flames?"

### McGregor dinner story #3

It's nice to know the linen got double use.

Many glammed up for the occasion but for some of the female diners that mean strapless or thin-shouldered frocks. As the night wore on, the weather turned icy (well, for Top Enders it was cold!), and the inventive ones grabbed the colourful nylon table overlays and threw them over their shoulders.

### Admissions and Mutual Recognitions

Admitted to the Supreme Court in early August were:

Matthew McCormick, Gul Baqar, Wei Song, Tas Liveris, Tanya Ling, Arlene Gomes and Kai-Li Tan.

Mutual Recognition admissions:

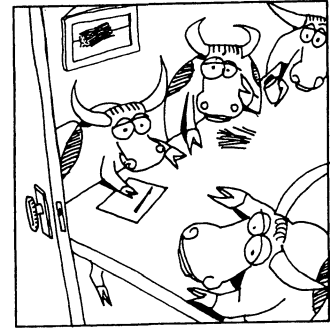
Anthony Goldfinch and Kerian McNamara.

### Movers and Shakers

Sarah Hawke has left Cridlands to go to Commonwealth A-Gs.

Mark Johnson, formerly of Coroner's

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Court is going to work at the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions.

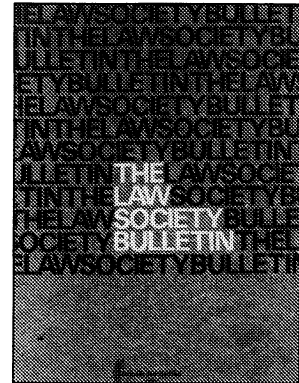
### Oops, wrong address

Muster Room in July said that David Winter's office was at Cullen Bay. It's not, of course, MR was working off an old address book. Mr Winter's practice is, indeed, at the Redco Building on Cavenagh Street. Apologies for the confusion.



Who IS this dashing young bloke (left) pictured in a 1969 edition of the South Australian Law Society Bulletin (right)?

His Honour can thank Alan Lindsay from Cridlands in SA for this submission to Muster Room.



## Jenny Blokland SM

Early this month long time Territorian lawyer Jenny Blokland was appointed as a Stipendiary Magistrate, filling a vacancy left by the retirement of Alasdair McGregor.

Announcing the appointment, Attorney-General Dr Peter Toyne said Ms Blokland's wide experience in many areas of the law would be a valuable addition to the existing expertise on the Territory bench.

"Further to Ms Blokland's extensive experience both as a defence lawyer and as a prosecutor, she has greatly contributed to the Territory's legal profession through her lectures to Territory law students, in criminal law, evidence and international law," Dr Toyne said.

Ms Blokland's most recent appointment was head of the policy unit in the Department of Justice.

She takes up her magistrate's position on 2 September. ①

Left: Jenny Blokland with Alasdair McGregor whom she replaces in the magistracy.



## Community Justice trial

A Community Justice Centre will be trialled in Darwin for 12 months from early next year.

Attorney-General Peter Toyne said the service is in line with similar services interstate.

The trial model will deliver a confidential non-adversarial service staffed by professional mediators, he said.

The 12 month trial will be based in Darwin.

Victim offender conferencing will be also available as part of the trial.