



NZLLA Newsletter June 2024

Waiho i te toipoto, kaua i te toiroa; We are stronger together

Nau mai haere mai! Welcome to our June update of NZLLA activities and news.

We will soon be sending out membership renewals to our nearly 100 members. We hope you will continue to support our Association, recognising the value of your membership and how we come together to support and promote the interests of legal information professionals in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Keep reading for a recap of our activities and events from the past 12 months. Your involvement, along with your time, energy and membership funds, makes it possible for us to run this incorporated society and host events that connect our members.

Our membership year starts on 1 July, which is close to the celebration of Matariki. Matariki is the Māori name for the cluster of stars, that rises in midwinter and for many Māori, heralds the start of the new year.

The return of the cluster is commemorated by Te Rā Aro ki Matariki 2024, which happens on Friday, June 28, this year. Early in the morning, just before dawn, is the optimum time to view the Matariki cluster.

Matariki is a time to come together and celebrate, acknowledge the past, and look ahead to what the new year will bring. It's also a wonderful time to celebrate Māori culture and to learn and share Māori traditions, customs and stories. |

encourage you to learn more about Matariki through the fantastic resources available at <https://www.matariki.com> and at [National Library](#).

On behalf of our National Executive, Mānawatia a Matariki.

Erin Cairney

NZLLA President



Celebrating Our Activities and Events From The Last 12 Months

Here's a reminder of what we have achieved and been working on during the last 12 months of your membership year. We have been busy!

- Online roundtable discussion about storage/old editions
- NZLLA conference: Bring on the Future! Waka hourua!
31 August – 1 September 2023 at Te Herenga Waka Victoria University of Wellington Law School
- Supporter of the Legal Generative AI Summit run by the Centre for Legal Innovation of the College of Law
- Legal citation and the NZ Law Style Guide webinar for LIANZA
- AI and law librarians webinar with ALLA
- Law Commission Study Paper on Tikanga with Justice Whata
- Constitution review and recommendations to meet requirements of Incorporated Societies Act 2022
- Website review and new content with careers information and biographies to our website
- Increased social media presence on LinkedIn to raise awareness of NZLLA and demonstrate the value of our legal professionals
- Social networking drinks for members in Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin

- Providing scholarships for members to attend the 2023 NZLLA Conference and 2024 ALLA Conference.

Advocacy Efforts

- Improved user experience for Westlaw NZ
 - Support for the NZLS Libraries
 - Sustainable funding and governance for NZLII
 - Reinstatement of the Archives New Zealand's Te Maeatanga Digitisation Programme
 - Support for the Compulsory Tikanga Māori Paper in the LLB
 - Participation in the Strategic Advisory Forum of the National Librarian
 - LIANZA Te Tōtara Workforce Development Capability
 - Building relationships with the new LIANZA Executive Director, ARANZ President, and Toi Mai Workforce Development Council
- Are you interested in getting involved and expanding your professional network? By reaching out to our National Executive members, you can connect with others and uncover opportunities beyond your current role.

Future IALL Conference in Aotearoa New Zealand?

The International Association of Law Libraries has invited the NZLLA to submit a proposal to host their annual conference.

The [International Association of Law Libraries \(IALL\)](#) is a worldwide, cooperative non-profit organization of librarians, libraries, and other persons and institutions concerned with the acquisition, dissemination and use of legal information from sources other than their own jurisdictions. Founded in 1959, the IALL has over 400 members in more than 50 countries on five continents.

The National Executive is considering this request, with 2028 as a potential date, keeping in mind that 2027 marks NZLLA's 50th anniversary. The proposed host city is Wellington, with a 4-5 day event featuring speakers, social events, visits and tours, and optional day excursion. A potential theme could be New Zealand's bilingual/bilegal/bijural legal system.

Local hosts do not bear the cost of hosting. The IALL President takes personal responsibility for much of the work soliciting sponsors and coordinating with the Local Planning Committee to ensure smooth communication with the conference planners and sponsors.

A committee has been established to further explore this opportunity. If you are interested in joining or have any feedback on this, please contact [Theresa Buller](#).

Amy Duxfield attended the IALL Conference last year in Geneva after being awarded a bursary scholarship from them. Yes, they offer non-member bursaries too! A big thank you to Amy for building relationships with IALL and her attendance leading to this invitation to host. You can read about Amy's experience on this [IALL blog post](#).

Interested in attending IALL?

The 2025 conference will be held in Houston, Texas and will have a space theme. We will update our members when IALL releases information about the bursaries on offer.



Upcoming Events

Did you miss the recent webinar with Justice Whata on the Law Commission Study Paper on Tikanga? The recording will be soon available in the members' area of the website.

South Island Social

8 July 5pm

Please join the Christchurch NZLLA members, and Claire the Treasurer from Dunedin, for drinks at The Pegasus Arms on 8 July at 5pm.

Monthly Member Meeting (Online call)

10 July, 1.05pm

All NZLLA members are welcome to join as the National Executive provide

updates on what has happened and plan for future. Please contact one of the Regional Convenors to RSVP for the online link. The agenda is posted on the list-serv and the minutes of the previous meeting are available in the Members' area of the website.

Global Insights: From Geneva to Philadelphia - A Tale of Two Conferences (Online Webinar)

11 July, 1pm

Amy Duxfield will be sharing her experiences from attending the IALL conference in Geneva, Switzerland. Theresa Buller will be chatting about attending the Teaching the Teachers conference in Philadelphia, USA.

[Australian Law Librarians Conference, Adelaide.](#)

7-9 August 2024

Erin Cairney, NZLLA President is presenting a session on Embracing Change: Building a Dynamic Community of Law Librarians. Louise Bailey, NZLLA Vice-President, is attending as recipient of NZLLA scholarship.

ICLR in Auckland

Tuesday 13 August 2024 5pm

MinterEllisonRuddWatts is hosting NZLLA and ICLR for drinks and nibbles.

The Incorporated Council of Law Reporting (ICLR) for England and Wales was established in 1865. The ICLR publish official Law Reports, The Weekly Law Reports, The Industrial Cases Reports, The Business Law Reports, The Public and Third Sector Law Reports and the Consolidated Index to leading law reports.

ICLR in Wellington

Wednesday 14 August 2024, 5pm

The NZLS Library is hosting NZLLA and ICLR for drinks and nibbles. Justice Kós and ICLR will be speaking on the importance of law reports and the value of headnotes.

Future Events

- Launch of the Member Connect programme
- Parliamentary Counsel Office (PCO): Improved access to secondary legislation
- Ngā Upoko Tukutuku /Māori subject headings
- NZLLA Conference 2025 to be held in Auckland. More information to come.
- End of year drinks

We are always open to suggestions for professional development lunchtime sessions. Please contact one of the regional convenors to share your ideas.



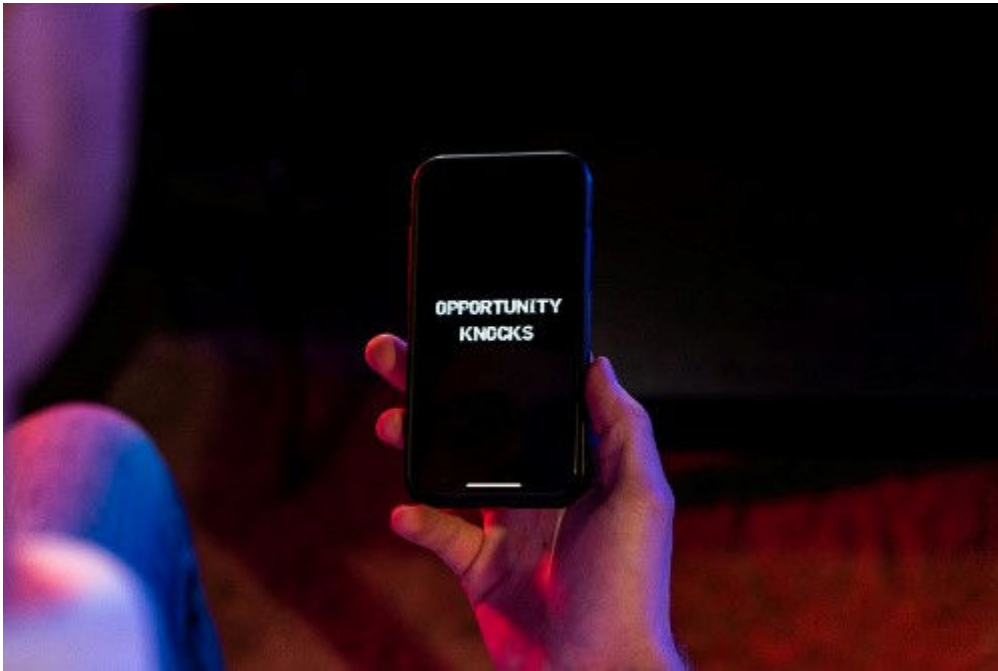
Encouraging New Entrants Into Our Profession

There's a variety of roles working in the legal information profession. We are keen to showcase them and encourage new entrants to the profession. Would you like to share how you got started and what you enjoy most about your role? Please contact [Nadine Fathers](#) to contribute to our [Library Careers: Biographies](#) page on our website.

Other ideas to share the wonderful world of law librarianship and working with legal information:

- Follow and register your interest in [Inspiring The future Aotearoa](#)
- o Host an event – or volunteer as a role model – and help young people expand their horizons.
- Ask to be involved in the summer student or work experience programme for your organisation.
- Follow [New Zealand Law Librarians Association NZLLA on LinkedIn](#)

We know that Instagram is a powerful platform for sharing ideas and connecting with others. If you're interested in creating content about law librarianship and the NZLLA for Instagram, please reach out to our National Executive!



Recent Vacancies

Recently closed vacancies:

- National Law Librarian
New Zealand Law Society, Auckland, Wellington or Christchurch
- Research Librarian
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Wellington
- Library and Information Advisory Commission, x2 roles

Interested in posting a vacancy related to law librarianship or working with legal information? Please email info@nzlla.org.nz to place your advert. Check out our [Careers](#) page on our website for the latest opportunities.

Reading Corner

[American Association of Law Libraries May/June 2024](#)

Legal tech special issue includes: Teaching experiential legal tech courses; Building technology competence; Unlocking the potential of passkeys; Embracing a "good enough" approach in your work life; Cory Doctorow; Managing remote teams

[Australian Law Librarian June 2024](#)

This issue includes: Lexis+ to buy or not to buy; The Public Acts of New South

Wales 1824-1957 aka the Red Statutes; Comparative legal research; Moys connected Courthouse Libraries British Columbia with Australian colleagues; AI prompts; Legal research tips; Shelf awareness.

[LawTalk Issue 958](#)

Community Law Centres; Te Ara Ture: A bridge to law; Safety advocacy; The case for tikanga Māori: The LLB degree curriculum in a contemporary context; Law reform and advocacy update; Standards Committee; Douglas Wilson Advocacy Scholarship Trust.

[LIANZA Library Life June Pipiri 2024](#)

This issue includes: Wainuiomata Neighbourhood Hub and Library; Mt Roskill library; kaupapa behind the books chosen for Kete's Matariki books selection; pen pal programme between Delaware and Wellington City libraries; different approaches to summer reading, Ockham's library champions, and explore the US's Internet Archive copyright case and RAILS2023. Library Life will move to quarterly issues.

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