Dennis Lillee he ain't

It was a lovely coming together of the judiciary, the lawyers and other legal types (and their supporters).

The Chief Justice's XI vs the LSNT President's XI during Law Week saw a valiant effort with the willow from both sides.

Proving himself a keen sportsman was none other than the Attorney Peter Toyne who padded up for the LSNT President's side.

But his enthusiasm was maybe the best thing he had going for him at the match as he ended up making four runs (by getting out four times) and bowled seven wides in an over.

Mind you, some of the other players (on both sides) weren't much better. Sandra Robinson made no runs and Duncan Maclean wasn't any better at the bat.

Still, it was a day to have fun (try telling that to SOME of the players though!). And in the end, it was a great day for a solid game of cricket among mates. By the way, the Chief Justice's team won the day and took home the No Appeals trophy.

Also from the match

Justice Riley was bowled by Judicial Registrar Tanya Fong Lim; some of the women players resorted to "doing a Trevor" (Chappell); and most pathetically, Michael Grove did his leg

in within the first half hour. The limping was a terrible sight!

Actually, poor Michael was hurt pretty bad – he was even spotted sporting a crutch a week later! Muster Room reckons you can be as fit as you like (as Michael is), it still doesn't stop you from getting hurt in sport!

Laughing Morrie

Guest speaker at the Law Week lunches was comedienne Fiona O'Loughlin and she had 'em rolling in the aisles (see the photos in the cover story).

LSNT President Ian Morris scored his own humour goal at the Alice Springs lunch which was an intimate affair.

When Fiona said:

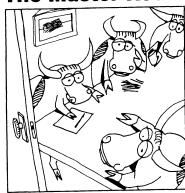
"Dentists have the highest suicide rate, accountants have the highest divorce rate and what do lawyers have?"
Morrie answered: "The highest hourly rate".

And it wasn't even a set-up.

Movers and Shakers

Congratulations to the following recently admitted: Nicholas Richard Espie, Annette Clare Templeton, Jonathon Henry Stephen Kneebone, Agata Pukiewicz, Lisa Doust, George Henry Brandis, Antony Howard Downs, Kenneth John Rook and Gregory Scott Blewitt. Good luck to you all in your legal career.

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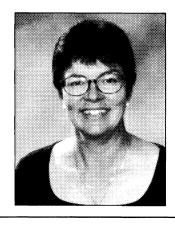


Congratulations Maynard

Alison

Note from Muster Room to Alison: "You go girl!". Yes, alright, it IS a very American saying but heartfelt nonetheless.

For those of you who don't know by now, Alison (pictured below) is now a partner of Cridlands.



A guide from the CSA

The Child Support Agency has a new product.

The Guide aims to make information about legal and policy issues more accessible to the public. The new online resource replaces all CSA's policy guidelines, determinations and rulings that were previously on the CSA website. The Guide is a comprehensive, up-to-date, guide to all technical matters about child support. Hyper text links provide easy navigation to the information you are looking for.

The Guide is intended to be used by CSA staff, clients and legal practitioners. It is available on CSA's web site www.csa.gov.au.

Examining issues of children and the law

A major conference to promote discussion on a wide range of contemporary issues to do with children at the law will take place on 20 and 21 June in Brisbane.

The Children and the Law: Issues in the Asia Pacific Region conference will be hosted by LAWASIA, the Queensland Law Society and the Law Council of Australia.

Speakers include: Chief Justice Alistair Nicholson, Chief Justice of the Family Court of Australia; Dr Sev Ozdowski, Federal Human Rights Commissioner; Justice Nazhat Shameem, High Court of Fiji Islands; Bill O'Shea, President of the Law Institute of Victoria and Moira Rayner, Anti-Corruption Commissioner.

Sessions and issues to be discussed range from Children and War to Family Law, Abduction and Child Labour.

LAWASIA president Dr Gordon Hughes said: "It will be a unique event at which interested practitioners will be able to meet and listen to leading authorities on the subject – and hear first hand the experiences and challenges confronting both developed and developing countries."

Details of the conference in the conferences section, this edition. ①