# NEWSLETTER OF THE INNER TEMPLE INNER TEMPLE TRINITY TERM 2011



### EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES AT THE INNER TEMPLE

he Easter edition of Innerview highlighted the Inn's commitment to diversity and equality through its new Equal Opportunities Policy. The Inn's aim is 'to promote diversity, inclusion and equality of opportunity for all individuals, regardless of sex, marital status, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origins, sexual orientation, disability, religion or belief, age and social background, in relation to the performance of all its functions and roles'.

This is a commitment which I personally take very seriously indeed and I urge you, as members of Inner Temple to incorporate the new policy

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into all decision making and operations for which you are responsible. The policy, a copy of which can be downloaded from the Inn's website www.innertemple.org.uk covers all the Inn's activities.

Free monthly interactive Equality and Diversity training, in line with Bar Council regulations, is available at the Inn for all barristers and clerks for which 1.5 CPD points are awarded. Bookings can be arranged through the Treasury Office.

We have progressed greatly since 1922 when my legal hero Ivy Williams became the first woman to be called to the Bar by Inner Temple. Let us continue to build upon her pioneering spirit in a profession that truly reflects the society it serves.

#### MASTER TREASURER

## TRINITY ELECTIONS 2011

Elections for Barrister Governing Benchers will be held during the Trinity term. Members who would like to find out more about this important role should speak to a Governing Bencher in the first instance.

Information is available on the Bencher Elections page of the Members' Area at www.innertemple.org.uk or by contacting the Head of Treasury Office, Henrietta Amodio on 020 7797 8181 or elections@innertemple.org.uk.

THE NOMINATIONS DEADLINE FOR BARRISTER AND JUDICIAL GOVERNING BENCHERS FOR THE TRINITY ELECTIONS WILL BE 16 JUNE.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Master Carr has been appointed a Commissioner for the International Court of Justice.

### YEARBOOK EDITOR

Michael Simon's tenure as editor of the Yearbook will come to an end in 2012. If you are interested in taking up this role contact, please Constance Asprey for more details on casprey@innertemple.org.uk or 020 7797 8182.

# VENETIAN MASKED BALL

Sadly this Doge cannot make it to the ball but there are still tickets available for what promises to be a superb evening. Members are encouraged to bring family and friends to enjoy a long night of bellini, fine Venetian cuisine and wine followed by dancing and partying in the garden.

Please book now to avoid disappointment. details on page 24.

## THE ROYAL TREASURER, HRH The Princess Royal,



### AND THE TREASURER, The Rt Hon Lady Justice Hallett DBE,

request the pleasure of your company at a reception for Members of Hall in the Inner Temple Garden

Tuesday 28 June 2011 5.30pm to 8.30pm (Arrival by 5.55pm)

**Cost:** Members of Hall Ticket: **£30** Spouse/Partner/Guest Ticket: **£30**  To Book: Tickets are available from the Treasury Office on 020 7797 8250 or kpeters@innertemple.org.uk

## INNER TEMPLE'S GOT TALENT

EVER DREAMT OF APPEARING AT COVENT GARDEN OR THE ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL OR RONNIE SCOTTS OR O2 ARENA OR AT THE COMEDY CLUB?

Well dream on... but you could instead showcase your talent at the Inner Temple's Got Talent night in November. We are planning an evening of top quality enterainment where members of the Inn can perform and show off their talent. If you are interested please contact Kate Peters and this could be your first step on the stairway to the stars.

## BAR GUEST NIGHT AT INNER TEMPLE

CHAMPAGNE RECEPTION 3 COURSE DINNER

WITH A SELECTION OF WINES FROM THE INN'S CELLARS

7.15PM FOR 7.45PM DRESS CODE: BLACK TIE PRICE: £71.95 A TICKET (BOOK A TABLE OF 10 FOR THE PRICE OF 9)

TO BOOK: Please contact Kate Peters on 020 7797 8250 o<mark>r em</mark>ail kpeters@innertemple.org.uk

## TEMPLE FAMILY FAMILY PICNIC SUNDAY 17 JULY 2011 IPM-4PM IN INNER TEMPLE GARDEN

## **THE SUMMER FAMILY BARBECUE** IS A FUN PACKED AFTERNOON AT INNER TEMPLE WITH A BOUNCY CASTLE, FACE PAINTERS, WILLY WON'T-HE THE CLOWN AND LIVE MUSIC

DETAILS: CHILDREN TICKET: £10.50 ADULT TICKET: £21 TICKET PRICE INCLUDES FOOD & DRINK

TO BOOK: TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE TREASURY OFFICE on 020 7797 8250 or kpeters@innertemple.org.uk or www.innertemple.org.uk



TREASURERS' RECEPTION FOR BENCHERS

#### 7th ANNUAL LONDON LEGAL SPONSORED WALK

Inner Temple, led by the Treasurer, supported the London Legal Support Trust by taking part in a 10km "after work" walk on Monday 16 May. This Inn has raised £3,500 for the Trust, if you would still like to donate please go to http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/team/theinnertemple

# **RECENI** EVENTS



## EDUCATION & TRAINING DEPARTMENT

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#### **THANK YOU!**

The Education & Training Department would like to thank all the members who have organised, taught at or participated in the huge variety of events and activities we have undertaken this academic year. We greatly appreciate you giving up your evenings and weekends to help – your support is invaluable.

### UNIVERSITY AND REGIONAL RECEPTIONS

The Inn runs four large university evening presentations annually in London, Bristol, Oxford and Cambridge at the end of October for university students in the area. If you are willing to attend and speak with students about careers at the Bar, please contact Anthony Dursi.

In addition, receptions are being planned on the Midlands Circuit (Birmingham) and the We look forward to seeing you at the remaining events this term.

If you are a member who would like to volunteer to help with E&T activities, please see our Guide to Volunteering Opportunities in the Members' section on the website or request a copy from the E&T Department.

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students in the area in order to inform them about careers at the Bar in an informal atmosphere. If you are interested in helping out at receptions in your local area, please contact Anthony Dursi.

### **CALLING ALL NEW PUPILS!**

If you have secured pupillage please remember to register your pupillage with the Bar Standards Board and also the E&T Department at the Inn. Please visit the Inner Temple website or contact **Beth Phillips** for further information and a Pupillage registration form.



#### **INNER TEMPLE GOES DIGITAL**

The Inner Temple currently has approximately 1,300 followers on Twitter. For Bar-related news and Inn events, follow the Inner Temple on Twitter. www.twitter.com/TheInnerTemple



On 11 April 2011, the Inn hosted its second annual Open Day for school students participating in the national Pathways to Law programme. Pathways to Law is aimed at highachieving state school students with no family history of higher education. Nearly ninety Year 13 students who are on the Pathways programmes at the Universities of Warwick, Southampton, Manchester, Leeds and LSE were all welcomed to the Inn for a day learning more about the Bar and a career as a barrister.

The day began with students being provided with information on how to train for the Bar and a snapshot of a day in the life of barristers in different areas of law was provided through a panel of speakers. Students went on to participate in a variety of sessions including a case law and plea in mitigation exercise. The event culminated in group visits to Chambers, which gave the students an excellent insight into life as a barrister as well as an opportunity to talk to members of Chambers, Clerks and Practice Managers.

The E&T Department would like to thank all the members who participated, in particular Simon O'Toole (5 Pump Court) who leads the Project, as well as Faisel Sadiq (Arden Chambers), Sarah Prager (1 Chancery Lane), Tunde Okewale (4 Breams Buildings), Danielle Viall (General Dental Council), Yusuf Solley (11 KBW), Gemma Loughran (1 Pump Court), John Jolliffe (1 Crown Office Row), Naomi Carpenter Sarah Prager, Tunde Okewale, John Joliffe and Faisal Sadiq speak at the Schools Project

(Argent Chambers), David Welch (Alexander Chambers) and students: Tahera Begum, Thomas Ogg, Simon Crowther, Marlene Cayoun, Robin Mellery-Pratt and Dev Parmar.

Thank you also to the Chambers who kindly agreed to host a group of students for the session – Hardwicke, Littleton Chambers, Wilberforce Chambers, Blackstone Chambers and Outer Temple.

The next two schools project events will be held on 8 June and 23 June. On 8 June, the Year 12 cohorts from the LSE and University College London Pathways programmes will be returning to the Inn following their first session in January. The day will comprise a tour of the Inn and Chambers, a debating workshop, a Mock Trial and a networking event. The session on 23 June is a seminar for teachers and careers advisers, aiming to provide them with useful information on careers at the Bar for their students as well as building a useful dialogue on how the profession can best interact with school students.

If you are interested in volunteering for any of our schools project events, please contact **Amy Mason**.

#### **MOCK INTERVIEW SCHEME – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

This scheme gives students a chance to practise their interview technique in front of established barristers prior to their 'real' pupillage interview. The scheme is very popular, and student feedback is consistently extremely positive. As the pupillage interview season is in full swing, the scheme needs more volunteers. The time commitment is usually around 1–3 hours per year. If you would like to volunteer, please contact **Amy Mason**.

#### QUESTION & ANSWER DAY FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

On Sunday 19 June 2011, the E&T Department, in conjunction with the Junior Bar Association, will be holding its annual Question & Answer Day for undergraduate students interested in a career at the Bar. Information sessions will be held on Training for the Bar, Funding and Scholarships, Putting Together a Legal CV, Pupillage, Interview Tips and Life as a Barrister. This will be followed by a drinks reception. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact **Anthony Durs**i.

#### APRIL NEW PRACTITIONERS' ADVOCACY & ETHICS WEEKEND

In April, the E&T Department held the first of its two annual Advocacy and Ethics weekends for New Practitioners. The weekend was accredited for 17 CPD hours including 9 hours of advocacy training and 3 hours of ethics training and was attended by 48 junior barristers. The course allowed NPs the opportunity to cross examine real expert medical witnesses and to tackle a series of hypothetical ethical problems with the assistance of real solicitors. We were privileged to have Master Treasurer give the welcome talk on Friday evening and Alastair Hodge give the after-dinner speech on the Saturday night. The E&T Department would like to thank all those advocacy trainers who gave up their weekend to help.

### PLANNING ON HAVING A BIRTHDAY THIS YEAR?

Whether you want to admit it or not, a birthday is never far away. Be you celebrating your own birthday or that of a loved one, we can help you on the way. As well as discounted room hire rates for Inner Temple members, we are also offering a complimentary bottle of champers to any member who books a birthday party at the Inn before 1st October this year. **So start celebrating!** Space available indoors or out; catering from 20 – 400 guests.

For bookings please contact the Catering Office on catering@innertemple.org.uk or 020 7797 8230



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#### INTERNSHIP AWARD REPORTS

The Inn makes a small number of awards each year for the purposes of enabling students and newly qualified barristers to pursue projects that will widen their experience of the world outside the Bar and thereby enhance the skills that they can thereafter bring to their practice. Although any project meeting these criteria will be considered, preference will generally be given to projects with an international element and/or which involve an element of unpaid or low paid work for the community.

In the last academic year, we have supported 14 internship projects. Two of our student members, Julia Muraszkiewicz and Jas Kaur Matharu undertook internships in New York and Mumbai respectively and have shared their experiences below.

### JULIA MURASZKIEWICZ



Sometime in September 2010, I was sitting on a train watching the rain pour down and checking my emails. Between Manchester and Shrewsbury I got the news – I was selected for an Internship! Shocked,

excited and filled with disbelief, I phoned my friends and family to let them know that I was going to New York to work at the United Nations. On 3 January 2011, I landed at John F Kennedy airport with a suitcase full of suits and a diplomatic visa in my passport.

The European Delegation to the United Nations in New York is where I would spend four months as an intern working in human rights and social affairs. With a blue UN badge that said "European Union Adviser" I would dash in and out of the building attending various meetings, conferences and negotiations; afterwards I would come back to the EU mission to write reports summarising what had taken place.

The meetings varied from discussing the rights of indigenous peoples living in forests, to social development concepts, to negotiating a document entitled access and participation of women and girls to education, training, science and technology, including for the promotion of women's equal access to full employment and decent work. The latter kept me at the UN for four days until the early hours of the morning as delegations argued about the definition of "gender stereotypes" and whether the document ought to have a reference to sexual education. On the fourth day, sometime late at night, The Holy See compromised and we reached consensus. During the four days I saw some of the best negotiation, with much of it happening by the water fountain or in the corridors. Despite the 19-hour working days it was one of the most exciting and fun weeks of my internship.

Throughout my time at the European Union Delegation I also drafted speeches that were later delivered by the EU at the different summits, undertook research, and carried out preparatory work for various conferences. In between my official tasks I would take the opportunity to see some exciting events such as the suspension of Libya from the United Nations Human Rights Council or press conferences with the Secretary General on the situation in Egypt.

The UN building itself was a disappointment; currently under construction it looks like a 1950s building site. However, the atmosphere within the temporary building (where all the meetings took place) was exactly as anticipated. Sitting in the cafeteria I would watch people walk past speaking different languages and wearing everything from designer suits to traditional Indigenous Peoples' clothing. Sometimes as I walked through the corridors my path would be blocked by a bodyguard who was protecting a foreign minister and at other times I could not get near the UN as President Obama was in the vicinity.

As well as learning the many skills that I will list on my CV and pupillage applications, I also learnt how hard it is to try and push the boundaries of human rights. During my undergraduate degree in politics I was taught

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about the "realist school of thought" that teaches that States, like humans, are predominantly selfish and mainly do things only if it will benefit them. Not liking the sound of this concept I favoured the liberal view. However, having sat at the UN for four months I can now admit that if I was back in my 1st year politics class my essays would have concluded very differently. It is not easy to get 192 States to agree that an intervention is needed, that the NGO supporting LGBT issues should be granted formal status or that the current economic model does not ensure the right to development for every member of society. And so, there were times when after many hours of listening to discussions I was left feeling disappointed. At the same time I saw the work of many NGOs who showed up at meetings and fought for the development of the current human rights status quo. This at least left me with a little bit of hope.

The internship was everything I hoped for; with nine fellow interns from all over Europe I discovered the streets of New York, how diplomacy works and what it means to work in a truly political environment.

## JAS KAUR MATHARU

As I emerged from my ten hour flight I was welcomed to Mumbai by five security guards, each carrying a gun approximately the size of myself. Play it cool Jas, you're of Indian heritage, they won't be able to tell you're not from here, I told myself. I was wrong. Two hours of bargaining to allow me to reclaim my handbag (translation, two hours later they realised I was not going to give them any money and/or my net book) I embarked upon the objective of my trip – investigating the alleviation of child labour through promoting the right to education.

The issue was that at four hundred million, India has the largest child population in the world and over sixty million of these children are child labourers. This makes India the holder of the world's largest population of child labourers. Less than half of children in India between the ages of six and fourteen go to school, which is inextricably a consequence of many of them having to work instead. The only way these children are able to escape the poverty that they are born into is through education, which fuelled my passion to do my absolute maximum to make a worthy contribution to this cause. What I saw on my visit to Mumbai, where the problem is at its very worst, confirmed the magnitude of the problem. The issue appeared not to be that children did not want to go to school, as most did. It emerged that it was a twofold problem - the first concern being that the provision of education had to facilitate time for children to work, as many of the children and families I spoke with depend greatly on this, albeit small, income. The second concern is that the most



disadvantaged children who reside in the slums do not know how to enroll in school, nor are they aware that education is a fundamental human right of theirs. As a result of the pressure the non-governmental organisation CRY (Child Rights and You) put on the Indian government in 2002, they achieved what has hitherto seemed impossible. They ensured that education was recognised as a fundamental right through a national alliance charter, amending the Indian Constitution.

The aim of my project was to understand why fewer than half of India's children benefit from its education system, and to find out what could be done to improve this situation. I did this through meetings with Education Officers, visiting a variety of schools and going into the slum communities to talk to the people who are directly affected by the problem. It was through this that I realised the source of the problem, which was not the legislation as I had initially thought. The legislative instruments that protect the right to education in India are more stringent

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than in England, as are the human rights agreements that India has signed up for. The problem lay with the implementation or rather the widespread lack of it.

The Education Officers of the Municipal Governments are responsible for making sure all children in each individual area enroll at and attend schools. However, the meetings I attended with these Government Officials were full of deferring of questions and the passing of responsibility on to other employees in the education department. There are obvious financial incentives available for the governments to initially enroll children into schools and then not process their admissions fully, so the Municipal Government targets can be met without these children ever attending school. By doing this each school receives approximately thirty four pounds per child, which is meant to be for twenty seven items such as a uniform. This may not seem like much but in one of the meetings I attended it was revealed that this had happened to one hundred and eighty three children in one school recently, which means a single school obtained over six thousand pounds through this method. When I went into the slum communities to discuss this with these families they all reported the same thing - the Education Officers never returned to arrange admissions. Hence because the parents were not given anything to sign the officials used this as a reason for not allowing these children into school. They said the reason was the lack of co-operation from the parents.

The thrust of my work focused on another minority group in India, those disadvantaged by reason of disability. Many additional provisions are there to protect these individuals but in reality they are also predominantly ignored. As a result, disabled children are not only especially denied the right to education but are consequently largely unable to obtain any kind of employment in their future. I could not understand how with such stringent laws, families could not be aware of their children's right to schooling. This is until I visited the slums and witnessed the immeasurable poverty these people live in. I saw firsthand that there is no forum for people to be informed of their rights or to have access to lawyers to defend

their rights when they are denied. Base survival is the concern in these slum communities, and when families are faced with having to survive on basic sustenance, this understandably becomes their primary concern.

The high point of my trip was visiting a specialist school for disabled children, which was without a doubt the most memorable day of my life. I am not going to try and find faults with the school, because there were none. The head teacher was an inspirational woman who has persevered and ran an amazing example of a specialist school for the last twenty six years. It is heartbreaking to acknowledge that her school is unfortunately the exception and not the rule. However it shows that changes, not only in education but in people's attitudes, are possible. The solution is getting people involved who will work hard, persevere and who have a passion for enabling the most disadvantaged to be treated as equals. The children I met at this school were the most wonderful individuals I have ever had the good fortune to meet. Subsequently I was honoured to be asked to assist this school by continuing to work with them and help promote human rights for these children and their families through their parents support group association.

I was fortunate enough to obtain a scholarship from the Inner Temple to support my trip in order to learn transferable skills to bring to my practice at the English Bar and I am incredibly grateful for this. I managed to achieve a significant amount of positive results in my project - fifteen of the children I worked with in slum communities are now attending full time education. However I have come away with something far greater than what I set out to achieve. I learned from the children I met just how much happiness can be given to everyday lives through simply giving time and effort to a cause that a lot of people see as too big of a problem. But the right to education there is not a hopeless cause, it is simply one that needs a push from people like myself, and perhaps yourselves, who believe that these children absolutely deserve better.

### ADVOCACY TRAINING IN KUALA LUMPUR, APRIL 2011

REPORT BY MASTER BIRKETT

ollowing the successful inaugural visit by Advocacy Trainers from the UK last November I was invited to lead a team of four Trainers for an Advocacy Teacher Training seminar to be held in the very impressive new Courts Complex in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The four Trainers comprised myself, Iain Morley QC, Sarah Clarke and Colin McCaul QC who is currently Director of Advocacy Training at Gray's Inn. We were accompanied (and managed) by the Sub-Treasurer who is fast becoming an old "Asia Hand".

The course was supported by a number of organisations in Malaysia including the Malaysian Inner Temple Alumni Association, the Lincoln's Inn Alumni Asociation, The Malaysian Bar Council, The Office of the Chief Registrar of the High Court and KLRC who are the largest dispute resolution organisation in Kuala Lumpur. The senior Judiciary in Malaysia have supported this and the earlier course with great dedication, no one more so than Federal Judge Tan Sri James Foong who is, of course, one of the Inn's Overseas Benchers.

The programme began with our arrival on the 21 April and continued almost nonstop until our departure on the 24 April. The four UK Trainers taught alongside local Trainers who had attended the earlier session in November 2010; they were Justices Lee Swee Seng, Nallini Pathmanathan and Mah Weng Kwai. We were also joined by a senior practitioner from the Bar, Ariff Rozhan.

The programme followed the format with which Advocacy Trainers are now familiar. Plenary sessions and demonstrations were followed by workshops where the Trainee Advocacy Trainers learnt and put into practice the now standard Hampel method of teaching. This method was taught and applied to witness handling, narrative and application advocacy. The exercises used were variants of those we had used in Hong Kong; whilst not of any great complexity they nonetheless provided sufficient issues to enable the new trainers to grapple not only with the teaching of Advocacy skills but also with the traditional methods of Case Analysis.

Our Trainees came from the Bench and Bar and from Kuala Lumpur and other cities in Malaysia. It was very important that we should introduce training beyond KL itself. Malaysia is an exciting and developing country and representatives of the profession attended from such places as Penang, Malacca and Johor Bahru in the south. Over 4 days we introduced some 40 people to the training method and that number now brings the pool of trained teachers in Malaysia to just over 90. Whilst it would be an exaggeration to say that all are ready to train now, virtually all demonstrated a commitment to the project which should guarantee its acceptance as an essential part of professional education in the country.

Malaysia is a fascinating blend of indigenous and immigrant groupings. Today, Malays form 51% of the population of 27 million with the balance originating from China, Thailand and the Indian sub-continent. No fewer than 5 High Court Judges came forward to be trained and we were helped so much by, in particular, Justice Mary Lim Thiam Suan who like many others in the legal scene in Malaysia had trained in the UK.

The course was very demanding running as it did for 3 and a half days. We delivered a full programme from 9.00 am until 4.30 each day. Despite this my wonderful team were expected to attend a full programme of social events in the evening with dinners given in our honour by the KLRC (at the Petroleum Club in the Petronas Towers) by the Companies Commission, by the Bar Council and by the Judges. We were taken to the Selangor Cricket Club for an "ashes"match between Australian and UK expats. "Rain stopped Play" and when it rains in the tropics...

Malaysia has a very dynamic (and friendly)



Left to right: Master Morley, Sub-Treasurer, Master Birkett, Sarah Clarke, Tan Sri Arifin bin Zakaria, Colin McCaul QC and Master Foong

Chief Justice in Tun Zaki Azmi who has given great support to this project as has the Chief Judge of Malaya Tan Sri Arifin bin Zakaria. The support of the senior Judiciary in ensuring that these initiatives take hold cannot be underestimated as I have seen in other jurisdictions like India and Hong Kong. The Malaysian Judiciary are very forward looking and are determined to ensure that Advocacy Training becomes a compulsory element in the training of the young. I believe that in time they will seek to establish training both at a the equivalent of BPTC level and also amongst new Practitioners. It is a great privilege to be involved in its early implementation.

The Inner Temple has long had a huge reputation in Malaysia and is regarded with both affection and admiration. The Alumni Association is now firmly established and is flourishing with dinners, lectures, public forums and contacts with the local Law Schools. The establishment of an enlightened system of Advocacy Training is the next logical step for them to take although it should in my view be done in partnership with other Inns and the Advocacy Training Council

We made a lot of new friends and enjoyed

deeper friendships with those we had met before. Our new Trainers will become part of a significant College of Trainers in the Far East. In the future I hope there can be cooperation between Trainers from the various jurisdictions and indeed shared programmes. In this development I hope the Inner Temple will continue to take a leading role. It is an initiative which is practical but immensely rewarding to all those who are involved.

I cannot conclude this report without a word about my wonderful companions on the road. Colin, Iain and Sarah were a quite brilliant team in every way. At no stage did they allow jet lag, intense heat or tiredness get in the way of quite exceptional teaching. They each shared an exuberance, an energy, indeed a dedication to the task which was an inspiration to their pupils. With our "Road Manager" and travelling Sir Humphrey (the Sub-Treasurer) we left after 4 days in Kuala Lumpur exhausted, fulfilled but anxious to return one day.

## LIBRARY NEWS

#### SATURDAY **OPENING** OPENING HOURS 10AM TO 5PM

CALENDAR JUNE - OCTOBER 2011

#### THERE IS NO SATURDAY **OPENING DURING AUGUST** AND PART OF SEPTEMBER.

#### **JUNE**

4 June	Inner Temple
II June	Lincoln's Inn
18 June	Middle Temple
25 June	Gray's Inn

#### JULY

2 July	Inner Temple
9 July	Lincoln's Inn
l 6 July	Middle Temple
23 July	Gray's Inn
30 July	CLOSED

#### AUGUST

CLOSED

#### **SEPTEMBER**

24 September Inner Temple

#### **OCTOBER**

I October

Lincoln's Inn

#### CURRENT AWARENESS BLOG

A recent change of web host has provided the Library with the opportunity to redesign and re-launch its Current Awareness blog, which can now be found at www.innertemplelibrary.com. Please update your bookmarks and links where appropriate.

Our Current Awareness blog has been running since March 2007. It features the latest legal news stories plus details of new case law and changes in legislation which are selected by Library staff and posted on the blog each day.

As well as featuring the latest news, the blog also contains a substantial archive. There are now over 19,000 posts indexed in over 1,000 subject categories.

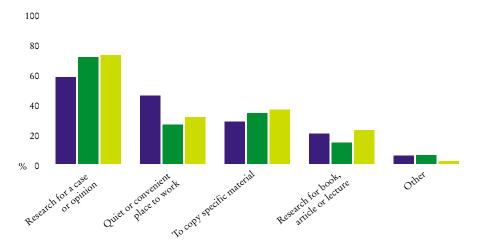
The blog has continued to grow in popularity and we have received very positive feedback from our readers who include barristers, solicitors, judges, students, librarians, academics and civil servants. We have also received press coverage in The Times and the Guardian, both of which have recognised the Current Awareness service as an important legal blog.

#### LIBRARY SURVEYS

A survey of Library usage was carried out via the Library's website during April 2011 and a two-day survey of those coming in to the Library in person was carried out on 12 and 13 April 2011. Results, comments and observations on the surveys can now be found via the News section of the Library's website (www.innertemplelibrary.org.uk). Some of the findings from the in-house survey are shown in the bar charts, which include comparative data from the 2008 and 2006 surveys.

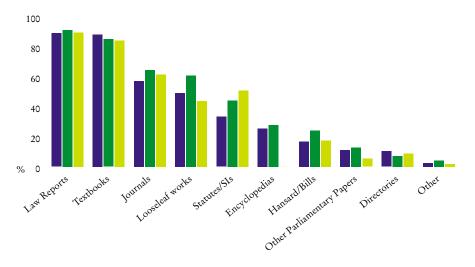


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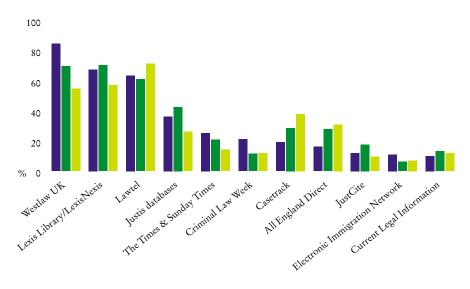


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#### Which Internet subscription databases did you use?



GARDEN NEWS

## KINGS, NOT CABBAGES

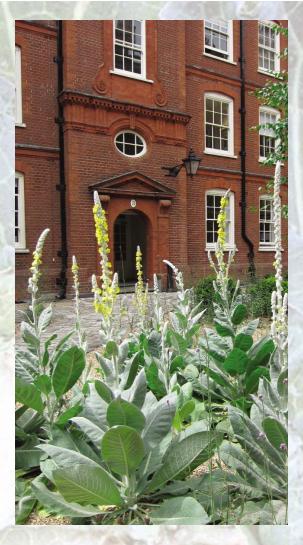
#### ANDREA BRUNSENDORF HEAD GARDENER

have to confess to some hurt pride on behalf of the Verbascum genus when I recently over-heard someone refer to the mighty Mulleins which grow in Hare Court as cabbages, and feel the need to put the case for the defence for these magnificent plants and how exceptionally well they perform in that area.

The growing conditions in Hare Court are: courtyard enclosed by brick buildings, surface of Myplex over hardcore covered with pea gravel, shallow soil pockets, full sun, high summer temperatures, frost free, no irrigation, swirling winds and heavy pedestrian traffic.

All of which limits the plants to be grown there to ones which will flourish in this neardesert micro-climate and, to be frank, cabbages don't fall into that category! Verbascum, commonly referred to as Mulleins, have hairy, sometimes woolly leaves, a protective adaptation which reduces their transpiration rate as well as reflecting sunlight. The large, alternate leaves often form basal rosettes, producing one or more tall, erect stems which bear flowers in dense spikes or racemes. Although the outward-facing, saucer-shaped flowers, usually yellow, are short-lived they are numerous, so their flowering period is a long one. Not a single one of these characteristics is shared with cabbages - they are Brassicaceae, easily identified by its floral characteristics of four petals arranged in a cross (hence originally being named Cruciferae by the father of modern taxonomy, Carl Linneaus, in the 1740s), and a Verbascum wouldn't be a particular toothsome accompaniment to the Sunday roast.

They are far from being a modern choice for a horticulturalist. Gertrude Jekyll, still regarded as one of Britain's most influential designers, included Mulleins as a celebration of summer in many of the 400 gardens she established; and Christopher Lloyd of Great Dixter fame wrote that they were essential for any garden. I chose two varieties for Hare Court (there are in fact over 360 species of



them, most biennials but also a few annuals, perennials and evergreen sub-shrubs). These are both biennial semi-evergreens, Verbascum olympicum and V. bombaciferum 'Arctic Summer', grown equally for their overwintering rosettes of white, woolly leaves and for their statuesque blooms in high summer, and are placed so that the proud branching candelabra of V. olympicum create the illusion of different levels and depth, and the groups of V. bombaciferum 'Arctic Summer' emphasise the lumescent yellow of the flowers. The species originated on the dry, stony hillsides of the Mediterranean, most notably on Mount Olympus, managing to thrive on poor, dry, alkaline soil in full sun – a little like Hare Court but with better views.

I take my hat off to such strong, awesome plants, able to withstand conditions which would wilt an English rose in an instant, and even causes our tough yews to struggle. Apart from their looks, they also offer greater benefit than any cabbage, being long known as an effective treatment for asthma and other respiratory disorders and for alleviating ear infections. Let us all salute their longevity and regal beauty, and not offend their sensitivities by comparing them to cabbages!

### GARDEN NEWS

BRIEF LIVES OF THE MASTERS WHO MOST INFLUENCED THE EVOLUTION OF THE GREAT GARDEN

## STRIKING A GREAT BARGAIN THOMAS COVENTRY AND THE NEW EMBANKMENT

#### BY HILARY HALE AUTHOR OF THE GREAT GARDEN: A HISTORY OF THE INNER TEMPLE GARDEN FROM THE 12TH TO THE 21ST CENTURY

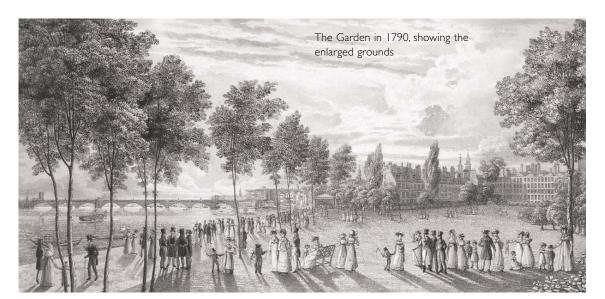
he project which really put the 'great' into the Great Garden of the Inner Temple was the building of a new river embankment in the 1770s. Running from approximately where the north wall of the tractor shed now stands to the original Temple Stairs at the end of Middle Temple Lane, it straightened the angled embankment of the Tudor era and roughly doubled the size of the garden.

The reason for its construction was the opening of the New Bridge at Blackfriars. Its design had altered the flow of the currents and the tides were beginning to scour the northern bank of the Thames, threatening the Inner Temple's land. On 15 May 1767 an agreement was drafted for consideration by the Bench outlining the mode and method of construction for a securing embankment to be built by the City of London. The document was signed by Sir Robert Ladbrooke, John Paterson and Thomas Coventry. Ladbrooke was the founder of the bank of that name (now part of RBS), a former Lord Mayor of London and MP for the City of London with wide-ranging connections and a useful marriage (to the daughter of Sir

Walter Rawlinson). John Paterson was typical of the type of low-key yet powerful professional fixer who so influenced the politics of the times: he was a solicitor, a deputy alderman, Auditor to the City from 1759-61 and MP for Ludgershall, but more pertinently he was Chairman of the New Bridge Committee and was author of the financial plans to put the whole scheme in place.

Only Coventry was a member of the Inner Temple, elected to the Bench four months previously and would be Treasurer in 1778-9. He was an obvious choice to negotiate with the City on behalf of the Society as his connections and interests beyond the Bar make it certain he would have known both Ladbrooke and Paterson before the embankment scheme was mooted. He was the nephew of the 5th Earl of Coventry, married to the heiress of Elmley Castle in Worcestershire, was returned as MP for Bridport and was a director of the South Sea Company. At a meeting on 10 November 1767 the draft agreement was approved by Parliament and it is highly likely that his influence in the negotiations with the City can be seen in the last three words of the final paragraph:

And the City upon Completion thereof to be paid by the said Society the sum of £1200 and no more.



## MY LEGAL HERO DR IVY WILLIAMS

#### THE TREASURER RT HON LADY JUSTICE HALLET DBE

Some of the most important legal heroes are not those who have actually practised law but who have changed the law or society's attitudes by striving for equal treatment and opportunity. Equality under the law is paramount to the fair working of our democratic society.

Hence my choice of a legal hero. She is someone who never practised as a lawyer but who opened the door for other women to do so and for women to expand their horizons generally. She did not chain herself to railings or throw herself under the King's horse. She patiently and persistently knocked at the door of the Bar, a male bastion if ever there was one.

With the exception of some legal historians, few will be aware of Dr Ivy Williams. Born in 1877, she was the first woman to be called to the Bar of England and Wales. She had taken and sailed through all her law exams by 1903, but university regulations at the time prevented her receiving her BA, MA or BCL. However, in 1920 the regulations on female students were changed and she received the credit she deserved, as did many other women.

She now set her heart on being called to the Bar (not, it seems, for her own sake but to offer free legal advice to the poor). She expressed her determination, in an article for Woman's World magazine in 1921, that if her application to join the Bar was unsuccessful, she would petition parliament. Fortunately, she secured the support of some powerful Inner Templars and the doors of the Inner Temple – one of the four Inns of Court that Call students to the Bar of England and Wales were opened to her in 1922.

The event occasioned comment as far away as the US. The New York Times described the evening of her call thus: "The jollities of Call night at Inner Temple were touched with historical significance tonight when a woman was for the first time called to the English Bar." Williams went on to be the first woman awarded a Doctor of Civil Laws in 1923. She was the first woman to teach law at an English university and was elected an honorary Fellow of St Anne's College, Oxford, in 1956. In 1930, she represented Great Britain at the Conference for the Codification of International Law in The Hague. Many exceptional women have

followed her in the Inner Temple, including the first woman to be

appointed a county court judge and then a high court judge, the late Dame Elizabeth Lane; the first woman appointed to the court of appeal and to become a head of division, Lady Butler-Sloss; and the first woman to sit in the International Court of Justice (of which she later became president), Dame Rosalyn Higgins. Lady Deech – a student, fellow and later principal of Williams's college – is also an Inner Templar.

A number of women may have made it to the very top of the profession but, as in other sections of society, there is still a long way to go. For reasons I cannot fathom, I remain the only woman to have been elected chairman of the bar (back in 1998).

If the legal profession, and the judiciary drawn from it, are to continue to command the confidence of the public, they must properly reflect the society they serve, preferably at every level. It takes pioneers such as Williams to make this happen. I hope there will be a growing and continuing stream of others like her ready to fight the good fight.

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## FROM THE CHOIR STALLS...

BY SIMON WALL (CHOIRMAN)

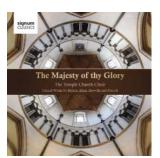
n out-of-the-blue phone call from James Vivian in 1999 seems already to have led to a decade of singing at the Temple Church! *The Veil of The Temple* in the Church itself, at the Proms and at Lincoln Centre NYC, a solo cantata concert, services for The Queen, Prince Philip and Prince William as well as the weekly and seasonal concerts and services beloved of so many in our congregation have all been memorable.

Over recent years the singing of our boychoristers has undeniably improved; so we've been able to enjoy and look forward to more exciting projects. The most recent is our CD *The Majesty of Thy Glory*, soon to be joined by a second, a CD of music inspired by the psalms. I like to think that it isn't just *The Da Vinci Code* that has swelled our congregations and audiences in recent times!

For the men of the choir, most of whom were either cathedral choristers or Oxbridge choral scholars or both, Temple Church Choir is about more than just the exciting times. Some of us are solo singers, some lawyers; the Choir is a backbone, which allows us the freedom to pursue our careers. It's a place of friendship and reunion where we can see a future generation of choristers enjoying something close to our hearts. It's a place where our history stretches forward into and beyond our own future.

Simon Wall is a tenor, whose solo and consort work has taken him worldwide.

The CDs 'Majesty of thy Glory' and 'English Organ Music from the Temple Church' are both available from the church or Treasury Office, price £12 each. All proceeds go to the Temple Church Organ Fund.



'This is music-making of an inspired and magical kind.' Choir & Organ Magazine



'Compellingly masterful playing.' Gramophone Magazine







#### TUES 7 JUNE, 5.30 p.m. ISLAM: BEYOND THE HEADLINES. – PROFESSOR ALI ASANI,

Professor of Indo-Muslim and Islamic Religion and Cultures, Harvard University. A Lecture and Discussion; there will be ample time for Q & A. Followed by refreshments with Professor Asani in the Round Church.

#### WED 8 JUNE, 6.45 p.m. CONCERT

#### THE HOLST SINGERS

Stephen Layton, director. Pizzetti *Requiem* and Palestrina *Missa Papae Marcelli*; £20, £15, £10. To book: www.templemusic.org

#### TUES 14 JUNE, 6.15 p.m. CHORAL EVENSONG: IN CELEBRATION OF MAGNA CARTA

In January 1215 King John and the barons met at the Temple, where the king confirmed the rights earlier granted by his father. The king put his seal to Magna Carta itself on 15 June at Runnymede. Chief mediator was William Marshal, Earl of Pembroke, whose effigy lies in the Round Church. His eldest son, whose effigy lies here too, was one of the surety barons. Among the witnesses was Aymeric de St Maur, Master of the Temple.

Followed by drinks reception in The Round Church and dinner in Inner Temple for which tickets are required – £125. Please contact Kate Peters, 020 7797 8250, kpeters@innertemple.org.uk

THURS 16 JUNE, 5.45 p.m. CHORAL EVENSONG: IN CELEBRATION OF THE INNS' AMITY Prior to the Inns' Amity Dinner. WED 29 JUNE, 5.45p.m. ST PETER'S DAY CHORAL EVENSONG

The Choirmen of the Temple Church. Followed by drinks in the Master's Garden and the Inn's Private Guest Night.

#### THURS 30 JUNE, 6.45p.m. SUMMER CONCERT – THE TEMPLE CHURCH CHOIR

A varied programme of sacred and secular music by Duruflé, Parry, Purcell, Vaughan Williams and others. Tickets: £16, £12, £8. To book: www.templemusic.org

MON 4 JULY, 5.45 p.m. CHORAL EVENSONG: IN CELBRATION OF THE MAGISTRACY: 'JUSTICES OF THE PEACE', 1361-2011

#### WED 6 JULY, 5.45 p.m. CHORAL EVENSONG: IN CELEBRATION OF THE KING JAMES BIBLE.

The Choirmen of the Temple Church. Followed by drinks in the Master's Garden. This evening we welcome delegates of the Society of Biblical Literature's International Meeting (at King's College, London), dedicated in part to the celebration of the King James Bible.

#### WED 13 JULY, 6.45 p.m. CONCERT (TEMPLE CHURCH ORGAN APPEAL): FAREWELL TO THE ORGAN

Thomas Trotter, organ. Music by Bach, Benedict, Mendelssohn, Stanley, Thalben-Ball, Weir and others. Tickets: £20, £15. To book: www.templemusic.org

#### SUN 24 JULY, 11.15 a.m.

#### LAST SERVICE OF THE LEGAL YEAR CONFIRMATION AND CHORAL COMMUNION

Celebrant and Preacher: The Bishop of London. Followed by family barbecue in Church Court. To book for the barbecue: Catherine de Satgé, 020 7353 8559, catherine@templechurch.com

## CONCERTS IN THE TEMPLE 2011

The Holst Singers and Stephen Layton return to the Temple Church on Wednesday 8 June with two giants of the Italian choral repertoire: Palestrina's groundbreaking *Missa Papae Marcelli*, and Pizzetti's monumental and romantic setting of the Requiem for double choir.

On Thursday 30 June, the acclaimed choir of the Temple Church performs a varied programme of choral music based around different arrangements of familiar spirituals – including *Deep River* and *Swing low, Sweet chariot* - and Vaughan Williams' beautiful settings of three Shakespeare texts – *Full fathom five, The cloud-capp'd towers*, and *Over hill, over dale.* 

Thomas Trotter bids *Farewell to the Organ* before the Temple Church's magnificent instrument is dismantled for restoration at 6.45pm on Wednesday 13 July. Take this wonderful opportunity to hear the organ before it leaves the Church for restoration.

On Monday 25 July, at 7.30pm, celebrated British mezzo-soprano Alice Coote continues the Temple Song series in Middle Temple Hall with a highly-anticipated recital of French songs, including Fauré, Chausson, Hahn and Poulenc.

Into the Autumn, award-winning mezzosoprano Sarah Connolly comes to Middle Temple Hall at 7.30pm on Friday 14 October.



This Temple Song recital will feature songs by British composers Howells, Gurney, Britten and Bennett, alongside Schumann lieder.

Lyric tenor James Gilchrist joins pianist Julius Drake in Middle Temple Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 10 November for a Schubert recital, focusing on the composer's evocative song cycle, *Schwanengesang*.

The 2011 Temple Song series concludes by welcoming back celebrated British soprano Carolyn Sampson to the Temple after her outstanding recital in the 2008 Festival. At 7.30pm on Tuesday 6 December she will perform songs by Brahms and Debussy, as well as music by Purcell, arranged by Benjamin Britten in the Temple Church.

#### All dates and artists may be subject to change

#### **Booking Information**

On line: www.templemusic.org By phone: 020 7427 5641 (messages can be left on answering machine) By email: tmf@templechurch.com

#### By post: send your ticket requests to:

Temple Music Foundation The Master's House off Fleet Street London EC4Y 7BB



Temple Music concert dates

**The Holst Singers** Temple Church Wednesday 8 June 6.45pm £20, £15, £10

Temple Church Choir Temple Church Thursday 30 June 6.45pm £16, £12, £8 Farewell to the Organ: Thomas Trotter Temple Church Wednesday 13 July 6.45pm £20, £15

#### Temple Song: Alic<u>e Coote</u>

Middle Temple Hall Monday 25 July 7.30pm £45, £35, £25, £15, £10, £5

#### www.templemusic.org

## DIARY TRINITY TERM 2011

### JUNE

- 6 Hall Re-Opens
- 7 Estates CommitteeTrinity Term Law Sittings Begin9 Schools Project: London Pathways to Law
- 10-12 New Practitioners Residential Weekend
- 12 11.15 Choral Mattins, Temple Church: Whit Sunday

London Open Garden Squares Weekend

- 13 Mixed Dining Night
- 14 Dinner to Celebrate the Sealing of the Magna Carta
- 14-15 Internship Awards Interviews
- 16 Amity Dinner at Middle Temple
- 17-18 CPE Scholarships Interviews
  - 19 Prospective Students' Question and Answer Day
  - 20 Advocacy Dinner Bar Liaison Committee
  - 21 Executive Committee Pegasus Scholarships Trust
  - 22 Council of the Inns of Court (GI)
  - 23 Schools Project: Careers Advisers Day
  - 26 11.15 Choral Communion, Temple Church
  - 28 Investment Sub-Committee Treasurers' Reception for Members of Hall (IT Garden)
  - 29 5.45 Choral Evensong, Temple Church: St Peter's Day

#### Private Guest Night

30 Church Committee

## JULY

- 2-3 Advocacy Teacher Training Weekend
  - 4 Reception for 650th Anniversary of the Magistracy
    - Scholarships Committee
  - 5 Estates Committee Pegasus Trust Reception
  - 6 Qualifying Sessions Sub-Committee
- 14 Venetian Masked Ball
- 17 Temple Family Picnic (IT Garden)
- 19 Education and Training Committee
- 20 Council of the Inns of Court (LI) Pension Scheme Trustees
- 21 Bench Table (Proposal Day)
- 24 11.15am Last Service of the Legal Year: Choral Communion followed by Family Barbecue
- 25 Bar Liaison Committee
- 26 Executive Committee Drama Society Performance
- 27 Drama Society Performance
- 28 Trinity Term Call Night
- 29 Hall Closes Trinity Law Sittings End

## SEE PEGASUS IN A NEW LIGHT – DAYLIGHT!



Keeping a positive attitude about the forthcoming summer is never a bad thing, so what are you doing to celebrate? This summer why not hire the Pegasus bar and its south facing terrace for a private weekend reception? We are able to offer drinks receptions, private dining or even BBQs on the terrace the team are on hand to offer you a warm welcome. Space available indoors or out; private hire for groups 20 – 50 guests.

For bookings please contact the Pegasus on pegasus@innertemple.org.uk or 020 7797 8234

## SEPTEMBER

- 5 Hall Re-Opens
- 15 Police Liaison Scheme Reception
- 19 Advocacy Training Committee
- 20 Introductory Evening for London BPTC Students
- 21 Qualifying Sessions Sub-Committee
- 24 BPTC Advocacy Day
- 29 Recruitment Sub-Committee
- 30- Introductory Evening for BPTC Students from Providers Outside of London

## OCTOBER

- -1 Skills Course for BPTC Students from Providers Outside of London
- 2 11.15am Choral Mattins, Temple Church: First Sung Service of the Legal Year Skills Course for London BPTC Students
- 3 Michaelmas Term Law Sittings Begin

#### Mixed Dining Night

## PROCEDURES FOR BOOKING MASTERS OF THE BENCH:

- Private Guest Nights: sign in and give the name of your guest in the Private Guest Night book in the Smoking Room, or contact Kate Peters
- O Call Nights: contact David Miller
- All other Dining Nights and Term Sunday Lunches: sign in the Book in the Smoking Room by 4.00pm on the day, or contact Kate Peters

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# VENETIAN MASKED BALL 14TH JULY 2011 IN THE INNER TEMPLE HALL AND GARDEN

Dress: Venetian Costumes or Black Tie and Mask Tickets cost: £150 each (or a table of ten for £1,500)

> Late tickets: £35 each Bring your own picnic

Garden Reception: 7pm Dinner in Hall: 7.45pm Music & Dancing: 10pm onwards Carriages: 1am

To Book: Contact Kate Peters on 020 7797 8183 or kpeters@innertemple.org.uk