



Pee Wees at the Point



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Invitation



Welcome, again...

A year ago, plans for our Annual Conference had been finalised, launched and a number of registrations had been received. Everything was ready, going smoothly and everyone here at IPTA were excited to be going to Darwin since our last conference there in 2001. Then, bang. The COVID-19 pandemic hit the world like a bat out of hell, and we had to cancel. A year later, during which time we have coped with lockdowns, state border closures, working from home, hand sanitiser, masks and a general contraction of life as we knew it, 2021 began with low infections, an overall improvement in daily life, a Trans-Tasman travel bubble and a big hope for the vaccines that are currently being rolled out

Against this backdrop and the steadily growing confidence in business and communities, IPTA made the decision to proceed with our Annual Conference and we do so with the same confidence. Of course, as we have all seen recently, things can change quickly and if it does take a turn for the worse, the conference will be cancelled, and all paid registration fees refunded.

So, on behalf of the Council of IPTA, we have great pleasure in inviting you again to Darwin for the 2021 Annual Conference including the 102nd Annual General Meeting.

The 2021 Annual Conference will be held during **26 to 28 May 2021**. Business sessions will be held at the **Darwin Convention Centre** and adjacent conference hotels, the **Vibe and Adina Hotels**.

Home to traditional owners the Larrakia people, Darwin historically has experienced adversity both from climatic and conflict perspectives. Since the city was established, originally as Palmerston in 1869, Darwin has been hit by major cyclones since 1897 with the last devastating cyclone, Tracey, in 1974. During World War II, Darwin was bombed by the same Japanese fleet that attacked Pearl Harbour 10 weeks earlier, with more bombs being dropped in Darwin than on Pearl Harbour. Each time, Darwin was badly damaged or virtually destroyed, but the spirit and strength of the people prevailed, and Darwin was rebuilt.

Today, Darwin is a modern vibrant and thriving city enriched by its diverse and highly multicultural population. With a year round tropical climate, the month of May is an ideal time to visit with warm sunny days and cooler nights. Darwin is the gateway to exploring Australia's famous national parks of Kakadu and Litchfield, with the Tiwi Islands a boat trip away.

Our Conference Committee has worked hard to put together a highly informative and diverse business program that maintains a strong educational focus covering a range of topics within the trade mark, designs and patent areas with a highlight on indigenous traditional knowledge and Trans-Tasman developments. We are also pleased to say that Justice Nicholas of the Federal Court, has agreed to come to Darwin to present at the conference. Because of the pandemic and international travel restrictions in place we are sadly unable to have present any international speakers outside of the Trans-Tasman travel bubble this year. On the social side, events at key locations around Darwin complements each day.

Beginning with a stand-up brunch on Wednesday 26 May, our 2021 Annual Conference will then be opened by IPTA President Michael Caine. This will be followed by a Welcome to Country performed by local indigenous performers 'The Youth Mill' before commencement of the now traditional afternoon of dedicated trade mark sessions. In the evening, Welcome Drinks for YIPTA members is scheduled, followed by dinner at alfresco waterfront restaurant 'Wharf One'. On the Thursday there will be a full day of business sessions finishing with a visit to beachside 'Mindil Markets', Darwin's largest open-air market, followed by a beautiful sunset casual dinner at the 'Mindil Beach Casino Resort'. The conference will end on Friday 28 May, with separate breakfast sessions for YIPTA members and Corporate members, continuing with our business sessions for the rest of the day.

Our Gala dinner will be held in the evening at the magnificent 'Pee Wee's at The Point' and we are really excited to say that our After-Dinner speaker will be Bruce Pascoe, author of the "*Dark Emu: Aboriginal Australia and the Birth of Agriculture*".



We have also slotted in time each day for Wellness at the conference with an early morning walk in the 1886 established 'George Brown Botanic Gardens' on the Wednesday morning; the 'IPTA Fun Run and Walk' on the Thursday morning; a 'Managing Work/Life Balance' lunch seminar also on the Thursday and a 'Yoga – Stretch and Relax' session on the Friday morning.

An optional tour is scheduled for the Saturday which features a cruise on the spectacular Mary River system, which will give you a close-up look at a pristine wetland habitat along with saltwater crocodiles, beautiful water lilies and a host of exotic birdlife. After the cruise there will be a visit to The Humpty Doo Hotel, one of Australia's most iconic pubs.

While all business sessions and social events are included in the full delegate registration fee, we are also offering day rates for members who wish to attend part of the conference only. IPTA encourages newly qualified or registered attorneys to attend the Annual Conference to get to know members across the profession and so this year we are pleased to announce that the full registration price will be discounted for YIPTA members

Finally, in accordance with the Trans-Tasman IP Attorneys Board (TTIPAB) guidelines, registered patent and trade marks attorneys attending the Conference may claim one-hour Continuing Professional Education (CPE) for each hour of business session they attend. This provides the opportunity to record approximately 15 hours of CPE as detailed in the program.

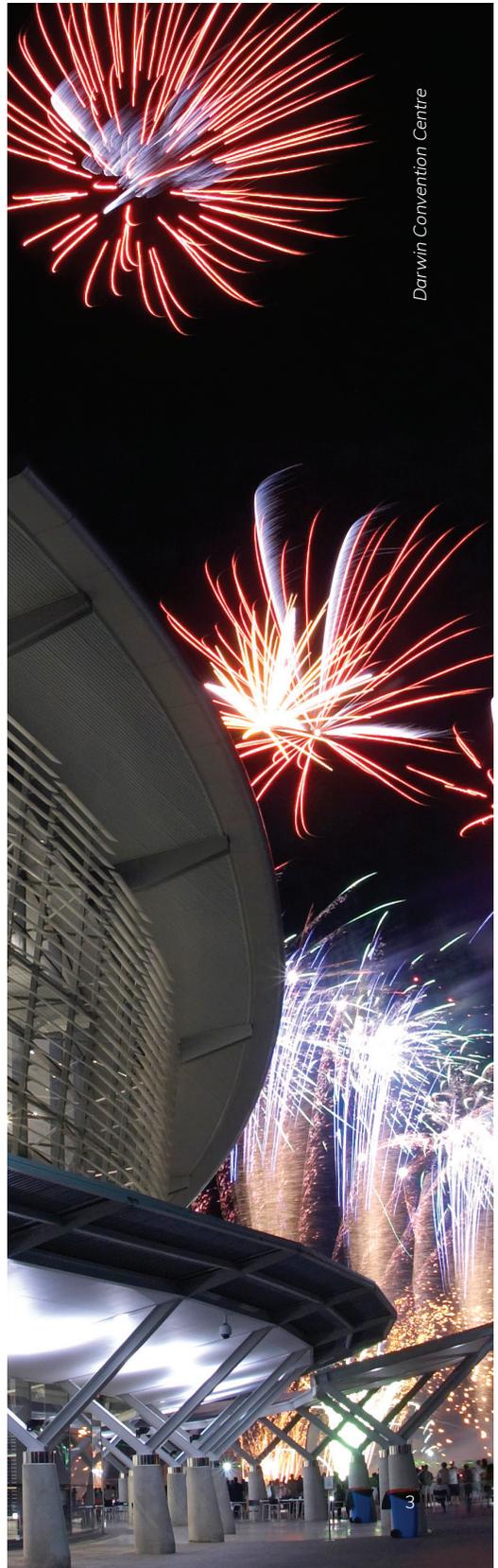
The deadline for conference registration is **24 April 2021** and online registration is now open.

We do hope you will come.

Best regards

Jennifer McEwan
Vice-President and
Convenor, Conference
Committee

Michael Caine
President





Vibe Hotel



Darwin Convention Centre

Venues

Accommodation & Darwin Convention Centre

Vibe/Adina Waterfront Hotels

Darwin Waterfront

7 Kitchener Drive
Darwin City NT 0800

The Vibe and Adina Apartment Waterfront Hotels are surrounded by spectacular harbour views, lush green scenery and are perfectly positioned near Darwin's seafront promenade with a plethora of entertainment and dining options. Also, on the hotel's doorstep is the splendour of the Darwin Waterfront Lagoon which hosts a range of water sports and outdoor activities.

Accommodation

Please note accommodation at the conference rate is limited.

Check in time: 2.00pm
Check out time: 11.00am

Breakfast

Breakfast is served at the Curve Restaurant and Bar on the ground floor.

Full breakfast is included at an additional cost of \$19 per person per day. Please note that this reduced price is only available if selected for each person for

each day of the stay. Breakfast is available for \$29 per person on consumption. The IPTA Corporate and YIPTA Friday breakfast events are paid for separately via the registration form.

Pre & Post Conference Accommodation

Additional room nights required on non-contracted dates will be offered at contracted rates and terms subject to availability.

To book all accommodation use this link and follow the instructions on the booking form [Vibe/Adina Waterfront Accommodation Booking Form](#).

Accommodation Cancellation Policy

The Vibe Hotel/Adina Apartment Hotel Darwin Waterfront accommodation cancellation policy is as follows:

You will need to provide a credit card at the time of booking for full prepayment at least seven (7) days prior to arrival. No refunds will apply for all room nights cancelled less than 30 days prior to the date of arrival.

Darwin Convention Centre

10 Stokes Hill Road
Darwin City

The Darwin Convention Centre is a world class modern venue located in the beautiful surroundings of the Darwin Waterfront. Located only a short walk from the Vibe and Adina Waterfront Hotels the Darwin Convention Centre is the ideal location for our educational seminars as well as mixing with your IPTA colleagues.

HOTEL	ROOM TYPE	ROOM RATE
Vibe Hotel Darwin Waterfront	Guest Room	\$249.00 (add full breakfast each day @\$19 per person in Curve Restaurant, ground floor)
	Guest Room W/View	\$279.00 (add full breakfast each day @\$19 per person in Curve Restaurant, ground floor)
Adina Apartment Hotel Darwin Waterfront	Studio Room	\$269.00 (add full breakfast each day @\$19 per person in Curve Restaurant, ground floor)
	Studio Room W/View	\$299.00 (add full breakfast each day @\$19 per person in Curve Restaurant, ground floor)
	One-bedroom Apartment	\$319.00 (add full breakfast each day @\$19 per person in Curve Restaurant, ground floor)
	One-bedroom Apartment W/View	\$349.00 (add full breakfast each day @\$19 per person in Curve Restaurant, ground floor)

General Information

Climate

The dry season is from May until October and is characterised by warm, dry sunny days and cool nights. Temperatures typically range from 21.6 - 31.8°C (70.9 - 89.2°F), and humidity levels are much lower at around 60 – 65 per cent.

Average max temp: 32°

Average min temp: 22°

Dress Recommendations

Business Sessions: Smart casual

Informal Dinners: Smart casual

Gala Dinner: Darwin Formal

Children

Children are welcome to attend most social events and activities, however, they must be registered for seating and catering requirements even if no charge is applicable. Please contact the Secretariat for details.

WiFi Access

The Vibe/Adina Waterfront Hotels offer free WiFi to all delegates. This includes free restricted speed WiFi with unlimited downloads (up to 2 devices per room); with the option to upgrade. Check with the Front Desk for instructions on how to access free WiFi.

Name Badges

Name badges must be worn to all functions

Registered Full Delegates

White badge

Registered Accompanying Persons

Red stripe

Registered Day Delegates

Yellow stripe

Councillors

Purple stripe

Speakers

Green stripe

Guests for Additional Functions

Blue stripe

Special Dietary Requirements

Requests for special dietary requirements will be passed on to caterers. Please identify yourself to the catering staff and they will ensure you receive the appropriate meal.



Registration

Fees

(Early bird deadline is 24 April 2021)

	Before Deadline	After Deadline
Full Delegate Package – IPTA Member	\$1300	\$1600
Full Delegate Package – Non-Member	\$1500	\$1800
Half Day Registration Wednesday – IPTA Member	\$400/day	\$500/day
Half Day Registration Wednesday – Non-Member	\$550/day	\$650/day
Day Registration Thursday and/or Friday – IPTA Member	\$650/day	\$750/day
Day Registration Thursday and/or Friday – Non-Member	\$750/day	\$850/day
Accompanying Person Package	\$500	\$500
Full Delegate Package – Registered for < 5 years - IPTA Member	\$800	\$900

Cost for activities not included in the registration fee

Joint YIPTA and Corporate Members Breakfast and Presentation	\$45
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Additional tickets (for guests NOT REGISTERED as a Full Delegate or Accompanying Person):

Wednesday:	Wharf One Food & Wine	\$145
Thursday:	Informal Dinner at Mindil Beach Casino Resort	\$155
Friday:	Gala Dinner at Pee Wees at the Point	\$200

Registration Packages

Full Delegate Package: Includes business sessions, lunches, evening functions and hospitality suite.

Accompanying Persons Package: Includes evening functions and hospitality suite.

(Please note that accompanying persons who do not register for the Accompanying Persons package may register to attend the dinners and post conference tour).

Day Delegate Wednesday: Includes business sessions and afternoon tea.

Day Delegate Thursday and Friday: Includes business sessions, lunch, morning and afternoon tea.

(Day Delegates may register for dinners and post conference tour).

Registration Cancellations

Cancellations for registrations must be notified in writing to mail@ipta.org.au. Registration fees for cancellations received after 24 April 2021 will not be refunded.

Registration Desk/Secretariat

The IPTA registration desk and Secretariat will be located in Meeting Room 1 on the lower ground level of the Darwin Convention Centre.

Registration and Accommodation Deadline (24 April 2021)

Accommodation at the conference rate is limited. There are no guarantees accommodation will be available after the deadline of 24 April 2021 or that accommodation will be available at the conference rates.

Tours & Activities

Please meet in the hotel foyer ten minutes prior to departure time.

Included Social Program

WEDNESDAY, 26 MAY

Welcome Brunch

11.00am - 12.00pm

Convention Centre, Waterfront Room Foyer
(stand-up buffet)



Welcome to country and dance

12.15am - 12.30pm

Presented by The Youth Mill at the Convention Centre
Waterfront Room Foyer

YIPTA Pre-dinner Drinks

6.00pm - 7.00pm

Wharf One Garden
F3A/19 Kitchener Drive
Darwin Waterfront

Wharf One's spectacular waterfront location, is just a few minutes walk from the Darwin Convention Centre and Vibe/Adina Waterfront Hotels. Delegates who have been registered for 5 years or less are encouraged to join in.

Corporate Pre-dinner Drinks

6.00pm - 7.00pm

Wharf One Garden
F3A/19 Kitchener Drive
Darwin Waterfront

Welcome Reception Dinner

7.00pm - 10.30pm

Wharf One Food & Wine (Al fresco)
F3A/19 Kitchener Drive
Darwin Waterfront

Enjoy superb Al fresco dining at Wharf One Food & Wine whilst overlooking the breathtaking Darwin Waterfront lagoon.

THURSDAY, 27 MAY

Lunch

1.00pm - 2.30pm

The Precinct (next door to Vibe/Adina Waterfront Hotels) in designated area (delegates only)

Informal Dinner

7.00pm - 10.30pm

Mindil Beach Casino Resort Lawns
Gilruth Avenue
The Gardens
Mindil Beach

Coaches depart at 6.00pm from the front of the Vibe/Adina Waterfront Hotels

Arrive at the Mindil Markets where delegates can enjoy the spectacular sunset and explore the Mindil Markets at their leisure. Delegates can then take a picturesque 2 minutes walk to the Mindil Beach Casino Resort Lawns where dinner will be served.

Mindil Beach Casino Resort Lawns is set amongst lush tropical gardens overlooking the Arafura Sea and is a perfect setting to experience another wonderful facet of Darwin.





Mindil Markets



Wharf One Food & Wine



FRIDAY, 28 MAY

Lunch

1.00pm - 2.30pm

Wharf One, designated area (delegates only)

Wellness lunch:

'Managing Work Life Balance'

1.00pm - 2.30pm

Vibe/Adina Waterfront Hotels

Neptuna & Mavie Rooms (1st Floor)

Presented by Dr Qusai Hussain

Please register your interest in attending

Gala Dinner

7.00pm - 11.00pm

Pee Wee's at the Point

Alec Fong Lim Drive,

East Point Reserve , Darwin

Coaches depart at 6.30pm from the front of Vibe/Adina Waterfront Hotels.

Our Gala Dinner will be held at Pee Wee's at the Point which is the ultimate location with absolute waterfront dining in the natural beauty of the idyllic East Point Reserve with stunning views of Darwin City. Enjoy the ambience and taste fine and fresh, modern territory food. Known as the best restaurant in Darwin!

Guest speaker: Professor Andrew Christie

Band: "The Kicks featuring Natalie Pellegrino"

Hospitality suite (non-exclusive use)

Wednesday

From 10.30pm

Wharf One Bella, Darwin Waterfront

Hospitality suite (non-exclusive use)

Thursday and Friday

Thursday From 11.00pm-12.30am

and Friday 12.00am-1.30am

The Precinct (next door to Vibe/Adina Hotels)

Name Tags must be worn at all times.



Optional Social Program

WEDNESDAY, 26 MAY

Early morning walk in George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens

7.15am - 9.00am

Coach departs at 7.30 from the front of Vibe/Adina Waterfront Hotels.

Take a walk through the George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens at your leisure to see a magnificent display of plants from northern Australia and tropical areas from around the world.

Established 1886, the gardens cover 42 hectares and include extensive plantings of colourful heliconias, gingers, tropical orchids, bromeliads and other exotic plants.

THURSDAY, 27 MAY

Annual Fun Run & Walk

7.00am

Get into training and participate in the 2021 Annual Fun Run (5km) or walk (2.5km). Participants are to meet outside the Curve Restaurant in front of the outdoor lift. Spectators welcome.

FRIDAY, 28 MAY

Yoga (Hatha style stretch & relax)

7.00am - 7.45am

Vibe Hotel (Neptuna & Mavie Rooms) 1st Floor

Join Renee from Darwin Yoga Space for a Hatha Yoga Class which focuses on your breathing or pranayama plus poses, also called postures or asanas and a series of movements that help improve balance, flexibility and strength ending with a short period of meditation. Suitable for beginners

SATURDAY, 29 MAY

Optional post conference tour - Corroboree Billabong cruise and tucker

8.00am - 4.00pm

Coach departs from the front of Vibe/Adina Waterfront Hotels at 8.00am

An informative 90 minute drive will take you Corroboree Billabong which is just over 100km from Darwin and the starting point for a 90 minute cruise on the spectacular Mary River system. A visit to the Top End is not complete without discovering this remarkable landscape that has not changed for thousands of years as well as the abundant wildlife of a beautiful wetland habitat. Get a close up look at saltwater crocodiles, beautiful water lilies and a host of exotic birdlife.

After the cruise you will have a two-course lunch at one of Australia's most iconic pubs. The Humpty Doo Hotel was built in 1970 and survived Cyclone Tracy in 1974. It is believed to be one of the Northern Territory's longest continually licensed premises and features in several bush ballads including "The Man from Humpty Doo" by Ted Egan and Slim Dusty's "Humpty Doo Waltz".

As the locals would say "Come and say g'day".

Coach returns to Darwin at 4.00pm

Tour Duration: 8 hours

Cost: \$160 per person
\$140 per child

(includes luxury coach transport, fun and informative local guide, two course lunch and Corroboree Billabong cruise)

Program

WEDNESDAY, 26 MAY

7.15am - 9.00am



Wellness: Early morning walk and visit to George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens

Coach departs hotel at 7.30am

10.00am-5.30pm

Registration

Secretariat – Convention Centre Meeting Room 1 - downstairs

11.00am - 12.00pm

Welcome Brunch

Convention Centre Waterfront Room - Foyer (stand up buffet)

12.10pm - 12.15pm

Welcome by: Michael Caine, IPTA President

12.15pm - 12.30pm



Welcome to Country by: The Youth Mill

12.30pm - 1.30pm

Australian Trade Mark Case and Legislation Update

SPEAKER:

Ed Heerey, QC

NSW BAR

CHAIR:

Jennifer McEwan

IPTA VICE PRESIDENT

1.30pm - 2.30pm

New Zealand Trade Mark Case and Legislation Update/ Removal Proceedings for Non-Use in New Zealand – What are the differences?

SPEAKER:

Clive Elliott QC

BARRISTER, NEW ZEALAND

CHAIR:

Jennifer McEwan,

IPTA VICE PRESIDENT

2.30pm - 3.00pm

Afternoon Tea

Convention Centre Waterfront Room – Foyer

3.00pm - 4.00pm

Crossing the Ditch – Comparing and Contrasting Court and Trade Mark Office Decisions

SPEAKER/S:

Elena Szentivanyi

VICE PRESIDENT, NZIPA

Lucy Davis

VICTORIAN BAR

CHAIR:

Anne Makrigiorgos

IPTA PAST PRESIDENT

4.00pm - 5.00pm

Words Less Ordinary: A consideration of some unusual and esoteric trade marks and the law they make

SPEAKER:

Siobhan Ryan

VICTORIAN BAR

CHAIR:

Anne Makrigiorgos

IPTA PAST PRESIDENT

6.00pm - 7.00pm

YIPTA Pre-Dinner Drinks

Wharf One Garden

6.00pm - 7.00pm

Corporate Pre-Dinner Drinks

Wharf One Garden

7.00pm - 10.30pm

Welcome Reception Dinner

Wharf One (Al fresco)

Hospitality Suite (non exclusive use)

From 10.30pm - 12.00am

Wharf One Bella

Darwin Waterfront



THURSDAY, 27 MAY

7.00am



Annual Fun Run and Walk

(meet outside the Curve Restaurant in front of the outdoor lift)

8.30am - 5.00pm

Registration

Secretariat – Convention Centre – Meeting Room 1 - downstairs

Business Sessions

Convention Centre - Waterfront Rooms 1 & 2

9.00am - 9.15am

Special Meeting of Fellows

Convention Centre - Waterfront Rooms 1 & 2

9.15am - 10.15am

IPTA Annual General Meeting and President's Address

Convention Centre - Waterfront Rooms 1 & 2

10.15am - 10.45am

Opening Address

SPEAKER:
Michael Schwager
DIRECTOR GENERAL, IP AUSTRALIA
CHAIR:
Janelle Borham
IPTA VICE PRESIDENT

10.45am - 11.00am

Morning Tea

Convention Centre Waterfront Room – Foyer

11.00am - 12.00pm

Impact of Global Developments on IP: Considering Indigenous Knowledge

SPEAKER:
Edel Kairouz
GENERAL MANAGER, IP AUSTRALIA
CHAIR:
Janelle Borham
IPTA VICE PRESIDENT

12.00pm - 1.00pm

Ethics, Privacy and Data Protection

SPEAKER:
Ian Horak
VICTORIAN BAR
CHAIR:
John Landells
IPTA COUNCILLOR

1.00pm - 2.30pm

Lunch

The Precinct (designated area)

2.30pm - 3.00pm

New Zealand Patent Case and Legislation Update

SPEAKER:
Clive Elliott QC
BARRISTER, NEW ZEALAND
CHAIR:
Will Hird
IPTA COUNCILLOR

3.00pm - 4.00pm

Australia Patent Case and Legislation Update

SPEAKER:
Ian Horak
VICTORIAN BAR
CHAIR:
Will Hird
IPTA COUNCILLOR

4.00pm - 4.15pm

Afternoon Tea

Convention Centre Waterfront Room – Foyer

4.15pm - 5.00pm

Designs Amendment (Advisory Council on Intellectual Property Response) Bill 2020 – What we Wanted and What we Got

SPEAKER:
Jeremy Dobbin
IPTA PAST PRESIDENT
CHAIR:
David Tadgell
IPTA COUNCILLOR

6.00pm - 10.30pm

Informal Dinner: Mindil Beach Casino Resort

Coaches depart 6.00pm from front of Vibe/Adina Waterfront Hotels
Arrive Mindil Markets (free time)
Delegates walk to Mindil Beach Casino Resort for dinner
7.00pm – 10.30pm Dinner

Hospitality Suite (non exclusive use)

From 11.00pm - 12.30am
The Precinct (next door to Vibe/Adina Hotels)



FRIDAY, 28 MAY

7.00am - 7.45am



Wellness: Yoga Stretching & Relaxing

Vibe hotel – Neptuna & Mavie Rooms

7.30am - 8.45am

Joint YIPTA and Corporate Members Breakfast and Presentation

Mauna Loa room – Vibe Hotel

Take Two Case Studies at

Rio Tinto

Spending Money to Save Money: Rio Tinto's

experiments with expedited examination, PPH, and other patenting strategies

Diamonds in the rough:

Managing and leveraging Rio Tinto's Argyle™ trade mark portfolio

SPEAKERS:

Rebecca McCrackan

RIO TINTO

Brendan Cheong

IPTA COUNCILLOR

CHAIR:

Christine Emmanuel,

IPTA COUNCILLOR

8.30am - 5.00pm

Registration

Secretariat – Convention Centre Meeting Room 1 - downstairs

Business Sessions

Convention Centre Waterfront Rooms 1 & 2

9.00am - 10.00am

Secondary Patenting of Blockbuster Drugs/AI as the Inventor

SPEAKER:

Professor Andrew Christie

MELBOURNE LAW SCHOOL

Helen Rofe QC

VICTORIAN BAR

CHAIR:

Michael Caine

IPTA PRESIDENT

10.00am - 11.00am

Arrow Declarations and other Unusual Court Orders

SPEAKER:

Professor Andrew Christie

MELBOURNE LAW SCHOOL

CHAIR:

Helen Rofe QC

VICTORIAN BAR

11.00am - 11.15am

Morning Tea

Convention Centre Waterfront Room – Foyer

11.15am - 12.05pm

Developing an IP Strategy and Beyond

SPEAKER:

Rob McInnes

ROB MCINNES IP ADVISORY PTY LTD

CHAIR:

Anna Johnston

IPTA COUNCILLOR

12.10pm - 1.00pm

Patent Ownership versus Inventorship in the USA

SPEAKER:

Bob Kramer

FINNEGAN

CHAIR:

Grant Shoebridge

IPTA COUNCILLOR

1.00pm - 2.30pm



Managing Work Life Balance in the Post COVID Era

Vibe Hotel – Neptuna

& Mavie Rooms

Open to all attendees – Numbers limited, please register early

SPEAKER:

Dr Qusai Hussain

CYBER CLINIC

CHAIR:

Jennifer McEwan

IPTA VICE PRESIDENT

1.00pm - 2.30pm

Lunch:

Wharf One (designated area)

SATURDAY, 29 MAY

Optional Social Program



2.30pm - 3.00pm **Control, Protection, Recognition and Respect – the role of trade marks and copyright in protecting Traditional Cultural Expressions/Expressions of Folklore**

SPEAKER:

Taryn Lovegrove
DAVIES COLLISON CAVE

CHAIR:

Claire Gregg
CO-CONVENOR YIPTA COMMITTEE

3.00pm - 3.30pm **Examiner v Attorney: Good Practice for Engaging with the Patent Office**

SPEAKER:

Alana Gibson
SHELSTON IP

CHAIR:

Claire Gregg
CO-CONVENOR YIPTA COMMITTEE

3.30pm - 4.00pm **Afternoon Tea**
Convention Centre Waterfront Room – Foyer

5.45pm - 6.45pm **Past President's & Guests Cocktail Party**
*Wharf One Terrace
(by invitation only)*

7.00pm - 11.00pm **Gala Dinner**
*Pee Wees at the Point
Coaches depart from front of Vibe/Adina Waterfront Hotels at 6.30pm*

SPEAKER:

Professor Andrew Christie
MELBOURNE LAW SCHOOL

MC:

Andrew Jones
IPTA COUNCILLOR

BAND:

"The Kicks featuring Natalie Pellegrino"

Hospitality Suite (non exclusive use)

*from 12.00am - 1.30am
The Precinct (next door to Vibe/Adina Hotels)*

8.00am - 4.00pm **Corroboree Billabong Cruise and Tucker**

Picking up in front of the Vibe/Adina Waterfront Hotels at 8.00am

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Tour Duration: 8 hours

Speakers

Prof. Andrew F. Christie



Andrew was appointed the foundation Chair of Intellectual Property at Melbourne University's Law School in 2002. He has degrees in Science and in Law from the University of Melbourne, an LLM from the University of London, and a PhD

from the University of Cambridge. Once admitted to legal practice in Australia and the United Kingdom, he worked for many years in the IP departments of law firms in Melbourne and London. He is a former Fulbright Senior Scholar and has held appointments at the University of Cambridge, Duke University, the National University of Singapore, and the University of Toronto.

Clive Elliott



Clive is a barrister, patent attorney and arbitrator. He specialises in IP, technology and media areas and has acted as counsel in many leading cases.

Clive is immediate Past President of the New Zealand

Bar Association and a past Council Member of the Auckland Branch of the New Zealand Law Society and the Legal Practice Division of the International Bar Association (IBA). He is also a past co-chair of the Intellectual Property and Entertainment Law Committee of the IBA and a past president of IPSANZ.

Clive was convenor of the Intellectual Property Committee of the New Zealand Law Society for a period of ten years.

Clive is a co-author of the Lexis Nexis loose-leaf texts 'Copyright and Design' and 'Patents and Trade Marks'. He has been a part time lecturer in the post-graduate Masters course at both the Department of Law and the Department of Commercial Law at Auckland University. He is a frequent writer and commentator on IP and information technology issues and is a member of the Editorial Board of the Intellectual Property Forum.

Clive is named in the International Who's Who of Patent Lawyers, the International Who's Who of Internet & E-Commerce Lawyers and the World Trademark Review's World's Leading Trademark Professionals.

Jeremy Dobbin



Jeremy Dobbin is a partner in the Sydney engineering team and also heads the Registered Designs team. He specialises in patents and designs in the mechanical and electro-mechanical engineering fields. His expertise extends to

inventions in the areas of mining equipment, oil and gas services, domestic electrical appliances, transport and logistics, and laboratory equipment. Jeremy has been endorsed in the 2019 IAM Prosecution recommended list.

After six years with the firm, he joined the FB Rice partnership in Sydney. Before joining FB Rice, Jeremy worked as a London based UK patent agent and a European patent attorney for nearly a decade.

Jeremy works for a wide range of clients from small individual inventors, through SMEs and including larger corporates, but focuses mainly on small and mid-sized businesses.

He has a particular focus on Registered Designs and has a particular interest in green technologies particularly recycling and re-use of materials, and closing the loop generally.

As well as preparing, filing and prosecuting patent applications, Jeremy has also run numerous oppositions to patents for inventions before the Australian and New Zealand Patent Offices. He has provided expert evidence on issues of infringement and/or validity of Australian patents in proceedings before the Federal Court of Australia on several occasions.

Jeremy is a Past President of the Institute of Patent & Trade Mark Attorneys, and travels regularly to Europe, where he has an extensive global network of contacts. He is a member of FB Rice's Executive Board.

Jeremy is a registered Australian and New Zealand Patent and Trade Marks Attorney, qualified as a European Patent Attorney, and is also registered as a UK Chartered Patent Attorney.

Edel Kairouz



Edel is the General Manager—Patents Chemical, Plant Breeder's Rights and Electrical Group. She returned to IP Australia in 2019 bringing with her a wealth of knowledge and diversity of skills back to patents.

Edel began her career as a Patent Examiner in the late 1980's and then went on to lead policy and programs in many other areas of government. Her responsibilities have included providing strategic policy advice to government on social, welfare and employment policies, and performance review roles including in the Australian National Audit Office. In the mid-2000s Edel was seconded to New Zealand's Department of Labour. She has also spent time working directly with Indigenous communities in Cape York and Far North Queensland to bring

Speakers

Alana Gibson



Alana began her career with Shelston IP in 2017 and registered as a patent attorney in 2019. She has a background in physics and information technologies, with a particular focus on computer systems and software

development. Alana has a Bachelor of Science, majoring in Astronomy and astrophysics, and a Bachelor of Arts from Macquarie University. She completed a Masters of Intellectual Property at the University of Technology in Sydney in 2018. After registration, she completed a Professional Education Certificate in Silicon Photonics from the University of British Columbia.

Prior to joining Shelston IP, Alana spent time working at the Gemini Observatory in Hawaii, where she developed programs for data processing to determine star formation histories of galaxies in clusters. She also worked on technical translations with the Journal of Plasma and Fusion Research. Alana has experience developing and coding programs for various astronomy, physics and photonics related purposes.

Throughout her career at Shelston IP, Alana has developed and honed her skills in prosecution work and drafting. Alana focuses mainly on patent work in the physics and ICT space, particularly working with IoT, defence and sensing technologies.

Ed Heerey QC



Ed is a Senior Counsel admitted in Australia and New Zealand. He mainly conducts trials and appeals in the Federal Court of Australia. Ed also appears in patent and trade mark opposition proceedings at IP Australia, in the

Australian Copyright Tribunal and the Australian Competition Tribunal.

Ed is a registered Trade Marks Attorney and a Senior Fellow of the University of Melbourne Law School where he teaches in the post-graduate intellectual property program.

Ian Horak



Ian is a barrister at the Victorian Bar. He is also a registered Australian Patent and Trade Marks Attorney with technical qualifications in Chemical Engineering. Ian practises exclusively in intellectual property law and regularly

appears before the Federal Court of Australia and the Australian Patent and Trade Marks Office. He has appeared in numerous cases involving patents including AstraZeneca AB v Watson Pty Ltd in the High Court of Australia and RPL Central in the Full Court of the Federal Court of Australia.

In addition to his practice at the Bar, Ian is a Senior Fellow at Monash University's Law School where he is the Chief Examiner and lecturer in postgraduate subjects on intellectual property and trade mark practice. He is also a member of the Monash University Intellectual Property Advisory Board. Ian is a co-author of the seminal publication "Shanahan's, Australian Trade Marks Law and Passing Off" (5th and 6th edition).

Helen Rofe



Helen is a commercial barrister and Queen's Counsel specialising in science and technology related matters. She has significant experience in acting for clients in the pharmaceutical, agricultural, mining, and manufacturing industries and government.

Helen's practice comprises patent and other intellectual property disputes in the Federal Court of Australia and the Patent and Trade Marks Offices, and also extends to matters in the Supreme Court of Victoria including breach of confidence and employer/employee inventorship disputes, and acting for State Government defendant entities in the Black Saturday Beechworth class action litigation.

Helen is recognised in Chambers and Partners, and as a leading Senior Counsel in the 2019 Doyles Guide in the areas of: Intellectual Property and Technology, Media and Communications

Before coming to the bar, Helen practised as a special counsel at Arthur Robinson & Hedderwicks (now Allens) and a senior associate at Blake Dawson Waldron (now Ashurst). She has a Bachelor of Science majoring in genetics.

She is a registered Trade Marks Attorney, and was President of the Intellectual Property Society of Australia and New Zealand from 2007 to 2009.

Speakers

Qusai Hussain



Dr Qusai Hussain is a Clinical and Forensic Psychologist and the CEO and founder of Cyber Clinic. He works with Australian businesses to help them provide high-level mental health services to their employees on demand. Cyber Clinic,

an AI-driven online mental health clinic, is dedicated to supporting clients through their entire treatment journey from finding the right psychologist or counsellor through to consultation and will help clients track their wellbeing over the long-term.

Bob Kramer



Bob Kramer has been litigating complex IP and antitrust cases for the past 26 years and using these experiences to advise leading technology companies and famous brands on their global IP strategies. Bob believes that meaningful IP

empowers companies to grow and compete in economies only when aligned with other business strategies.

Bob offers clients valuable business and legal insights, having served as vice-president of legal, acting and deputy general counsel for a Silicon Valley-based, NASDAQ-listed semiconductor design company.

Bob's experience has spanned the fields of semiconductors, cryptography and blockchains, telecommunications and mobile phones, medical devices, pharmaceuticals, health supplements, gaming devices, sporting equipment, and consumer products. He has represented clients in numerous U.S. district courts as well as at the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC), the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), the European Commission, and before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, where he also served as a law clerk for the Honourable Chief Judge Haldane Robert Mayer.

Bob works with clients to create and manage international IP portfolios, negotiate complex IP disputes, draft license agreements and settlements involving all aspects of IP, and conduct IP due diligence and other internal corporate and technology investigations.

Bob has worked in and is a member of the state bars in New York, Washington D.C. and California. He is a registered trade marks attorney in Australia, and a qualified solicitor in NSW where he has resided since 2008.

Taryn Lovegrove



Taryn practices in all areas of trade mark law including brand protection strategies, use and registration clearance searches, national and international applications, prosecutions, oppositions, non-use

applications and infringements. Taryn also advises on disputes relating to Australian Consumer Law and common law. Having assisted in the protection and management of small, large and well know trade mark portfolios, both nationally and internationally, Taryn has extensive experience in assisting clients at all stages of development. With a business degree specialising in finance, Taryn's education has armed her with a practical understanding of businesses and an ability to tailor advice to the needs of businesses of all sizes.

Before joining Davies Collison Cave, Taryn worked at a top tier international law firm as an Associate managing their intellectual property practice group and advising clients on brand protection and intellectual property matters on a national and international scale. Taryn spent over two years on a part-time secondment at the organising committee for an internationally recognised major sporting event held on the Gold Coast in 2018. During this time Taryn assisted in running the brand protection functional area, as well as providing general commercial advice to the legal functional area.

Taryn joined Davies Collison Cave in October 2017 to grow and develop the trade mark practice in the Brisbane office.

Rob McInnes



Rob is the Principal of his solo practice Rob McInnes IP Advisory, which he founded after 30 years in large law and patent attorney firms (including as a partner of Shelstons and a Principal of Spruson&Ferguson). He specialises in IP

transactions, and advises clients on the management and commercialisation of IP rights. This mainly involves planning, negotiating and structuring licence agreements and R&D contracts, and due diligence on new technology ventures.

In addition to his career as a lawyer in private practice, Rob has a degree in chemistry and has been an in-house Manager of IP and Technology Transfer with a multinational company. He is also an active angel investor (serving on the Committee of Sydney Angels), and a mentor/expert-in-residence at a number of start-up incubators.

For the past decade Rob has been ranked as Australia's most highly recommended patent and technology licensing lawyer. He is one of the few Australian lawyers to have achieved the US-based Certified Licensing Professional qualification.

Speakers

Honourable John Nicholas



Justice John Nicholas is a Judge of the Federal Court of Australia based in Sydney. He graduated from the University of New South Wales in 1982 with the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws. He was a solicitor until 1987 before he

commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar. As a barrister he practised in the areas of commercial law and intellectual property law.

John was appointed Senior Counsel in 2001 and to the Federal Court of Australia in 2009. Since then he has heard a wide range of intellectual property cases at trial and on appeal in the areas of patents, copyright and trade marks. These have included some of the leading Australian cases concerning the patentability of isolated genetic materials and business methods, the operation of Section 117 of the Patents Act, and the inventive step requirement.

Siobhan Ryan



Siobhan Ryan is a Barrister at the Victorian Bar and an experienced intellectual property lawyer, specialising in trade marks and copyright.

Siobhan also advises and appears in trade practices, passing off and designs matters. She practices in all Federal and State Courts.

Siobhan is a registered trade mark attorney and regularly appears before the Registrar of Trade Marks in oppositions and registrability cases.

Siobhan has been consistently recognised in the Intellectual Property category in Best Lawyers, Doyles Guide and the World Trademark Review's, Leading Trade Mark Professionals.

Siobhan is a nationally accredited mediator (NMAS). Siobhan is the President of the Trans-Tasman IP Attorneys Disciplinary Tribunal.

Michael Schwager



Michael commenced with IP Australia on 20 September 2018 as Director General. Prior to his appointment he was Chief Operating Officer at the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science for three years and also spent time as acting Chief Operating

Officer at CSIRO from June to September 2018.

Michael's varied career across innovation, science and education policy includes responsibility for:

- implementing innovation programs, including the \$3 billion R&D Tax Incentive;
- developing med-tech, pharma-bio, small business and industry policy;
- foreign investment attraction into Australian high-tech industries;
- trade and multilateral negotiations in food, agriculture and energy.

From 2012 to 2015 Michael was based in the Washington DC Embassy as Minister Counsellor (Industry, Science and Education). He spent five years in Parliament House as a researcher and speechwriter, and two years as an auditor for a large multinational accounting firm.

Elena Szentivanyi



Elena has been with Henry Hughes since 1992 and became a principal in 2002. She specialises in trade marks and domain names. As well as being registered as both a New Zealand and an Australian Patent Attorney, Elena

completed her graduate certificate in Trade Mark law and is a registered Trade Mark Attorney in Australia.

Elena's practice covers the development, establishment, management, exploitation and enforcement of intellectual property rights and she belongs to the New Zealand Law Society, and has membership of several other overseas related organisations including INTA, IPSANZ and APAA.

Speakers

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Lucy Davis



Lucy is a barrister at the Victorian Bar specialising in intellectual property law. In addition to her legal qualification, she holds a Bachelor of Science. Lucy has advised and appeared in a range of disputes including in the Federal

Courts and the Patent and Trade Marks Office. Her work has involved advice on substantive rights, intellectual property management, preliminary dispute resolution, initiating proceedings, preparation of evidence and appearing in proceedings. Her recent matters have included patent and trade mark opposition proceedings, protecting clients' intellectual property rights and defending clients against allegations of intellectual property infringements. Lucy is also the Chief Examiner and lecturer in Copyright & Design Law at Monash University.

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