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## President's Message

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Dear fellow members

It is now only three weeks until our AGM and Conference in Melbourne. The Melbourne Committee has organised a most stimulating business program and the Dethridge Address, to be delivered by Mr Christopher Lau SC, promises to be topical and engaging. I look forward to seeing many of you there and for those who have not yet registered – there is still time! Please go to [www.tmm.com.au](http://www.tmm.com.au)

An additional feature of this year's Conference will be "working forums" over lunch for those who wish to participate in debate about the various law reform issues that are currently relevant to aspects of maritime law. In the next couple of weeks, short discussion papers on each of the topics will be posted on the web site and I encourage any of you who are keen to do so to come prepared to contribute to a MLAANZ position on any or all of the topics.

I would also like to inform members that the Board is considering joining with the US MLA for next year's Conference. The US MLA has invited us to join them in Hawaii from 2-6 December 2011. The Conference has been timed to coincide with the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemoration of Pearl Harbour on 7 December 2011. This will be discussed at the AGM in

Melbourne but the Board would be pleased to receive members' views on this proposal.

Finally, I trust that your training for the trans-Tasman rowing challenge on the Yarra is well underway and I look forward to the usual rivalry at the conclusion of the Conference.



With my best wishes to you all

## MLAANZ Brochures

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The WA Branch has very kindly arranged for the production of a MLAANZ Brochure, including details of the MLAANZ Arbitration service. The brochures will be available at the Conference but Branches are encouraged to contact Pat Saraceni to obtain brochures as required.

## CMI

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### *Colloquium Buenos Aires*

The CMI Colloquium is taking place from 24-27 October and several MLAANZ members will be attending.

The academic program includes discussion of Salvage law, Judicial Recognition of Foreign Sales of Ships, Piracy and the Rotterdam Rules. MLAANZ has had input into the issue of Judicial Recognition of Foreign Sales of Ships.

## **New Zealand Branch Annual Meeting – 8 April 2011**

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The New Zealand branch annual meeting and conference will be at the Hilton Hotel, Taupo, NZ on 8 April 2011 for those who would like to start planning now - a beautiful new Hotel in a sensational location overlooking Lake Taupo. The programme will cover a range of topical issues including a proposed new commercial operators' safety programme, revised commercial manning requirements and a look at the legal and practical issues arising from NZ's oil spill response for onshore and offshore installations.

## **International Maritime Law Arbitration Moot 2011 – Singapore**

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The 2011 International Maritime Law Arbitration Moot is being held in Singapore at National University Singapore from 1 - 5 July 2011. Dr Kate Lewins is requesting members' support of this competition as arbitrators. Members who are willing to assist are invited to register at [http://www.law.murdoch.edu.au/maritimemoot/registration\\_arbitrator.html](http://www.law.murdoch.edu.au/maritimemoot/registration_arbitrator.html)

The 2010 Competition was a huge success and Dr Lewins and her team are to be congratulated on another outstanding event. **National Law University Jodhpur was the winner of the award sponsored by MLAANZ.**

The results of the 2010 Competition were as follows:

Winner, Oral hearings sponsored by Blake Dawson – **National University of Singapore**

Runner-Up Oral Hearings sponsored by DLA Phillips Fox – **Murdoch University**

Best Written Memoranda sponsored by Informa Publishing – **University of Sydney**

Runner up Best Written Memo sponsored by Informa Publishing – **University of Notre Dame**

Best Speaker General Rounds sponsored by Middletons – **Timotheus Koh, National University of Singapore**

Best Speaker in the Finals- sponsored by Jaya Prakash – **Dedi Ahmad, National University of Singapore**

Highest Ranked Team in the General Rounds sponsored by Minter Ellison- **National University Singapore**

The Sarah Derrington Achievement Award, sponsored by Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand: **NLU Jodhpur**

A Team Achievement award, sponsored by Sarah and Roger Derrington – **MARA University of Technology**

AMTAC 'Spirit of the Moot' award, sponsored by AMTAC – **Ada Yeung, City University of Hong Kong**



The 2010 Grand Final Panel: Rares J (Federal Court of Australia), Allsop P (NSW Court of Appeal), David Thomas (Minter Ellison)

## **Upcoming Maritime Events**

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### **Nautical Institute World Maritime Day**

6 October 2010

Blake Dawson – Brisbane

[Angela.gillespie@blakedawson.com](mailto:Angela.gillespie@blakedawson.com)

### **International Maritime Pilots'**

#### **Association Congress**

Brisbane 14-19 November 2010

[www.impa2010.com](http://www.impa2010.com)

## **Branch websites**

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All Branch Committees are requested to update their Committee & Event details as a matter of priority.

## **How do we contact you?**

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Please keep your membership information current! Go to the website and update your contact details. Remember to include your e-mail address and help us save on costs.

If you need any assistance, please contact the Administrator, Mrs Sarah Masters, at [mlaanz@hotmail.com](mailto:mlaanz@hotmail.com)