

# NEWSLETTER

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#### Honours

I am sure that all members of the Academy join me in congratulating Fellows of the Academy, Professor James Crawford AC, QC, FBA and Justice John Byrne AO, RFD on the Honours awarded to them in the Queen's Birthday Honours List.

#### American Law Institute

Discussions are continuing with the ALI on the subject of collaboration. The Board of the Academy resolved to pursue with the ALI the idea of an arrangement for collaboration at the reporter level (the level of those who prepare the reports that go to the general membership of the ALI) rather than primarily at the institutional/governing body level.

I have written to Professor Lance Liebman about this and will keep members of the Academy informed of progress. I am confident that some arrangement for collaboration will eventuate but the process takes time.

### Website and Register of Members

The Chair of the Membership Committee and I are reviewing the details of members as they appear on the Academy's website and in its Register of Members. We are seeking to eliminate obvious errors, to update and to achieve consistency between the two repositories of information.

Once this task is completed, we will distribute to all Fellows the details on record for them and ask that they be checked for correctness.

## Projects Committee

Local Organising Committees have now been established for the holding of Academy events in Melbourne and Adelaide but dates and venues have not yet been finalised. I hope that they will be known in time to be reported in the next Newsletter.

As previously advised, Academy events are in place for Darwin, Brisbane and Sydney as follows:

Darwin: Thursday 12 September (Austin Asche Oration)

Brisbane: Monday 16 September

Sydney: Friday 4 October (Patron's Address)

Further detail of these three events has previously been supplied and will be repeated in future Newsletters.

### Annual Membership Subscription

Tax Invoices for the annual membership subscription for the year 2013-2014 are in the course of being prepared for issue to members.

#### **New Fellows**

I am delighted to report that the following individuals have become Fellows of the Academy since the last Newsletter issued:

Mr Stephen McLeish SC

The Hon Joe Campbell QC

The Hon Justice John Mansfield AM

#### Secretariat

Sarah Hull of the AAL Secretariat will be away on leave from next Monday 8 July to Monday 15 July, both dates inclusive.

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