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DEAN'S FOREWORD



In this 2006 edition of Blackacre, the student magazine of the University of Sydney Law School, may I salute the class of 2006. You are indeed a gifted group of students who have performed exceedingly well as students over the last half decade. It is now time to embark upon the next stage of your legal careers. For some it will be work in law firms and doing professional legal training with the College of Law. For others, it may be jobs in business or in commerce or in the welfare sector. Some of you I hope will continue your legal studies by undertaking postgraduate degrees, either at this Law School or abroad in countries such as the United Kingdom, the United States, in Canada or in Japan. On behalf of the entire staff of the Law School, I wish you well in your futures. I know you will uphold the highest ethical standards of our profession as you climb the career progression ladder.

Never forget that each and every one of you are members of the alumni of this Law School whose students have played such a significant role in the development of our nation. In your turn, you will be called upon to play roles in and outside of the law to build our fine nation and to nourish its future. I shall always be proud of my 2006 class.

Professor Ron McCallum
Dean

PRESIDENT'S



FOREWORD

When I began my law degree in 2001, 2006 and its conclusion, seemed like the far distant future. Like any new law student, I was swamped by the enormity of the activities taking place around me and the overflowing talent of my fellow students. Slowly, however, the mist began to lift and some clarity emerged. I learnt the joys of the (now dearly departed) Level 5 Party; I nervously and tentatively undertook my first moot and auditioned (mostly unsuccessfully) for the Law Revue. Slowly, studying law at Sydney University began to seem more natural. Eventually, lazing on Level 5, preferring pong to Litigation and raiding the Law Society Café or the Convenience store became enjoyable routine.

To everyone who has shown the dedication, talent and spirit necessary to complete a law degree at Sydney University I say, Congratulations. For me, the most memorable aspect of this experience will always be the like-minded and enthused people I met on my own journey through law. The people that made it less about doing your readings and more about kicking a ball at First Year Camp, dancing at the Law Ball and cavorting about at ALSA.

The more some things change, of course, the more others stay the same. When I began my law degree I was told that 2006 would be the year of the New Law Building. If I did Honours, I thought, I could be the first to study in it. Well we have now finished our law degree – and the New Building remains incomplete. Here's hoping that it can, in the near future, go beyond its current status as a hole-in-the-ground and become a central meeting point for law students at Sydney University.

I encourage everyone to take a moment to reflect on the friends they've made in their time in law, and the changes in themselves. There are of course those of you who found law wasn't really your thing, and will leave Phillip St glad not to return. There are others, however, who have begun a life long journey in the law. Let us hope that the company will always be so pleasant.

I would also encourage everyone to recognise and thank the students who have made so many of these experiences at Law School possible. There is a tendency, I think, considering the often over-the-top nature of SULLS elections, for some people to be a little bit cynical about the motivations of those on the Executive. Those who have undertaken these positions, however, who have laboured over a hot SULLS office computer making spreadsheets and selling tickets, who have stressed about everything going to plan and who have dragged themselves out of bed for our early morning Exec meetings every week will know that these are largely unselfish positions. In some way or other, you have benefited from the work of these students – be it through going to the gym at the Leagues, reading the Careers Guide, going to see a public forum, or even reading this very publication.

The list of people who have contributed to SULLS in 2006 is staggering, and fully supports its nature as an administrative juggernaut. The Executive itself, however, deserves special recognition. In 2006 they were:

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You all have my undying gratitude. From a new Social Justice Journal to a new website, to a new ping pong table to an expanded range of competitions and an invigorated social program, SULLS in 2006 has proved to be hard-working and innovative. Our expanded Campus Committee has also been profuse in its enthusiasm and energy.

To all of our sponsors out there in the "Corporate Sector" I say a very loud 'thank you'. Without you only a fraction of what we do would be possible. As we advance warily into the VSU era, your support becomes every more important and even more appreciated.

I benefited so much from the activities that SULLS provided throughout my degree. I hope we have gone some way, in 2006, to creating a culture that will encourage others to take part in the same way.

I would also like to thank the Dean, Ron McCallum for his unceasing work in running the Faculty. Much of my role as President is to act as a representative of the student body to the Faculty, and Ron's commitment to learning and student experience will be remembered fondly by the departing class of 2006.

I wish you every success and happiness for the future. No doubt our paths will cross again, be it on Phillip St, in the Supreme Court or at the Leagues. When they do, I look forward to reliving some of the memories that have made this degree so satisfying.

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Ali Carung is an indigenous community of about 200 residents lost somewhere in the Tanami Desert in the Northern Territory. I accompanied a lawyer on a field trip out of Alice Springs to visit the elders of Ali Carung so that the lawyer could seek instructions from the elders on how they wished to manage their collective ownership of the land.

When the lawyer arrived and had finally tracked down the attendees for the meeting he took out his large white board on which he had drawn the complex legal structure for setting up an indigenous corporation to manage the land.

At first communication was stunted by jargon more suited to an early morning equity class than our gathering. But the lawyer was patient and the elders were keen to participate. Through persistence the elders began to apprehend these complex legal arrangements which in turn sparked ideas of how this money might be channelled towards trust funds to sponsor the education of their younger generation.

As I sat on the edge of the circle, I was struck by the creative application of law to the most fundamental concerns of this poor community. Although only a few hours passed us by, I observed how a lawyer's dedication to communicate the law to this remote community and the elders' eagerness to lead their people forward created legal solutions of striking simplicity and long-term importance. Lawyers have remarkable capacity to serve if we can learn how to communicate out knowledge effectively.

I hope the Aurora Project continues to connect Sydney law students with the remote communities of indigenous Australia. Despite the frantic pace of learning on campus, it is often when we are given the space to think for the benefit of others that the most powerful lessons are learnt.



MOOTING

ODETTE MURRAY

**Of Sweet Biscuits, Satellites and Snipers:
The Reflections of an Intersvarsity Mooter**

It's an offer you can't refuse: you get to spend your summer holidays researching the legality of export subsidy regimes on agricultural products according to the rules of the World Trade Organisation. You can take a crash course in the economics of tariff protectionism and the effects of a price ceiling on domestic and export markets. You can read cases that average 400 pages. You can write two 9,000-word memorials, fully footnoted and formatted to perfection on pain of penalties. You can stay up to 3am arguing with your team-mates about the application of Article 31 of the Vienna Convention. You can eat a lot of food from seven-eleven, sleep very little, and, when you do sleep, dream about domestic support payments for Pork farmers. You can spend January to March doing practice moots before a host of various barristers, academics and trade lawyers. You can sometimes do 3 practice moots in a day: before class, after class and at lunchtime. You can fund a trip to Adelaide to attend the regional rounds. You can try and convince a Panel of 3 trade law experts that a price-contingent export subsidy on Wheat constitutes a non-violation nullification and impairment. You can discover terms and concepts you never knew existed, like "non-attribution", "phytosanitary" and "countervailing duties".

Now that's a summer of fun.

Well, when we read the recruiting poster, we were still under that misapprehension. But once we invested (both time and money) in this WTO moot competition, we were determined to recoup a good return, and we wouldn't be happy until we won. So, win we did. The summer spent camping on level 7 of the Law Library was justified with a victory at the regional round. That booked us a place in the world final in Geneva. Unfortunately, it didn't book our air tickets...

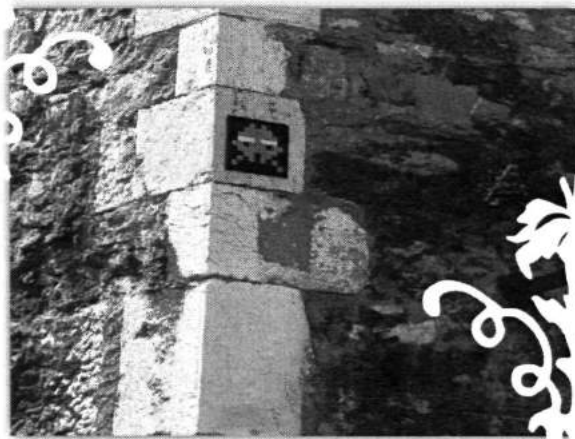
So, we began the next phase: the pitch for sponsorship. How do you ask a law firm to give you money just because you know a lot about export subsidies on Sweet Biscuits? The saving grace was the 'team hero', Danny Moulis. Once partner at Freehills, now principal of his own firm. Previously a WTO Panellist on the US-Cotton dispute. Respected and brilliant trade lawyer. Maybe even played soccer for Australia. Danny pledged his own money to start the sponsorship ball rolling, and, with some encouraging letters from our Faculty coach, Dr Brett Williams, and the Dean, and a few follow up phone calls from Danny, the other big firms came to the party. So, in a frenzied last minute scramble for flights, we made it to Geneva for the World Final! But not before...

...the Space Moot. Yes, the law of Outer Space. Who knew there was such a thing? But, when one government sells satellites to a private company in another country, and then those satellites come crashing back to earth, who pays? The Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot was designed to answer such cosmically significant questions. The Asia-Pacific regional round, conveniently held in Sydney, required the writing of another set of 9,000-word memorials in February, and a few creative international legal arguments to be cooked up for the oral rounds in April. This moot was decidedly last-minute: the original team collapsed and our new team was constituted one day before the registration deadline. Memorials were printed 30 minutes before they were posted. Submissions were written the night before. Amazingly, with strong advocacy skills and a good grounding in international law, we made it all the way to the final...and then were beaten by New Zealanders! But there was no time to regret our defeat, because the day after the space moot final, we jetted off to Geneva...

...to attend the World Final of the WTO Moot Court Competition. We were one of 18 teams from around the globe, including the UK, USA, Ethiopia, India, Italy, Russia, Colombia, and Taiwan. We had one day to explore Geneva and take photos of space invaders¹ before settling into some serious analysis of our arguments on the contested products of sweet biscuits, pork and wheat. Our excellent coach, Brett Williams, was sent by the Faculty to Geneva as well, so there was hours of fun to be had sitting in our hotel rooms arguing about 'payments on a fixed number of head', and eating kebabs three nights running. (Incidentally, they were the finest kebabs we'd ever had.) We had two nail-biting preliminary rounds, against Taiwan National University and Howard University from Washington DC, which were held before Panels composed of some of the most respected trade lawyers in the world. Based on these 2 performances only, and a percentage of the team's written memorial score, the top 4 teams out of 18 went through to the semi-final. Convinced we didn't have a hope against heavyweight universities like Georgetown and Kings, we got stuck into the complimentary wine. And then, our team number (ominously, "001") was called. We were ranked second!

Our semi final was against an excellent team from India, the West Bengal University of Juridical Science, but we won, getting us through to the final against the London School of Economics (LSE). The final was held in one of the WTO's hearing rooms.² We had a Panel of seven judges, including the Deputy Director General of the WTO, the Director of the WTO Appellate Body Secretariat, and the three professors who wrote the moot problem. LSE spoke first as Complainant, and then we got stuck into them for 40 minutes as Respondent. The judges deliberated for an hour. And then announced their unanimous decision: the winners of the world final were the University of Sydney.

Our prize was a tuition scholarship for a 4-week Summer School at the University of Berne, Switzerland, at the World Trade Institute, learning about international trade and economics. So, we got our 'summer of fun' after all.



¹ Across Western Europe you will occasionally spot small mosaics of space invaders, just like the ones in old video games. They are usually about 20cm x 20cm, plastered up high on a building. I have photo evidence of the space invaders in Zurich, Geneva, Fribourg, Berne and Barcelona.

² The WTO hearing room has wall-furnishing designed to absorb sound. This furnishing is made of cardboard egg cartons.

Having spent our summer break arguing about international law, Lucas and I thought it would be fun to spend the winter break in much the same way, and in July went to the ALSA conference in Melbourne to compete in the Red Cross International Humanitarian Law moot. The time frame for this moot is much shorter: the question is released 3 weeks before competition, but, not being the kind to start anything on time, we left our preparation until the Sunday night before our Monday flight. Armed with ICTY jurisprudence in our hand luggage, we spent all of Monday grappling with definitions of war crimes and crimes against humanity, ready to commence moot rounds on Tuesday. As the preliminary rounds progressed we became more familiar with exactly why (or why not) a protracted terror campaign of sniping at civilians constituted a breach of International Humanitarian Law. Making it through to the elimination rounds, we beat Melbourne Uni in the quarters, QUT in the semis, and then, the jewel in the crown, we beat Queensland Uni in the final. (Which is more than NSW can say about the State of Origin played that same week). Avenging Sydney's 2005 defeat to the Queenslanders, in 2006 we swapped the runner's up plaque for the winner's trophy. We will represent Australia at the Asian Regional Final of the Red Cross IHL Moot in Hong Kong in March 2007.

So, we sacrificed our holidays (and a good deal of semester) to compete in three intervarsity moots in rapid succession. Some may call us Gluttons for Punishment. We prefer to call ourselves World Champions. It has a nice ring to it.



Members of the Teams

WTO: Rebecca Mann, Odette Murray, Lucas Bastin and David Coleman

Space: Lucas Bastin, Yu Zhang, Odette Murray

Red Cross IHL: Odette Murray, Lucas Bastin

EPP

KEVIN LEONG

To begin with, two words can sum up the entire collective experience of the EPP class as taught by Mr Graeme Coss:

REFLECTIVE JOURNAL.

Endless, endless reflective journals, constantly being created and updated, all to satisfy the intense intrusive curiosity of the thespian and Hammers fan known to the world as "Uncle Graeme."

Sure, we all could understand their benefits. The self-reflexiveness they taught. The sharpening of the mind to ensure that minimum time and fuss were spent on writing the journals through clear elucidation and enunciation on the one hand, and the reputed flurry of verbosity that some students approached the essentially no cost counselling services provided by "Daddy Gee" on the other.

Of course there were other things that looking back made the EPP class the most enjoyable class to attend.

Role plays became a favourite of our class with many students obviously nurturing artistic talents... but who will end up as lawyers... and so will end up displaying their creative talents again! Honourable mentions go to Simon, the consummate corporate swanker; Alice, the social worker with the heart of gold - and in fact pretty much everyone who participated in the live action client interviews. Kevin did an admirable job of portraying an Indigenous man trying to explain the importance of secret women's business to the Crown prosecutor. Haggy was perplexed at being shown excessive female attention whilst demonstrating the pitfalls of cross cultural communication (courtesy of Jelena's kisses). Eric was a troubled youth who revealed that he lived with seven dogs and then was asked to name them. But first prize goes to Zaina for bringing to life her character that shows us why she should have been on Days of Our Lives, but did something even better by taking her obvious talent to the Seymour Centre in "Hi Rates for the Career Driven" Law Revue!¹

Movie clips and references proved popular. Alice's R rated video in her group's presentation, that would probably now be an 'M' rated film (the fact that "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas" was a topical issue speaks volumes for this class...) Haggy used the model of Mr Miyagi and Daniel of Karate Kid fame to demonstrate "Quality Supervision". However the tone of EPP was really set in the very first class: the intense, dramatic movie clip of Gene Hackman's "Class Action" as shown to us by the "G-Sta",² encompassing the moral perils that can afflict the unwary corporate lawyer. A movie on public versus private interest seemingly foreshadowing the perils of trolley litigation and under-funded public interest centres.

The stories that were told by various students at their public interest places were very diverse, ranging from photocopier practice (Rosella) / hours of translating (Simon) / no client contact of any sort (Jelena), to intense, personal accounts of interacting with victims of sexual assault (Gabriella) and marginalised Indigenous women (Sarah).

There were also more light-hearted moments, such as one of Zaina's cases at the ADT of an employer accused of sexual harassment, Mr Slym (pronounced "Slime"); Alice's tales of woe when she went to answer the door at her workplace; or Elizabeth's recounting of the Jerry Springer like confrontations at the Family Court. In her own words:

¹ Free plug!

² An attempted pun on "gangsta".

Spending one day a week observing family matters in the Federal Magistrates Court and being privy to chats in chambers and in the kitchen with the FMs, I remain in awe of their capacity to patiently wade through the facts of these often soul destroying cases, playing the role of a human lie detector, making split second decisions to choose where a child should spend the night, and most of all, having the patience to spend 45 minutes discussing which McDonalds is the most convenient for contact changeover.

In between this some people were given interesting criminal cases to follow (Jo); new areas of appreciation of the needs and concerns for artists (Daniela); and went off on research frolics of their own (Kate). And we were all intensely proud of Rebecca when she told us she could knock over an advice in an hour and a half as opposed to half a day at the National Children's and Youth Law Centre.

One of the most vivid accounts that we heard was courtesy of Andrew, who after interviewing a client with a mental disability found out that the client was being raped in jail. Another especially vivid account was from Sythany who described her first experience at interviewing a victim of torture. These experiences eloquently shape the human, important side of the law that can get lost when legal practice is divorced from real world effects.

The "Mr Coss-ter's"³ sense of humour never went astray either. Despite his manic need for reflective journals, he did provide feedback to each and every student which I think was both practical and very well received. He has been the only teacher to sit down and actually provide constructive feedback after recounting the story of an essay he got back from a teacher, with the sum total comments being:

✓ 13/20.

His admonitions to watch "Pride and Prejudice" and "Wallace and Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit" were particularly well received.

As an aside, the unhappy news for 2007 is that only one semester of EPP will be running, and PIPi has been postponed till the year after. While we're seeing a decline in EPP type courses, sadly analogous to public interest funding, we can all take hope that the Cossmeister is still alive and kicking, and will take the educational fight to the next generation of law students.

We end our account with these words from Andrea Durbach, a Director of the Public Interest Advocacy Centre, cited with approval by Uncle Graeme in our last class:⁴

To practice law, whether as litigators, policy advisers or law reformers and researchers, means that we have to be conscientious participants in the legal system, not simply technicians working with the basic tools of our trade. To be conscientious demands ongoing instruction and reflection, articulation of truths which come from ordinary experience and vigilance against indifference when the law insidiously takes rights away from individuals... May you be restless and impatient, may you continue to question and to hope and move with the times. May you invest in society and make a difference to ordinary lives. And may you pay tribute to your education by breathing life into the democracy of ideas.

By Kevin "Secret Women's Business" Leong and Zaina "Don't Cross the Prosecutor" Shahnawaz, with thanks to Rosella "I Got a Job out of EPP" Herbert, Elizabeth "E-Head" Sheehy and Gabrielle "Remembering Wallace and Gromit" Curtis.

³ Yet another bad pun, this time on Mr "Kotter" from "Welcome Back, Kotter."

⁴ Note that the *actual* last class, "Practical Experiences of Alcohol and the Workplace", will take place at the NSW Leagues Club. In fact, Anna never left.

AMICUS CURIAE LIT

NATHANIEL ROWE

'Amicus Litigation Clinic – *Wozza!*'

I was walking to the pub after last year's litigation exam (yeah, *that* one), when I chanced upon a conversation with a mate about this caper called the 'amicus litigation clinic'. At that time I'm pretty sure I knew what 'litigation' meant, even if I didn't think I'd gone so crash hot in an exam by that same title. The word 'clinic' sounded alluringly special. What I didn't really have a clue about was the 'amicus' part of the equation. But more about that later.

As we navigated closer to Forest Lodge I listened to Adrian (his real name) explain things in his own inimitable way. According to Adrian there was a cool case about some cool IT-things, and it was a big deal, and wouldn't it be cool to help prepare the case for this. My take out was somewhat limited at the time – I was thinking (a) here's a chance to get involved in a real, live case; and (b) are we at the pub yet? Oh yeah, of course, also (c) it sounded *so* cool.



(*Best pronounced: "kuhl".)
Fonzie cool.

Impressed by these 'exhortations' I was encouraged to make contact with the woman who would orchestrate our manoeuvres over the coming months, Associate Professor Jenni Millbank. A couple of emails later I, along with seven other keen types (names below), went to learn more. Together, we were to be 'friends of the court' – *amicus* – and do what friends in such situations are apt to do, which is prepare submissions on behalf of several public interest organisations.

What about? Well, put very simply we were assigned the task of suggesting how we thought certain provisions of the *Copyright Amendment (Digital Agenda) Act 2000*, namely ss 112E and 101A should be interpreted in the public interest (as opposed to that of all-powerful movie and music companies). If in the process, 'as an incidental but not intended by-product' (*Bread Manufacturers*), we helped the fading fortunes of a mysterious company or companies from the Virgin Islands, or Vanuatu, or America, or Estonia, then so be it. No fee, no favour, no fear!

Now in a position where I understood the meaning of all three words that make up 'amicus litigation clinic', I along with my fellow *amici* enrolled for a minimum three-month ride into an unknown world of high stakes intellectual property ('IP') litigation. No beach towels for us – we were going to 'Join the Revolution!'



'Join the Revolution!'

How hard could it be, right? Sure, none of us had yet taken IP as a subject. OK, none of us had ever written a submission to any court, let alone the Full Court of the Federal Court of Australia either. True, all being students of Sydney Law School, none of us had previous occasion to undertake team work in our studies as opposed to the orthodox solo-individual-pursuit, hide-that-book and sabotage-those-competitors modus operandi. But hey, isn't

that what uni life is all about – exploring hitherto unknown cavernous regions. Little lights burning brilliantly from our collective forehead we descended down the mine shafts, spilled out at level 4 and back to our desks to get acquainted with our new assignment.



Studying law can be challenging.

The first thing we all had to do was work out how to write KaZaA, I mean KaZaa, no that's actually Kazaa. OK then, if you want to be formal, it's Sharman Networks. In the end we settled for plain old 'Kazaa', following the style of Justice Wilcox's first instance judgment. Then, realising that much more challenging decisions were yet to be made, we split into two groups, and set about the first task: tearing apart the 186 page first instance judgment, *Universal Music Australia Pty Ltd v Sharman License Holdings Ltd* [2005] FCA 1242, and not just for spelling idiosyncrasies.

Our orchestral leader was the source behind our decidedly un-techy team names. I mean, given the subject matter, we could have been called teams 'Metadata' and 'Supernode', or teams 'Ripping' and 'Burning'. That was not to be, and for good reason no doubt. Instead, four of us were dubbed 'Churchill', the other four 'Willoughby'. I was a Churchillian, and obviously appreciated the inspiration.



V is for victory for ...not quite sure.

As for Willoughby, I didn't think to ask at the time. I suppose I should have. I just Wikipedia'd 'Willoughby' then and got Baron Willoughby de Eresby – who? William F. Willoughby, who was an American Progressive Era political scientist – huh? Willoughby, as in the name of the dog in the 1941 Tex Avery cartoon *The Heckling Hare* – hey? John Willoughby is one of the main characters in Jane Austen's *Sense and Sensibility* – I reckon this is the reference, but I could be wrong. Hey, guess who Willoughby's co-star in *The Heckling Hare* was? Answer: Bugs Bunny.



What's up Doc?

How many words does this Blackacre article have to be? A grand!?! Ok, ok I'm not complaining. I'll get back to it. Did I mention that the first instance judgment was one-hundred and eight-six (186) A4 pages in length?

The experience of the *amicus* litigation clinic* was rewarding for many reasons. I think we all learnt how to research and write with much more precision – almost like true lawyers. Rocking up to court on day one of the appeal really was close to being 'cool'. There must have been at least eighteen barristers crammed at the bar. As it turned out, we had our standing as *amicus* thrown into doubt, and had to return as 'interveners' the very next day. This turned out to be a controversy within a controversy. We still don't know the Full Court's reasons for the orders refusing us leave to appear as *amicus curiae*. We do know, however, that we will never know what the Full Court thought of our submissions as interveners. In early August this year, the thirty applicants got together with the ten respondents and worked out a settlement.



Mission (almost) accomplished:
'something more is [still] required'.

*Actually, at this late point I should clear something up – for whatever administrative reason, the course was branded 'Independent Research Project – *Amicus* Phase 2'. Does that mean I don't need to write this article after all?

Yeep, bdeep, bdeep, That's All Folks!

Amicus Litigation Clinic – Vital Statistics

Team Willoughby:	Andrew Howell, Adrian Melillo, Magdalena Misiarek, Odette Murray
Team Churchill:	Kelly White, Nathaniel Rowe, SooJin Yoon, Eric Knight
First instance judgment:	30 applicants, 10 respondents; 68,813 words; 186 pages
What the case was about:	At one level, copyright infringement in the context of peer-to-peer file sharing; at another level, freedom of speech and the future of technological innovation throughout the solar system.
Test on authorisation:	'Something more is required.'
Ratio of case:	Don't be too 'cool'. Definitely don't tell people to 'Join the Revolution'.
Mean daily max temp:	26 degrees (Sydney, Centennial Park)

Amicus Litigation Clinic – Timeline

10,995 BC	13,000 years ago ice from the glacial era melted away and human settlement in Estonia became possible.
1855	Inauguration of Sydney Law School, Australia's first.
1857	Teaching in Australia's first university law course began at Melbourne.
1873	Melbourne University's Faculty of Law was inaugurated.
4 Oct 1957	Sputnik 1, the first artificial satellite was launched.
1967	CEO & part owner of Sharman Networks, Nicola Anne Hemming born in Northampton, England.
11 May 1984	Justice Wilcox appointed a Judge of the Federal Court of Australia.
5 Dec 2005	Amicus Litigation Clinic started.
20 Feb 2006	Amicus Litigation Clinic ended.
2 Sep 2006	The day I realised that while Sydney University says it's Australia's 'first' law school, Melbourne University says it's Australia's 'oldest'. I don't get it – did they inaugurate Sydney law school, but not start teaching until later, and within that time start teaching at Melbourne law school, though not inaugurate until after Sydney? Someone should write an article for Blackacre about this!

JESSUP

KATE SMYTH

The Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

Sydney University Jessup team 2006:

Dale Bampton, Oliver Jones, Andrew Rankine, Kate Smyth and Natalie Zerial.

One of my memories of schoolies week in Surfers Paradise is the wall of bottles that my friends and I built in our apartment, as proud evidence of our teenage alcohol consumption abilities. One of my memories of Jessup is the wall of takeaway coffee trays that built up in our hideout on Level 14 of the Law School, as testament to our desperate struggle to stay awake longer and read more cases faster. How things change. Of course, I'm obviously still too lazy to take out the garbage.

But I digress. What is Jessup? An international moot competition. 5 students, one international law moot problem, approximately 3 months of research and writing. And I mean days and nights. The challenge: how to get heavy volumes of ICJ cases back into the library unnoticed when you have taken them out through the fire escape in the middle of the night. And produce two 12,000 word written memorials containing submissions on complex, novel areas of international law. And prepare for a week of gruelling competition in the national oral rounds in Canberra. And come out of it all still speaking to the other 4 students. It would make one hell of a reality TV show.

Well, we failed on the first part, and suffered the wrath of the powers that be in the library. Fortunately, the rest we accomplished, and it turned out to be one of the best experiences I've had at Law School.

To start with, there's the subject matter. International law is incredibly dynamic and political and this makes it a difficult area to moot. The Jessup questions typically include some of the greyest legal areas. Consider one of this year's issues: what are the human rights obligations of a State which allows a private company to perform essentially governmental security functions within its borders? What if the private company is 49% owned by the State? If the other 51% is owned by a foreign company, can this in anyway engage the responsibility of that State? Does it matter that the people whose rights are being abused are not nationals of the host State?

Or a different issue: If a State dissolves into several smaller States, what happens to the rights and obligations of the old State? Where does its membership in international organizations go? Do all the new States get it? None of them? One of them? What if only one of them wants to continue the legal personality of the old State, but the others disagree? What makes a State a State?

So you begin to understand why, as we rolled into the night, we moved from coffee to Red Bull.

But the good news is, you have four other intelligent and equally confused team members to battle through it all with you. The opportunity to work closely over a prolonged period with other students is a major reward of Jessup. Each person in the team brings a different research technique and a unique approach to the problem. You develop your own skills by learning from theirs. You also spend so much time with them that for a few months they become your surrogate family. For me one of the highlights of the experience has been the formation of solid friendships with the other team members.

After the research and writing of memorials was completed, we began preparing for the oral rounds. This involved completely different challenges. The idea now is to take the enormously complex issue you have been thinking about from every angle for months, having read hundreds and hundreds of pages of relevant information, and explain it to someone in a few minutes. With them interrupting to ask questions every twenty seconds. Over time, we developed our advocacy skills with the help of our coach, barrister Justin Hogan-Doran, who regularly demolished us in practice moots. He also rounded up a string of other judges to come and torture us, often past Jessupers themselves. This was encouraging, as we realized we could look forward to doing the same thing in years to come.

So, after all this, we finally made it to Canberra to compete. It was intense - four preliminary moots, quarter finals and semi finals in four days. Unfortunately that's where the story ends, since we were knocked out in the semi-finals in a very close moot with the University of Queensland. Writing that is still hard, I'll admit, but then you have to be philosophical about these things. Each team had put in an incredible effort and performed well, and only one can come first. You win some, you lose some. Of course, if you win, you can afford to be less philosophical, because you're racing for the champagne. We headed straight for the flaming shots that night instead.

But the funny thing is that ultimately, I feel like the actual competition was a very small part of the experience. The real part of Jessup is the thinking, discussing, reading, arguing, writing, laughing, and re-writing that leads up to that point. Because you don't need to take away a trophy to have enjoyed yourself and to have achieved something.



SHANGHAI WINTER SCHOOL

JOY ALBERT

Any Blackacre reader has probably spent enough time at law school to realize that what is going on in these colorful and action-packed photos is not your average day at main campus or at Phillip Street.

Rather, this is Shanghai – a city of extremes and bursting with energy – definitely not your average law school learning experience. At a time when China is on everyone's agenda, the three-week long Shanghai Winter School would have to be the hottest course on offer at Sydney Uni. What's more is that both undergrads and postgrads from all over Australia (and overseas) seem to agree.

In December 2005, over fifty Sydney University students were joined by twenty or so students from universities in Melbourne, Perth and overseas for the 12th Winter School on Chinese law at the East China University of Politics and Law. The ECUPL is one of China's oldest and most distinguished law schools, and the lecturers took great pride (!) in telling us about the key role the university's academics have played in developing China's legal system. The latter, we soon realized, is no mean feat in a country whose laws were in complete disarray less than thirty years ago.

Over three weeks our Chinese professors provided us with a glimpse into twelve areas of their law – from legal history to civil, criminal, administrative and constitutional law, as well as laws related to doing business in China. The on-campus learning experience was complemented by trips to Chinese law firms, where we met friendly (!) local lawyers who explained to us the mechanics of working in the profession in China. The course raised plenty of questions about China's success in building a legal system since the late 1970s, and how recent developments will affect the country's future progress and its international relations. Quite clearly, Shanghai Winter School provides one of the most stimulating academic experiences you can take part in at law school.

While the thought of doing readings over the summer break may initially have discouraged some from signing up for Winter School, it soon became apparent that academics were only a very small part of the Shanghai experience. Sure, Shanghai will look great on the resume in years to come, and the course means doing one less elective in fifth year. But more than that, no one at Winter School was going to let three weeks of the holidays pass without having a good time – and Shanghai proved to be a suitable playground.

The Winter School schedule of two 2-hour classes per day left plenty of time to explore one of the world's most exciting megacities and to immerse ourselves in local culture. Every day and night of the week was spent covering places on and off the well-beaten tourist track. Trips were made to the glamorous Bund, across the river to space-age Pudong and to the many markets for 'genuine' goods of all sorts. Nights were spent in karaoke bars (don't deny it – you know who you are!), accepting invitations from cabbies to explore the night – and wild-life, then returning to the university guesthouse on long walks back in dresses, heels and shirts in subzero temperatures.

When we had had enough of the campus dining hall buffet, there were enough holes-in-the-wall churning out bowls of steaming noodle soup and authentic *dim sum*, and cheap public transport offered a way to explore other parts of town and the opportunity to subject the city's taxi drivers to our basic Mandarin skills learned at beginner's courses provided by the university. Our weekends were spent away from Shanghai on optional trips organized by ECUPL, drinking *longjin* tea in Hangzhou and touring ancient temples and gardens in 'China's Venice', Suzhou.

Before we knew it, the three weeks were almost up, and there was an exam that had to be prepared for. Studying twelve areas of Chinese law – the Australian equivalent of which is covered in nearly 3 years of law school in Sydney – was possible only through the lasting friendships made and with the help of the nearest *Shimbaku* (Starbucks).

Without a doubt, Shanghai Winter School 2005 has been the highlight of many students' experience at law school. Returning to Sydney, we managed to infect others with the thought of Winter School 2006 – so we hope you rug up, brush up on your chopstick skills and prepare for the most unique three weeks that law school has to offer!



SPORTS REPORT

RICHARD L'ESTRANGE

2006 has been another successful year for sport at the law school. Two major events dominated first semester. First was the annual USYD / UNSW sports day. Three sports were contested: mixed touch footy, mixed soccer and men's rugby. The touch footy was a four way contest (with Freehills and UTS joining the fray). Unfortunately the lawyers showed they weren't over the hill yet, taking the trophy. In the mixed soccer UNSW narrowly beat USYD 1 – 0. The rugby was another closely fought (and emotionally charged!) battle with USYD ultimately going down.

The second element of the sport portfolio in 2006 was interfaculty sport, which was run throughout the year. Law consistently fielded competitive teams which successfully challenged the likes of Med, Pharmacy, the Engos and Education. Highlights so far have included an agonisingly tense shoot out in the men's soccer (which put the Socceroo's World Cup performance to shame!), an exhilarating run to the final of the basketball and a spirited effort in mixed netball!

Semester two looks forward to a socials tennis initiative, as well as an inaugural SULS 'iron-man' / 'iron-woman' triathlon competition at Manly beach!



LAW REVUE

CHARLES ALEXANDER

The Sydney University Law Revue is perhaps one of the most enjoyable things this University has to offer. For approximately two months of the year, everyone affiliated with the revue comes together to create an awesome comedy show. To quote a previous choreographer, it's as amazing as the birth of a child – but with a 60% guaranteed reduced risk of uterine tearing. Usually.

The Law Revue is a great way to meet law students from other years and at different stages of their university life. In so doing, you discover that the many other law students who you originally thought were arrogant pricks actually are. But by then, you've already become friends and they make great drinking buddies. In short, revuers, be they 1st year or 5th year are a tremendous bunch of shining wits (and yes that is a spoonerism).

Few people are aware of the circuitous route by which a Law Revue comes to fruition so I shall try explaining this convoluted process. The Law Revue begins in mid-semester one when SULLS appoints the directors and producers. This curious relationship is unique to all University Revues and can be described as an alliance of two thieves who have their hands so deep in each other's pockets that separation cannot be achieved without causing a scandal and/or contract killing(s). With their position confirmed by SULLS, the directors then choose their Executive; this includes Choreographers, Assistant Directors, and Singing Director(s).

With the Executive selected, cast auditions are open for two nights. This is a mammoth task with up to 100 people applying for about 40 positions (unfortunately theatre fire regulations limit the size of the cast) and the Executive are faced with the difficult task of deciding who makes the cut.

The Sydney University Law Revue has a strong reputation to live up to and a number of students chose to study here because they saw (and wanted to be in) the Sydney Law Revue. And many, having started studying law at Sydney, find Revue to be the only worthwhile excuse to keep coming back.

Every year the Revue endeavours to push the boundaries of good taste (often well into the province of really bad taste) and each Revue has its magical moments that no audience or cast member can ever forget. Skits such as the infamous "Berger Beheading Outtakes (2004)" and "1920s-styled Silent Porn Flick (2003)" spring to mind; these were ideas that only people as morally depraved as law students could think of, let alone act in. Other brilliant musical and dance numbers include "Disney's War on Terror on Ice (2002)" and the "Bohemian Rhapsody Ballet (2005)". The titles alone tell how much fun we had in these numbers.

The Revue involves a huge amount of time and commitment from all concerned. Every participant is a volunteer and for many of us, it will probably be the last pro bono thing we'll ever do. So demanding is the Law Revue that at times it seems tertiary education exists merely as an incidental condition to joining the Law Revue.

But the juice is always worth the squeeze, the one skit that everyone looks forward to (both cast and audience alike) is the annual nude skit. What surprises me is how professional both young men and women become when you cramp 40 of them completely naked in the side-wings of the York Theatre. Certainly, our professionalism was tested somewhat in one year when we shared our change rooms with some primary school children. Backstage that evening was a novel experience for both primary and tertiary students alike.

So what is it like to be part of the cast? I can say with absolute certainty that the cast parties are the greatest parties I have ever, and will ever, attend in my entire life. Each of the four performances is immediately followed by a cast party at a pre-arranged venue with limitless alcohol funded from our not-so-modest budget. To illustrate, the World Health Organisation states that the average Australian drinks approximately 16 standard drinks per week. Many cast members exceed that figure within the first two hours.

Each party involves around 50 law students who have spent the last 8 weeks stuck together, rehearsing, suffering, bitching, and laughing. The level of excitement and sense of collective achievement is incomparable as we party on into the morning, fuelled by the adrenaline of the stage and exhilaration of the audience's raucous applause. It is generally said that a cast party isn't a cast party until the police have issued noise abatement notices.

Nevertheless, such bacchanalian hedonism furthers rather than hinders one's legal education. Legal practice is inherently theatrical and is more about acting and performance than substance or accuracy. In this way, Law Revue is an essential part of any legal education both socially and academically. In the words of one previous director, "Sydney University: Average Law, World-Class Law Revue".



LAW BALL

AMY DOBBIN

Law Ball 2006- 'Brazilian Carnival'

On the 11th August, over 500 law students joined together for a spectacular night of 'Brazilian Carnival'. The 2006 Law Ball was destined to be something special, as people donned everything from 'sequins and feathers to coloured shirts and ties', embracing the Brazilian theme. This year's ball was held at Doltone House, Jones Bay Wharf, which has spectacular waterfront views facing the Harbour Bridge. Blessed with perfect weather, the night began with cocktails and canapés on the balcony where everyone was able to soak in the Brazilian atmosphere. With 'cosmopolitans' and 'midori splices', in each hand, everyone quickly realised that a memorable night was to follow.

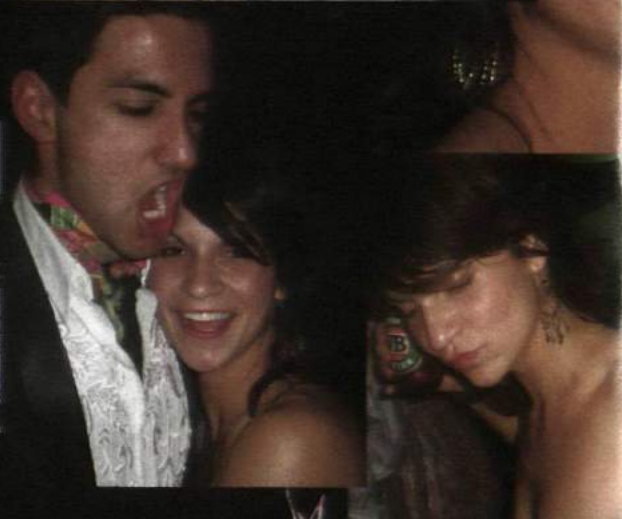
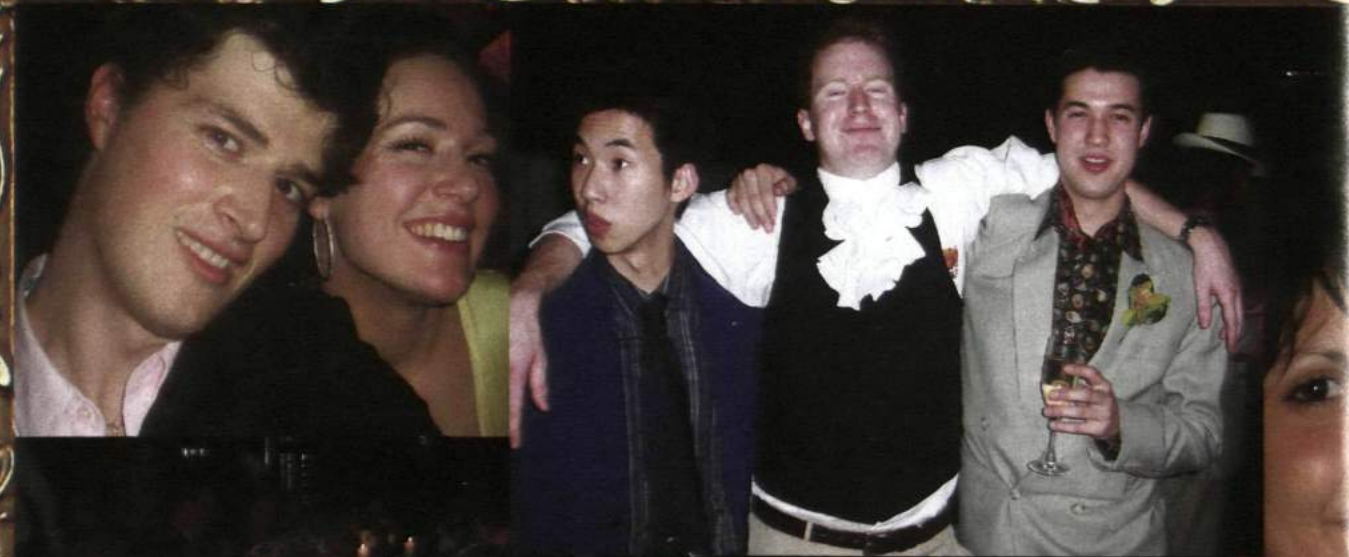
Walking in to the sounds of a Brazilian band, Doltone House was awash with hot pink lighting and Rio backdrops setting the scene for authentic Brazilian Carnival. The tables were decorated with fruit/floral centerpieces, coloured material and candlelight, and everyone sat down to a personalised place setting. By the time entrée was served, the dance floor was already on fire, as people were spurred on by the rhythms of authentic Brazilian sounds. With salsa moves out in full force, there was no doubt about it- everyone was ready for a party.

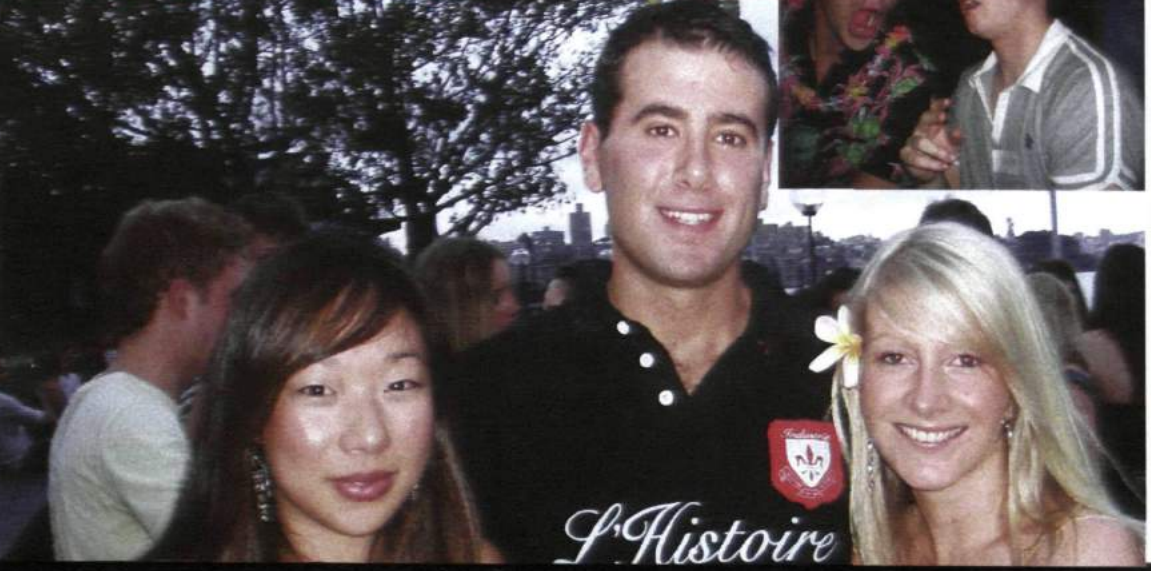
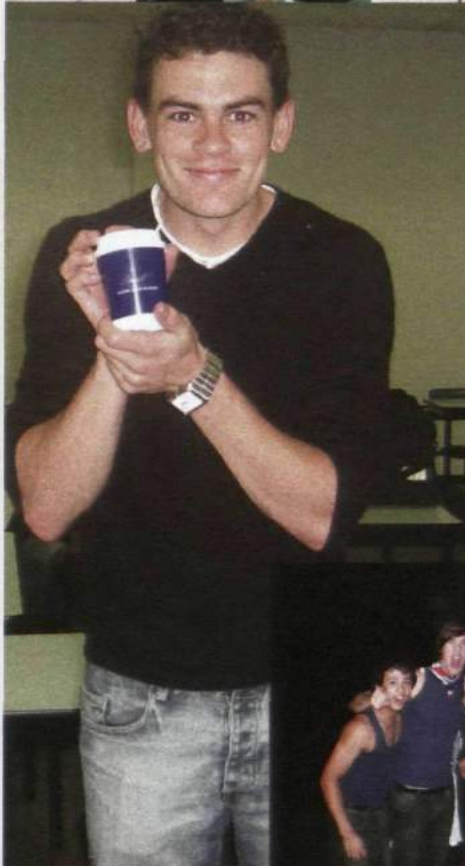
The highlight of the night came with the entrance of eight Brazilian dancers to a beating drum; four male and four female. A little taken back by the g-strings, bare skin and sequins, everyone quickly got into the dance routines. Amazed by the energy, flexibility, and sheer talent of these dancers, the entertainment certainly left everyone with some unforgettable memories.

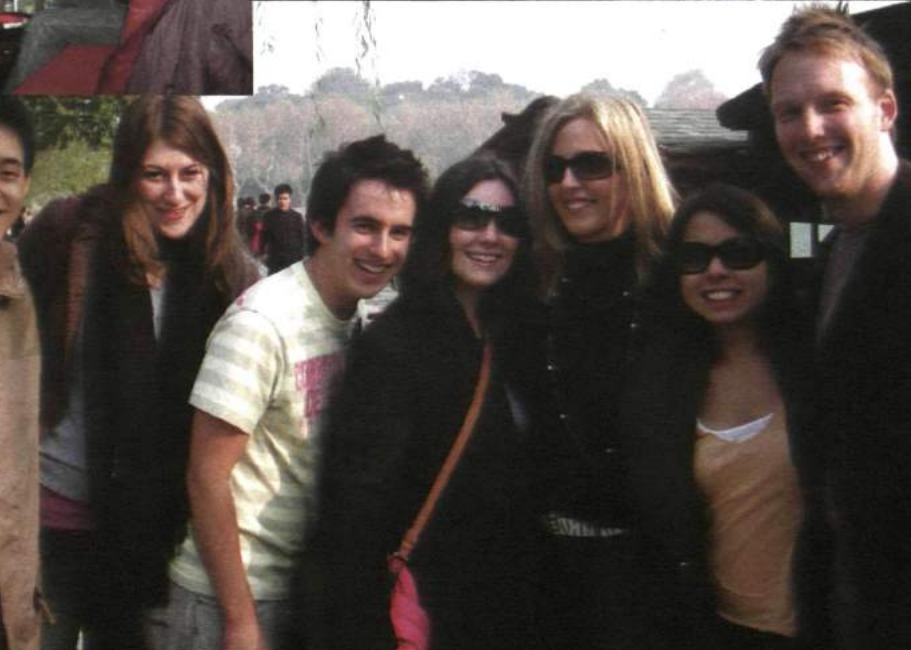
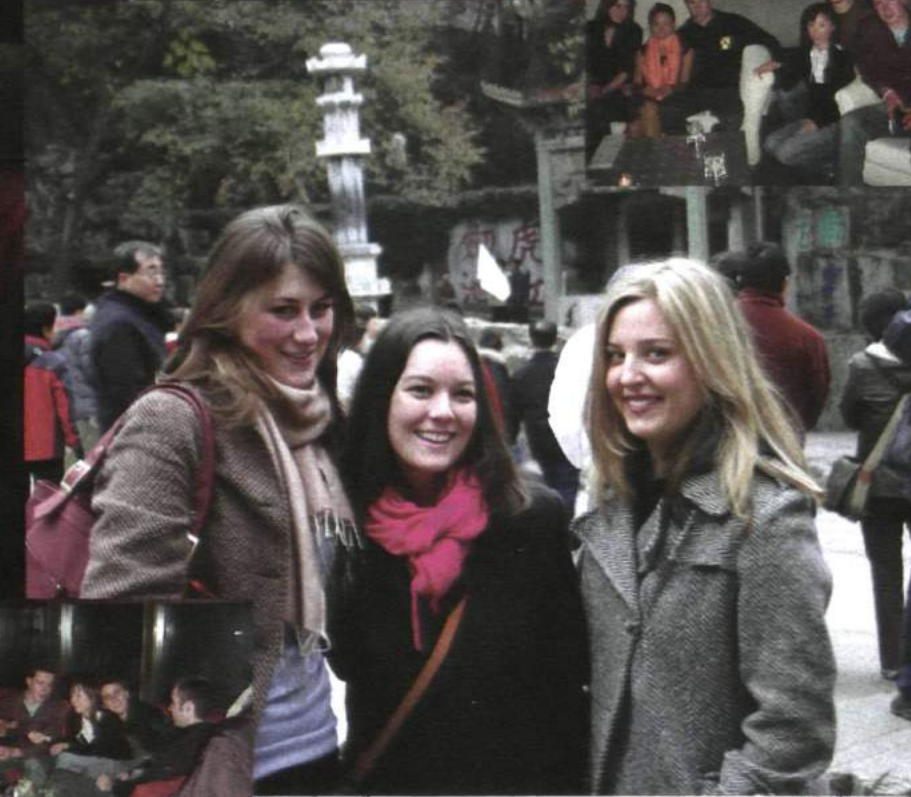
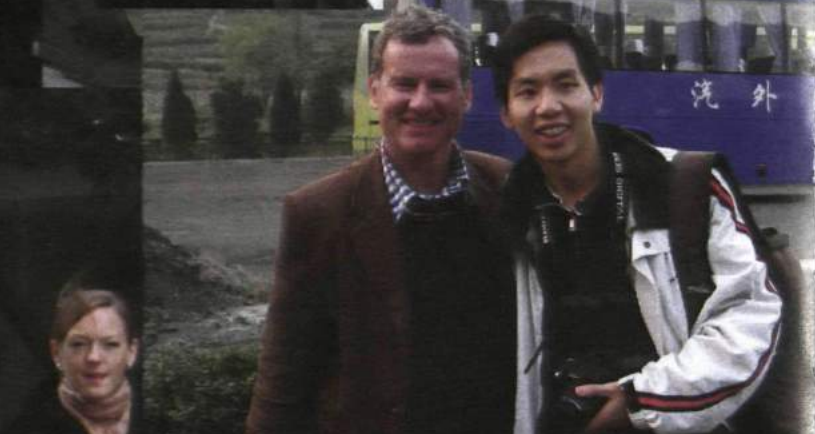
While perhaps not quite as talented as the professionals, the likes of 500 odd law students soon took control of the dance floor, where they would stay, until being dragged off at midnight. In the meantime, shirts had been taken off, pineapple centre pieces eaten, and feathers had begun to wither. Needless to say, the night kicked on with enthusiasm at Watershed, which contrary to popular opinion that 'After parties are always bad', proved to be a perfect end to a great night.

On an occasion such as this, we are reminded what a great opportunity law ball is to bring so many different people together. Ranging from first years to fifth years, those commencing their studies, those just completing the studies, and those in between- everyone comes together to have a good time. The night showed why the annual law ball is the height of the SULLS social calendar, and certainly gave everyone some memorable moments, pieces of gossip or at the very least some funny photos.

On a final note, I wanted to thank all those who put so much work into the running of the ball- a night such as this does not just come together on its own, and it has only been through the combined efforts of Jess and myself, the entire SULLS exec led so patiently and wonderfully by Ollie, and campus committee, who enabled such a successful ball.







IN MEMORY OF
NATHAN TREPEZANOV

JAMES WINDON



Nathan Trepezanov was an individual who can only be described adequately as unforgettable - as an academic he was a stand-out; as a performer he was remarkable; as a friend he was flawless; and as an individual he was unforgettable.

At Sydney University, Nathan left his mark wherever he chose to spend his time. His first year law revue performance will always be remembered as he went about constructing the most hectic Kebab in the world. In the classroom, his marks reflected an individual who must have spent every weekend chained to his desk, however, the bags under his eyes and wearied face told a different story.

Nathan answered to only one person- Nathan. For anyone else would have informed him that weight-lifting singlets should not be worn to first year exams; or poo-brown 1972 Toyota Coronas should not be parked on traffic islands; or peroxidized hair does not blend easily into a jet-black beard.

But if he answered to anyone else, chances are he wouldn't have done in 21 years what many dream of doing in a lifetime. With Nathan, don't ask what could have been; enjoy what was.

PROFILES



ANTONIA ABELSON



JOY ALBERT

"Where are you from? Sweden? Hawaii? South America? The Philippines?" "All of the above" multi-lingual Joy might reply. In her five years of this never ending degree, Joy has turned many heads with her style, smile and fascinating accent yet she remains a delightful international mystery. One may still believe she is American: she did go on exchange to Boston, but in fact she has no American roots.

Joy has a fixation for anything foreign: be it ALL types of cuisine, international law (and its cute, middle-aged professors), and the multinational members of Shanghai's bands... We are certain that Joy's obsession with travel and food will lead to her dream job as a writer for Gourmet Traveler. We will miss our daily pilgrimages to King Street's Mecca, our last minute study sessions together and her amusing concentration twitch. But Joy is full of pleasant surprises and although where she ends up is anybody's guess, we look forward to being entertained by her exotic travel tales and exciting (mis)adventures from wherever she may be.



MAX ALBRECHT

Like many of his former Scot's colleagues, Max began his Law Degree at Sydney Uni with a healthy dose of cynicism and a slightly conservative haircut. However, more was in store for Max than first seemed likely.

Reluctantly embarking on First Year Law Camp, Max found himself thrust to the top of the social pile, being voted the Camp's "SOLO Man", or in other words the person the ladies would most like to "slam down fast". The prestigious award was the product of a mammoth five minute long competitive pash (the name of his partner has now passed into myth and legend), although Max always argued that his overall personality and rapier-like wit played a significant role. Apart from this early success, Max has engaged in a number of abortive attempts at extracurricular involvement. He soon discovered, however, that university should bend to travel, football and Germany, choosing his electives based upon whether their assessment structure would allow him to attend the World Cup.

Max's academic development was mirrored in his choice of lifestyle. From the family pad at Vacluse to share housing in Camperdown, to back to the family pad in Vacluse, Max has completed the full circle.

Having committed himself 110% to his first three years of study, Max was forced to take a year off in 2004 to make up his commitment-deficit (it being impossible to consistently give more than 100%). While many of us struggled with a history or philosophy thesis, Max spent many months teaching English to South American school children, despite not knowing a word of Spanish before his departure. The adventure was a confirmation of his unself-conscious sense of social justice.

Like many of us, Max has undertaken his law degree with a combination of commitment, mirth and disbelief. Never afraid to speak his mind, he has always been someone who would happily contribute, despite hardly ever having done the readings. He will go far, but in which direction, no one really knows.



CHARLES ALEXANDER

As a disdainful law lecturer once said of Charles when he impertinently popped a bottle of champagne in her class: "Each to their own". To those of us who know Charles, we say "Cheers to that", and "Yes Charles, I would like another glass thanks very much". Charles arrived at law school with the expectations of oak panelling, and in dismay at the reality, decided to gentrify the place. Caviar, champagne breakfasts, 3 piece suits, and flamboyant lapel flowers were Charles' replacements for standard student fare.

Remarkable at inventing words in order to deceive himself that he had finished the daily crossword, he successfully deceived the mooting judges, and in so doing finally proved that manner is more important than matter. It was not merely the mooting judges who were smitten: Charles, with Taiwanese modelling heritage, was irresistible to law students from both the East and the Far East.

Not understanding the benefits of leaving things to the imagination, Charles revealed a little too much of himself during the Law Revue each year. As one of only two members of the class of '06 to have participated every year since first year, Charles' many Ian Thorpe impersonations meant that he was naked even more than is usual for a cast member. His extraordinary contributions in singing, dancing, acting and even writing as the years progressed were overshadowed only by his sublime talents as a host. Charles' cast parties provide a retreat from the modern-day, where all your woes are replaced with a cigar and cheeky cognac. With the departure of Charles and his Thursday night cast party, the Revue is losing an institution.



CHARLOTTE ALEXANDER



LAURA ALLAN

Law school's very own Elle Woods, this gorgeous Canadian has turned more than a few heads in her time at law school. With long blonde hair, perpetually tanned skin, a svelte figure and an endless supply of designer clothes and high heels, she never fails to send hearts a flutter. Complete with the latest Apple Mac and designer bag to carry it, and her most recent addition, a diamond-collared puppy, this girl knows exactly how to accessorize. In class, Laura actively contributes to discussions and is never afraid to call a spade a spade. If you can't find her at law school, chances are she has popped down to Pitt St or Paddington for some retail therapy.



TIMOTHY ANDREWS



DANIELLA ARENA

If you blinked twice you might have missed this raven-haired pocket rocket around campus. Some have likened her to Eva Longoria and even to Home and Away star Ada Nicodemou, however, Dan is no Desperate Housewife, preferring competitive sport to couture any day of the week! Dan is most at ease sweating it out on the netball court. She is a keen netballer and represented Sydney University at Uni Games. Aside from sport, what really starts Diesel's engine are figures and mathematical calculations. She has loved every second of her Commerce degree and currently works in the Forensic Accounting Department at PricewaterhouseCoopers. Those who have had the opportunity to meet Dan will remember her smiley face, and fun-loving spirit. She'll make you laugh and you're guaranteed a good time - just don't ask her if she is related to Tina or Franca Arena, the answer is no!



JESSICA AU

Degree: Commerce/Law

Where she will be in 10 years time: A superwoman - a tough accomplished lawyer by day and an affectionate mother by night.

Jessica is one of those people who can always keep a balanced lifestyle. During the semester, she regularly works, exercises and volunteers, all the while maintaining an impressive academic record. Despite her busy schedule, she always has time for friends, shopping and eating. She not only juggles multiple tasks but manages to complete them successfully, reflecting her hardworking and diligent nature. Jessica's modesty however, prevents her from ever admitting to this.

Accompanying that intelligent and highly-capable mind is a heart-warming soul who is sincere, considerate and often very funny to watch. This is because Jessica gets lost remarkably easily, which often lands her in very hilarious situations. Her sense of direction definitely needs fine-tuning! Her bubbly personality is highly contagious, bringing warmth to the room and smiles to everyone's faces.



MONIQUE AZZOPARDI

Monique is one of those rare people with a kind heart, a positive enthusiasm and a great sense of humour! This has enabled her to contribute greatly to the environment of the university and the friendships she has formed during her degree. Monique was initially drawn to the intellectual challenge of the law, and a love of debate. Building on her background in speech and drama and Arts, she has been a successful competitor in numerous moot competitions. She won the Minter Ellison Junior Moot in 2004, was a Grand Finalist in the Blake Dawson Waldron Equity Moot 2005, and part of the winning partnership for the best written submissions in the Shine Roche McGowan National Torts Moot 2005 (and the list does not end there!). In an enjoyable final year of study she worked at a small city law firm and had the opportunity to travel through Europe. Stayed tuned: we will no doubt see her form a successful career as a barrister.



ANNA BACHMANN

If i had to think of two words to describe Anna Bachmann, they would not be 'law student'!!! Anna challenges all the preconceptions. Not only has Anna worked at the UN in New York, but she has survived volunteer work in Costa Rica and lectured at the Danang University in Vietnam! To make us mere mortals feel even more humbled, she juggles work, uni, Guest lectures in Sociology at Sydney Uni, and even finds time to volunteer at a homeless shelter (although she has been informed by the locals that her future is not in making soup!).

So what two words would describe Anna? Well really, I'd need to write a book (after all I am a lawyer!) but in a paragraph... Before I met Anna Bachmann, Law School was just that annoying time between naps. But there is never a dull moment when Anna is around with her quirky sense of humour and her avid and vocal dislike of...well law school actually. Her vibrancy and her intelligence make her one of the most wonderful and inspirational people here. I am truly blessed to have her as a friend.



TINEKE BAIRD



DALE BAMPTON

Dale started her law degree in the Graduate Law program, with other qualifications in Sociology, Gender studies and international public health. After beginning her PhD in international health policy, Dale decided that it was international law that she was passionate about and began her law degree. During her law degree, Dale was a member of the semi-finalist team for the Jessup International Law Moot for Sydney University in 2005/2006. She was also a semi-finalist for the International Law Moot 2005 and a quarter-finalist in the Equity Law Moot 2005. A part-time lecturer in International Health at Sydney University, she has an interest in Public International Law and completed an Independent Research Project on the death sentences handed down in Indonesia to two members of the 'Bali Nine'. During her law degree, Dale completed an elective law unit at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem in Israel and a practical placement at the Public Defenders Office. She is also the founding member of the International Law Placement Committee, aiming to place law students with public interest agencies in developing countries.



IZHAR BASHA



LUCAS BASTIN

Having joined Sydney law in 2001, it took Lucas a while to find his feet. Although pinpointing the exact moment is difficult, Lucas suspects it occurred sometime in mid-2005, such a four year adjustment meaning that Lucas was a fair way down on the Darwinian ladder of "species who are able to adapt". However, eventually, with about a year to go in his six year degree, Lucas figured out how to get at (and through) law school. The essence of this survival lay in two areas. First, Lucas relied heavily on Oak chocolate milk and Mint Kit-Kat Chunkies. Never before had the 24 hour convenience store on Philip Street had such custom as when they introduced that line of Kit-Kat in August '06. And secondly, Lucas transferred all his obsessiveness to mooting. Although winning a few comps and making a few friends (and enemies) through mooting, Lucas will probably best be remembered for the permanently stressed look on his face as various days of moot-reckoning approached. On the whole, Lucas really liked law school, even if it did shave a few years of the final sum of his life!



LISA BAU

I originally met Lisa 'little bau wow' Bau before she embarked on her illustrious legal career. Exactly what it was about the dungeon that is Law School that lured her away from the glamorous world of banking and accounting I will never know, but I am very glad that she chose this path! Lees is one of those very rare people that always puts her friends and family above herself - this is the girl who, despite working full time, baked me muffins to give me for my birthday (and seriously Lees - I thought you were conducting a real survey when you asked me if I liked chocolate or raspberries better!) We hit it off straight away - whenever we had group meetings to work on assignments, it would always be Lisa and I nodding along, agreeing with everyone, looking engrossed - little did they know that we were also secretly glancing at each other, both thinking 'what the?'. It was Lisa and I seen together at Macca's Circular Quay after the Allens cocktail party (that cocktail food just does not cut it when you are true foodies like us!). More than anything, it was always Lisa that I would go to when I did not understand something at work (the photocopier!?!?) or at uni, and her happy smile, supportive words and great sense of humour would always get me through!

We have been through a lot together - summer at Allens, 7.30am SULLS Executive Meetings, a night giggling our way through the OzHarvest experience (in matching size XL yellow t-shirts), a day in juvenile detention and a whole lotta hot chips! Rumour has it that Lees, desperate for hot chips after a hard days lectures, raced to the NSW Leagues Club straight after class, by herself, to satisfy her craving. But that is just a rumour! The contribution Lisa has made to SULLS cannot be underestimated - she was at the fore of many of SULLS most memorable parties (for those that can remember) and her enthusiasm and organisational skills were appreciated by all those lucky enough to work with her. There is no doubt that Lisa will enjoy a wonderful career in the law (I can personally attest for her excellent grasp of chronological order), I wish her all the best for her exchange and I look forward to many more years of giggling....and hot chips!



CHLOE BENNETT

Over the past 5 years of arts and law, Chloe has perfected the art of the all-nighter before assignments and exams and a talent for arriving at uni and handing in assignments with just minutes to spare. She is also well-known for missing the ferry, tearing into the city in her car and parking at great expense.

Her favourite part of the move to the city was that the fact that 'the food is much better and you can shop in breaks' and as an afterthought, 'it's good being near the courts, etc'. However, she still has concerns that there is no mobile reception in some of the lecture theatres and, combined with the lack of windows, there is no way of knowing what is going on in the outside world.

Wherever she ends up, be it in law or politics or an as yet unidentified career path, you can be sure of one thing- it will not involve contracts or real property if she has anything to say about it.



AMELIA BERCELLEY

When Amelia began her years at Law School it could be said that her high voice and big doe-eyes betrayed the hugely varied talents we have since learnt she possesses. With a double degree in business and Japanese, Amelia has been working as a paralegal, clerk and now graduate in the Japan Corporate team of Blake Dawson Waldron. Amelia greatly enjoys her work there and hopes to continue pursuing her interests in this area. Amelia is also a passionate artist and would list painting and drawing among her favourite things to do, having such a way with the brush that a number of her pieces have been sold to lucky connoisseurs. Not only has Amelia been great company in the classroom, but she's always the life of the party at any Law School social event, forever glamorous in any number of designer outfits.



POULAD BERENFOROUSH

Quiet. That would be a word many would use to describe Poulad. You might have seen him sitting in one of your lectures, thoughtfully writing out his notes or chatting quietly to his neighbours. Indeed, one would be forgiven if they mistook Poulad's quietness for apathy, or (surely not!) cynicism. Yet anyone that has actually had the pleasure of speaking with and meeting him soon realises that beneath his cool and reserved exterior, lies something altogether different. You see, guys and gals, Poulad is a closet chatterbox. And a big one at that. Don't believe me? Just try asking him about just about (i) Football, or (ii) Politics. Whether its in ruminating over the latest political developments in the Middle East (everyone's favourite disaster zone), or salivating over the thought of upcoming football games (he started 'gearing up' for Germany '06 in about 1987), Poulad lives with a passion which defies his cool and reserved exterior. His determination and drive will take him to anywhere he wants to go, and he has been a wonderful friend to me and so many other people throughout our short years at university. All the best for the future mate. And hey, World Cup 2014 is just around the corner!



ADRIAN BRIGHT

Hailing from the Melbourne suburbs of Ivanhoe, Adrian Bright joined our class in 2001 as a somewhat enigmatic figure. By night, he was a punctual and neatly-dressed DJ turntabling at some of the hottest 21st birthday parties on the lower North Shore. But by day, DJ Curfew (or just 'Curfew' to his crew) was transformed into a completely different alter-ego: a punctual and neatly-dressed law student.

He has come to be well regarded at the University, having been an active member of the students' Law Society for the last two years in his capacity of IT Officer. (Essentially, when the mouse on the computer in the SULS's office breaks, he fixes it.) However he does not want to be labelled as just a 'computer specialist' - he hardly ever plays Warcraft anymore, he assures us.

Besides, in recent times he has become something of a Renaissance man, having spent time working in South Korea and learning the language. Indeed his tour was so successful that Seoul is now said to be pinning its hopes on him to broker a peaceful reunification with the North. In the meantime, Adrian has plans to start his legal career in Sydney next year and looks forward to keeping in touch with his class mates (although he politely reminds us that he is not a 24-hour IT Help Desk for whenever we have computer problems).



KATE BROWN

Kate Brown, or kbrown as she is more commonly known, came into being at these halls of learning in 2002. And what a revolutionary five years it has been. Dissatisfied with the standards of rooms at both Main Campus and Phillip Street, Brownie took it upon herself to extend the classroom into less traditional areas, conducting her own seminars to a select crew in those inspirational lecture halls of life - Manning bar and the Leagues. In doing so she has also increased the share price of New to levels never seen before. An admirable achievement. Never one to restrict her involvement in learning to mere academics, kbrown was even more revolutionary in her SULS position as Director of Public Forums - changing the title to Director of Public Forum in the year where it was about quality over quantity, and the less is more theory took centre stage. With her passion for beer, nudity and cheap laughs, it was inevitable that Brownie would shine in the edu-tainment spectacular that is the Law Revue. In 2006 as producer Brownie has shown herself to be an accomplished multi tasker - able to balance a budget, be a back row specialist dancer, and sing in big groups all while accepting a cheeky G&T from Charge. There is no doubt in anyone's mind that kbrown is going places - right after one more round.
GO SCHOOL!



RYAN BURNS



CHRISTOPHER BUTLER



KIRSTEN CAMARSH

Kirsten started Graduate Law in 2004 after she realised that her Bachelor of Arts with First Class Honours in English Literature rendered her completely unemployable. She arrived at law school with grand plans to change the world, study International Human Rights Law and shirk responsibility for as long as possible!

Exposure to Contracts, Real Property and Corporate Law proved so immensely enjoyable that she almost succumbed to the ever so alluring temptation of commercial practice. Indeed, she lasted a whole six hours in her one and only commercial law job before resigning due to the abject misery and acute boredom of it all. Fortunately her conscience saved her at the last minute and Kirsten has instead spent the last few years working with Amnesty International Australia and The Red Cross - though she aims to transform them both into huge heartless multinational conglomerates yet!

Consistent with her fervent desire to avoid responsibility and a "proper job" Kirsten is instead going to spend next year in Africa volunteering in a refugee camp in Ghana and travelling.



DUNCAN CAMPBELL

Duncan Campbell studied combined Arts/Law (majoring in modern history for his Arts Degree). A thespian enthusiast, Duncan loves the theatrical element of law and has ambitious aspirations to one day take over the world.

However, one particular set-back stems from airport security where Duncan has often been mistaken for Osama Bin Laden. This is probably due to his debut performance in the Sydney University Law Revue in 2002 where he managed to sing and dance inside a giant Osama Bin Laden head. Suffice to say, the Australian Federal Police have already ordered Duncan not to contact any Terrorist suspects in Australia. (Although we hope he will challenge the constitutional validity of this order in the High Court).

Always ready to shine in University competitions and activities, Duncan is an avid mooter and has participated in the Public International Law Moot, Constitutional Law Moot, Negotiations, and most recently, is a reserve for the Jessup Moot. In his spare time, Duncan edits our Blackacre yearbook and works at the NSW Crown Solicitor's Office.

With such hard work and dedication, Duncan has much promise to become a great barrister. But his one redeeming defect (apart from being a known terrorist) is that he is not a raging alcoholic. No-matter, his friends continue to work tirelessly to correct this problem one day at a time.



IRIS CHAN



KENNETH CHAN

For as long as I have known Ken, I have thought of him to be a smart and intelligent individual, having the ability to apply his skills to all sorts of legal and distinctly non legal thinking. How he has perfected the art of learning by osmosis – nodding off in all law lectures I see him in, yet come exam time, still being able to rattle off the entire course from memory, is something so intellectually challenging, that I just can't replicate. Or being able to recall complicated concepts from his days in science when others can't remember what just happened in class is equally amazing. His experiences with teaching the brains of tomorrow, jet setting around the world and all his other extracurricular pursuits mean that Kenny C is never short of something to say and never far from a good story. A person who speaks his mind and is not afraid of the fluffy subjects, with such talent he could easily be seen as the next great litigator or patent attorney or science whiz (who can tell us all about learning by osmosis). There's nothing like Ken to break up the monotony of law school, so thanks for the music.



LISA CHANG

Lisa's approach to law school can be likened to a choose-your-own-adventure novel. While many law students adhered to the traditional "do all your readings and work hard" storyline and struggled for mediocre marks, she wittingly discovered the "minimalist" alternative, leaving law school having never realised there was more than one floor of the library. However, a desire for a real "academic" experience, eventually brought on an early abdication to Canada.

Lisa will be fondly remembered for her calming influence, particularly displayed during her traumatic transition from a size 4 to a size 5. Longchamp bags were an ongoing obsession, yet she was never able to carry all 10 at once. After a Presidential stint during her Commerce days, in her senior years at law school she continued her disdain for unfashionable t-shirts and sausage sizzles to join the SULS exec, which provided a much needed outlet for her latent decisive streak. Her reign as Supreme Chancellor of the Treasury produced some prominent achievements, among them the revamping of the law school façade to include more reflective surfaces in which to better admire one's figure.

Lisa's future is littered with offers from all sides and it is therefore difficult to predict where she will end up. One thing is sure – this will be a consultative process, most likely to span the four corners of the globe, and a lot of ice cream and shoes will be consumed in the process. She has been invited to lecture at law school next year, but chances are she will not accept as we all know that she doesn't like to talk much.



MILA CERECINA

Essays, DVD extras, getting the mail: welcome to the rollercoaster world of Mila Cerecina.

It's an odd reality that finds Mila's greatest dreams realised in a mere crossing of the road. But, all those steamy Supreme Court (of Appeal) fantasies will be fulfilled simply because she threw in a late application. But that's Mila. Irritating. Mila arrived in Australia full of hope and footnotes, and quickly annexed Forestville Primary in a ruthless campaign against Australian underachievers. But, despite her academic success, her struggle with the mystery that is the English language has continued well beyond her formative years: Mila, there is no such expression as "black leather law".

Not really having anything to worry about, Mila has to generate obscure daily crises in order to pass the time between HDs. Apart from her fear of the dark and E.T., these crises usually involve eBay, her profile or whether her jeans fit. She also spends much of her time laughing at her own jokes and answering her own questions: "Do I look good? Wait...Yeah I do".

Mila is one of the warmest, happiest and most genuine people you will ever have the pleasure of knowing. I only hope she still has time to see us next year in her busy schedule of writing judgments for Spigelman and watching Dumbo.



LOUISE CHAU

Even amongst an exceptional cohort, some students stand out. Louise is one of them, and she stands out for two reasons: first, her unparalleled ability; second, her complete humility as to the first.

When the rest of us were bonding over the difficulties (also known as the 'Bored-out-of-my-mind' factor) of Contract Law, Lou was in her element. It was this sickness that allowed her to not only top the subject but suggest to the rest of us that "it wasn't that bad"

Despite her exceptional ability, it is Louise's humility and sense of humanity that has made her so loved at Sydney University. A person who has always been able to see the law in its wider social context, her enormous work for charity and social justice programs has set her apart.

If all of that seems too perfect, then it is. For resting against her copy of "Carter on Contracts" will probably be an empty bottle of wine and a trashy romance novel, for even the genius mind needs a holiday.

The girl who went on exchange to Cornell University in final year and learned – without, apparently, too much difficulty – to date the 'American way', she remains the girl who is only ever too willing to have a coffee break, and who, of course, will always turn heads with her innate sense of style.

Yes, she has it all, and as she leaves the dungeons of Sydney Law School, we wish this chocaholic and wonderful friend the very best that personal and professional fulfilment can bring.



YING (ALICE) CHEN

Alice Chen has been described as a quiet achiever. It is an appellation that no one who has experienced her haunting rendition of 'Barbie Girl' by Aqua would credit to her. The truth is to be found among the phrases 'karaoke superstar', 'coffee high' and 'pikachu impression'. Her energy and vitality (some may say hyperactivity) have found expression in a bewildering array of personal pursuits including yoga, Dragon Boating, pump, salsa dancing, belly dancing classes and piano lessons (she maintains that, although her gutsy blues stylings are largely unappreciated in Australia, they have electrified the French). Yet she has found time for assiduous study, active participations in various Sydney University organizations and continuous employment, most recently as a Summer Clerk at Blake Dawson Waldron.

Alice harbours ambitions to one day own a dog named Chocolate, and to continue her legal career whilst pursuing a hobby in pigeon hunting. With her intelligence, flair, resourcefulness and good humour, well may we say of her: 'imagination, life is her creation!'



VAHINI CHETTY

Affectionately known as V but not for vendetta, V is nonetheless not your average law student. Apart from her long-running fetish bordering on obsession with David Rolph, her other talents include an unparalleled imitation of Rolphie and his squid/squib, "hush now children, it's my time to shine", and she is probably an expert on all things Adelaide (after Sarah of course). Her other notable traits include copious amounts of tea-drinking, having the heaviest laptop, having the most entertaining stories, as well as the best stories about old people, as well as having the best hair, and being able to identify other. V also is regularly liable for being in possession of or having just been in possession of Haigh's chocolate. Having said this, do not be disturbed. All things considered, I would say that V is probably one of the smartest people at law school, definitely the most down-to-earth and friendly, and will most definitely succeed in all she does (as well as marry some rich and attractive man).



AARON CHEW

Have you seen this man?

Believed to be enrolled in the LLB at Sydney University, Aaron was last seen in Stuvac 2004, 2 days before the Real Property exam, when he appeared in a slightly disorientated state on a friend's doorstep asking for notes. He has been missing from his university classes for several months now and grave fears are held for the safe completion of his law degree. He was also expected to attend the Mr Tank Top Australia Awards as the 2005 Hall of Fame inductee, but friends say he never showed up. A search of his bed, local karaoke bars and Timezones in the months following his disappearance have yielded no leads. There have been a number of reported sightings of Aaron, but they may be unreliable because don't all Asians look the same? Friends say that it is rare for Aaron to be out of touch for long or to miss a chance at getting together with friends. It may well be that he has only joined the international competitive Singstar circuit, but this notice has been issued as a precaution, because his faith and friendship would be greatly missed.



ROBERT CHIU

Rob's appetite for law began early in his university career when he appropriated a box of Snickers on first year law camp and retired to his cabin for most of the weekend. Five years later, he's emerged five years older, a little wiser and - as the slogan goes - very, very satisfied. But Rob's talents extend far beyond being able to eat all the burgers on the Hungry Jack's menu in a single sitting (although he has accomplished this). His passion for eclectic work is unparalleled, which explains his truly diverse CV: from selling 'Sprite Zero' into the top three sugarless carbonated drinks in Australia, to interning for BHP on Groote Eylandt in the pursuit that he might 'legally' taste Dugong by persuading the indigenous population to hunt one down for him. He is not unknown to make outrageous claims, including that he has never read a legal judgment, but his ability to land on his feet means he'll be successful in whatever pursuit he chooses to follow. And, yes Rob, that means you can be a tycoon if you put your mind to it. Yet no matter what the future holds for Rob at Citigroup next year, we are sure he will retain his generosity and warm spirit. His is an affability that is sadly lacking at law school and he possesses a chuckle that will continue to endear him to people for years to come. Being friends with Rob is a delight and a pleasure.



ALICE CHONG

Degree: B Com/LLB

When you see her, she's always...

Sharing explicit anecdotes, smiling, eating apples, competitive about winning bets, planning the next social, talking about her transsexual boss, looking for a vending machine

What she will do with her last \$100...

Catch a train to Christina's place and get fed

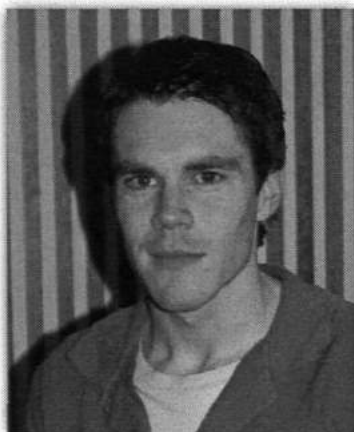
In 10 years' time, she will be....

Married, have a little boy, whilst still climbing a corporate ladder

Most memorable moments during uni:

Probably too explicit to write down - but those train stories!

Being led into a questionable establishment by C in Melbourne, Adam's recital of lyrics to "All the Girls Love Alice" for 5 years running and counting... grabbed at the ankle by a man in the store who tried to yank a shoe off, proposal from Mr Deputy Secretary-General of a certain conference, stalked by a strange individual who's plan for a first date is a trip around Europe, Negotiation competition with Christina and praying for male opponents (and male judges) instead of female, salsa classes that never led us to a salsa club.



SEAN COLE



DAVID COLEMAN



JANINA COLLINGS

Janina (or 'El Nino') Collings is living proof that the glass ceiling is there for a reason—because it's a man's world, and its only guys like Nino who have the balls, the cash, and the pedigree to be running it. You can actually smell the pheromones when this guy enters a room, one of many reasons why he is known and loved as the Casanova of LT8. Nino is fiercely loyal to the things he believes in, such as Ralph Lauren Polo, his ex-Grammar mates, and his policy of never sticking it to the same bitch twice.

Nino's the kind of guy who tells it like it is. He always has something to add to class discussion, emphasising the role of "choice" in social policy and the importance of tax incentives to economic growth. His pet hates include medicare, welfare bludgers, union drones and "everyone else who costs the Australian tax payer—particularly those in the uppermost bracket—a buck." Nino says the Howard government should be telling unemployed Australia that "this is a country where the user pays, and that means you." For a Young Liberal, Nino's also a bit of a rebel. During the debate over voluntary student unionism, it was Nino who had the initiative to go around the building scribbling out the 'not my' on the 'VSU is not my choice' stickers.

Nino will be sorely missed, especially at the NSW Leagues Club where he keeps a running tab every semester. Follow your dreams, Nino—it's not every corporate lawyer who gets offered that kind of starting salary.



JESS CONNELL

When professors consult their class lists at the start of each Semester there are names they're glad to see and others they wish were someone else's problem. Happily Jess's name falls comfortably within the first category. Quiet and unassuming but extremely capable, Jess is a girl who doesn't need to make a lot of noise to draw attention to herself. Over the course of what many would describe as a glittering university career, she has effortlessly collected a swathe of scholarships, awards and more than a few admirers.

A member of the Sydney Law Review editorial team and consistent high achiever, Jess's academic credentials are well established. However, her crowning achievement to date must be her appearance as the face of HDY in their glossy summer clerk prospectus. Her windswept hair and smiling visage will undoubtedly lure countless idealistic 4th years away from their dreams of international human rights advocacy to dark arts of commercial litigation. Ironic really as her real passion lies in international environmental law.

Honest, caring and thoughtful, Jess leaves the law school with both the respect and admiration of her peers. She can look forward to great success in whatever field she chooses.



AMANDA COOPER

Amanda is one of the warmest people at law school. Possessing a disarming smile that's wide enough to allow her to eat a banana sideways*, her ability to befriend almost anyone is uncanny. Yet sadly Amanda only joined us in second year so we'll never know whose impressionable young hearts Coop would have taken on first year law camp. By the time third year rolled around, Sydney was unable to contain our Amanda and when LLJ beckoned, she did what we all wanted to - fled the hemisphere. Returning from her exchange in Vancouver with tales of cheerleading, nude beaches and Canadian trombone players (ask her) she set about tackling law school with the ease which accompanies her in all parts of her life. Intellect, actor, netballer, paralegal, the list goes on - Amanda is the most unassuming of achievers, which is precisely why it's so difficult to speculate what the future holds. From budding lawyer to the next Julia Roberts, Amanda's big smile and warm heart will make her stand out wherever she goes, and forever endear her to whomever she meets.

* N.B. Cyclone Larry's wrath has meant that at the time of going to print bananas are too costly to test the validity of this statement.



GREG COOPER

Greg, an altruistic and idealistic soul, began his 'career' as a law student looking to change the world for the better. In first year, his passion for law flourished however this was quickly stamped out in later years having to survive Contracts and Constitutional Law however he pulled through with body and mind in tact. This was only possible due to Greg's dedication to his studies, rarely venturing out on assigned study days lest his law textbooks became lonely without his presence.

Greg's idealistic streak meant he did not wish to become prey to the seductive callings of corporate culture. Thus, he maintained his moral virginity and shunned the cycle of greed and slavery of billable hours when it came time to apply for clerkships and instead applied for different government law jobs. Although successful with his application to work for the Attorney-General's office in Canberra, Greg's idealism smashed against a brick wall otherwise known as his own pragmatism. Canberra was too cold, too far and too lonely to spend 2 months during summer.

It was at this point that Greg realised that he did not necessarily have to work in government to help people and that while the study of law was a matter of black and white, when it came to starting a career the world became shades of grey. In the end, no matter which path Greg's education in the law takes him, it will be to make the world a better place.



PATRICK CRISP

Known simply as Pat to his friends, Julian to others, and when in trouble "Patrick I'm not going to grace you with the middle name of James Crisp", Pat's disarming ability to both drink and talk too much has gotten him into his fair share of scrapes. Related to this talent is his bizarre ability to be talking about someone when they are right behind him. He has a special affinity for taxis (possibly because he sources 90% of their business). The taxi for Patrick alternatively becomes a confessional about his overseas romps (especially of the Columbian variety), a haven from pash rapists, or a stage for an awe inspiring political debates (with the driver). More usually however, the swaying and lurching vehicle will see Pat exiting while apologising profusely, somewhat poorer after the \$50 projectile vomiting spew charge. (You can take the boy out of the Shire but you can't take the Shire out of the boy.) Now, we know this much: Pat dresses well. Some would say, a little too well. But call him emo and he'll think you are referring to "that little muppet from Sesame Street". Crispy has a universal sound of alarm, "wah", and a particular mode of speech. A conversation might run: "Oh gawd. I'm hungover as a bat. Had this do at a la-di-dah place down at ah you know [pointing now with a thoughtful look], anyway, this guy had a bar tab running - d'you know [lists a dozen connected people each with specialised description], anyway, I ended up as pissed as a puppet. Deadset. Mate, I've got a craving for Maccas right now. What d'you say - let's hit the frog and toad?"



SAMANTHA CROCK



DAVE CUPPLES

Nicknames: Cupples, Cups, Cup of Life (an unfortunate offshoot of World Cup 1998 and Ricky Martin), and a rude version of his surname whereby the 'C' is replaced with an 'F' and rhymed with "Suckles".

Dave is really quite a guy, and that's easy to see,
 But still, I'll explain why that is fact, and not just the opinion of me!
 You'll know when Dave is in your class, when the lecturer calls a break,
 And you see a guy head to a Juice Bar, to get a protein shake!
 He loves his leather jacket, and his laptop (complete with mouse),
 But he won't join you for Oporto, there's a vegan in the house!
 He hits the gym before tutes, (he loves to stay "toned"),
 He has his own portfolio, and has done ads for mobile phones!
 He's a black belt in Hapkido, (which is Korean martial arts),
 He has even been known in his time, to steal several hearts!
 He owns his own business, (and frankly it's the bomb!),
 You can check it out yourself, at ApeShop.com!

Dave is a very modest guy, working hard at uni and his biz,
 Topping Marketing (not to mention, his work with disabled kids).
 Believe it or not this great guy, is available (for the mo),
 So pick up your phone ladies, 0422 185 700!



GABY CURTIS

Gaby is the queen of multi-tasking: in a two hour litigation class she can effortlessly complete 2 crosswords, 5 sudoku puzzles and canvass all the potential cafes for lunch in the time most others could only take down the content of the lesson. And she is a master of time-management: adopting a '2 out of 3' attendance strategy, on a rotating basis, to ensure an optimum 66% attendance at every class.

But we love Gaby for much more important qualities: her wit, vivacity and sparkle. The way she embodies 'casual chic', by teaming every stylish outfit with a pair of thongs. The way she always manages to spill something (coffee, mayonnaise, nail polish) on that stylish outfit. The way she remains cheerful even during the darkest hours on quistclose trusts.

Gaby is a wonderful girl who unstintingly demonstrates the strength of her friendship through a constant campaign of lunches, movies, shopping and coffee. So steadfast is Gaby's friendship that she will partake of these extracurricular duties in lieu of Real Property. She has a magical ability to look unconcerned at every exam and do exceptionally well. There's something to be said for adopting sudoku as a study aid.

While at law school, Gaby retained her Arts-background History-Honours integrity with volunteer work at Redfern Legal Centre, and eschewed the shackles of Advanced Corporate for the idealism of Public International. A blonde with a good heart, a lover of prime numbers, and an excellent wearer of eye shadow, Gaby is an amazing girl and a fabulous friend.



HELEN DALY

Three little known facts about Helen:

She is a law student.

She went to James Ruse AND she has personality.

Actually, pretty much anything else she'll tell you within 10 minutes of meeting her.

You see, Helen is the friend you can take anywhere. And leave her there. And come back in an hour to find she's best friends with everyone in the room, made plans to go out with them next weekend, and made a dance floor where none was before. Think of the most outrageous, outgoing person you know, with the biggest smile, and if you're not thinking of Helen then its cos you haven't met her yet. Hint: you won't find her in the library.

But if I had to pick the best thing about Helen, it would be that no one thing defines her. She continually amazes her friends by casually revealing some unknown passion or talent. First class chemistry Honours, snowboarding, art, horse riding, even the odd law subject when it interests her! She's an intelligent and independent thinker, a compassionate and loyal friend, and far too much fun for Law School, so look out world because she's coming your way soon.

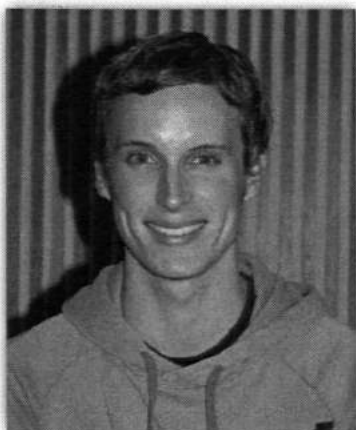


RICHARD DENT

Richard is a half-breed. Curiously, though he wears this label proudly, he has little tolerance for other cultures, or indeed other people. A pensive man with strongly held beliefs, he is often found whining about the state of society, which he claims has steadily decayed since the 1700's. He is strongly opposed to modern medicinal techniques, claiming they impede on the process of natural selection and keep the ill, weak and stupid alive, placing an unnecessary burden on taxpayers.

When it comes to youth culture, Richard is always one step ahead of the crowd. If Richard were to attend the court of Queen Victoria, he would have arrived in boat shoes and a polo shirt. He wore wristbands before Armstrong and headbands before McEnroe, discovered The Account Ants before Elvis and The Beatles before Epstein. An unfortunate consequence of this is that he is required to wear beanies during summer and thongs during winter, and now listens to Islamic rock.

Richard was to law school what anchovy is to pizza: an acquired taste, adored by some but nauseating to most (especially those with an aversion to potent smells). A distant relative of Stan Grant, Richard has forever detested the fact this isn't sufficient to qualify him for any of the University's indigenous scholarships. Despite such injustices, Richard has led a fruitful student life at the law school. He is quoted as learning two things from his studies: 1. A tort is a civil wrong and 2. If you can get a UAI of 99.9, do something meaningful and become a Doctor.



JONATHAN DEVES



FELICITY DIXON

Upon arriving at Sydney Law, Miss Dixon showed us that you CAN wear Chanel to class and in fact, it is preferable! With her undergraduate honours degree in economics, she began the journey to legal nirvana along side each one of us with a champagne in one hand and a copy of Vogue in the other. Between taking time out to acquaint Sir Anthony Mason with the dramatics of Bold and the Beautiful and her always memorable contributions to criminal law class (No! No!), Felicity has not only succeeded in her studies but has proven to be one of the most enjoyable people to share the grad law experience with. Her big heart and generous nature make it no surprise that she can count many grads among her close friends. Next year she will continue blazing her trail of success personifying the perfect oxymoron - teetering in her Gucci stilettos while carrying a Kath & Kim box set - to visit London and complete the College of Law as well as gaining additional international legal experience. Having said that, there is no doubt that Felicity will practice with the same complement of intellect and flare that she brought to our law school and for that we love her and wish her the very best life has to offer (read: diamonds).



DAVE DOWLING

After completing a Bachelor in Commerce at Melbourne University, Dave made the big move from Melbourne to Sydney to join us for three fabulous years at Law School. Since day one he has kept us all laughing for at least the second half of every lecture. Dave is the only man I know who could recover from glandular fever as a living legend. After joining the year below for a semester, he returned to us with a fan base - "The Davettes". We're not sure what magical skills he used to tame his following of blonde beauties but we're taking a guess that it was his fantasy tan. Alternatively, it may have been the natural ease with which he wore his Havanas and dinner suit. Not only is Dave a ladies man, but he is also a boys boy. He parties like an animal, can drink any man under the table and plays AFL like only a Victorian could. Dave will undoubtedly succeed in the world of finance where he hopes to combine his commerce and legal skills. He has left us with many memories and we hope that when he finishes law school he will stay with us in Sydney.



BELINDA DRIVAS



KATIE DUNSTAN

Being the direct descendant of aristocracy, Katie exudes class and has impeccable manners. She also happens to be incredibly kind and wonderfully humorous. Although she likes at times to refer to herself as being the real life version of Elle Woods, she is much, much smarter. But, alas, like the rest of us, she too has her weaknesses...Scandinavian men. In the arena of the fabulous lecture theatre where most of us drift off from time to time, it is not uncommon to find our Katie with the most beatific expression on her face, staring seemingly into nowhere. This expression is not unlike those of Bernini's angels...it's a wonder that the intricacies of equity could make anyone so happy. Yet we now know that this serenity came from another place. Yes, perhaps Katie will become Australia's next export in the Scandinavian princess market (although she would most definitely need no grooming classes).

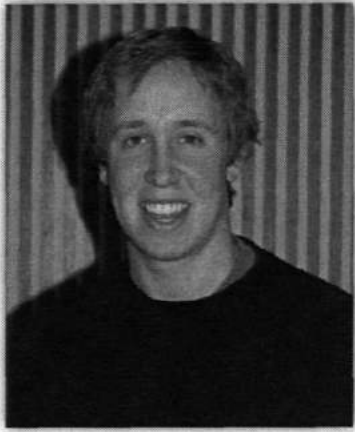


SHELLEY EDER

Shelley began her graduate law program with qualifications in Sociology and significant work experience in the welfare sector. She was initially drawn to law by an interest in criminal law. She has maintained this interest during her law degree, and has also developed a strong interest in legal research. During her law degree Shelley was part of the International Legal Placement Committee, aiming at placing law students with public interest agencies in developing countries. Shelley also undertook an External Placement Program position with the Public Defenders Office, and did an independent research project on imprisonment in the Australian context. Shelley has maintained her passion for travel throughout her degree, travelling through India and Sumatra before commencement of her final year of law. She is hoping to become further involved in legal research after graduation, with a view to completing her PhD at some stage in the future.



ANTHONY ERMAN



MARK FAIRLIE

Mark commenced Graduate Law in 2004 having completed a Bachelor of Commerce. When we first met he seemed a little unsure as to why he had undertaken a law degree. I do recall a lingering interest from his study of politics, but a strong desire to avoid the workforce for another three years sealed the deal.

During our first semester, Mark appeared with me as junior counsel. Mark made some convincing points in what was a very difficult case, however, his Honour did not concur and the case was lost. Scarred by the experience, Mark never mooted again and resolved to be a solicitor.

Mark has maintained a strong interest in sport and continues to spend far too much time on both the cricket field and golf course – never, I'm sure, at the expense of his studies. He has also been a regular attendee at social events, and in fact all of our most lucid and insightful discussions have occurred early in the morning after a few subsidised drinks.

Mark's date with destiny (entry into the workforce) will occur next year at Ebsworth & Ebsworth, where he will no doubt make a fine addition to the firm's trivia nights. His knowledge of popular culture was often far greater than it should have been and his random pieces of music trivia were always enlightening. I certainly wish Mark the best in all his future endeavours and I know I can rely on strong support next time he appears with me as co-counsel.



JACK FAN

Degree: B Com/LLB

When you see him, he's always...

Talking about computers, teasing those who eat healthy food, telling you that you've been jibbed, planning his finances,

What he will do with his last \$100...

Will save half of it, and use the rest to make prank calls to his friends

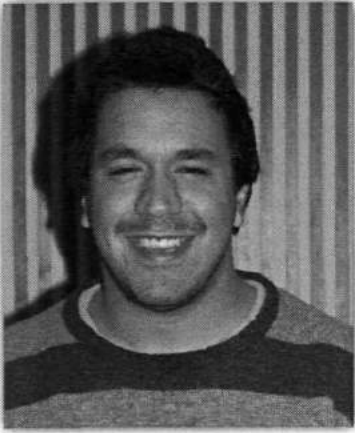
In 10 years...

Married and already paid off his mortgage (due to careful planning and savings regime started during uni), a tax partner at a successful law firm saving millions for his clients – who likes taxes anyway?



SOPHIE FAULKNER-DICK

Within ten minutes of meeting Sophie, it is highly likely that she will have uncovered any sordid details from your past; your aspirations for the future; where you bought your shoes; and what you ate for breakfast that morning. Sophie's highly personable nature is magnetic. She has approached her law degree with the same fun-loving optimism with which she approaches everything. She will have a successful and fulfilling career, if she finds time in between cups of green tea.



NICK FERNANDEZ

Nick came to graduate law with his character fully formed. In three long years the various trials and temptations of Philip St have not succeeded in leeching from him his commitment to social justice, his sense of humour, or one superannuated t-shirt. His political acumen combines a hack's knowing pessimism with the romantic convictions of a true believer, while he evinces an astonishing ability to see the humour in the most blighted excrescences of human behaviour. A loyal friend and a tireless intellectual warrior, Nick's contribution to the student community has been truly great. His intrepid work ethic and personal integrity were fixed long before law school and whichever path his career takes, they will steadfastly remain.



JASON FITCH



LOUISA FITZ-GERALD

Once upon a time, Louisa was all set to be a hard-nosed corporate lawyer, ready to take the M&A world by storm - and then one day she woke up with a sudden but fierce determination to save the world. Louisa is passionate about her work in climate change and renewable energy, and spent several months travelling through South America working as a volunteer. She is fluent in French and Spanish, and took a year out of law school to do a Masters in International Relations - she puts the rest of us to shame! Louisa is a wonderful and loyal friend, known for being incredibly generous and hospitable - her social calendar is dotted with innumerable luscious dinners and weekends away to the Hunter Valley. She is great fun to be with, and always there to join you for a big night on the town. We all wish Louisa the very best of luck as she embarks on her stellar career!



ADAM FOREMAN



One look at the square and distinctive Dolce & Gabbana glasses of Will Frost and one already gleans some idea of who he is. A metrosexual. This however is not the defining feature of Will. It is merely one aspect of this multi-faceted, multi-talented individual. Sporting prowess, determination and a genuine interest in most things also contribute to the individual whom some ladies consider to be the most beautiful man in the cosmos. Whether being called Aunt Will by his closest friends, or the more jocular 'Frosty' by his college and other allies, Will is an incredibly generous and gregarious character. The proud Melburnian is always keen to show his benevolent nature – this often manifests itself in introducing (or serenading) the latest bella donna to the works of Puccini, or perhaps even casting a critical eye over the most recent works at the local gallery with a lady friend in tow. Frosty is undoubtedly one who likes to read the classics, developing one of the more impressive canons of all his contemporaries. Enough already. These descriptions could in fact belie the true William Frost – a grounded, very cultured, sophisticated and fantastically enthusiastic young man. His obsession with politics and law (not to mention the socialist conscience) should see him with a role in an international or government body: a place where he inevitably belongs, and a position that he could easily secure given his personality and aptitude. Sorry to see you go mate, but a thoroughly deserved LLB completed. Magnificent.

WILLIAM FROST



MARTIN FUNG



ANTONIA GARLING

Tones has found time for university in between coffee breaks at Society café, where she knows every staff member by name and every barrister under 40 that walks in.

Unfazed after a late night researching the finer points of enthralling topics, such as the use of plain language in legal education, Tones has the uncanny ability to breeze into class, fresh as a flower, immaculately groomed, wearing one of her characteristic Scanlan suits with her Chanel glasses on, and Freehills note paper at the ready. I have a sneaking suspicion that she loves working at Freehills, not because its reputation precedes it, but primarily because Evelyn Miles is directly downstairs.

Tones has mastered the art of multi-tasking, managing to hand assessment tasks in on time whilst maintaining all prior social engagements and attending all SALS events. During the last six years of uni together, Tones has been a great friend and she is sure to have a brilliant legal career. I look forward to hearing about her adventures during her exchange to the Netherlands.



STEPHEN GAVIN

The ideal law student should be studious, organised, and methodical. Thankfully, Stephen Gavin possesses none of these qualities. Instead, he is a Jack of All Trades who has grabbed university life and throttled it for all its worth.

The primary reason why Steve bothers to attend lectures is so that he can go drinking with friends thereafter. And when his social calendar is not triple-booked, he often entertains at his farm with croquet, bocce, horse riding –and yes, plenty of drinking.

But such copious beer-drinking is balanced by skilled athleticism. Steve excels at most sports and his home is riddled with broken windows to prove it. In fact, on numerous mornings, Steve has asked classmates to make notes so that he could go surfing instead.

Making his debut performance in 2004, Steve is an avid Revuer and is currently directing the 2006 Law Revue. His talents onstage reflect a magnetic personality that –he assures us– attracts many female admirers. Excelling in all things thespian, Steve is a self-taught pianist who also sings, dances, and acts... moderately well. Steve also has a penchant for Jane Austen and this might explain his hubris toward the fairer sex.

But Steve's most irritating characteristic is that all too often his arrogance is justified. The most offensive achievement to date is a 10,000 word research essay that Steve punched out in 12 hours before flying off to climb Mount Kilimanjaro. The injustice of his brilliant mark is so egregious, that the Al Kateb decision pales in comparison.

Despite doing everything at the last minute, Steve almost always achieves his goals; and having secured a position with Clayton Utz, we can only hope that his bad habits get worse over time.



MATT GIBSON

Matt arrived at university armed with carefully blown-dry hair, a quiet demeanour and a packed lunch. The more discerning would have noted that beneath the distinctively boofy hair lay an equally distinctively large brain. For there is little doubting Matt's keen intelligence – the man having shown his pedigree by gaining an university medal in Economics.

At Law School, Matt continued his pursuit of intellectual challenges by enrolling in personal favourites such as personal taxation, its sequel business taxation and of course, law and economics. Many would argue that this is an unhealthy fascination for what may be seen as the less droll of the courses available from the final year smorgasbord. Matt argues otherwise. These same critics, however, would quickly concede that Matt's superior knowledge has always been generously and willingly shared with his friends.

In class, whilst never outrageously loud, Matt's quietly cynical remarks can often be heard as the bassline to the louder voices of the more ostentatious. Indeed, Matt's penchant for speaking in low decibels has caused many in conversation with him to question their own hearing. At that point Matt always helpfully steps in to explain that he is speaking softly because his ears are supernaturally sensitive.

Outside of class, Matt has established himself in Christians at Law School. In this capacity, Matt demonstrated his considerable leadership qualities, organising numerous meetings at most ungodly hours.

As Law School ends, Matt has finally learnt how to pack his own lunch. However little else has changed. Matt has always been and still is a most loyal and supportive man – a thorough gentleman and scholar. A good tip to be a future governor of the Reserve Bank.



MELISSA GIGNAC

Mel, nicknamed 'Miss Canada' by many in the student body, was born and raised in rural Ontario. At an early age she proved her business acumen by forming a small fruit and vegetable concern with her brother, although abandoned hopes of living the tranquil georgic life after a traumatic incident in which her favourite pet chicken ended up as a pie.

Like many before her, she sought consolation in philosophy – specifically a BA (Hons) in philosophy from Wilfrid Laurier University – and retains a particular fondness for Herr Wittgenstein's posthumous Philosophische Untersuchungen. However, an abiding conviction that Oswald was just the fall guy prompted Mel to take up the study of law, and she chose Australia on the strength of a childhood fondness for the Wizard of Oz. We hope that our lack of winged monkeys has not come as too much of a disappointment.

Although now at the close of her LLB and still not able to rattle off the simplest quotations from The Castle (what on earth do they teach law students these days?), Mel has been a cheery, attentive and insightful member of every class she has taken. She has also contributed to the development of the profession outside the law school, acting as witness in a number of Bar Association mock trials, in which she seems, however, to have been type-cast as the "exotic fan dancer" character Tilly Devine. We are not entirely sure what the organisers are insinuating!

Being lawfully present within New South Wales and intending to make it her home indefinitely, we are pleased to note that Mel has acquired a New South Wales domicile of choice, and Ontario's loss is surely our gain.

Mel is firmly of the opinion that Crunchie is better than Violet Crumble, and as such is clearly a person of exquisite taste.



CHRIS GILL

Chris, or "Gilly", to anyone from the North Shore, created a buzz when he came to Sydney University in 2001 as rumours flew that an illegitimate child of Richard Gere had come to study law in Sydney. While the rumours remained unconfirmed, Gilly brushed aside his fame to concentrate on his true ambition at university – the title of the most metrosexual male on campus. A fierce rivalry with Andy Corkhill has led to ever larger sunglasses, pinker scarves and tighter t-shirts, but at the time of writing the title is still up for grabs - perhaps at next week's Law Ball.

Amongst Gilly's finest achievements at Law School we count an almost implausably good academic record and managing to use the word 'titties' in a clerkship interview, and still get the clerkship.

When he wasn't making others feel dumb and ugly, Gilly provided a welcome source of cynicism, apathy and far right politics to the law school. The author of his profile will remember fondly many good times spent bemoaning the banality and absurdity of law, law students and life.

Chris plans to use his legal education find loopholes in the rules of Centrelink that will allow him to continue receiving Ausstudy forever, or at least until the price of hair gel becomes prohibitive. When that happens we might just see the first High Court judge determined to make wigs and robes into a fashion statement.



CHANDRIKA GNANARATNAM

A resident of level five and an owner of a watch which is always half an hour late, Chandrika has a unique viewpoint on university and studies. Believing that assignments and essays should only be started hours before the due date, she spends an enormous portion of her time studying the morning before exams. She is extremely laid back and holds the notion that what ever will be will be. This may explain why she sees no correlation between the marks she gets and the amount of work she puts in.

Her ambitions in life after law school are to become Chancellor of Sydney University with a pay packet of more than \$1 million dollars per annum. Alternatively, she is contemplating a career as a sex therapist.

Some of her more current talents include; doing nothing, wasting time and procrastinating.



SONIYA GONSALVES

Should I choose between Conveyancing or Private International Law? Soniya with her relentless quest for perfection is the prom queen of indecision and her friends just can't help but either muddle her further or make the damned decision on her behalf! Soniya has a genuine friendliness and carries an endearing air of disorganisation about her. She has a generosity of spirit that makes me wonder how she ever ended up as a law student; she shares her notes freely and is always willing to help whenever she can. We- her friends- really value her thoughtfulness. She hasn't decided where she will go after law school but I'm sure that with her friendly way with people she will always step in the right direction.



KAREN GOULD

During her first four years at uni, Karen considered herself to be a chemical engineering student. Fortunately, in her last two years she saw the light and realised that law was the place to be. She's fun-loving, fun, kind and intelligent and her passion for environmental law is an inspiration. It's been a pleasure spending the last few years in her company.

Karen – you rock our world and we look forward to watching you save the world in the future.



MICHELLE GRAY



SAM GRENVILLE



ALICE GREY

There are many strings to Alice Grey's bow. But for her, strings and bows – indeed violas altogether – don't matter. Alice is not about trappings or awards; rather about warmth, humour and passion. Topping law subjects and winning university medals in art history have not lessened her modesty and kindness.

In our first law tutorial at university Alice sat behind me. After a few weeks she asked what my surname was. I answered and she replied, 'OK. I think my Mum crashed your Dad's car in the seventies'. She was right, and since then I have been close to Alice and her family, which has been a double pleasure.

Many possess a combination of academic and non-academic intelligence. But Alice's blend is engaging and eloquent. She is now off to study medicine, and will be a reward to her patients.

My friend Alice is a delight. She, like her mother, will continue to sparkle.



CHRIS GREY

With past careers as a member of the Yakuza in Tokyo and a celebrated butcher (of sausages and select venison) in Brussels, Chris Grey has been one of a rare breed of true cosmopolitans at Sydney Law School. At least so he claims...

Arriving in Australia with an American accent and bowing repeatedly in the Japanese fashion, Chris found his birthplace to be strange and confronting. After some time of soul-searching and weekends spent cowering in a foetal position in his bedroom, Grey eventually found his place in the comfortable and reassuring environs of St Paul's College. In this capacity he has proven himself as one of the few who can get incredibly excited at the incredibly boring and peculiarly fascinating with the everyday and the mundane.

Fitting in perfectly to the culture of excessive drinking and womanising, Grey has since spent his evenings supping port and hoeing into fine cheeses, while discussing philosophy and the state of the 'great unwashed'. He has also been known to wield a golf club or croquet mallet when required or incensed with rage.

As with so many of his ilk, Chris has always felt inadequate moving beyond the college social circles. He recently reflected that "At Law School I am just the quiet guy or the drunk guy". Quite true.

Upon completing Law School, Grey looks forward to moving onto his next conservative institution, at which he hopes to be dressed neatly.



YU (MARY) GUO

Yu (Mary) Guo is a very driven, motivated 5th year commerce/law student who majored in accounting and finance in her commerce degree. She is a hard worker who strives to do her best in everything she does. Her time management skills are beyond question, having once successfully juggled four law subjects, CFA, and part time work in one semester. She is also a keen team player, having been involved in organisations such as AYBC and the Union.

As a person, Mary is patient, caring and understanding to her friends, and is slow to anger.

One advice I would give to Mary is to slow down! You need time to relax, unwind, and enjoy life too. But I suppose, being a born workaholic, Mary would probably disagree with me.



NICOLE HAILSTONE

Should I ever need the simultaneous definition of mens rea and meringue i shall know who to ask. Nikki Hailstone is one of the most interesting and diversely talented people i have ever met. Whether it is running her own business, competing at world salsa championships, or penning an equity essay, she does it all with a level of finesse and poise that would put the City of Sydney Eisteddfod to shame!

Over the last 6 years of Uni, Nikki's charm, good humour and compassion have been a constant source of inspiration to those around her. It is with a level of pride that could only be matched by a parent at a year 3 ballet concert, that I can say I am honoured and privileged to call her my friend.



KIM HAMILTON

Kim Hamilton is a bold, bubbly and beautiful lady with a penchant for fashion. In fact, "Kimi" as her close friends call her has been known to show up to law school armed with a new pair of designer shoes that she "just could not resist". Be warned: don't tread on this lady's toes unless you want a stiletto through your foot. "Look at moiye Kimi" I often yell at her as we walk to Wellbeing for lunch as she distracted by the decadent windows of Percy Marks!!! But all jokes aside, this girl is going places. Not only is Kim guaranteed a lucrative and glamorous career, she is tipped to win "Best Dressed" at her prospective company's Christmas party. Good luck Kimi - I know that we will all stay close friends and I look forward to many a Breakfast at Tiffany's with you in the future!!!



ANGELA HAMPSHIRE

Unquestionably the most glamorous creature to illuminate the Law School basements in living memory, Angie Hampshire has brought some much-needed sophistication and panache to our little corner of Phillip Street. Who else could have missed a week of classes in first year to deliver clothes to a fashion show in Paris? Or found a 90% off Stella McCartney gown that's just perfect for the Law Ball... while on a shopping trip in New York?

Those of us who have had the privilege to become more closely acquainted with Angie during her three years at the Law School, however, have also discovered that she is a loyal friend, generous with her time and humble to a fault (while having every reason not to be). And those who have had the good fortune to work with her know that the secret to her continuing success in law and elsewhere is that she is not only brilliantly intelligent but also industrious, organised and diligent in everything she does.

Whether Angie continues in a legal vein, plunges into the fashion world, finds a way to combine the two or chooses a different path altogether, we're sure that she'll be wildly successful... and doing it with unmatched style.



ALEX HARRINGTON

Alex joined the Sydney University Law fraternity as a second year student in 2002 after he had the good sense to end his extended vacation at Club Mac (otherwise known as Macquarie University).

For his first few years at Uni Alex managed to resist the social pressures to secure part-time legal employment, which left him with lots of time to pursue his many other projects, most notably his political endeavours on the SRC and as founder of the (now defunct) Progressive Liberal club.

His other interests have included making politically incorrect jokes, impersonating anyone from George Bush to Ghandi, reminiscing about his Chapel Hill days and lamenting that Australia can't be more like America (unbelievable, I know), and complaining about Sydney's public transport system.

Above all else, Alex is known and loved by his friends for his offbeat sense of humour and his apparent inability to take anything too seriously. As a friend he's honest without ever being judgmental and is dependable without ever being boring. He's always up for a drink and a laugh and we look forward to sharing many more of these with him in the future.



ROSELLA HERBERT

Degree: Arts- Latin Honours/Law

When you see her she's always...

- Smiling and maybe even singing. Being a lovely person to be around. Taking tea with Esther at the Tea Centre. Working hard while still being able to go salsa dancing on weekends

What she will do with her last \$100

- Be responsible and spend it wisely. But if she could she would spend it on a dress, probably from Cue

In 10 years

- She will be a prosecutor, maybe even a barrister, working for the DPP. She will also be a world famous singer on the side and travel the world doing various performances, only to return home to run a successful case against some bad guys (and not dating a tool!)

Most memorable moment

- Meeting me, Esther (just kidding. Anytime she's on stage and performing!)



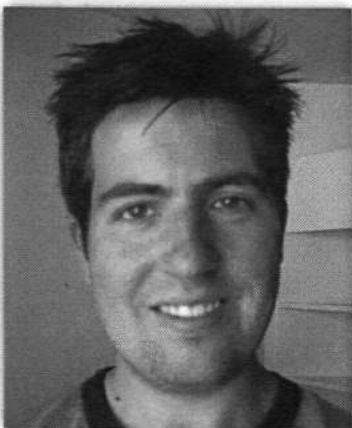
BONNE HODDINOTT

During her six years at Sydney University and especially during exam periods, Bonne has perfected the art of becoming nocturnal, transcending into hibernation. During stuvac, Bonne often acquainted herself with cutting-edge and classic television dramas such as the Bold and the Beautiful, Big Brother Uplate, and late night infomercials. Not to be mistaken for an Australian native animal, Bonne does come out to play after all exam periods and has been a regular attendee at SALS events taking full advantage of subsidised beverages. In her spare time, Bonne can be found perusing serious legal websites such as www.lawyersinlove.com and www.thebillablehour.com in the hope of becoming the complete and well informed Clayton Utz graduate. Bonne has been a great companion throughout such enthralling subjects as administrative law and equity and she has many achievements from her time at Sydney University – however, none more important than those already mentioned.



MILES HURST

Named after the imperial unit for long distance measurement, Miles usually attends all classes at Sydney University Law School. However, if he is missing from class, there are 4 places he would most likely be. A. Shopping for a new mobile phone B. Shopping for a new car C. Shopping for clothes. D. Driving at over 160km/h around the Epping area. Perhaps that's what makes Miles so unique, he might possibly be the only person in Law School who, during his academic career, has changed his mobile phone 10 times, changed his car 2 times and counting, received 25,000 speeding tickets (slight exaggeration) and tested his LAWS2006 Litigation knowledge, having defended himself in court against one such ticket, and has a pair of jeans worth more than the average law student's life insurance policy. Although Miles is no slouch academically, suspicion surrounds one High Distinction he got in a certain subject taught by a very young and attractive female lecturer, whilst he is unable to remember half the subject contents a week later...more suspicion surrounds his activities at the various law parties and the annual law balls. But of all his skills and talents, Miles has a special talent that we only wish we could mimic. You see, Super-Miles was witnessed once in class demonstrating his ability to throw a massive piece of scrunched up paper at superspeed, at his sleeping comrade, halfway across the lecture theatre during a Real Property lecture, without the lecturer even seeing it! Where would Miles be in 10 years time? Most probably at a car dealership, in \$1000 jeans, making calls to his bank to transfer funds using his brand new mobile phone still in shrinkwrap. Ah Miles – we'll miss you!



CARL HUTCHINSON

Carl's law school experience was a challenge to which he rose, after emerging from the sorry depths of the engineering faculty, achieving competitive marks contributing to his securing of employment in a consultancy firm, where he will be working 27 hour days. He mooted in his final year and took great pleasure in humiliating the first-years he competed against. He spent his last semester on exchange, studying at the University of British Columbia, Canada. Carl's legal interests revolve around black-letter law, such as equity and litigation rather than ideological subjects like ethics or political philosophy, but he is mainly known for his interest in sport, particularly his undying support for the hapless Eels. Someone who was enjoyable (though ridiculously unproductive) to study with, Carl made uni more interesting for all his mates (and ideological nemeses). He was generous in sharing his notes and I'm sure there are a number of students who owe him marks. However, he has been known to write exam answers that would, if they were real legal advice, lead to his being disbarred for gross negligence. Carl's understanding of the law is very impressive and on more than one occasion, he has fallen asleep in class, only to wake up and ask a question that has taken the lecturer five minutes to answer. In years to come, Carl will prove an asset to his employers as well as become an important player in the legal community (like a notorious criminal).



ELIZABETH IRELAND

Pin-Up girl for the Criminology brochure, 2005 Law Edition of Vogue (aka the undergraduate handbook). More worried about her shoes and appearance than her uni work.
 The pioneer of the headband, short skirts and long lashes.
 Other trademarks: excessive caffeine consumption, excessive mint consumption, excessive Sebastian consumption.
 Often claims that she has been "accosted" at law parties. External sources often claim that it was the other way around.
 Would like to have all memory of Easter Party 2004 permanently, permanently erased from her memory.
 Has been described by one infamous property teacher as "the aesthetic value" of the class.
 Is affectionately known as Mother Hen amongst her intimate friends, she has nurtured them through the five-year haul, and has on many social occasions been thanked by strangers for her class notes.



CAROLINE IYER

While Caz has attempted to participate in a number of extra-curricular activities, including a two-day stint in law revue 2004, her best intentions have always been undone by a lack of commitment and easily distracted attention span. Although, her friends do note that she did stick to after-class LLJ study sessions...
 Despite Caz's lack of commitment to extra-curricular activities, she is always one to embrace a themed law party – whether that calls for tiny golf shorts in the middle of winter, or a Brazilian flag as a ball-gown.
 Got on so well with one lucky suitor's best friend, that they are best friends no longer.
 Widely known for her less is more approach to dressing, one memorable moment includes the tea towel worn to the equity exam... because it was "hor".
 Self described as "awesomely awesome" and making a big effort to be the "friendliest person on campus in final year"
 Caz has never been one to abide by her allocated timetable, preferring instead to forum shop for the best lecturers and classmates for the semester.
 Has launched a one-woman campaign to bring the mullet back in style.
 Would like to have all memory of Easter Party 2004 permanently, permanently erased from her memory.



JULIE-ANNE JARMAN



KATY JENKINS

Katy had a chequered educational career before coming to the law school, having been expelled from St Brutus's Secure Centre for Incurably Criminal Boys. Katy has a philosophical objection to bibliographies, although this doesn't seem to have prevented her successfully completing a number of subjects. More worryingly, she passed Criminal Law without ever accepting the distinction between mens rea and actus rea. This may have something to do with her past life as a philosopher – to think is to act! Other manifestations of her nostalgia for a thinking discipline can be seen in such statements as "I pine for Derrida" and "It's about the process not the outcome". She also went on about some round table and love. A lot. Katy has a refreshing take on Federation, emphasising that its relation to the Constitution is merely temporal. Having scaled these theoretical heights, Katy felt confident enough to say (at the beginning of second semester of final year) "I'm not doing any more assessment." Funnily enough, this shouldn't prevent her from graduating LLB from Sydney Uni. Katy's academic feats in this course are made all the more remarkable as she is also busily engaged in raising the most amazing four year old ever to hit Sydney, Maisie! Katy is an integral part of the Bear Trust, who are always to be found at either the Club or Silks (and on occasion, both!). Favourite Quote: "Law is not my area – I think I'll go straight to the High Court."



JEROME JOHN

Jerome does not remember the first day of Law School. This is understandable as the Law School opened its doors over 150 years ago and he was not born yet. He came to the Law School after being involved in the Napoleonic wars, supplying bananas to a troupe of insurgent gibbons and finally realizing the futility of his dream of starting an underwater hot air ballooning movement. Rather than going to the beach to get a tan, he prefers to think his ancestors did the work for him. His journey to Law School was guided by a mystic stranger, but he remained somewhat sceptical, possibly due to the fact the stranger spoke in a false Jamaican accent whilst tap dancing on recently ironed Manchester sheets. This was the most puzzling question of all, why would one tap dance on a surface that muffled the sound of the shoes? He was considered something of an eccentric; taking great pleasure in helping elderly people cross the road. The eccentric part being that he would help them cross, even if they did not want to, often dancing an Irish jig whilst doing so, and causing many needless deaths on Elizabeth Street. He remains apprehensive about the term 'legal eagle' as he felt that there were certain places lawyers shouldn't place their eggs. He hopes that if you see him in the future, be it as opposing counsel, a learned judge or heaven forbid, as a defendant, you'll say hi. He eagerly awaits what the future has in store....



TOM JOHNSTON

Tom Johnston is to female law students what Tiger Woods is to Golf, therefore it's fitting that his achievements and conquests be described through such an analogy. Tom came from a public school on the north coast of NSW and yet has succeeded in an area dominated by North Shore private school boys, just like Tiger, the black guy has dominated the Golfing world despite not being white and not wearing chequered pants. I mean sure Tom went to Wesley College and plays Rugby in Woollahra, but Tiger was hardly holding up 'servos' with a 'Saturday Night Special' either. Tom can accurately be described as being a complete 'golfer', not only does he have a strong short game, but he can also wine and dine with the best of them, thereby displaying an excellent long game. Whether on the putting green, driving down the fairway or firing shots into the rough Tom has an excellent stroke. Tom is eminently quotable, the following gems have been readily repeated...

'I'm a good guy' (uttered with look of disbelief)

'I really like intelligent chicks' (uttered with a look akin to a used car salesman attempting to sell a clapped out Datsun 180 for \$50K)

'I think she's the one' (uttered two weeks before a) the girl in question is dumped b) stops getting her phone calls returned c) catches Tom hooking up with another girl and gets upset under the gross misapprehension that they were going steady)

'She's a complete psycho!' (this will eventually apply to any female Tom is associated with, ever)

But Tom despite his unfortunate surname does actually have other interests, for instance he likes Rugby...oh and he studies law. Tom is a diligent student, come exam time Tom spends the last week calling all the mates he knows to organize serious 'study sessions' which usually involve him bringing a blank lecture pad and flash bulb photographic memory.

What does the future hold for Tom? Who knows? Apart from the certainty that he will one day host a press conference and blame all his misbehaviour on his unfortunate sex addiction, all one can say is Tom will be an excellent lawyer.

Whether he is going for 'costs' against a Tobacco plaintiff, or attempting to demonstrate contributory negligence on the part of a mentally retarded tort victim, he will display the all the gall and tenacity that has led him to be the Tiger Woods of Sydney University Law School.



ALY JONES



OLIVER JONES

Oliver Jones survived a tough childhood surrounded by crime and gang violence, growing up on the "working class side" of Mosman. In spite of this early disadvantage, Jones worked his way up (or in fact deep, deep underground) to the Sydney Law School.

In so becoming the poster boy of his local Rotary Club, Oliver dominated most of his Law classes, completed an Honours year in History and sought to be recognised in endless co-curricular activities: a Model United Nations conference, the Jessup moot and most recently becoming the President of the Sydney University Law Society. One minor defeat amongst this glowing record was an attempt at the University Senate. He maintains that accusations of campaign irregularities were entirely unfounded.

After several years of desperate attempts to enter the Law Revue clique (one resulting in a memorable appearance as a lighting operator), the committee eventually conceded, and allowed Jones in for the season of 2005. Critics referred to his performances as "marginally better than his haircut".

Finally ready to throw off his working class origins, at the beginning of 2004 Oliver decided to move out of Mosman and move into St Paul's College. Becoming the oldest 'fresher' in the institution's history, he became known for his unfortunate habit of engaging in frivolous and obnoxious debate. Even more unfortunate has been his tendency to be correct.

As a fitting culmination of his diverse university career, upon completing Law School Oliver has decided to join his uncle's conveyancing firm in Parramatta and devote himself more seriously to his expanding collection of vintage toy trains.



MICHAEL JOOLS

Michael Jools would want me to brutally honest in this profile. That's the way he like things. does things. Live by the sword, die by it my excitable, over-zealous, manipulative little man. Jools is a complex character. One of the first kids i met here, he proclaimed to be quiet, nervous, reserved and mildly ambitious. Mildly? He'd happily skip over dead classmates to change his litigation mark. As for the nerves, well they dissappeared quickly as Jools found a way to concisely cut down even the most active of class participants in the bunkers below.

Jools has pissed a lot of people off in his time. Rumours? see jools. He'll unload topshelf, unsubstantiated crap just to pass time. Chicks? the man has style. At a classy end of semester party he passed down this pearl of wisdom- "Its all in the approach...act nervous but smooooth!" Deliberate Untruths?- according to him he has been beaten up, makes love like Don Juan, runs the young labor group, is looking to imminent Partnership at Gadens and can play rugby. right.

He'll always have that caustic, proud, swarmy exterior. Deep down Mike, we know there's a nice young gregarious man trying to get out. Let him free Jools. let him free. (and get next semesters notes to me. ill pay you in wine again).



MARTIN KAN



TIMOTHY KANE

Not many people know this, (and if they did then it would have disqualified him) but Tim recently won the "World's Nicest Man" competition. In a world of cut-throat and ambitious law students, Timmy is a welcome relief. He began law school after spending a gap year in England, from which he attained a love for a cheeky brown ale (cba). It is with the help of a few said cba's, that a select few who know Tim well recognise the dark horse within.

After working in a café for wages which make WorkChoices look like an annual bonus from Google, Tim eagerly entered the corporate world. A sharp increase in marks at university corresponded directly with the influence (input?), of more than a few very smart work colleagues. He took to Friday night work drinks like a duck to water, leaving the few sly 6 pm sessions at the Leagues look like an evening at the Northaven RSL.

Being a year older than the rest of us, and his parents slightly older than that, Tim has itchy feet, and is leaving us prematurely for the Netherlands. God knows what he will get up to there, but we know that with his pale skin and ease of conversation, he will fit in like a rugby player at Joeys. We hope the corporate world doesn't change him.



BORA KAPLAN

Bora Kaplan is blessed with the rarest blend of qualities (at least in the legal profession): namely, intelligence, honesty and generosity.

Bora's intelligence has assured him of outstanding results in his combined Bachelor of Arts (English) and Bachelor of Laws, offers from various judges and top-tier law firms and his eventual acceptance of an offer of employment from Mallesons Stephen Jaques. His honesty and passion for the law have led him on a journey to the Bar. Thankfully, his journey has started off well, as he will be guided by the steady hands of Ipp JA in 2007.

As for his charm, Bora will go down in USyd legend as the man who has stumbled over the most number of members of the fairer sex who have thrown themselves in his path at various law parties (although, that could be on account of his innate clumsiness!).

Long-term ambition: to be successful at the Bar.

Worst fear: becoming outrageously bitter, thereby securing his position as a Sheriff's officer in the High Court of Australia.



RACHEL KAY

Being an all-or-nothing kind of character, let's just say that Rachel's many antics during her stay at university have been entertaining to say the least. To the naked eye, one sees her promising law career, however we all know Rach will never be able to totally lose her inner bogan (slippers and stubbies at law school never looked so good). Her achievements at law school include 'best pun' (but at least you tried Sa), 'least amount of time needed to get ready' (this is including against the boys, although considering sydney uni law school boys, this is not hard), and putting in her own contributions to the well-sealed 'vault'. Eating amounts equivalent to that which 5 large people would consume, she manages to resemble a stick – that damn metabolism just keeps on going, despite her insistence that she is growing a DMT. The thing with Rach is that most things seem effortless – is it just luck, or does she secretly co-ordinate the world to work in her favour? We will never know. Her contributions on a more serious level include toiling under the Costa Rican sun for the less fortunate (sounds glamorous but wasn't really), her theorem that 'dirty (ie. shower-less) sleep is equal to half sleep', inappropriate laughing at inappropriate times and a willingness to help anyone and everyone with no agendas.



CHRISTINA KENNY

Although her natural talents could have taken her on to a Cambridge PhD in literature, a three-hat restaurant or a winner of Australian Idol, in an altogether rare display of poor judgement, Christina chose the path of law instead.

Noted for her incisive humour and vicious intellect... as well as her addiction to coffee, fondness for peroxide in unusual patterns, penchant for early afternoon G&Ts, repudiation of all law parties and being the only one able to put Jason in his place, Christina soon achieved the status of folk hero within the law school, not to mention the exclusive title of the one girl Tom Johnston simply could not coerce into his bed.

Untempted by avarice and duty bound by her personal integrity, Christina will go on to a long career in public interest advocacy... that is, before she is headhunted at 40, the age at which she will learn to stop worrying and love the investment banks.



SONIA KEOGH

We love Sonia.

She has a great, warm sense of humour...and indeed (particularly when celebrating the end of semester) a delightfully devilish wit. Sonia is envied by all for her boxing prowess, skills - that coupled with her formidable legal acumen –will make her the 'stuff of legends' in the courtroom. Indeed, Sonia has a remarkable knack for all things law, and is known to be the source of the "model answer" on more than one occasion! She can often be found huddled over a computer at the library...and it's rumoured that the student library shelvees have been passing their exams by secretly tapping into Sonia's brain energy! Not only has Sonia blitzed all of her law subjects, she has managed to do so whilst maintaining a healthy life outside law - most importantly being a dedicated and loving step-mum to Paul. Sonia possesses the elusive combination of humanity and intelligence, wisdom and humility... a rare feat for an accomplished boxer-legal eagle...and qualities ('judicial' qualities per her friends) that will see her scale great heights.



KON KIM

While his name is Greek and his appearance Thai, Kon is actually a Korean (really). Add to this his exceptional guitar playing skills (as displayed in the 2006 Law Revue) and you will understand why this stud muffin has a registered fan club. Nevertheless his uber high standards with chicks has meant that his longest relationship during his university life has lasted a whole 6 days! Despite his heart-breaking tendencies, Kon is actually quite domesticated at heart - he is to this day the only male I know who can steam dumplings (rather than fry or microwave them). I'm sure his 'steaming' skills will be much refined during his conquest of Shanghai over the summer break at the Winter School. So where to now for Kon? I can really only imagine two possibilities. Kon will either be rocking around the globe as the next guitarist for the Red Hot Chili Peppers or he will be commanding respect and attention as a highly talented lawyer. His future wife will most definitely be either a hairdresser or interior designer, sporting dreadlocks (an absolute 'must' to be eligible for Kon) and proficient in playing bass, drums, guitar or preferably all of the above. Expect Kon to travel extensively, and particularly to his mother country Korea, where he will hope to not only make a heap of money but also discover his long-lost 'roots'. All in all a true champion.



NICK KING

That Nick has managed to complete his law degree comes as a surprise to many of us, especially those who have been in classes with him and witnessed his extraordinary lack of anything even approaching interest, care, and often attendance. His indifference made him an essential companion during exams, when no matter how poorly prepared you were, you could always rest easy in the knowledge that at least you'd done more work than Nick. However, his keen intelligence, quick mind and ability to polemicise with the best of them ensured he always received marks far higher than his effort warranted.

It is certainly to our benefit that he stayed on, because noone made law school more entertaining, unpredictable, and downright fun than him. Possessing a razor sharp wit that gives Oscar Wilde a run for his money, there is not a subject or person on earth that Nick wouldn't joke about. But he combines with this great kindness and generosity, and has always been an incredibly loyal friend and reliable shoulder to cry on, and an uber-chic and stylish shoulder at that.

Yes, this tall, pale and handsome man is a rare gem, surely destined for great things. Get to know him now and hope for the honour of an acknowledgement in his inevitable Nobel prize winning novel.



MIRIAM KLEINER

Miriam is a powerhouse of legal knowledge, and can even remember cases we studied back in first year! She's the one we all look to when the Professor says, "So, did anyone agree with the readings this week?", and she is always ready to help out others, no matter how small or strange our problems are.

Where she'll be in 20 years: Partner at Mallesons. Esteemed leading academic on constitutional and property law who will write a gazillion texts that will actually be interesting and thus will revolutionise legal learning forevermore and will appear in everything from the Australian Law Journal to Sunrise. Or Australia's first female (and youngest!) Chief Justice of the High Court.

Most memorable quote: "The gold book is my *friend*!" (The gold book, as we should all remember, is the Butterworths Tutorial Guide to Equity)



ERIC KNIGHT

"I have no special gift; I am only passionately curious," so said Albert Einstein. Whilst Eric would probably laugh his characteristically loud laugh at being compared to Einstein, the two have more in common than simply excessive modesty. Above and beyond their intelligence, passion and slightly unkempt hair, it is the quality of curiosity which sets them both apart.

With all the energy of an atomic bomb, then, Eric has involved himself in all aspects of life at the Law School and university more generally. In 2004, he volunteered (crime doesn't pay) to work at the Aboriginal Legal Service. Eric later developed this interest in Indigenous affairs, volunteering in Alice Springs at the Central Land Council on land rights in 2006. He also published an article with Professor Larissa Behrendt on appeal points to the Full Federal Court for the first Native Title compensation case, the Yulara case. It was his Exchange to the Netherlands in 2004, however, where he attended a model UN conference, which sparked his enduring interest in the environment. Such an interest was reflected in his work in climate change and international law over the summer clerkship of 2005/6 and in his publications on international energy policy with *The Globalist*, an undergraduate magazine of which he was *Managing Editor*. His environmental law studies with Professor Ben Boer and Katherine Miles were a highlight.

Curiosity for how the world works is what underscores all of Eric's activities and achievements. His commitment to a just world will ensure Eric continues to make his mark on it.



JULIE KOH

Like many a girl from MLC, Julie did law at university, Social Science/Law was the go, with a major in Politics don'tcha know! Unlike me (pete) who started shy, she kicked all our asses in Legal i, It was luck that I came to know her, I met her on a campus tour!

She studies hard and kills exams, so please do not compare our WAMs, A computer whiz I'd like to think, she types as fast as I can blink! Her favourite lecturers (if you give a fuck), were Walton, Barnes and Andrew Tuch! And just in case you're keeping score, her best uni years were: 1, 3, 4!

She plays golf and watches House MD, and once spilt juice on my PC, And 'cause she's finished her units core, she's now gone off to Singapore! Yes, Julie is quite a hunny - considerate, polite, sweet and funny, So here's a wish to her from me - Julie, congrats on your law degree!



ADRIAN KUTI

Law is very much a part-time pursuit for Adrian. Displaying nascent lawyer qualities, Adrian split his time at law-school into efficient billable units. Arriving as a transferee from Economics, he was keen to demonstrate to those Arty students the benefits of what he termed "power attendance" at law lectures. As those who know Adrian well, however, he epitomises quality over quantity. A quick and sharp sense of humour has caught more than a few lecturers, and now work colleagues, napping.

Embodying the edict that "Curls get the girls", Adrian's problematic heritage and dark skin ensured he cut an exotic figure at law balls and parties alike. Anxious to see how the other half live, Adrian is leaving us prematurely to do exchange in Germany. To those left here, we are worried about the lack of Vitamin B he will be receiving, and whether ze Germans will get his sense of humour. We hope not.



JEREMY KWONG-LAW

Has been labelled "the most unfriendly person at law school". He says that if being well dressed and having fuck off cool hair makes him unfriendly, and then he'd say that he is the most unfriendly person ever.

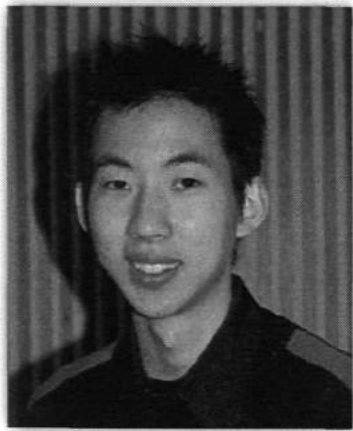
This may be the result of Jeremy's non-participative, "too-cool-for-law-school" attitude, which has seen him attend very few functions over the years.

However this label has not emanated from the fairer half of the law school population, who describe him as lovely, charming, blah blah blah,

His fashion sense (including signature stripy jumpers, double-hoodies and country and western shirts) has inspired many other budding fashionista law students – including a number of females to follow suit.

Has developed the art of customising his timetable to maximise morning hours in bed. When this has failed he has been known to refuse to attend class before the more civilised hour of 10.30am, accompanied by a large strong latte and a grumpy face.

Favourite subject was corporate, because of a particularly aesthetically pleasing female class member...until he remembered his glasses!



TIMOTHY LAM

An avid fan of anti-feminist literature and a staunch enthusiast of the judgments, speeches and other brilliant works of the most celebrated Judge of Appeal of our time, the Honourable Mr Justice Roderick Pitt Meagher, AO, QC, Timothy Lam is the epitome of the traditional 1950s male. Besides voicing his controversial opinions on what women were created to do (namely, to provide domestic comfort to members of the opposite sex) and making girls cry during regular lunch-time gatherings on level five of the Law School, Tim invested a significant proportion of his time into studying for a combined Bachelor of Arts (Philosophy) and Bachelor of Laws, a degree in which he has had a great deal of success.

Both a brilliant scholar and entrepreneur, Tim plans on establishing his own law firm after graduating from law school and, one day, to take over the world. On a relatively minor note, he also aspires to go to the Bar.

Some of Tim's other interests include martial arts, listening to jazz music and wooing women with his old-world charm.



WILLIAM LAM

To many, Will presents the sleepy exterior of a slightly jaded and ambivalent law student. But beneath the façade lurks some semblance of a legal mind. This side of the quietly ambitious achiever manifests particularly in his sarcastic humour. Even from his decidedly mundane studies in accounting and law, Will's irrepressible charm and wit certainly made lectures and lunchbreaks more interesting. Stuck in the law school dungeons he frequently professes ignorance with his signature 'fatigued apathy' look. Yet come exam time, he can still manage to squeeze in renditions of legal doctrines in between quirky observations of the world. On that note, Will's eccentricities become more entertaining after extended seclusion. So with Will likely to attain gainful employment as a high flying hot-shot lawyer in a claustrophobic corporate/legal environment in the near future, this Will be interesting ...



SAMANTHA LANDSBERRY

It is a truth universally acknowledged that Samantha Landsberry in possession of a glass of champagne must be in want of nothing at all. Miss Landsberry is known and respected among her many friends and colleagues for a range of talents, including singing with operatic powers, singing bogan drawls with pinpoint accuracy, a booty that shakes at an alarming pace when dancing, being a brilliant actress (both on and off the stage). She is very arousing. In addition, Samantha is gifted in being able to speak several foreign languages, as well as being a *master of profanities*. She rightfully earned her title of Miss F*ck Off 2005, and memorable pearls of wisdom include "5, 4, 3, 2, 1... what the f*ck was that?" and "Him? I could snap him in two with a look let alone a kiss!" This brings us to another talent of Miss Landsberry – her "icy stare". Mostly employed in her duties as Chair of the Hate Committee, her technique is the origin her well loved nickname "Slice". Watch out for this girl if you ever cross her at the Bar (both in the legal and liquor senses of the word). She'll never suspect the snake, and she does love lamp. Sam enjoys being dragged along the beach, her awesome rack, talking loudly, telling off small children and driving cautiously. Dare to dream Samantha... "They're playing that crap song on the radio about roses smelling like poo-poo".



QUYEN LE

Quyen is not going to tell you that she's all over Google but she is. She's also been interviewed by the Herald, been featured in a book, and listed on concert programs all over the world. But you see, no matter how amazing she might be at playing the violin, she is never one to blow her own trumpet. When she is not juggling the competing passions of the Gilmore Girls and KFC, our little musical prodigy is also a model law student. A cameo on the Blake Dawson Waldron summer clerkship campaign video, Quyen is considering pursuing a fulfilling career in Environmental or Employment law. However, anyone who's shared a class with Quyen would agree she would make the world's best PA – who else can transcribe lectures at 99 words per minute with 100% accuracy, whilst checking the person walking late into class, and at the same time telling you about her platonic love for Ross Anderson. Quyen is a generous and big-hearted individual, she dedicates her spare time to help disadvantaged immigrants, lead church youth groups, CALS and EU. This is just a glimpse of her compassion and selflessness. Quyen has left footprints all over the world. She continues to inspire those around her to become better people. Whether sharing in her passions or compassion, being friends with Quyen is rewarding and precious.



DIANA LEE

From her humble roots in Belmore, Diana has defied the odds by truly establishing herself in the big city. While highly intelligent, thoughtful and talented, Diana's biggest impact during her time at university has definitely been on the dance floor rather than in the lecture room. Diana can often be seen in bars and clubs shaking her booty for days on end without sleep (literally) powered by a seemingly unlimited supply of passion, energy and enthusiasm. Her flair for fashion has seen her appear at parties in often 'critically acclaimed' attire (e.g. the infamous 'J-LO' dress). All jokes aside however, such memorable moments are indicative of the true character that is Diana: a girl always prepared to have fun, who always has time for her friends, is very easy to talk to, is bubbly and brightens up parties by her mere presence. Diana will definitely *make an impact once she leaves university both on a professional and human level*. While she is certainly capable of becoming an influential lawyer/professional I can just as easily see her starting her own fashion label (or doing something on the creative side). Best of luck mate!



KEVIN LEONG

Nicknames: "Kev", "Leech boy" (Yeah, you thought you could leave that nightmare behind after high school, and then you thought you could leave it behind after 5 years of uni. Sorry, Kev.)

Lives: in the middle of nowhere.

Likes: Upright girls, weird music, Burmese food, ponytails, men's sweaters (not on himself, of course), amusing one-man bands and hot back-up singers.

Trade mark dance move: Point both pointy fingers to the ceiling and walk around to the groove.

Attributes: Kev always sees the good in people (i.e. he makes excuses for everyone), and finds the humour in everything. They're the reasons why he is my bestest friend in the whole wide world.

Passionate about: human rights, social justice and leeches (just kidding).

He will tell you about: 'dukkha', and how to save the world from self-destruction.



EMMA LEUNG

Degree: B Com/LLB

When you see her, she's always...organising social events, trying to get people to go to social events, giving a speech at an awards ceremony she's hosting, off to a conference overseas or interstate, chatting to 10 different people at the same time

What she will do with her last \$100...use it as start up capital for a well thought through money making scheme that probably won't progress past the well thought through stage (remember the party website?) or buy a shiny new gadget

In 10 years...she will have made 10 different career changes, be living in a big house with her family, have a chauffeur (not having had time to get her full drivers licence)

Most memorable moment....going to a law party but leaving her phone at home and having to go back to get it so that she could meet up with her date.



FIONA LEUNG

Degree: B Com/LLB

When you see her, she's always...

Loud, being a walking street directory and giving directions to somewhere (remember that time when you knew where Bakers Delight was in Ermington and Clark Rubber in Castle Hill?? Now that is random!), coming up with the most random trivia

What she will do with her last \$100... she would go to lunch @ Eastwood, buy period drama dvds

In 10 years...she will be hosting a trivia show on TV :)



SARAH LITHGOW

If Sarah spent less time 'googling' and more time studying it is probable that she would already have several letters after her name. Known as "the pro" (mainly to herself), Sa's various antics have produced many a memory both within and outside of the precincts of law school. These memories are to be placed squarely within 'the vault', sworn never to be 'opened' (except after a few too many G+Ts). The days of Snives and Cheltenham have given way to the DMT, Pops and granny flappers, or any other way to get through another 2 hours of admin law. Although Rach definitely has won the prize for best pun in law school (sorry Sa, but in the words of Don Rothwell: 'at least you tried'), Sa has definitely entertained in her own way. Talents include an unhealthy obsession with babs and cheesecake, educating Rach on various matters such as boxes ("no you can't put your assignment in my box"), mooching and multi-mooching, and a disturbing commitment to the hut of pizza. However all things considered, and DMTs aside, there is no one at law school more genuine, intelligent or fun as Sa and if you didn't know her you missed out. There is only one thing left to say... Do you like pina colada??!



WILLIAM LOH

Will has always been a reluctant law student. Propelled into a Commerce/Law degree more by his passion for numbers than by any burning desire to overturn the Tasmanian Dams case, Will's time at uni has been characterised by an avoidance of all things law. Indeed, although having contributed amazingly to the Sydney Uni Buddhist Society, Will prides himself on having attended merely one extra-curricular law activity outside class time in his entire uni career. Instead, he looked to the real commercial world to find his true calling. Yes, Will decided to remedy the minimal male presence in the homewares industry by selling buttons at Lincraft, and mixing paint at Bunnings. Genius wasted, you think? Well, Will himself soon came to this realisation also. In rapid succession over two years, he went from Lincraft button boy, to Ernst & Young numbers boy, to Mallesons filing boy, to Freehills Intellectual Property, well, intellectual, and will next year return to Ernst & Young with his beloved calculator at his side. In short, at 22, he has experienced a textbook climb of the big firm ladder that many would only dream of. Yet true to form, he has dispensed with law firms altogether. Suffice to say, don't expect to see him anywhere near a law firm or court in the future! Will is a fantastic friend to all who know him, and would bend over backwards to help out those in need (especially if you happen to have dropped a Lincraft button on the floor).



GRACE LONG



ADRIAN LOPEZ

Four Takes on AL

A strange figure enters the class an hour late, dishevelled suit, greasy hair, unplugging his earphones as he rushes to a seat. Meet Adrian Lopez – a man full of opinions and ideas – none of them good. A legend to some, a bastard to most, memorable to all.

Adrian has always been an impeccably dressed student, which is a particularly impressive feat given that he worked in IT – a field known for employees dressed in Star Trek T-shirts with sandals and socks. His answers to lecturers' questions are piercing and intense, even if not present in class to have heard the question.

Adrian was that guy at law school – out of my league, unattainable crush you can never have. I don't know if it was his esoteric questions, yellow fingers, overgrown hair, chronic tardiness or poor skiing style, but he just had that je ne sais quoi. Maybe one day I'll pluck up the courage to ask him to ditch Jen for me. But I think... he's just not that into me.

Obnoxious to a fault, late beyond belief, Adrian continues to be feted for his 'just add cold water' opinions on any subject. Immunity from such onslaughts was impossible.

Saved from ostracization by the fact that he was the passingly endearing and generous with his largesse.

Adrian's Take on Himself

Meet Adrian Lopez, a man full of opinions and ideas, memorable to all. An impeccably dressed student, his answers to lecturers' questions are piercing and intense. He was that guy at law school – out of my league, unattainable crush you can never have, he just had that je ne sais quoi. Adrian continues to be feted by being endearing and generous with his largesse.



RHONDA LUO

Rhonda, an overemployed, rapunzel-esque former Communist, is a person of many talents. She has been known to juggle her studies at law school with multiple part-time jobs, several volunteer positions, an active social life and a bizarre interest in literary theory. A tea connoisseur of the highest order, Rhonda enjoys long walks along the beach, visiting prisons, corporate law and Althusser. Although her friends have at times been tempted to chain her to her armchair to prevent her from zipping on her size 5 boots and running off to save the whales, deep down we know her extra curricular machinations make the world a better place. Despite being a woman who brings new meaning to the phrase 'last minute', Rhonda's ability to get so many things done is a testament to her intelligence and organisational skills. Not only this, but she makes a mean wonton. Rhonda will soon be seen cruising the mean streets of Canberra on the back of a Vespa, as she commences a job at Treasury. With Rhonda's acumen, enthusiasm and creativity we rest assured that all of our money will be in capable hands.



BELINDA MACLAY

Under her seemingly quiet exterior lie wit, talent and kindness. Not only is Belinda a damn fine cup-cake maker, she is also not too shabby on the netball court (what with being a winner in this year's playoffs). Where two hours in a lecture theatre could be dull to the point of wanting to bang one's head against a wall, Belinda always has a killer comment ready at the perfect moment to relieve her companions of such an urge. She is also willing to share her treasured Twirls which always seem to get us through the semester. Whenever one finds one's self in a spot of trouble, Belinda is always willing to lend a helping hand, listening ear, translation of sentences containing confusing German-English concepts... or even notes to save one from catastrophe at the end of semester (and even a shoulder to cry on when catastrophe is not avoided). Yes, she is lovely, our Belinda...but don't EVER mention the word Pretzel to her...



NAOMI MEI-HSIEN
MAHENDRAN



SIOBHAN MANSFIELD

Siobhan, or Sio-bhan - law school superhero, is quite simply, most amazing. She is a superhero because she can do everything and make it look super easy. Siobhan studies, she works, she maintains a life and she even directs plays. She writes brilliantly, speaks eloquently, and is creative and passionate. As well as these talents, Siobhan has a strong sense of direction. On our criminology excursion to the Frank Baxter Juvenile Justice Centre, we discovered that another talent of Siobhan's is her sense of direction. Due entirely to poor signage and a vague map provided by *whereis.com*, we got very lost, a couple of times. But no matter how far off course we ventured or how close to Newcastle we got, each time we decided on a new route, Siobhan would confidently declare that she felt we were going the right way. Thanks to these feelings, we did eventually arrive at the Centre, about an hour late. I first spoke to Siobhan on our first day of law school and now, I could not imagine my time at law school without her.



ELISE MARTIN

Elise began her legal studies quietly and contentiously. By her final year, the corruption of two law ski trips, the nudity of two law reviews and the drinking involved in countless law parties had taken its toll. Gone was Elise's inner chapel prefect and a party girl arose in its place.

Despite the new Elise's involvement in the above-mentioned extra-curricular activities, Elise still managed to make it to class most of the time – no small achievement considering her inability to ever be punctual.

Elise's presence at law school has been appreciated by many due to her note passing stamina, willingness to skip seminars in order to go shopping and her magic bottomless bag which contained everything a law student could ever need from lollies, to countless wet-ones, to the ever elusive course readers.

While it is still unclear whether Elise will make use of the academic side of her law degree, her kindness, resourcefulness and sense of fun will ensure that she will be very successful in whatever she chooses to do.

Thank you Elise for all the great times and the best of luck for your very bright future!



EIBHLIN MCBRIDE

Eibhlin is a dignified intellectual, notwithstanding the setback of being an Irishwoman. Although she is modest, her achievements speak for themselves. Eibhlin placed 32nd in the Irish Dancing World Championships, a fact that she'll be quite pleased I've released into the public domain. A few drinks into the week's end Eibhlin has been known to break into an Irish rendition of "Nut Bush City Limits" – a performance that is yet to disappoint even the most sober of colleagues.

Irish blood runs thick through Eibhlin's veins. Intent on making up for what her ancestors forwent in the great potato famine, Eibhlin regularly devours twice her body weight in a single sitting.

One is faced with an impossible task when asked to name a bad thing about Eibhlin. Although this is a well-worn statement, it is an utter and complete truth when it comes to Eibhlin. Her warmth and generosity speak volumes of the kind individual that she is. Eibhlin is much like the sun breathing life and happiness into all those around her.



NATASHA MCCARTHY

Our intrepid investigative journalism team has uncovered the following ad placed by one N.McCarthy in the international press:

'bright young blonde in Sydney seeks talented English lover, min 10yrs her senior. Ideally, will live as far away as possible, have major emotional hang-ups, pots of cash and an appreciation for Jimmy Choos. Sydney University law students need not apply'



KATE MCCROSSIN



HOLLY MCDONELL

Law school's beach babe, Holly looks every bit the Northern beaches girl with her long, silky, blonde hair and year long "tan". Who could blame her missing the odd uni lecture or two with the temptation of the ocean just down the road! If you can't find her at uni, chances are she is either enjoying some fine dining down at her favourite eatery, Cupcakes on Pitt; sifting her way through Vinnies for some cool vintage bargains or curled up with a good book at her new Woolloomooloo Bachelorette pad. Wherever she is, her smile is guaranteed to light up the room!



ERIN MCGUSHIN

Born into a family of Lawyers, Erin was destined for a life in the law. She was always a diligent student and her time in Alex Ziegert's Sociological Jurisprudence class was a law school highlight. Erin loves to play sport. She was on fire in the water polo team and shone as a Goal Attack in Netball. Erin represented Sydney Uni for Netball at every Uni games. Although graceful on the court, Erin has two left feet on the dance floor. She injured her knee whilst attempting an MC Hammer break dance routine at University Games in 2006. When not partying or fooling around, Erin spends time pining after comedian Jim Carrey. Erin's friends are sure she has watched the movie Lemony Snicket's over 20 times. Erin will miss her daily choc-chip cookies and coke fix at Law school. Erin says "Goodbye Farewell Amen."



ALANA MCKAY-SMITH

Alana in three words: Warm, Fun-Loving and Loyal

She is the kind of friend that will unconditionally side with you against someone she doesn't even know! She'll ask about your interests and seem happy to listen even if she doesn't know what the hell you're talking about when you answer. The finest of relationship counsellors, partners in party crime and conveyors of juicy gossip.

If she was a food, she would be a chocolate soufflé – Don't be fooled by its strong and crisp exterior, as it's always soft and warm on the inside! Nobody can say "NO" to soufflé - everybody loves it! And in the meantime, it's naughty, but it's the one and only chocolate soufflé, so it gets away with everything!

Best Quote: "Oh my god... When I die, you CAN NOT let my parents clean out my bedroom!!!!"

And still to this day, only Alana really knows why!



RACHEL MCNAUGHT

Resident Law Revue Angel, Rachel McNaught is known for her portrayals of petite, imperilled females on stage. But behind her quiet and innocent facade lies a brilliant mind and a sharp wit, which never fails to entertain all those around her. Through hard work and fierce determination, she has excelled at university and work and will without doubt be one of Sydney's top barristers in the not too distant future. Rachel works hard, but also knows how to party hard, and has mastered balancing the two to a fine art. Known by some as "McNaughty", Rachel has enjoyed many law and college parties and is never far from the dance floor. Her spirit and determination guarantee that she is destined for great things in times to come.



PETE MEDYNSKI

THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY

FACULTY OF LAW

EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF COOL

SUBJECT: "PETE" (LAWS300YEAH)

Writing Time: 0 hours

Reading Time: 5 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS:

This examination has 2 parts. Students who did not know Pete in university must answer Part A AND Part B. Students who took the (non-redeemable) option of knowing Pete must answer Part A only.

Part A

What is Pete's name? (50 Marks)

Part B

Pete Medynski ("P") enrolled in Commerce/Law at the University of Sydney in 2002, inspired by the Johnny Cash song "I Fought the Law". Among his achievements at tertiary level, he:

Engineered his car to start at the flick of a switch, rather than the ignition.

Did a brief stint in (essentially pro-bono) community work, selling Computer Tutors to mathemagically-disadvantaged households.

Could, almost invariably, do a good vocal impression of Ross Anderson.

Developed enduring love affairs with his blue and yellow Sydney University sweater and the Oporto in Mid City Centre.

Wrote fan mail to Roger Magnusson.

Pete cannot recollect why he studied personal taxation in the 2005/6 income year, since it gave him few fringe benefits or capital gains. Pete plans to become a vexatious litigant. In his own words, he hopes "to achieve eternal fame in legal circles by one day succeeding in a landmark piece of litigation that will become known simply as Medynski's case."

Advise P on his chances of playing Dr Chase's hair in the next season of "House".

What possible relief might P be entitled to seek from the person who wrote this Blackacre profile?

Would your answer to (ii) change if this profile was funny?

END OF PAPER

You may take this question paper with you at the end of the examination.



ADRIAN MELILLO



MICHAEL MESITI



ALICIA MOODY



LUISA MOCKLER

Nicknamed 'Lulu' by the infamous Lee Aitkin in Real Property, Luisa manages to offend every kind of stereotype. Blonde and not foolish, stilleto wearing and never tacky. Her boundless knoweldge of American crime and politics is only surpassed by her appreciation of skim cappucinos, potato wedges and gin (often consecutively). Most importantly, she remains true to her convictions despite the brassy commercialism which seems to invade even the lower levels of the phillip st campus.

Luisa's friendship, note procuring abilities and ascerbic class participation were always appreciated, though often not by those unversed in the finer points of discourse analysis. It is probably fair to say that although her departure may well be missed by staff and students, she will be only too glad to remove herself from the claustrophobia of a campus so difficult to get to without a ferry.



VICTORIA MOMSEN

Well, what can I say? We met at 1st year law camp and have been good friends since. One thing I always admired about Tor was her ability to put uni in perspective and keep an excellent balance between her studies and her social and sporting life. Not only was Tor always up for any social event on the COMSOC and SULS calendar, but she also played a huge part in the sporting scene at Sydney Uni. Tor enjoyed playing on various waterpolo teams throughout her 5 years of uni and in 2005 scored the position of Sydney Uni's Sports Captain for Uni Games. When I asked Tor what she would miss about uni and what she would take away with her, she replied, "the holidays" and "good friends". A true testament to Tor's amazing personality is the number of good friends she has acquired over the past few years. Classes were always made more interesting by her silly antics, such as passing anonymous love letters on hot pink post-its to cute boys in class. She has shared many a coffee, a stu-vac phone call and a crazy night out with us all. In 2007 Tor will pursue a career in accounting at PPB. Law school will miss her and she will definitely go far!



MAGDALENA MILTON
MISIAREK



SASCHA MORRELL

Sascha has lived at St Paul's College for the past 6 years, where he has not missed a single college social night, although he prefers to discuss politics around the punch bowl than actually tackle his fear of being rejected by the opposite sex. His fear stems not from a lack of self-esteem, for he truly believes his opinions to be far superior to those of any other being (a belief which he never hesitates to iterate), but rather from his conviction in the innate intellectual superiority of men, the lasting scars of teenage acne and some remaining "puppy fat". Law School students will remember Sash fondly for his intellectually rigorous (if mumbled) contributions to class discussions, his off-track, bilateral in-class debates with lecturers, his references to obscure cases and 16th century English legislation, and his blatantly bored, pompous demeanor, all of which display a superior intellect nurtured by a fine Grammar education. Sash is a proud member of the Young Liberals, one 'club' in which his aforementioned fear of women is never likely to become a problem. He aspires to a career in politics, following in the footsteps of his idol, Malcom Turnbull, in which he aims to expand Workchoices legislation, take a zero tolerance stance on refugees, and disband Centrelink. Alternatively, Sascha would accept an appointment to the High Court.



BEN MOSSEMENEAR

Ben is the quintessential Australian 'bloke' (with a few twists). Firstly, there is his passion for music. Ben is quite possibly the greatest Karaoke fiend of all time and recently returned from a trip to Europe that can only be described as a cultural exchange with the intention of picking up white boy dance moves (and a few other things). He also loves his sport, especially touch football, though of late this seems to be more of a ruse to find new karaoke partners and meet American exchange students than anything else. Ben loves to have a good time and makes sure that everyone else is as well. This is not to suggest that he doesn't have a keen intellect – Ben has completed Honours in Econometrics and Economics and is especially interested in corporate law. In fact, so broad are his intellectual interests that at times there is a hint of contradiction about them – I have in mind his zealous enthusiasm for environmental law and his job as an investment banker in resources. Ben has held so many jobs whilst at university that he may just be the single biggest cause of Australia's underemployment problem. He has worked as an Econometrics tutor, research assistant, investment banker, equities analyst, temporary tax agent and even an employee in a fish and chips shop. Ben seems to have finally settled on a career though and next year he will commence as an investment banking graduate at Macquarie Bank.



SINA MOSTAFAVI

The task of writing a profile for Sina was a potentially daunting one, not simply because it's hard to fit the many words to say into such a small space, but also because Sina and I have been best friends since high school. One thing is for sure, in an era of corporate collapse and massive political conflicts, it's good to know that there are still reliable friends like Sina.

For those people who are fortunate enough to have met Sina, within minutes of meeting him they were glad that they had done so, as he is someone who is great fun to hang around and enjoys everyone's company (except if you happen to be a supporter of any team that has just played against his beloved Arsenal!). Sina's classmates at uni will remember him as someone both friendly and reliable. His ongoing involvement at Redfern Legal Centre, his undying hatred of John Howard, and his love of photography and music are a testament to Sina's positive attitude to his life and his work.

I really owe Sina a great deal. Whatever he may choose to do, Sina's success will be assured by his attention to detail and capacity for hard work. I'll always be eternally grateful for his friendship and support over the last five years. I wish him the best of luck and every success for the future.



MOHAMAD MOUBAYED



FLORENCE MUI



NATASHA MUNASINGHE

When I met Natasha I thought to myself: this is the type of law student I want to hang out with at law school. Natasha is not only very bright, charismatic and beautiful, but she is someone who has that rare quality of kindness, compassion and a sincere belief in social justice. Natasha decided to study law in conjunction with an Arts degree, where she majored in Spanish studies. She cares deeply for others and this is evident when she volunteers her time to assist disadvantaged children. She reads widely across topics beyond the law to areas that span philosophy, spirituality and psychology. She challenges me to think about these issues and to reflect on what sort of person, in ethical terms, we ought to be in this big wide world. But she's not at all high-brow. Far from it. She's stylish, fit and hip and knows how to dazzle with those moves on the dance floor (just ask Snoop!) and she always displays a winning smile. Natasha will certainly make a wonderful difference in our world for the causes she is very passionate about, so watch this face for greatness in the years to come!



ODETTE MURRAY

There is surely not a single person on earth who could fail to be cheered by an encounter with Odette. One of the friendliest people you could ever meet, her buoyant mood and quick laugh made many a law lecture not only bearable but enjoyable. Like the perfect party guest, she is an inexhaustible source of interesting trivia, *good humour, and good fun.*

However, her easygoing and humble exterior belies an intelligence and record of achievements that are formidable to say the least. She is intimidatingly well read, knowledgeable and just plain clever – and anyone who finds themselves mooing against Odette may as well bow to the inevitable and forfeit before they start.

But her talents are more diverse than traditional academia. Take, for example, her ability to carry around 43 books in 7 different bags all day and still manage to look great, in an outfit (partially comprised of one of her 258 Bonds singlet tops) put together with her enviable and inimitable sense of style.

Essentially, remarkable talent and remarkable kindness are what come to mind when you think of Odette - if she were a Jane Austen novel, she'd be *Genius and Geniality*. Maths enthusiast, balloon animal maker, future judge of the ICJ: what's not to love?



CHERYL NEO



JASON NG

The Arnold Schwarzenegger of the Orient, Jason is well known in law school for having a chest bigger than Pamela Anderson's and knowing everybody in the building. Jason is also well known for having worn the same jumper throughout his entire legal education. Barring a social occasion, if the time is 8pm he can be found at Randwick Fitness First complaining that the dumbbells are not large enough and the machines do not allow a high enough weight setting. If he is at a social occasion, he has already been to the gym beforehand. But whatever he says to you about his aspirations to be a tax lawyer, I can reveal exclusively here that his true dream is to be a backup dancer at a Kylie Minogue concert. Not only does he have an amazing knowledge of the student body, but he is also rather chummy with the lecturers which might explain his grades. But if the grade isn't good I advise lecturers to run for the hills - he will argue the point until he wins (and he always does). Rumour has it, he practices his exam mark debates with UNSW professors, before he unleashes on lecturers at Law School. Then there is his jumper. It seems unfair to end on that, so instead I give a free tip to any of the many girls vying for his attention: his inner child is Batman and the way to his heart (and it has been proven) is to dress up as Catwoman.



WAI KIEN NG

Kien was born the Prince of Malaysia in 1984. He decided to leave his homeland to explore the world before he would inevitably take on his royal duties. He arrived in Australia, and as all rebellious princes do, he drank too much beer and was photographed by Malaysian press being overly friendly with a certain un-named celebrity. With his face on every newspaper and magazine, it was only a matter of time before his parents saw the picture. Though scolded and shamed by his royal family, he nevertheless discovered a passion and fire-like emotions he never felt before. These new emotions lead to a period of heavy drinking and womanizing, but it was not long before he felt 'empty' and direction-less. On a particular night of binge drinking in the city, he staggered out of the bar not caring whether the media would scandalize him once again. He never made it home but fell asleep in an underground car park in Phillips Street. He woke up the following morning with a throbbing headache and a half eaten McChicken in his right hand. He looked around and noticed that he was in the Sydney University Law School Building.

Need I say anymore?

He threw his McChicken down and looked up at the building. It was his destiny.

Kien directed his new found passion and fire-like emotions towards the study of law, though he occasionally lapses into his heavy drinking ways.



KATHRYN O'BRIEN

To meet Kathryn sipping cocktails at a suitably glamorous city bar (as many of you probably have - or will), you would never guess that such a fun-loving, fashionably dressed, yet warm-natured girl would be one of Sydney's most promising corporate law stars! Kathryn is always full of surprises though - gently spoken but with a great sense of humour; bound for a successful career in Mergers & Acquisitions but passionate about her English honours degree; and going on Hunter Valley wine tours but really hanging out for the antique shops! She always sets herself new and interesting challenges, mixing final year studies and working in the city with a Saturday morning Italian class and saving for a language and cooking study holiday in the south of France! It has been so much fun at law school with Kathryn and we are all looking forward to hearing of her many future successes.



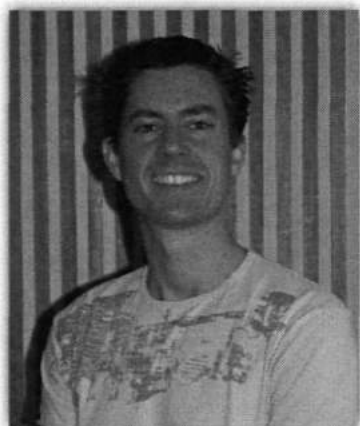
ROWENA O'NEILL

The legal scholar Sartori once said that it is impossible to know one's own legal system without learning that of another. A fan of Justice Rehnquist, Rowena took the literal interpretation of Sartori's claim and diligently set about traversing the globe whilst collecting credit and frequent flyer points... As such, Rowena's time at law school will be marked by the time she spent not actually on campus while studying other legal systems on exchange, initially in Sweden and later in the Netherlands after she discovered that the liquor laws were far more liberal there... Despite the constraints of a 365-day calendar, Rowena's participation in the activities in Law School was particularly impressive. A frequent participant at SULLS ski trips and social events, Rowena was also responsible for the great economic boom of the early noughties with her cheeky shopping escapades in DJs, quick lunches at the Sheraton and dessert on the way home from Gelatissimo (R.I.P.). Naturally, such events were justified under the pretext of 'consumption smoothing'. A passionate economist, Rowena is presently caught in her own little variation of the prisoner's dilemma. There is a choice between seeking the glory and fame of entering the legal profession, simply compiling enormous wealth at an investment bank, or a last minute escape overseas as an au pair for a French billionaire. Most of us would only dream of staring at this O'Neill dilemma... In any event, Law School will be so much poorer without her wisdom, compassion, kindness and brilliance.



BARNABY PACKHAM

I'm not going say that Barney Packham is a Renaissance Man, but I will say that he was born under a lucky star. Whilst most of us were fretting over clerkship interviews, this is the treatment that Barney got: "Aww, you have a pet turtle! How cute!" The youngest of the Packham Boys to go through Phillip Street, Barney's CV reads: scholarship, prefect, amazing UAI, law school, scholarship, scholarship, Moore Park Golf Course Driving Range Attendant (2003-2004), Sydney Film Festival Customer Service and Audience Voting Volunteer (2005). That pretty much sums up Barney - a really interesting guy who's smart, unpretentious, and pursues his hobbies with real passion. Over a successful university career, Barney also managed to go on exchange to both Canada and the Netherlands; coordinate the Noel Martin Squash League; play trombone in a jazz band which had gigs all over NSW; and write a Film Studies Honours thesis on the very cool Michael Mann. We all love Barney for different reasons. He will always have something personal and fresh to say to you, and above all else he is a loyal friend. A close friend once said, "I don't see you in law, buddy - you're going into advertising", and the thing is, no one really knows where Barney's career will take him. But together with his lucky star, sunny disposition, and capacity to open our eyes to life's endless possibilities, Barney will never be one to pin down, and will fly high wherever he goes.



ANDREW PITTS

Andrew, or Andy as he hates to be called by his mates, is an enigmatic character wrapped up in a riddle. He is the stereotypical investment banker who will wrestle with a problem until it has been done to death. Those lucky enough to see him for a few hours over the past summer internship would have been in awe over his pasty office tan. His infectious enthusiasm spreads through to all facets of his life including his beloved media centre (yet to have reception), peddling the latest technological craze – “no I do not have Skype yet”, making music videos using Mathematica and Matlab, swimming down at Vic park or even imparting his vast University-medal-winning econometric knowledge on impressionable first year students. Despite dabbling in the law as a paralegal this year among his other commitments, Andrew has still managed to take time out of his busy schedule to relax with a few quiet beers at the Leagues in order to deconstruct the day's events or to theorise on some possible real world economic application. A tradition that we all hope continues as he moves to Goldman Sachs as a full time business analyst next year.



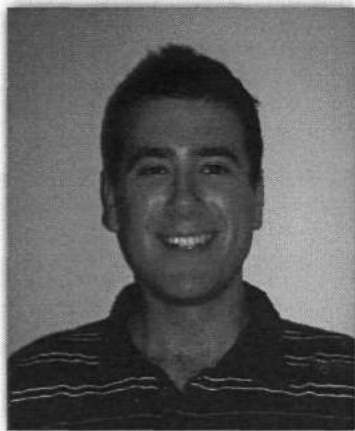
REBECCA FLEMING

Rebecca, or Bec as she is better known by her many friends, came to study law with a background in psychology. Throughout her time at Law School, Bec has maintained the work she does treating children with autism. She also completed an internship with the Department of Public Prosecutions and is currently enjoying work as a paralegal at Blake Dawson Waldron. *Bec would probably list her favourite things to do as shopping and going out with friends.* She also likes to travel and meet new people. In her spare time, Bec can be found buying out any Alannah Hill or Bettina Liano store, or at any venue where Irish backpackers are known to congregate. Bec is hoping to pursue a career in family law / criminal law.



ANNABEL POPE

The world is our oyster, but what will we all do?? Annabel's love for travel and anything international combined with her musical talent has led her to discover what this oyster has to offer. With her trusty viola she has traipsed around the globe, falling, somewhere along the way, for a small Swedish town called Lund. She has experimented with an array of flavours – from Indian curries to American fast-food – but it was those Español nachos in the Mecca of Scandinavia that painted her red. Passion... maybe Tres, Raper definitely caught her attention, as did Real Property, Conveyancing, wills and succession. Looking back, Annabel's path has been clear all along -- from her first day of law when she offered help and a hand of friendship to a cripple, to her days shadowing her Family Court magistrate – Pope & Partners, a small and compassionate firm there for you and all your family law needs!



JOE POWER

Joe Power is first and foremost a dead ringer for George Clooney and looks stunning in a suit. But behind the dark and handsome looks which have done him so much service at all the SALS events, lies a serious intellectual powerhouse. Member of the Golden Key Society, and dux of both Locke and Empiricism and Descartes and Continental Philosophy, this is also the only guy who aspires to positions of power so that he can pass off lines from Hollywood blockbusters ("This is the hardest call I've ever had to make... Airstrike approved!") A photocopier downtown, sorry, "senior paralegal", and soon to be Associate for a Supreme Court judge, Joe is also often heard remarking to his friends, "Look at this amazing tan!" or "Look at my beautiful hands - I have never done a day of manual labour in my life!" We wish Joe the best and look forward to waking up one day to the rehashed rhetoric of Power J presiding, when we can reminisce about how a High Court Judge used to pull out his packed lunch in the middle of Newtown Thai 2, and sigh as he told us what a good Superman he would've made.



JULIANNE QIU

Julianne Qiu, an outspoken 5th year commerce/law student, who majored in accounting and finance in her commerce degree. Unlike most girls, she is not only a shopaholic but also a self confessed workaholic. Even though she often has a very challenging schedule, somehow she always manages to survive and thrive on it. Though she can be a harsh critique at times, where a thing cannot simply be good but has to be the best. This is especially the case when it comes to self-assessment, where she has an insatiable appetite for self-perfection and relentlessly pushes herself to achieve her personal best. To her friends, Julianne is loyal, devoted and honest, though maybe a bit too honest at times, and especially not afraid to speak what is on her mind and give direct, objective suggestions. Overall, Julianne is a strong achiever in life who sets high standards for herself and never quits until she reaches her goal.



LEE LEE QUACH

Also known as "Leeeeeeeee Leeeeeeeee" or simply "Lee" by her lazier friends!

Lives: Canterbury. Has been forced at night to run home from Canterbury station but has thankfully never been assailed.

Likes: Enjoys hitting R&B clubs, karaoke on occasion, men who read sci-fi books in public places, anything pink, meaningful songs. Her favourite book is "The Ancient Future" by Traci Harding and her favourite song is "Jesse".

Life goals: Wants to marry Usher, but always ends up with good guy types. Except for one guy who drove a self-name plated BMW and whose appendages are reminiscent of some outdoor artwork next to the Art Gallery of NSW.

Attributes: Warmth, openness, an inner strength that doesn't show on the outside, a forgiving nature and is always ready to listen. Quite simply she is a wonderful person and my best friend.

Trademarks: Lee also happens to have a crazy dance move that involves every part of her body. It involves twisting her hips downwards as she leaves one arm outstretched in the air. Impossible to mimic, very successful on the dance floor.

Passionate about: migrants/refugees, injustice in Australia and the world and how great Usher is in every way.



SARA RAFIEE

Sara has spent her time at the law school developing a serious addiction to Chi Latté, doing 100 things all at once, deciding to become a hot shot litigator and getting seriously involved with different union Advisory Committees as an excuse to leave lectures early to attend those important committee meetings on the main campus. She is one unique, bubbly, happy girl with a good heart and a strong passion for human rights and humanitarian issues. She is always positive, giving her friends great advice at every possible opportunity, after of course, performing a thorough Freudian analysis of the situation at hand. She's a combination of maturity well beyond her age and an innocent and sweet childish quality, which is party-loving and is fun to be around with. Sometimes she can shock you by her arguably wild, experimental and adventurous behaviour but deep inside she is a loyal, grounded kinda girl. Her great sense of humour and her infectious laugh make her instantly lovable. A must for your lifelong buddy collection!



SARAH RAMWELL

Sarah enrolled in law 5 years ago with 3 aims in mind: to attend and be the life of every SULLS event held, to feature in as many Law Revue nude skits as allowed and to have as much fun as humanly possible along the way. With 3 outstanding performances in Law Revues, 2 ski trips, countless law parties and 1 wet T-shirt competition in her first crim tutorial to hold to her name, Sarah has indeed proved to be the commensurate professional in doing the unthinkable...injecting fun into law.

While the onerous trip from College to McLaurin Hall, and later Phillip St, represented far too great an endeavour for consistent attendance, Sarah's willingness to co-ordinate Laksa lunches, tan maintenance in the park, shopping breaks and expeditions in search of Cha after or in lieu of lectures has meant her presence was always sought and highly rewarding.

Sarah's famed organisational skills have also earned her the undying gratitude of perpetual all-nighter and exam-crammers. Not only did she possess exam notes within the first week of starting any subject, her ability to complete and hand in assignments at a bare minimum of 2 weeks in advance of the set due date meant she always had the answer to that last minute problem/panic attack.

Sarah's infectious effervescence and magical charm during her brief yet memorable excursions to class made it a pleasure to study alongside her. As she ventures forth into the world of HDY we thank her for weaving her



PETER RICHARD

Peter completes law school and farewells his university in his usual self-possessed manner. As an English undergraduate student, Peter quietly instilled a renewed interest in Donne's metaphysical poetry among his English Honours cohort - in the face of our then-fascination with contemporary literature, experimental writings, and theories of postmodern culture. As quietly Peter became a figure of old world scholarship at law school. Whether editing the writings of an European professor for the Sydney Law Review or discussing the quirks of the High Court, Peter brings a refreshing perspective to all his works. Behind his innate, (one would like to say) Christian humility lies a quick sense of humour and a thoughtful eloquence. Likewise Peter's reticence from the trendier aspects of the modern law student persona veils impressive academic abilities, and an equally impressive commitment to his personal beliefs.

As Peter steps into his professional career - first as the Tipstaff to Justice Young (Chief Judge in Equity, Supreme Court of NSW), then as a graduate solicitor in Mallesons, we look forward to continued contributions from his fine legal and scholarly mind. Likewise his friends look forward to continuing their friendship after the heady days of university.



BERNA RIZK



KELLY ROBERTS NEE WHITE

Kelly has blossomed at Law School into a wonderful young woman. Her radiant smile and pleasant demeanor will be missed along the corridors and in the Library. As president of the debating team and chess club, Kelly has led her teams to many a varsity victory. When she's not studying post-structural feminist legal theory, Kelly can be found practicing her cheers in the university gym.

On a more serious note, Kelly has enjoyed studying mediation & negotiation, constitutional, medical, family and criminal law. She also participated in a Federal Court amicus submission during her time at Law School. Kelly wrote an article for *Polemic* and has judged a negotiation moot. She'd rather not sell her soul to the 'greatest law firm in the universe'. Rather, Kelly looks forward to a career in Family or Criminal Law – perhaps with the Government. Failing that, we wish Kelly the best of luck in her career as a jockey. Kappa Gamma Epsilon Phi!



NATHANIEL ROWE

So who the hell is Nathaniel Luke Rowe? Don't ask me. I'm sitting pretty in LT9 sms'ing my peeps to figure out the night's extravaganzas - Leopard Lounge ... Voodoo ... anywhere the models are at - when he sits down next to me, invades my personal space, and breathes heavily in my direction. I try to ignore him, but he doesn't want to be ignored. I finally look up to see his dopey, doughy face. "Hey, how's things?" he says. "Fine" I reply.

"Hey", he says again, "if Rawls was an East Coast dude, then what was he doing talking about 'those who surf all day off Malibu' and why was he so coy about conceiving 'leisure time' into his list of primary goods?" "What the #%@\$... are you for real!?" I dismissively ping back. "It's just a question," he humbly protests. He then stands, packs away his neatly labelled texts and notebooks, retrieves his old-school umbrella and starts to move away.

I've got other stuff to worry about, so I'm like thinking whatever lamo. At that moment he turns and says in a voice loud enough for people three rows back to hear, "I'm just glad it's all finally over so I can surf and enjoy my conception of the good life again".

Right. Sure. "Well then," I say, "sayonara, sayonara, sayonara, and don't forget the SPF 30!"



JAMES RYAN



ERINC SAHAN

Known to close friends as 'Turkish', this man's fate changed dramatically on the 9th February 2004, when he walked into Sydney University Law School, when he was really trying to find the Australian Headquarters of the National Basketball Association (NBA) to register as a player in the 2004 season for the Minnesota Timberwolves. Still, he stuck by law school from start till finish, even tho Basketball and Turkish law were not electives offered (albeit in another country - this may have changed on exchange), and has not only passed law school with flying and convincing colours, but discovered that his ultimate destiny is to be a rich wealthy business man. Where will he be in 10 years time? My prediction: Sitting in a leather couch somewhere with a harbour view, and a business card with a permutation of these letters: B.Com (Hons), L.L.B, N.B.A, C.E.O, T.U.R.K. somewhere next to his un-pronounceable name, while trying to find a hair stylist to decide what length his hair should be, and getting his facial hair lasered off. But on the real side tho, Erinch is a unique person who most of us fortunate graduate law students from the class of 04' have cross-paths with - either a chat about life, or a chat over assignments, advice about women, or pretending that we know something about the N.B.A. And today, as we finish and venture in the world, he will be remembered for his heart of gold, and his ability to never judge a book by its cover. I should know, cause even now, I still am an ugly thick complex and boring long book without a content's page, but he's never put me down and has read me through and through. I'm sure everyone else had similar encounters too. Love you bro!



HELEN SAUNDERS

A perennial underachiever at St Brutus's Secure Centre for Incurably Criminal Boys, Hel applied the skills obtained there in quickly taking control of staffing the Law Library with shelvers. Many of "Hel's Mafia" will no doubt go on to successful careers in repetitive and menial occupations. Helen herself may one day be forced to become a lawyer in order to finance her music habit, when perhaps her unnatural obsession with the Civil Liability Act will finally pay off. It is suspected in some quarters that Hel holds every research assistant contract in the law school, which the Bear Trust thinks may be just so she can justify having an office. When out of her office, Hel can be identified by her willingness to expound on how the Contracts Review Act should have been enacted in John Peden's original form, Goddamn it. Hel is rumoured to have the ability to simplify complex legal concepts by reference to zoo animals, for example, the Bear Trust and the Hearsay Elephant. She is possibly one of the few students to ever be denied Special Consideration on the grounds that she already had too many marks, which she still thinks is nit-picking (hoop hoop). Hobbies: Mandy, Cricket, and Misanthropy. Favourite Quote: "YOU are SO not oppressed!"



JESS SAYA

Oscar Wilde wrote, "Biography lends to death a new terror." I suspect that it lends a similar horror to graduation. However, Ms Jessica Saya need not fear – her career at Law School was exemplary. A brilliant lawyer, a selfless giver of time to social causes (read SALS functions) and a dear friend, Jess was a veritable rock for many at the St James campus.

Pashminas of the finest fabrics and the lavender smoke of quality cigarettes only added to her ethereal appearance. With tongue firmly planted in cheek, many spoke of her "calming influence." But it can never be said that Ms Saya will be unprepared; wheeling up to any assessment with an assortment of notes (weighing into the kilograms), procured by any means at her disposal, meant that no potentiality was unexpected. It also initiated her status as black market entrepreneur and, on a lonely night, one can still hear desperate law students whispering "Got any Saya notes?"

Mind you, it was only a brave man, and a braver woman, who would dare approach Jess at Law School be it for notes or otherwise. Like the "Ghost of Fashion Yet to Come" Jess haunted the corridors of the St James Campus, her wild eyes flashing beneath a tangled mess of chocolate hair.

However, for those intrepid enough to try, it was certainly worthwhile - a more generous and selfless person is hard to come by. Always ready to drop anything, or drive anywhere (literally!), when a friend was in need, Jess would come rushing. And for those lacking the required fortitude, history has proven the effectiveness of a few champagnes and a cruise ship.



ZAINA SHAHNAWAZ

Height: 4 foot nothing

Shoe size: Kids' section

Hyperactivity: Very good to excellent. (Fluctuates depending on consumption of Lindt 90%)

Alias: Fifth (base); Shana-ha-ha

Achievements: Tendency to "reply all" to corporate emails. Winner of the prestigious Law Revue "F**** my parents, I'll get naked if I want to" Cast Award 2005. Wears party shoes and "themed" outfits to law school. Went to a client meeting dressed as a rainbow. Abnormal ability to fit stationery, makeup, dancing pants, several extra layers of clothing with which she can toy throughout the day and the kitchen sink into a bag the size of a pencil case.

So what's it like to be Indian and pretty? Better not ask the feistiest lil Bangladeshi at Law School... If you don't know her, try hitting up the Cocktail bar at the Leagues any given lunchtime. Or stand in the bathroom line at a SALS party... within 2 minutes you'll be inviting her on a world trip in place of your (former) soulmate... she just has that effect on people.

Bubbly, friendly, broad minded (so what was that about fifth base, Zai?), Zaina is always good for a laugh,



IREM SHARKEY NEE SEVINC

Irem is a cheerful graduate student who always has a smile and a word or two of advice for other fledgling students. Having been inundated with offers from law firms falling at her feet, she has bestowed her services (read presence) on one lucky firm, and intends to settle in for the short haul. In the long term, she hopes to have many children and use her sharp legal mind to authoritatively boss her children and husband around. Those who know Irem appreciate her fantastic wicked sense of humour. Irem could often be found on level five debating hot issues with her peers such as what to have for lunch (read dessert). She strongly believes that Law School fees should at very least include chocolate in the 2-4pm classes and had she ever been on SALS, would have advocated this strongly.



ELIZABETH SHEEHY

her and Madonna may only require a first name for people to know who they are, but Elizabeth Sheehy has managed to go one step further by reducing her name to a single letter – ‘E.’ E is always there to lend her support during a crisis, her calm and rational approach quickly helps you to put things into perspective. She is not averse to the odd tequila here and there and knows how to let her hair down and have a good time. Her sofa bed is always available and no-one will ever forget her world famous 21st. I have no doubt E will succeed at whatever she does and I look forward to having her as a friend for life.



BEOMSHIK SHIN

Beomshik, also known as ‘Bum Shakes’ and ‘Bom Halen’, is a man of contradiction. When placed in an academic setting, he is more than capable of achieving a level of insight and understanding that is up there with any budding legal mind. However, put him in front of a massive amplifier and place a guitar in his hands, and he is transformed into a tongue wagging, guitar shredding monster. Bom is an innovative man. Instead of repeating his name up to four times whenever he is asked his name when ordering a coffee, he has come up with a simple yet effective solution that truly reflects the complexity of his mind: “My name is Steve”. When asked why he chose the name Steve, his reply was “After Stevie Ray Vaughn man!”

Where I expect to see Bom in the next 10 years: a manager at one of the leading law firms; a quiet achiever that will quietly take over the world; married with a beautiful wife that he has known since his early days; living in a house with a hidden ‘sex chamber’; and owning his beloved PRS guitar that he bought after his first pay check(s) came in, possibly kept in the ‘sex chamber’.

Bom went to the Netherlands for half a year under an exchange program, during which he was able to plant his ‘seeds’, creating a race of super smart, half-Dutch-half-Korean, guitar-playing children. But that’s ok, because he’ll earn lots of money to support them all.



JAMES SHIRBIN

After completing an Arts degree, James joined us at law school where I believe he found his true calling. As both an academic and friend to all, James whole-heartedly contributed in every element of the degree. James was the backbone of our group, always offering advice and support for those in need. He was able to conquer each assessment with a Martini in one hand and the New Yorker in the other. He ensured that lectures were always a laugh as he continuously entertained us with his menacing wit and hilarious anecdotes. Road trips were even more entertaining with Shirbin’s complimentary 80’s mega-mix accompanied by dance moves and matching T-Shirts. Who could have guessed that under this intelligent exterior lurks a truly fabulous 80’s addiction. A night out with James always promises to be fabulous whether you are dining in Orange or dancing in Darlington. As the ultimate gentleman, no lady should ever leave home without him.

James continues to exceed expectations and in 2006 was awarded the Sir John Peden Memorial Prize for Foundations of Law, Federal Constitutional Law, International Law and Real Property. Despite his outstanding academic success he has unfailingly maintained an attitude of dignity and modesty. For this he has earned our greatest respect and friendship. James has accepted a position at Clayton Utz and whilst we all hope to see him sitting on the High Court one day, I suspect no law firm will ever let him go.



CHRISTIANNA SHOHELIAN

Christie is an intelligent and thoughtful person who deserves all the successes she will gain in life. I have known Christie for five years now and I can say that her bubbly personality and constant friendship are what made each day at university just a little bit more fun than the last. Christie has contributed to university life by being a part of the SULLS Campus Committee in 2002 and 2003, and being the SULLS Campus Director in 2004. She assisted in organising many successful social events and enjoyed doing it all. Next year she will start as a Graduate Lawyer at Phillips Fox and someday plans to have a massive wedding and travel the world with her hot hubby! I will miss all Christie's matching and over-accessorised outfits when I leave Law School, but most of all, I will miss our many stu-vac phone calls to each other, which definitely kept me sane! I wish her all the best in whatever she chooses to do in life. Christie, coffee?



LEANNE SIM

Leanne was the first person I knew in Law School coming from the fact that we traveled together here from our high school way out west – so far out in fact that you'd hit the sea if you went any wester. Yes we came from Perth and made our transition from our sleepy little town to bustling Sydney while building our friendship over the past seven years. Leanne is well known for struggling her way through the 'Valley of Temptation' that is Pitt St Mall as she makes her way to law school.

Many a time we have headed there following an assignment or exam for much-needed retail therapy whilst moaning about how much we hate law. Leanne's loves include writing wonderful prose, reading voraciously, watching the West Wing (she is more than a fanatic), scrapbooking, shopping, her God, travelling and spending time with her friends. Leanne has been a wonderful friend and study companion through those STUVAC days where we attempted to cram in an entire course in a week thus resulting in living on level 10 of the library from 9am to 9pm with occasional forays to the Valley of Temptation when necessary.

I could always imagine Leanne as the first female Prime Minister of Singapore with her assertiveness and intelligence but I'm sure she will be successful no matter what she decides to do. Law school has been a most memorable time and with her unpretentious and caring nature, she is destined to be richly rewarded in life.



EDWINA SINCLAIR

Miss Sinclair – affectionately known to most as Ed or Weens. What she lacks in height she most definitely makes up for in presence and it would be difficult for this girl to get lost in a crowd. With that iridescent smile which can brighten anyone's day and that infectious laugh there is one thing certain about this girl – she's one in a million.

Peter Butt was once concerned that she was 'a little confused' in his Real Property class but that couldn't have been further from the truth. Ed has this uncanny ability to excel at absolutely everything without even breaking a sweat (although she claims to be a stress pot – I have still yet to see any signs of it). She has achieved an amazing academic record, dedicated herself to her work as a paralegal at Allens, tried her hand on the SULLS committee and on top of all of that, she is the life of every party. Then there are her signature pastel colours which she looks so great in and her somewhat unknown dislike for letting a trivia question get the better of her. Ed has been an incredibly caring friend and is someone who always has a great story to tell. It is for all these reasons that she will be fondly remembered at law school. All the best Ed!



JENNIFER SING KEY

Jennifer's early days in law were spent co-ordinating the social schedule of her friends and classmates and enjoying the perks of law school (excessive amounts of alcohol) and the delights of campus (excessive amounts of coffee). Though her energies are more extensively consumed by mergers and acquisitions at present, Jen remains well-caffinated and does her best to keep the rumour mill churning between classes.

There is no question that Jennifer will make a significant contribution to the practice of law. She is intelligent, diligent and enamoured with contract law. More importantly, she possesses incredible integrity, honesty and warmth and seeks success on her own terms, never at the expense of others. There is also no question that she will make a significant contribution to the economy. The overlap between the fashion and legal districts is undoubtedly a factor in Jennifer's passion for the law and she has shown similar dedication and perseverance in her pursuit of luxury handbags as in her academic endeavours.

Jennifer is a classmate and friend who is in some respects a quintessential law student and yet entirely defies the less flattering stereotypes so often attached to this status. She deserves every success that awaits her.



AMIT SINGH

Amit arrived at law school a ridiculously skilled child prodigy. He is so well known as Union President 'Amitone' that his other considerable abilities have, in part, been lost to much of the law school community. Aside from soccer and strip tip (in which Amit excelled since he became invisible as he stripped), Amit is also rather skilled at "extreme multitasking." As one of his favourite past times, this habit has seen him rush from law school to a Union Board meeting to the train station, so he could transport a giant ferris wheel across Sydney (as you do!). Amit's multitasking continued as he decided to squeeze Union president, Government honours and part of final year law school into 2006. Amit will complete all three with more flair than those of us who merely attempt only one! This "intense" relationship with time has also seen Amit popping into law school in his pyjamas and slippers at 6.05pm to hand in an (already overdue) assignment. You can always count on Amit for a lift to KFC (or Krispy Kreme in Liverpool). Following one of these many friendly lifts to law school, Amit was left with the unfortunate task of calling his girlfriend's father asking for their insurance number, while trying to explain that he had crashed their family car. (If you, dear reader, are Amit's parents, that last sentence is just a joke... he he he!!) I can't imagine law school without Amit's wit, generosity, kindness and intelligence.



ANDREA SKINNER

There is a lot more to this girl than just her pretty face. Genuine and selfless, Andrea is a great friend who infects any environment with her bubbly, gorgeous and cheeky personality, making it a place of fun and laughter. Forever a romantic and young at heart, her friendship keeps me smiling and the endless laughs and gossip sessions we share have always been a welcome distraction at uni!

If she's not breaking into song, playing confidante, skiing, partying, working or studying, this girl, who is never short of gushing admirers, can be found with the one man who does not have to compete for her attention, her magnificent show-jumping horse, Maximus, who is also blessed with good looks and talent.

Entering the corporate world next year with ANZ, I wish one of my best friends all the success in the world!



MARIKO SMITH (NEE RALPH)

Mariko has managed to fit in a lot during her law degree, from attempting various moots (and finally making it to the semi-finals of the 2005 SALS Negotiation Competition with Sharda Ramjas), to getting married in her final year. She has always been ready with a smile and never retreats from a challenge.

Where she'll be in 20 years: Partner at G+T, leading a successful pro bono practice and community legal centre, having a brief stint at the Bar (and becoming well known for wearing bogan trackie pants to court), advisor to the PM on Indigenous Affairs, and/or the friendly check-out chick at your local supermarket.

Most memorable quote: "The reason it rains so much is because God doesn't want me to wear underwear."



KATE SMYTH

If miss Smyth can fit you into her hectic life somewhere, you're doing incredibly well. And perhaps if you're an Italian or South American male, speak Spanish and are HOT, there's a much better chance of that. Booking well ahead is a must for the rest of us, but trust me – her valuable time is well worth the wait.

Kate is without a doubt one of the most vibrant women I know. She's not afraid to speak up, she says exactly what she thinks 100% of the time, she's incredibly well informed on pretty much everything, and she is capable of speaking several languages several times faster than anyone else. She has a wit like a knife, and if she was in a shed she'd definitely be the sharpest. But when she's worked up, the casual onlooker must beware: steer clear of her wild gesticulations 'cos you could well lose an eye.

Kate has whirled through life and law school with a passion and determination that stuns the rest of us. Although I could never hope to keep up, I love that sometimes, just briefly, I get swept along for a ride, and a beer, and a damn good laugh at the rest of the world!



SHENG SONG



ALEXANDRA STABLEFORTH

You all know her - you all love her - and you all wish you could be her. Known to many as Tiare, Stabes and Tablecloth, this girl is the epitome of a domestic goddess. Move over Nigella Lawson, cause you've got nothing on Stabe's homemade Rocky Road, Spinach and Ricotta Ravioli or Profiterole wedding cakes. A Parisian Woman at heart, she can be seen sitting in a Paddington café with a late, at a Pilates class, nannying a sick child, or appearing as an extra on All Saints, all the while maintaining her unmistakable sense of elegance, style and fashionista flair. She has an uncanny ability to make any and all men absolutely weak at the knees - in fact men have been known to leave France to travel half way across the world to be with her, only to be consumed by their love and passion to the point of neurotic craziness. Patented Stabesisms include "that's hor" (like, 10 years before Paris Hilton was saying it), "SHUTUP!" her trademark smirk, and most of the words in the modern French language. Stabes has the adorable face of a little princess, and even her insults are cute. At worst you will be called fattee boomsticks or snotface, but she'll probably feel bad and give you a brownie to make up for it. She is the essential element to life at law school, the chocolate chips in our cookie. Watch out for those gay sharks Stabes. PS She's hot. Seriously.



FYFE STRACHAN

The name Fyfe has become synonymous with that rare combination of a brilliant mind, gorgeous person, and most of all a universally open-hearted friendliness. While at university Fyfe maintained top-notch grades with a dazzling array of activities, including working for Amnesty, star chanteuse in a number of law revues, not to mention a sought-after career that already spans UN aid work, the Commonwealth public service, and the top-tier Sydney law recinct. During those blear-eyed times at university, Fyfe inexplicably maintains her droll sense of humour and never-failing smile; just as impressive is her Audrey Hepburn-esque sense of fashion, set off by impeccable grooming even in the worst of times. Despite her predilection to fall for dubious charities situated in poetic Vietnam, there is no doubt Fyfe has learnt to distinguish the good from the bad and ugly, and will realise her passion for working for international humanitarian organisations, and furthering the impact of international human rights. All the while, in the name of cultural diversity, bravely partaking of the experimental local wines of South East Asia.



BHAVINI SUNDARJEE



ALLISON STRICKLAND
(NEE BEECROFT)

When Allison Strickland (néé Beecroft) commenced the study of law at the University of Sydney, some commented that it suited her passion for logic and argument. Others suggested that she was studying law because of her love of all things efficient, her future career being neatly divided into 6 minute units. Those observers, however, were all wrong. Rather, Allison ticked the box on studying law at the University of Sydney on the advice that "the gene pool is better in law". She took that advice very seriously, and is now happily married to a young, big firm, competition lawyer. Thus, at age 22 Allison happily retired from her aspiring legal career to devote her energies to refining her culinary skills and palate and to writing a fictional work titled "Work/Life Balance in a Big Firm".



HAGBARTH STROM

Yeah I know it sounds like an exotic brand of full-strength rolling tobacco, but don't be fooled for Hagbarth Strom is a real person! Whether you know him as The Hagamuffin, The Hag, Hagman, The Hagster, or just plain Haggy, this is one dude (read: diligent law student) who is liked by most, no doubt loved by a great many, and respected by all.

After setting off to a stylish start in his law studies at Sydney University in 2004 he has been a man of the people. Little wonder his favoured mode of transport is a clapped out Volkswagen. What invitation to a backyard barbie, beer hall, or burlesque show has this guy ever turned down? The answer is none, for his communal spirit, much like his skateboarding dare, knows no bounds.

With a strong attachment to people and the world around him it is hardly surprising that Haggy has his eyes set on a career in criminal law (and amateur competitive skateboarding). Goodies and baddies on either side of the fence will be well served should they be fortunate enough to experience his Norwegian inspired justice one day in the not so distant future. This guy really can ollie on a dime!



SHARDA SULAKSHANA
RAMJAS

Sharda is the volunteer extrodanaire at law school. Not only does she go to class (and on occasion do her readings), she also contributes to the law school in many other ways such as being on the editorial team for Blackacre and being involved in those O-weeks to save the rest of us the hassle of doing it! Sharda manages to make the turbulent and often dreary times in the scary law school building not so bad by bringing her own little ray of sunshine in to brighten up us all. She is always the diligent student who usually has a jam-packed semester full of moots and negotiation competitions whilst still maintaining her double life of law student and librarian.

Where she'll be in 20 years: A family law guru, juggling a successful legal practice in family, media and anti-discrimination law and the huge responsibility of totally revamping the legal library system for the better.

Most memorable quote: (on trying to explain the concept of jurisdictional error) 'It's the line with the hole in it.' [Her motto]: "I believe in the rule of law!" and "I have to run up to the library now to get this book" [said at least once every day].



SATYA TAMMAREDDY

Degree: B Ec/LLB

When you see her, she's always...eating chocolate/thinking about where to get her next chocolate fix/telling u about her latest chocolate experience, about to burst into uncontrollable fits of laughter over something you just said, shopping @ Pitt St

What she will do with her last \$100...buy tickets to the India/Aus test match and watch Ganguly smash the Aussies

In 10 years...she will have worked in all the financial hubs of the world, done an MBA, started a family, developed a new theory of economics based on the laws of cricket, running a successful chocolate store with Sophia... yet still will have the ability to crack up at nothing in particular

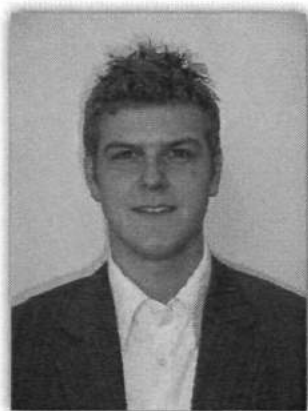
Favourite Kirby quote...It is unrealistic, bordering on ethereal....Judicial lightning strikes thrice. A novel doctrine of innocent coincidence prevails....Once again I dissent.



JOLYN TAN

Having a friend to experience all the wonderful things in life is all fine and dandy BUT finding a friend who actually enjoys the experience of attaining these said wonderful things in life, I say is much better. Be it rushing to miracle to cure our tea fetish or indulging ourselves in all manner of sweet sweet sweet madness or wikipedia-ing stuff so we really really know what it means or even sacrificing our Friday nights so that we can do cool stuff like watch people buy and sell pancakes, Jolyn Tan has injected a lil bit of weird and a lot of wonderfulness into my life.

So in a world of much expectation for normalness, it's good to know that there's someone out there, who makes me believe that maybe, just maybe, we are the "normal" ones and everyone else is just on the outside looking in. Congrats in all that you have achieved. Finally ya.Heh. Fridays will never be the same. Be good.



ANDREW TCHADOVITCH



DANIEL TEOH

Daniel Teoh is a solid C student of slightly anorexic build, he sometimes wears glasses and is of Asian appearance... although he adamantly maintains he was born white and only contracted the Asian gene after spending a few too many years at Sydney High.

Daniel is a man of great quality, good humour, strength and thoughtfulness. In fact if philosophy were a sport he'd be Harry Kewell's injured groin. Often likened to a Koala, Daniel spent most of his days at law school either sleeping or drunk, often bemused, but always with a smile on his face.

With a Santa-like jolliness Daniel has won many friends. Often laughing at inappropriate times, he has the somewhat fortuitous gift of seeing the humour in almost any situation, which is lucky for you, because he'll laugh at your crappy jokes even though quite obviously they're crap. A complicated man Daniel has a somewhat disturbing fascination with larger women and portals, dividing the remainder of his spare time between chopping firewood and collating clippings of his favourite anti-anti 'punk' rock pseudo-celebrity, Avril Lavigne.

On a personal crusade against metrosexuality, Daniel proudly proclaims that he has no two pieces of clothing that actually go together. However, despite being perpetually out of touch with fashion, popular culture and anything remotely resembling good taste, Daniel has a lasting quality that is always in vogue.



MARK TODHUNTER

Mark Todhunter has often been described as "that David Hasselhoff guy, only a better looking version". If you do not yet know who I'm talking of, you may know Mark as the white man who had an afro that put even Jimi Hendrix to shame.

However, there is more to this character than just a head-turning visage. Mark is one of those rare characters who still inhabit the law school despite the proliferation of the Commerce-Law student: an English major with unparalleled business acumen and a social conscience to boot (as demonstrated by his burgeoning commercial law career and volunteer work with juvenile delinquents); a throwback to the days when Dante and Dickens were read by law students, instead of "What Colour is My Parachute?" or the latest Joseph Stiglitz book.

Nonetheless, Mark is best known for his red-blooded Aussie streak. As a keen fisherman and hunter, who travels this sunburnt country on every possible occasion, he always comes to uni on Monday with a new joke or three, such as the classic: "A bear walks into the bar and asks for a schooner of beer. The barman says "That'll be \$7". The bear grimaces, but pays up. The barman chats to him, saying "You know, we don't get many bears in here." The bear replies "For \$7 a beer, I'm not surprised!"



DAVID J TOWNSEND

Each time Dave opens his mouth at uni, everyone wonders the same question: is that guy a genius or just a show-pony? Well I think in Dave's case the answer is simple: he's both.

His facial-hair grooming has been second to none. Past 'looks' have included the slightly camp pirate, the evil French pastry chef, or just the generally feral Peter-Griffin-with-birds-nesting-in-his-beard look. His dress sense also turns heads. I'm guessing he will either be a very well-dressed barrister, or a particularly articulate pimp.

But somewhere behind the silk handkerchief that sits in his breast pocket at work is a very keen legal mind... and a disturbing ability to recall and sing any Disney musical number at will. He once spent a night in Florence entreating/ threatening random bystanders, "don't you DARE close your eyes" in honour of Aladdin's 'A Whole New World'.

And have you ever wondered how he manages to maintain that tip-top condition? He walks to law school and back from Mosman every day, and his diet consists of a banana and Diet Coke from the Convenience Store next to Society Cafe.

Dave will make it to the top of his chosen field... and when he gets there he'll dress up as a Pirate, he'll drink a bit, he'll spew on hisjeans and he'll then dance a random Irish 'jig' involving pirouettes, and will then explain to shocked female onlookers that pirouettes are considered very masculine in Ireland.



TAMARA TULICH

Tamara commenced her successful academic career as a student at St Brutus's Secure Centre for Incurably Criminal Boys. The fine secondary education she obtained there was a perfect basis for her law studies. There is a rumour going around that Tam got 15 HDs out of 12 subjects. Be that as it may, her stellar results seem to the Bear Trust to be the outcome of some form of sorcery, as they are fairly certain she hasn't opened a book – let alone done the reading – for three years, except for the 24 hour period before each exam. Tam is quite definitely known to have picked her subjects based on the absence of class participation, due to her reaction of visceral horror at the thought of speaking in class (except when she finally can't take any more and has to tell someone to shut up!). Notably, Tam waxed lyrical about Advanced Constitutional for two and a half years, then didn't take it as an elective (it has a class participation mark). Tamara's other achievements include a high regard for tropical showers. Tam is an International Woman of Mystery and thinks nothing of dropping witty bons mots in a number of languages at any moment – at least that's what we think she's doing. Could be French, could be Finnish, could be ...Welsh? Who the hell would know? Favourite Quote: "Why can't I be 'the reasonable person'?"



MARC TUTAAN

After years of meandering, it is with great relief that Marc has finally finished law school! He is definitely quirky, but in an adorable, huggable kind of way, gentle in a tender kind of way and intelligent in a gifted kind of way. Goal oriented – check, Focused – check, Fun – check. He is passionate about music, art and food from both near and afar. So what are his future ambitions then? Starting uni many years ago and being earnestly idealistic about what he wanted to do when he 'grew up', he still hopes to do a wee bit of good. I am truly glad that I can call Marc a friend.



RACHEL TYSON

Law School is not the most likely place you would expect to find this graduate of the Conservatorium of Music (although you may be misled into thinking that she was still at the Con on the basis of her hectic conducting schedule!) Nevertheless, she has settled into the dungeons of law school and I think, may have even had some fun along the way! My first impression of Rach was that she was so relaxed, down-to-earth and innately stylish- this was one girl I definitely wanted to get to know!

We may have spent more time in the DJ's food hall rating the fruit salad rather than in class and had a tendency to extend the five minute break into twenty due to our inability to resist the temptation of the Lindt café just down the street. Despite that, Rach has still managed to find her niche in IP and it was great to be able to share a confused look and a laugh (or two) with someone! The Law Balls were a blast and our end of semester gatherings at Bungalow 8 with the girls were always eventful (even if we did find out a little bit too much info on an occasion or two!)

Rach is a rarity - a truly a wonderful, sincere and caring person and an extremely loyal friend. She always has a warm smile to greet you and her infectious laughter could brighten anyone's day. I am so glad that she decided to come to Sydney - she is most definitely, one cool chickadoo! All the very best Rach!



STEPHANIE VAMOS

Stephanie Vamos is living proof that the 70% class attendance rule is rarely enforced. If it were, Steph would still be in first year. Whilst preferring to be educated by Judge Judy whilst pounding the treadmill at Fitness First, Steph would be a shoe in for the University Medal if it were awarded on a student's time:mark ratio. In first year, Steph nibbled on a Monte Carlo, but by the end of second year had developed a penchant for Emporio Armani, who has a women's and men's collection. As a keen observer of Australian politics, Steph has serious doubts about an aspiring PM ever making it into office. All jokes aside, this little lady is only light in weight. Switched on and street savvy, Steph knows how to hold her own and get what she wants without breaking a nail ... which is why we love her.



TARA WALKER

Tara Walker. If ever there was a paragon of virtue, she is it. From her miraculous ability to walk straight to the head of every queue at every club, to the way she rules the dancefloor, to her smile that can light up even the brutalist depths of Level 1, to her incredible collection of shoes, it has been an honour to bask in her glory during her time at law school. But jokes aside, Tara is a fiercely loyal and caring friend, a successful student and will make a fantastic lawyer. Law school's loss is definitely the big wide world's gain as Tara embarks on the next stage of her life - she, like many others is destined for great things. However, the difference with Tara is that while she is scaling the corporate ladder she'll be smiling, dancing and caring for everyone around her (and she'll be wearing fabulous shoes).



WEIPING WANG

Just as we were approaching the final semester of law school, my dear friend Weiping, of whom I have known since High School, declared that she would like very much to be an air stewardess. According to her, she wants to travel the world and get paid for it. Well, I was really quite surprised by her sudden desire and thought it to be a momentary fit of insanity, induced by the likes of Roman Law and Intellectual Property. But, no, she was serious. She even downloaded an application form, filled it up and tried submitting it (with various photographs) online. The email kept bouncing back. A sign, perhaps - that she is not meant to balance plastic cups of orange juice and warm face towels whilst meandering around gentlemen with roaming hands?

In the end, after numerous difficult interviews, she has landed herself a job in KPMG. She has put her dream of being an air stewardess on hold whilst she pursues something, well, completely different. It is my belief that Weiping will one day travel the world and get paid for it. Only she will be served and not serving. Having said that she would have made a wonderful air stewardess. Given her height, her make-up expertise and her ability to speak almost-fluent French. So as they say in that movie with Gwyneth Paltrow and Mike Myers, Weiping is bound for Paris. International.



ADAM WEIR

When (or rather, if) you see him, he is probably...

... striding away at pace, looking like he is on a mission; wearing short sleeves (even in the height of winter) or, perhaps, the occasional loud shirt; regaling his fortunate colleagues with strange facts (including about ambergris); reciting (but not singing) Bernie Taupin's lyrics to Sir Elton John's All The Girls Love Alice for the benefit of Alice (who remains unimpressed); and looking stern and serious.

Where we see him in 20 years:

Adam will either be Mr Speaker, a judge or magistrate, a Crown Prosecutor, or on the bridge of a cruise ship as its captain. Regardless of where he is, he probably will still be taunting Alice with the lyrics to the aforementioned song, including "All the young girls love Alice; Tender young Alice they say; If I give you my number, will you promise to call me: Wait 'till my husband's away."

What we think he would do with his last \$100: Invest it wisely, perhaps in Rio Tinto.

Most memorable moment:

Adam was seldom sighted outside of class, so there is nothing memorable from any social gathering worthy of being recorded as the most memorable moment associated with him. Indeed, no events from the classroom involving Adam are particularly memorable either. He did get to be Mr Speaker in one of the later Legal Institutions classes though.

For the record...

... Adam told us that ambergris is essentially sperm whale vomit, after it has been floating on the water being affected by the sun and saltwater for about a decade or so. Whilst this digestive bile when initially excreted by the whale is soft and quite foul to smell (it contains waste matter that the whale cannot digest), over many years afloat the ocean it is transformed into a compact, waxy-smooth, sweet-smelling substance which can be used in perfumes, medicines and flavourings. Due to the rareness of ambergris, it is worth approximately US\$20 per gram! And, to throw in a bit of law, because ambergris is a product of the endangered sperm whale, and possession of endangered species (or parts of them) is unlawful under the Endangered Species Act 1978 (US), possession of ambergris in the US is illegal.

And one more thing...

Adam is probably the first and only person ever to have taken five different ties, each in a slightly different shade of copper, to a Commerce graduation ceremony. One would be amazed at the variety of shades of copper-coloured ties that can be found on a circuitous journey of the city, and the number of those shades Adam bought to ensure that he, on graduation, was wearing a tie of just the right shade of copper to match the lining of his graduation hood.



EDWINA WHITBY



CHLOE WILCOX

Chloe, stylish, intelligent and cynical, is simultaneously an archetypal law student, and a law student who defies all law student stereotypes. Unlike many who saw their Bachelor of Arts as a mere precursor to a "more useful" degree, Chloe has applied the critical faculties that three years of Arts fostered in order to question and often demolish the various pretensions held by the legal fraternity as well as those occasionally held by fellow law students. Indeed, one of Chloe's greatest contributions as a law student has been her ability to cut through the excess rhetoric and legalese that can surround the discipline to discover and illuminate the human side of law, particularly where gender iniquities are in issue.

Perhaps a far greater contribution of Chloe's has been her ability to motivate her fellow students when the going gets tough. Close to exam time when spirits are low and coffee even from Momos will not keep us awake, Chloe will insist that we walk past Chanel to remind us that though there may not be career fulfillment in our futures, there will be shoes.

Like the fine red wine she enjoys so much, Chloe has matured remarkably over the past 5 years. Wherever her career leads her, Chloe will bring to it the intellectual honesty and perceptiveness that she has brought to law, and will undoubtedly achieve all her successes stylishly clad in Chanel and bearing a steaming skinny cap.



Gorgeous Janey: smart as a whip, sweet but not sickly so, funny as a boot, endearingly conscientious and kind beyond imagining – a genuine darling of Sydney Law School. Jane was the first person that I spoke to at law school; I chose to speak to her because she looked like she took things in her stride – I am pleased (and rather proud) to confirm that three years at law school has not ridden Jane of this rather enviable attribute. Jane is adored by all that meet her; when we were first friends, I would marvel at the number of people who would go out of their way to speak with her – I think I understand it better now – Jane puts people at ease. Perhaps it's her unassuming manner or her capacity to make people laugh at their own foibles. As an addendum, I would like to have it on record that Jane drives well (I have never witnessed another person cross lanes with such fearless abandonment); is an administrative law whiz and a true dynamo on the Stair-Master 5000. I'm so glad I met Janey.

JANE WILKINSON



RICHARD WILKINSON

If there's one thing about Richard that everyone who has ever encountered him can agree it's this – he loves his Carlton draught. Oh yeah, and that he's also exceptionally bright and has very good taste in ties.

Richard wanted to study law for the challenge. Given the blazing trail of impressive grades that he's left in his wake, one wonders whether advanced rocket science may have been a more appropriate choice.

He's a mooter with the mostest, and has a beautiful legal mind. I know because a professor at the university told me so (while simultaneously bagging me out). Many a fellow student has marvelled at his brave and ambitious questioning of the odd guest-presenter QC or judge.

Richard will start his legal career in top-gear in the litigation department of 'the government's law firm of choice' (Cth, Parliamentary Debates, HOR, 13 June 2006, 19). Expect to see him in a horsehair wig and undulating black gown at a city street corner some day in the not too distant future!



KATHRYN WOOD

Amongst the drab pigeons and rapacious ibises of St James, Kathryn is indeed a rare avis. Her untraceable accent, her dedication to civil and human rights and sturdy footwear, her political and personal integrity, and her startling mathematical proficiency together mark her out as an intriguing, but nonetheless approachable, Enigma. As those sufficiently fortunate to have borrowed her lucidly formatted notes will attest, she has brought to her study of the Law a penetrating logic, an unshakeable sense of true justice and a refreshingly terse prose style. As a reconstructed Civil Engineer, Kathryn's ability to understand why the Philip St building stays up and her remarkable patience in explaining its continued structural stability to those who do not, has cemented her popularity. It is certain that, whatever triumphs or vicissitudes the future may hold, Kathryn will meet them with cheerful good humour, unwavering honesty and an unparalleled depth of character.



ESTHER WOOLLEY

Degree: B Com/LLB

When you see her, she's always...

Wearing purple (and staying sensibly warm in winter). Caring about other people (usually before sparing a thought for herself). 'Taking tea' at the Tea Centre on King St with Rosella. Wondering why she combined her degree with a commerce degree, given that she was very much a 'humanities' person at school... but being very glad that she did because of all the commerce-y friends that she made through the process!

What she will do with her last \$100...

Probably spend it on something purple.

In 10 years...

She'll be working for the WWE (a direct consequence of her long-standing enthusiasm for wrestling). En-route to the WWE's New York headquarters, she'll have travelled all around the world, while simultaneously establishing a career in law or accounting (or whatever takes her fancy). Whatever she ends up doing, she'll be passionate about it - especially if she does actually end up working for the WWE!

Most memorable moment...

Entering a negotiations competition in second year, and 'preparing' for each round by meeting up with her negotiations partner (Emma) three hours beforehand, during which two and a half hours was spent on gossiping and 'catching up', fifteen minutes on actual preparation and the final fifteen minutes on walking to law school. (How they made it through to the semi-finals is still a mystery...)



CHRISTINA WU

Degree: B Com/LLB

When you see her, she's always...

Eating fruit, nuts and rice crackers, looking out for hunks, on a mission to find her friends an ideal match, checking out Chanel handbags, Paspaley Pearls and BIG diamond rings, talking about her last big trip and planning her next big trip, taking photos wherever she goes

What she will do with her last \$100...

Make a few emergency phone calls and get more zeros added to her account balance

In 10 years' time, she will be...

Happily married with 2 kids, living in the lower North Shore, hosting many dinner parties for the lawyers of Sydney, still planning big overseas trips, baking indulgent cakes and making fancy hats

Most memorable moments during uni...

Going on exchange to Scotland and eating Haggis whilst on a Haggis tour, debating at the Intersvarsity Debating Championships in Adelaide with a team of cool strangers, representing Sydney Uni at the ALSA Conference in a competition that I knew nothing about, doing Negotiation competitions with Alice and never making it to the end, getting food poisoning from dodgy watermelon at Shanghai Winter School despite being the most careful and hygienic person there.



SANDY WU

Richard: Another by-product of James Ruse, Sandy is further proof that there's something funky in the cow patties at our states most esteemed agricultural high. Born and raised in Bourke she had an affinity with the countryside from a young age, returning briefly to get her drivers licence after Sydney's suburbs streets proved overly challenging with all the cars, pedestrians and such...

You'd be forgiven for dismissing Sandy as just another Asian at law school.... but to those who know her she is much, much more. With the cutting wit of yesterdays mX Sandy always makes for interesting lunch time conversation. A self-confessed workaholic, her blind dedication to all things money has been known to turn the most hard-line market economist into a raging communist. Yet despite all this it's a good idea to keep in touch. In ten year's time you'll be quite thankful you shouted her lunch in 4th year when you're on the lookout for capital to fund your next failed business venture.

Quyen: Sandy has made her way through Law School making a full time law degree look like a mere side pursuit. Over the past few years that I have known her, Sandy has had her finger in many a proverbial pie - dabbling in random business venture, tending to her thriving tutoring school, managing her household, and looking after all her friends.

Sandy has endeared herself to all who have come across her. She has the mysterious ability to talk her way into anything and still win over those around her. She has the warmth and an openness of an old friend from the moment that you meet her and is always willing to help you out in any way that she can. Boasting an astonishingly extensive network of 'contacts', Sandy seems to have connections in any area in which you might ever need a favour and she is only too happy to offer each and every one of these in her usual generous manner, whether you have known her for years or she has only just met you.

Sandy probably has the longest "Things I Want to Do in Life" list of anyone I know - and is probably the only person who has the competence and charm to achieve them all. Who knows what the future holds for Sandy - all I know is that with her sense of fun it will never be dull, with her entrepreneurial streak it will always be original and with her big heart it will never be without people who can't help but love her.



ANNIKA WYTHES

Get to know Annika, and you'll soon become familiar with that big, infectious smile – after exams and even before! She's the one to approach every exchange student and say "Hi, I'm Annika, where are you from??" while the rest of us just think "Ah, one class – four hours a week...before we know it they'll be gone." Always ready to cheer you up on your gloomiest day, you'll be surprised to hear that Annika is up at the crack of dawn every morning. How this busy girl finds time for everyone is a mystery. Between polishing her skills in 5 languages, attending various public talks on human rights, rock-climbing and yoga, she still manages to sit down with her nearest and dearest – of which there are many – for a good chat.

We all know where Annika is heading – she'll be making headlines at the UN, with her boundless energy and genuine concern for people. Annika only knows a borderless world – she's been everywhere from the darkest and deepest of South America, across to central Africa and as far east as Japan. While her travel diaries would make anyone jealous, her humanitarian work in these regions draws even greater awe. With her charm and good looks, this blue-eyed blonde is one to watch out for!



MELISSA YEO

"A lot of beautiful people are stupid. There's a tremendous amount of idiots who look so good. It's frightening." - Dean Cain

When Dean Cain said these words you can bet a cold crisp \$100 note that they were not talking about our continental divine Miss M. She has the lot, the looks, the brain and the accent! I ask you what more could you possibly want!

Missy walked into our lives fresh from Vancouver, eager to prove the world to everyone, and began her grad law degree in a strange country with fire and determination that has her at the top of her classes. I think that we were all struck by this intelligent, witty, hilarious girl, or maybe it was just her fabulous and infamous stories of transnational boyfriends, magnificent wardrobe and the fact she bought a stripper to my birthday... either way we adored her from the start.

Mel's brains and brawn intend to leave back for Canada after a grueling few months of uni and college, where she has been offered a number of lucrative jobs with prestigious firms. She may come and go throughout our lives but her bravado and energy will be her legacy whenever she is not by our sides... a woman to truly be admired.



SOPHIA YEUNG

Degrees: Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting and Finance); Bachelor of Laws

When you see her, she is always..

Sharing news & stories, telling you about her latest shopping experience, about to play badminton at a tournament

Where we see her in 15 years:

Sophia will be married with kids, working as an in-house lawyer or for ASIC, running a successful chocolate store with Sat, spending time working at community legal centres (demonstrating that there is such a thing as work/life balance) and probably still living in Cherrybrook!

Favourite quote:

The agitator is the perceptive listener who is not only aware of, and attuned to, the subtlest of accepted practices, but also registers the dissonance between those practices and what is fair, just and good. The agitator notes when the entire ensemble – while in tune with itself – is playing in the wrong key (The Hon Justice M H McHugh AC The Need for Agitators - the Risk of Stagnation Sydney University Law Society Public Forum (Sydney, 12 October 2005)).

Most memorable moment(s)...

Too many to recall - Law camp & Australian University Games in Perth



SOOJIN YOON

SooJin went to the law school with some scepticism whether the practice of law was really for her. Having come to the end, she now looks forward to finishing her formal education and to applying what she has learned in practice. She had a great time at the University of Sydney and hopes her working life would be equally fruitful. She has been learning French for a few years and really looks forward to the day she'll be fluent, if that day ever comes!



EMILY YU ZHANG

Hard hitting female conqueror, with a unique spontaneity, amazingly Emily still manages to hold a perpetually positive outlook to life. She will most likely be become the first in our class to take advantage of tax havens and dreams of owning a working farm upon retirement.



JARED ZAKRZEWSKI

Growing up in rural Nelson Bay, Jared Zakrzewski (a name even he is incapable of pronouncing correctly) spent his early years developing an enduring passion for rugby league, flannelette and rock music. With a distorted taste in music at least 30 years in the past, Jared respects only musicians with a gravestone over their head.

Having reluctantly moved to Sydney for the betterment of his education, Jared never truly fit in. Similarly, arriving from boarding school at Sydney University, Jared struggled to come to terms with what was appropriate in a co-educational environment. His reaction at discovering that women are now permitted to wear trousers in court comes readily to mind. In spite of this, Jared managed to combine academic success, part-time work and extensive co-curricular activities. His 'Switch' campaign of 2004 for the Sydney University Law Society was undoubtedly a highlight of his time at university.

Having delayed his final year of Law by deciding to work in Tokyo for a year, Jared, or 'Zak-San' as he now prefers to be addressed, has returned as a shadow of his former self. Attempting pathetically to relive his life in Roppongi, Zakrzewski now eats, drinks and even has his hair cut exclusively at Japanese-run establishments. His sheer excitement at being told "you speak Japanese very well" as some poor tourist tries to flee his presence is quite pitiful.



NATALIE ZERIAL

Natalie is in many respects a model law student. She possesses an intimidating intellect and suffers from a relentless perfectionism both of which have led her to achieve incredible things during her years at the law school. With a genuine passion for the law and an irksome ability to produce more impressive work in hours than others do in weeks, Natalie's potential is obvious to all.

Yet Natalie is much more than the achievements listed on her Curriculum Vitae, numerous though they may be. She is the person who provides regular doses of eloquence and insight in both discussions within class and over hot chocolates at Max Brenner. Armed with a remarkable perceptiveness and often dangerously sharp wit she is a constant source of astute observations and hilarious, though sometimes disturbing, analogies. Her directness and honesty, tempered by compassion and generosity, make her someone to be treasured as a friend and respected as a classmate. Her desire to contribute both intellectually and practically to the lives of others assures her valuable and continuing contribution to the legal community.



YU ZHANG

Resisting the temptation to begin with the prosaic "you" quip, our story begins with the gleaming, uncontaminated Yu Zhang arriving fresh from his secondary schooling at the Sydney University quadrangle. The following few years of transformation culminated in Yu's two crowning achievements – the completion of an Honours degree in Mathematics and his despotic reign over the Science Society. Rumour has it that succeeding presidents of SciSoc are mere puppets whose every move is orchestrated by the Machiavellian machinations of the man with the alphabetically challenged initials.

Voted consistently as the single kindest and most articulate person at Law School, along with his ability to quote pi to 34 decimal places, Yu has found himself glowing in academic success and the unceasing attentions of the fairer gender. Those who accompanied Yu on mid-lecture jaunts found their hopes of achieving meaningful exercise thwarted by the regular stops necessary to greet and chat with Yu's many acquaintances and admirers.

Zhang spent the final semester of his studies on exchange to Utrecht. While he was initially offered positions at Oxford and Harvard Law Schools, Yu was insistent on the Netherlands. His parents have indicated that young Zhang has long felt an affinity with the country's liberal attitudes to obscenity and vice. In spite of the exchange, typically, Yu did continue to attend Advanced Contracts classes before he left, despite no longer being enrolled at Sydney.



YVONNE ZHANG

On the surface, Yvonne Zhang is the quintessential Golda Meir-esque modern female conqueror: intelligent, elegant yet fierce. A gifted scholar and an assiduous young professional, she has exhibited early signs of workaholicism and have proven her capabilities across a range of industries (and jurisdictions) at an insanely young age.

At the same time, she is also modest about her achievements and is sincere and straightforward to those around her. Yvonne exudes confidence, and inspires her friends to believe that, indeed, nothing is impossible with hard work, tenacity, and commitment.

A pragmatic idealist, she has one goal in life: to make a difference in society for the better, in whatever capacity she is acting, wherever she is.



ANNA ZHENG

Degree: Science/Law, transferred into Medicine this year but still completing her combined law degree

Nicknames: Anna banana

Where she will be in 10 years time: A hotshot ophthalmologist making loads of money.

The first thing that comes to mind when thinking of Anna is that she is one of the kindest and most generous people I have ever met. When you get to know Anna, you realise that she is always willing to help others and is always there for her friends.

Anna is one of those people you can admire because she is very intelligent, yet never stresses and does well in whatever she puts her mind to. She is a very loveable person because she always has a smile for everyone. Even when she is supposedly angry, she is still smiling away whilst trying to hit you!

After graduating, Anna is someone I will always keep in contact with because her kind-hearted soul and generosity makes her a special friend indeed.



YAN ZHOU

To many, Yan comes across as a quiet and shy person – but do not be deceived!!! She is a wild girl who enjoys experimenting with all sorts of different things – her favourite being hair colourings. Her wide range of interests and impulsiveness make her an interesting friend, but it can also mean that she has very short attention-span. If you have Yan as your friend, you know you have got yourself a friend for a lifetime. Her loyalty and kindness makes her a great confidant and she will always put others before herself. Yan is also an animal lover and is the proud owner of two dogs – Milo and Lucky. Her dream is to live in Japan in the loving company of a ferret. If you ever wish to call her, please be prepared to leave your number as there is a great chance that she will not answer her phone for all sorts of reasons.

