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[IN THE MIDST OF THINGS]



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Area of practice:
 Planning & Environment Law
What is your association with QUT?
 Student from 1995 - 1999

Did you always intend to work in Law?
 Yes. I did spend three years working as a Judges Associate while completing my degree, but the thought of working in a firm was more attractive to me than going to the bar.

What is your role at CGW?
 I am a senior associate in the Environment, Health and Commercial Insurance group. My role is focussed on planning and environment matters, with some construction and commercial litigation work.

What are your memories of QUT?
 I remember the first couple of weeks when lecture rooms were overflowing with fresh-faced law students, then a few weeks later half of them seemed to have disappeared, never to be seen again. The attrition rate was very high. I remember my first few years of study were fairly relaxed and enjoyable, with no lectures on Fridays and plenty of spare time for a social life. Things tightened up after a while though. Struggling through lectures after a full day of work was pretty tough, but it was good training for life after uni.

What have you taken from university into "the real world"?
 The logical training and exposure to a wide range of personalities whom you end up working closely with in the profession. Good research skills are also an essential part of daily practice.

What are your tips for students who are looking for a career in law?
 I think that you should look for every opportunity to get your foot in the door, be it a paralegal or trainee role at a firm or volunteer work at a legal clinic.

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Law students don't need too much of an excuse to put down our Commentary and Materials to get together and drink. So when QUOTALS saw the finished version of our new website we knew a celebration was in order.

Quotals.com is the epicentre of QUOTALS, it's our main way of getting information out and receiving feedback from the student body via email and the discussion forums.

It was through those feedback avenues that we heard your cries – the website needed a major facelift.

Given the daunting task was Publication Director/IT guru Rhett Kipps who fuelled with beer and chips spent countless hours to meet your demands.

The result is our fantastic new site with a fresh new look, more structured design and easier navigation.

That's not all...

Recent news items are there on the main page as soon as you bring up quotals.com in your browser telling you what's happening in the world or QUT law.

The discussion forum can now be accessed by a single click and we encourage you to go there and tell us what you think - whether it's about the pains for Justice students to adapt to the GP campus or merely to argue which is the better medical drama (Go Greys Anatomy!).

We upload photos to the site from all the major events once we've recovered from the hangover and you can also add your pics (we recommend you shame your mates this way).

Jorge on George Street provided the venue and QUOTALS provided the bar tab and nibbles to lure students out of the law library.

The website has everything about anything QUOTALS, and if it hasn't then you can email us via the website to demand to know more.

If you haven't sussed out the new site yet check it out and forward on all your feedback/praise to Kipps at r@quotals.com

QUOTALS and Clayton Utz's Co-accused



The Co-Accused team is the latest addition to QUOTALS sport.

Wednesday nights boys and girls meet at Gregory Terrace for mixed social futsal (indoor soccer for those not in the 'know').

The Co-Accused (sponsored by Clayton Utz) is currently at 2 wins and 3 losses, their finals dreams still alive.

In last weeks game star players Tim Wildermuth and Chris Brown (QUOTALS Sports Directors) were dribbling at record speed with no subs in sight.

Nic Orlic, Eyvitte Kyoblatyo and Ash Harrold took the boys on goal for goal.

Paul Viles keep the goals out - dazzled only by girls' soft kicks that sneak between his legs.

QUOTALS encourages supporters to watch the team on Wednesday nights.

Note the word 'dinger' being thrown around is lingo for goal!

Interview Tips # 1 to 10

from Allens Arthur Robinson

1. Preparation, Planning and Practice.
2. Arrive early, never late.
3. Greet your interviewers with a strong handshake, smile and use eye contact.
4. Maintain comfortable eye contact with the interviewer.
5. Eliminate hesitations ie, 'ums' and 'uhs'.
6. Remember your non-verbal interview skills.
7. Avoid repetitive annoying mannerisms.
8. Answer questions fully and honestly.
9. Adapt to the style of your interviewers.
10. Make your points in a natural and logical way.

Competitive?

Negotiation Final

Monday 16th April Z302

Judged by

Mr David Starkoff (Snr Assoc. Corrs)
Mr Darrell Kake (Quinn and Scattini)
Mr Ian Hanger QC

As one of of Australia's foremost negotiators, Mr Hanger will be presenting a practical rundown on negotiation afterwards - an opportunity not to be missed!

Paper Presentation Final

Thursday 19th April

@ McCullough Robinson

Come along to see the presentations and mingle with McCullough Robinson employees. (event is catered)

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