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Industry News

Start date of strata reforms

30 November 2016



Members were advised in a draft communique on Monday, 11 July that the new strata laws will take effect from 30 November 2016.

SCA (NSW) President Greg Haywood and General Manager Rachel Lynn spoke to NSW Fair Trading Commissioner Rod Stowe that day and asked him a number of questions about the new laws, government expectations and the roadshows.

You can read about that discussion [here](#).

Draft Property, Stock & Business Agents Amendment Regulations 2016 update

NSW Fair Trading has released the latest draft of the Property, Stock & Business Agents Amendment (Property Inspections and Exemptions) Regulation 2016.

SCA (NSW) has been advised that the draft reflects changes made in response to submissions, such as

New fees and charges for NCAT from 1 July



NCAT
NSW Civil &
Administrative Tribunal

NCAT has advised that its fees and charges schedule for the filing of applications, appeals and other services changed from 1 July 2016.

Below is a summary of the changes to the fees and charges:

- 2.25% increase to all fees and charges
- Introduction of concession rate of 25% of full fee for eligible pensioners
- Uniform fee for copies of sound recordings across all Divisions

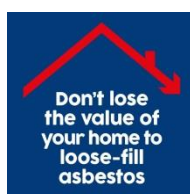
The updated fee schedule has a redesigned layout to make it easier for parties to calculate the appropriate fee when lodging an application. You can access it [here](#).

Strata Service Directory 2016/17 on its way

specifying which types of reports must be recorded, i.e. limited to building inspection reports and pest and termite reports. The particulars to be recorded now also include whether the inspector has Public Indemnity Insurance. As was in the public consultation draft, agents will not have to make any records of particulars that are not known or cannot be reasonably obtained, and will not be liable for anything done in good faith.

The aim is to commence the Amendment Regulation in mid-August.

Loose-fill asbestos testing | Deadline reminder



1 August is the deadline to register for free loose fill asbestos sample testing for owners of pre-1980s homes in [28 local government areas](#).

If loose-fill asbestos is found in a strata scheme, there are [financial assistance and support options](#) for individual lot owners and tenants.

Visit loosefillasbestos.nsw.gov.au or call **13 77 88** for more information or to register for free testing.

CPD Online



SCA (NSW) now offers members and non-members the opportunity to fulfill their CPD requirements online via E-Learning.

Read the materials, complete the assignment, submit for marking and provided you pass, then you are compliant for another year.

The price is \$139.00 for SCA (NSW) members and \$395.00 for non-members. This price includes GST.



The new 2016/2017 Strata Service Directory is on its way, due to hit letterboxes next week. The Directory clearly identifies members who are Strata Services Specialists and highlights the SCA (NSW) sponsors.

To cut down on postage costs in most cases we have made one mailout to each office. If there are say four members in your office, one person will receive all four copies with the expectation they will pass on the other three to their colleagues.

For very large offices we have decided it was easier to send individually as this would ensure no one person was responsible for huge numbers of copies going out to colleagues.

If you don't receive a copy by the end of next week please contact SCA (NSW) and arrangements will be made to send you a copy.

To view the electronic version please click [here](#).

Strata Reform: How will it Affect Your Strata Managing Agent Agreement?



The Strata Schemes Management Act 2015 and associated regulation will make significant changes to the appointment of strata managing agents.

To read the full article by Bannermans Lawyers please click [here](#).

Click [here](#) to get started now.

SEE Sustainable Experience | Next Week

New member benefit



We are pleased to announce that SCA (NSW) has recently joined [NSW Business Chamber](#).

This will enable you to utilise some of the NSW Business Chamber membership entitlements. For more information please click [here](#).



The SEE Sustainable Experience 2016 show, will be held next week on the **21-23 July, 2016** at the **Australian Technology Park, Sydney**.

SCA (NSW) Board member, Catherine Lezer will be speaking at the show and will be focusing on what strata buildings can do to be more sustainable.

For more information or to register to attend please click [here](#).

Upcoming Events

Industry Briefing Breakfast | 4 August 2016

New Strata Legislation & Latest Industry Data



We only have limited seats left for the first SCA (NSW) industry session on the new strata legislation and the latest industry data.

SCA (NSW) will be conducting a series of new legislation sessions aimed at educating our members about the latest updates on the new reforms so that you are ready once the laws take effect.

Our speakers are from CHU Strata Insurance, Bannermans Lawyers, Macquarie Bank and NSW Fair Trading.

Make sure you don't miss out and register now to secure your seat.

Date: Thursday the 4th of August 2016

Time: 7.00 am registration (7.30am start) till 9.00 am

Venue: Fraser Suites Sydney, 488 Kent Street, Sydney, 2000

Price: \$66 for members

\$88 for non-members

[REGISTER NOW](#)

For any enquiries please email us at marketing.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au

2016 SCA (NSW) Principals Retreat | 10 - 12 August 2016

Updated Program



We are pleased to announce a revised version of the 2016 SCA (NSW) Principals Retreat Program [click here](#).

Sign up today as this event is selling out!

Date: Wednesday 10 to Friday 12 August 2016

Venue: [Hotel St Moritz](#), Queenstown, New Zealand.

The delegate package will include 3 nights accommodation, conference package and speakers, conference facilities, meals and networking events. Partner packages are also available.

The retreat is for SCA (NSW) Strata Management Principals **only**.

For any enquiries, email us at events.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au

2016 CHU Strata Community Awards | 15 July 2016

"And the winner is..."



Can you feel the excitement in the air? We are only a few hours away from announcing the winners of the **2016 CHU Strata Community Awards Gala Dinner and Presentation.**

For those of you who have already purchased your tickets, we look forward to seeing you tonight!

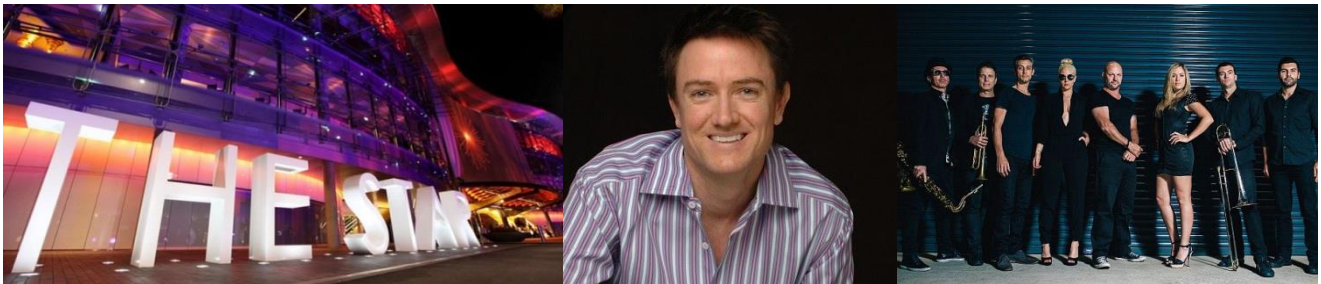
Date: Friday 15th July 2016

Location: The Star, Pyrmont

Time: 7pm - Midnight

Dress Code: Black Tie

Get set to be entertained by our special guest MC Clint Paddison and dance the night away with the funky tunes by The Groove Academy.



Registrations have closed.

For any enquiries, email us at events.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au

We thank our Award Category sponsors:

Innovation of the Year



Strata Owners Community Engagement



Professional Commitment to Ethics and Service



Student of the Year



Strata Management Business of the Year - Large



Young Strata Manager of the Year



Strata Manager of the Year



2016 SCA (NSW) Convention | Save the Date

27 & 28 October 2016



The 2016 SCA (NSW) Convention will be held over two days from Thursday 27 to Friday 28 October at the Hilton Sydney Hotel.

We are currently finalising the sponsorship prospectus and will have this available soon.

Please [click here](#) to complete the pre-event survey and be in the running to **win a complimentary full delegate pass** to the convention.

For any enquiries email us at events.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au

New Legislation Seminar Roadshow | Save the Date



SCA (NSW) in conjunction with Office of Fair Trading and REINSW are hosting education seminars on the new strata legislation for strata and property managers. Morning sessions will also be held for our owner members to educate them on the latest legislation changes.

Registrations to open soon (pricing TBA). Please watch out for updates in your inbox and on our website.

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Tuesday 23 August	Tweed Heads	12:00pm - 4:30pm
Wednesday 24 August	Coffs Harbour	12:00pm - 4:30pm
Thursday 25 August	Port Macquarie	12:00pm - 4:30pm
Tuesday 30 August	Newcastle	12:00pm - 4:30pm
Wednesday 31 August	Sydney	12:00pm - 4:30pm
Thursday 1 September	Wollongong	12:00pm - 4:30pm

Sponsorship opportunities will also be made available, for any expressions of interest or general enquiries please email us at events.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au

Upcoming Education

CPD Roadshow | Thursday 21 July



It is essential that today's strata manager has knowledge of the relevant legislation as this will equip you with increased authority when giving guidance and recommendations to your clients.

The CPD topic is '**Risk Management**' and will cover the below areas:

- Window Safety Devices
- Swimming Pools
- Fire Safety
- Asbestos
- Amendments to the Home Building Act

Date: Thursday 21 July 2016

Location: Sydney Masonic Centre, 66 Goulburn St, Sydney, 2000.

Cost: The session is worth a full 12 CPD points and is \$175.00 for members and \$395.00 for non-members.

To register: Email us at

Certificate of Registration | 15-18 August



Take your first step towards a career in strata today!

To enter the industry as a strata manager you will need to complete three units of competency from the CPP30311 Certificate III Property Services (Operations). This course is conducted over 4 days and is delivered in partnership with Real Estate Training Solutions.

Dates: Monday 15 to Thursday 18 August 2016

Location: SCA (NSW) Training Room, Level 1, 845 Pacific Highway, Chatswood

Cost: \$990.00 (GST free)

To register: Email us at education.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au or phone (02) 9492 8200.

For more course information please click [here](#).

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Cert IV in Property Services | 5-7 September



The Certificate IV in Property Services (Operations) course is designed for those who want to further their career in strata management as a licensed strata manager. This course will be delivered in partnership with Real Estate Training Solutions.

Dates: Monday 5 to Wednesday 7 September 2016

Location: SCA (NSW) Training Room, Level 1, 845 Pacific Highway, Chatswood

Cost: Mixed Mode (combination of face to face and correspondence) \$3250.00 (GST free)

Cost: Correspondence Mode \$2500.00 (GST free)

To register: Please email education.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au or phone (02) 9492 8200

For more course information please click [here](#).

Lunch Sponsorship Opportunities



SCA (NSW) is now offering the opportunity for corporate services members to sponsor a lunch at the Certificate of Registration (COR) courses.

This is a great opportunity to build relationships with new strata managers entering the industry as well as increase the awareness of your products and services.

To download a booking form please click [here](#).

For any enquiries email us at events.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au

Level 1, 2 & 3 Accreditation for Strata Managers



This is an excellent way of standing out from the crowd.

Gaining any level of accreditation demonstrates to your stakeholders that you are a professional in your field.

For more information please click [here](#) or email accreditation.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au.

To apply please click [here](#) to complete the application form.

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