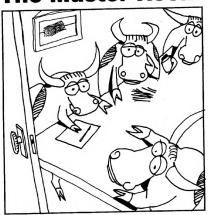
Congratulations to former Law Society President, **Allison Robertson**, on her recent engagement to Dennis Smart.

Three new barristers will commence on or shortly after 1 July 2008 at William Forster Chambers. **Alastair Wyvill** - a 're-tread' - former barrister from the Darwin Bar who has practised for 10 years at the bar in Birmingham UK, **Susan Porter**, Partner at De Silva Hebron and **Kelvin Currie**, who is currently Director of Legal Services at Department of Health and Community Services. According to **Peter Barr**, President of the NT Bar Association, all are senior lawyers with good prospects at the NT Bar.

Outgoing from William Forster Chambers are **Lex Silvester**, retired to sail the world in his yacht with wife Jo and daughter Ali, and **Tim Pritchard**, intending to work from his private chambers in Harry Chan Avenue.

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Robert Bradshaw joined by His Honour, The Administrator, Mr Tom Pauling QC, and Barbara Bradshaw, at the presentation of Mr Bradshaw's PSM at Government House in May

Leading legal minds to address LAWASIA event

Details are being finalised for LAWASIA's flagship event set to take place in Kuala Lumpur in late October.

Judges, lawyers, academics and others interested in legal issues affecting the Asia Pacific region are invited to attend LAWASIA's premier conference, which will showcase over 30 sessions including 4 plenary sessions, featuring 90 speakers from across the region.

Early bird registration rates now apply. Detailed information about the program, registration and accommodation is available from the conference website http://www.lawasiakl2008.org or email info@lawasiakl2008.org

Cridlands joins forces with Morgan Buckley

Northern Territory commercial law firms Cridlands and Morgan Buckley will merge to become Cridlands MB from August 2008.

In a joint statement issued to the media on 2 July, Cridlands Managing Partner, Richard Giles said, "We are proud to announce our merger with Morgan Buckley. Our path to legal excellence and service leadership has been boosted by choosing internationally quality accredited law firm, Morgan Buckley, to join forces with Cridlands Lawyers," Mr Giles said.

"Our clients demand prompt and reliable legal advice. This is an enormous boost to our capacity in the Territory," Mr Giles said.

Tony Morgan, Morgan Buckley Partner, is a partner in the new firm. "I'm delighted with the merger of two progressive, locally owned law firms, recognised as legal leaders," Mr Morgan said.

Cridlands MB unites one of the Northern Territory's longest established law firms to create the largest Top End commercial firm with 70 lawyers and staff. The firm will have 13 partners.