



MEMBERS UPDATE

Thursday, 22 November 2018

Dear Members

The Members Update is a service to members, providing news and information in one easy to read document. If you have any information you would like included in the update, please email to administrator@communitylaw.net.

Please note, the information provided in this update is received from various sources and does not necessarily reflect the views of the Association.

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Christmas Closures

Less than 5 weeks to Christmas! Could you please contact Dawn at administrator@communitylaw.net to let her know the closing dates for your centre for the Festive Christmas and New Year period. We will produce a list of for circulation in December.

The Final Quarterlies of 2018

Program

Click [here](#) for a copy of the program for the Final Quarterlies of 2018.

Registrations

You can register via the link at the bottom of page 2 of the program or [here](#).

Once on the Eventbrite page, click on the **Checkout** button which will take you to the list of sessions you can register for. Use the above program when registering for more information about each session.

REGISTRATIONS WILL CLOSE AT 12 NOON ON MONDAY, 26 NOVEMBER.

CLASS Face to Face Training: Registration on Eventbrite has now Closed

Sessions are well attended but if you still need to register for any of the sessions, please contact Dawn Fenton on (08) 9221 9322 or at administrator@communitylaw.net.

See [attached](#) for more information on each session.

CPD Activity Individual Attendance Sheets for the Quarterlies and CLASS Training

[Attached](#) are Word and PDF versions of the individual attendance sheets. Please note that it is each individual solicitor's responsibility to print out the relevant Attendance Sheet and record each session they attend. Once completed, please forward to Fiona Hobbs at lp.pii@communitylaw.net who will then arrange issue of certificates.

2018 CLCA/CLCQ Webinar Program: Semester 2

The [webinar program for 2018](#) has now finished. If you missed any of the webinars you may be able to access a copy [here](#). Presentations are only available for viewing if the presenter gives permission for this to be made public.

Co-Design in the CLC Sector - FACS Grant Survey

As you are aware, the Association has received a small grant from the Department of Finance to explore co-design in the context of community legal services. Part of this project includes considering the current state of client engagement in the design and delivery of services, and what appetite centres have for improving this. This information is extremely important for the project and I need your help in gathering it.

Thank you to those who have taken the survey.

To those who haven't yet completed it, it is 23 questions long and should take you about 25 minutes. The deadline for responses is 26 November 2018.

You can access the survey here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3MNZT2H>

We appreciate your support in filling it out!

Industry Led Review of Training in Legal Services

PwC Australia is leading a review commissioned by the Federal Department of Education and Training into nationally recognised vocational training in legal services. The consultation is focussed on workers involved in administrative support (legal services) and paralegal/advocate skills training.

An important element of the project is conducting industry consultation to ensure that training produces the best occupational outcomes for learners and employers i.e. used to inform the development of qualifications that will benefit the industry by better equipping learners to participate in legal services job roles.

Thank you to those who provided feedback; and to Gai Walker for participating in the roundtable on 21 November.

If you would like to have input or comment on the current units of competence and qualifications, please contact us by email administrator@communitylaw.net

CLC Volunteer Solicitors and Practice Certificates

Further to the issue we have been pursuing to ensure volunteers are again able to access practice certificates with a pro bono condition, many of you will have seen that the regulations have now been amended. However, we still have to get the NACLC PII policy approved by Law Mutual. We are in the process of having this done but have been told that the request for approval of the Policy will have to be referred to the Council of the Law Society and this may take another few weeks – we will update you when we know more

Interested in Technology and increasing access to justice?

The Association is keenly aware of the rapid changes surrounding technology and the need to significantly modernise technology in the community legal sector. As a result of the recent funding pressures on the sector, spending to stay on top of technology trends have been a low priority for many CLCs. We know that innovation in legal technology can provide significant cost savings from improved triage and referral services, to the automation of routine legal paperwork - allowing our centres to focus on providing additional legal services to people. In addition, the opportunities to expand community legal education through online resources and webinars can extend the reach of centres to many individuals seeking legal advice, especially in rural and remote communities.

The Association wants to bring people in the sector together who have an interest and/or involvement with technology to help play a leadership role in assisting/advising the sector to bring our technology into the 21st century as well as ensuring that we share technology ideas and information; and create opportunities for partnership/collaboration around innovative ideas.

If you want to be involved please email Dawn administrator@communitylaw.net

FUNDING AND GRANT APPLICATIONS

Our Community

The Funding Centre

The Funding Centre has just upgraded this service, turning on a raft of powerful new features that users have requested. These include:

- Curate your grants on a personalised dashboard.
- Manage your grants processes, tasks and timelines.
- Focus on the things that matter most.
- Store applications, reports and acquittals in one place.

Click [here](#) for more information on the above.

It's a great time to join

A necessary price increase has been delayed until 2 January 2019.

This means right now is the perfect time to secure a feature-laden tool, before the price tag increases.

Because we know that every dollar is hard-won, we don't increase prices regularly or unnecessarily. In fact, in 23 years we've adjusted Funding Centre pricing only twice.

Governance Scholarships in 2019: Apply for a Future 500 Leaders Governance Scholarship.

We are offering, in partnership with the [Trawalla Foundation](#), up to 500 part-scholarships towards the Diploma of Business (Governance) - BSB50715.

Our goal is to award these scholarships early in the New Year.

During this round, we are calling for applications from individuals that either represent or champion causes important to the following segments of our communities:

- Youth.
- Women.
- Members of the LGQBTI community.
- CALD - "Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD)" is generally used to refer to groups and individuals whose ethnic ancestry is other than Anglo-Saxon, Anglo-Celtic, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.
- Rural and regional Australia.

[LEARN MORE AND APPLY HERE](#)

MEMBERS EXCHANGE

Consumer Credit Legal Service and Employment Law Centre

Law Reform Projects: Consumer Protection

Consumer Credit Legal Service (WA) Inc. and Employment Law Centre of WA (Inc.) would greatly appreciate our fellow CLC colleagues' collaboration on our respective law reform projects, which aim to enhance protection for WA consumers and workers.

Our projects are funded by Consumer Protection, Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety.

Please contact CCLSWA and ELC to share your client stories: see our ads [attached](#).

Fremantle Community Legal Centre

White Ribbon Day 2018 Invitation

The City of Fremantle is hosting our annual White Ribbon Day event on **Friday, 23 November 2018 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm**. Join us in the open space between the Fremantle Markets and the Sail & Anchor.

Visitors will be able to take part in a floral installation to honour the memory of those victims who have lost their lives to family and domestic violence.

Light refreshments will be available for a gold coin donation with all proceeds going to White Ribbon.

Our goal for the event is to raise awareness of family and domestic violence and the White Ribbon campaign through community engagement.

Pilbara Community Legal Service

[E-News October 2018](#)

Women's Law Centre

Amazing Race: Raising Awareness for Women's Rights

To help celebrate and actively raise awareness of women's rights initiatives in WA, WLC is hosting an "Amazing Race" style morning tea on Monday, 10 December 2018 and invites all our colleagues from the legal and non-legal sector to join us to help "Orange the City"!

Click [here](#) for more information.

NEWSLETTERS

[ACNC Commissioner's Column – 15 November 2018](#)

[ATO Not for Profit News Service](#)

[Australian & New Zealand Ombudsman Association: The Ombudsman](#)

[Australian Pro Bono: Newsletter: November 2018](#)

[Community Employers WA](#)

[Connecting Up](#): [Community Newsletter: 21 November 2018](#)

[Law and Justice Foundation of NSW](#): [Research Alert: NSW Supreme Court report released](#)

[Law and Justice Foundation of NSW](#): [Research Alert: Legal information services: what works for whom and when?](#)

[Law and Justice Foundation of NSW](#): [Research Alert: Meeting the legal needs of homeless people](#)

[Linkwest](#) Info Update: [12 November 2018](#)

[Linkwest](#) Info Update: [20 November 2018](#)

[OMI](#) Weekly News Update: [21 November 2018](#)

[Pro Bono News Australia](#): [Weekly News](#)

[Shelter WA](#): [Inside Housing 16 November 2018](#)

[WACOSS](#) Bulletin [14 November 2018](#)

[WACOSS](#): [Sector eNews 21 November 2018](#)

[WACOSS Community Relief and Resilience](#) [Sector Broadcast](#)

MEDIA RELEASES

State Government

Hon Roger Cook

[Government to introduce Bill to legalise voluntary assisted dying and improve end-of-life choices for Western Australians](#)

Hon Simone McGurk

[Statutory review of Adoption Act tabled in Parliament](#)

Hon Mick Murray

[State Government welcomes elder abuse inquiry's final report](#)

OF INTEREST

Australian Pro Bono Centre

Experts to Team up With Pro Bono Lawyers

ExpertsDirect Pro Bono is a new service just launched for lawyers that aims to put them in touch with experts in a myriad of fields who are prepared to offer their services for free or at low cost in matters where the lawyer is acting on a pro bono basis. ExpertsDirect will be providing their services, including their Research, Case Management and Quality Assurance Teams, on a pro bono basis for participating pro bono law firms. Read more [here](#).

Reconciliation WA

Sundowner Invitation - 4 December 2018

The team here at RWA invite you to join us at our office to share in the year that has been and to join in our aspirations moving forward. It is a fantastic opportunity to enjoy good company with some delicious food and drinks and celebrate the efforts of all who help our organisation drive reconciliation across our State.

Please see the [attached](#) invitation for further details and please note that seats for this event are limited so be sure to get your RSVP's in early!

Uluru Statement

Last week was the 'week of action' for the Uluru Statement from the Heart.

It provided many people a chance for deeper learning, and reflection, on what the Uluru Statement is all about:

**Constitutional reform to enshrine a First Nations Voice
A Makarrata Commission for Agreement-Making and Truth-Telling**

Take a quick visit to [1VoiceUluru](#) where you can find out more.

If you haven't read it yet, please do so! Ten minutes of your time will go a long way in understanding the Voice of our First Peoples. I then encourage you to; share your learning with others, start conversations and correct misconceptions with kindness. By doing so, you are helping to grow reconciliation in our collective communities.

If you are personally willing and able to help make a difference, click [sign](#). By signing up you are joining the voices of other Australians who have registered their support for reforms called for in the Uluru Statement.

If your community or organisation would like to endorse the Uluru Statement, go ahead and register [here](#).

WACOSS

Cost of Living Report - Launch Invite 20 December 2018

Click [here](#) for more information on the above.

Women Lawyers of Western Australia

End of Year Drinks: Thursday, 29 November 2018

Click [here](#) for more information on the above event.

TRAINING AND EVENTS

Click [here](#) for upcoming training opportunities and information on local events.