

Industry News

Meeting with the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation



On Monday, 10 April, SCA (NSW) President Chris Duggan and General Manager Rachel Lynn, met with the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation, Matt Kean, MP. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the first months of operation of the new strata laws. We also spoke about short-term letting.

Last week we put out a call to Principals to provide feedback on the new laws that we could take to the Minister and received a number of responses from members. The top issues were discussed with the Minister and we have undertaken to consolidate the feedback and forward to NSW Fair Trading.

[Click here](#) to read the full account of the meeting and look for the Minister addressing upcoming SCA (NSW) events.

NSW Fair Trading & SCA (NSW)

Strata Schemes Information Seminars



NSW Fair Trading is running strata schemes

Fire and Emergency Services Levy Bill passes both Houses of NSW Parliament



We reported recently that the Fire and Emergency Services Bill was being introduced to NSW Parliament.

Late last week it passed both Houses of Parliament and will commence from 1 July 2017. The insurance industry, especially insurers like CHU, have long campaigned for these changes. We would like to recognise this fantastic contribution to strata and community living.

Now there is a fairer way of raising the funds needed to ensure NSW has a robust, well-equipped fire and emergency services. Go [here](#) to read more.

Director Profile: David Bannerman



SCA (NSW) continues to present profiles of its Directors. This month we profile David Bannerman, Principal of

information seminars over the coming months for owners and managers on the new strata laws.

SCA (NSW) will be participating at these seminars in a Q&A panel at the end of each session.

Seminar details and registrations are on the NSW Fair Trading [website](#).

Strata Stories



Michele Hemmings

We are all about sharing interesting strata stories and we want to hear from you - the keepers of those stories. You don't have to write anything other than perhaps an email telling us about an interesting story from the strata industry.

To start this off we went regional to find out what life is like as a strata managing agent in a NSW country town.

Let us introduce you to Michele Hemmings who has a strata management agency in Wagga Wagga - NSW's largest inland town. She was happy to share her experience and to also dispel some myths about living so far away from the big smoke.

Read Michele's story [here](#).

Behind the scenes



We recently hosted two events, an appreciation drinks for our sponsors and exhibitors and an appreciation lunch for our top ten strata management members (in terms of lots under

Bannermans Lawyers.

David has been practicing for 15 years, 10 of which have been as Principal. He has a passion for innovation and education and enjoys giving back to the strata industry.

Recently he launched a compliance pack for strata managers to assist with the changes brought about by the new strata laws.

Read more about David, one of our Strata Services Directors, [here](#).

Neighbours Come in all Shapes and Sizes and so do Common Boundary Disputes



All properties have boundaries and inevitably, at some time or another you may be faced with a dispute arising over boundary lines or the structures contained thereon.

If you are faced with a boundary issue, seek legal advice early as the issues may be resolved quickly and easily.

For more information [click here](#) for the full article by Bannermans Lawyers.

Going to Vegas and want to meet up?



SCA (NSW) members heading to the CAI Annual Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada are invited to register their details with SCA (NSW) if they would like to meet up.

The US Convention will be held at Caesars Palace, Las Vegas from 3-5 May. Members can register for the convention [here](#).

SCA (NSW) General Manager, Rachel Lynn will be

management).

These events were to thank them for all for their ongoing support and to also unveil and seek support of our ambitious plan to deliver a sold out annual convention in October themed "Celebrating Strata" which was well received.

Stay tuned for more 'Behind the Scenes' updates!

attending and is looking forward to bringing home some ideas to make our state convention even better.

So far, around 40 SCA members are attending and are registered to meet up. If you would like to join them, please email rachel.lynn@stratacommunity.org.au

Events

2017 Express Glass Strata Community Golf Day

Registrations Open



2017 SCA National Conference: 14-16 June

Hunter Valley



Registrations are now open for the 2017 Express Glass Strata Community Golf Day! We have limited spaces available so don't miss out, register today!

Date: Friday 12 May 2017

Location: Moore Park Golf Club, Cleveland St, Sydney NSW 2021

To register [click here](#) to complete the online booking form.



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SCA National are pleased to launch the [conference program](#) for the 2017 SCA National Conference. Featuring quality speakers such as:

- **Rod McGeoch** (keynote) - one of Australia's most influential directors
- **Michael Matusik** (keynote) - who will give a National Property report
- **Rachael Robertson** (CSP, MBA) - over 20 years of extreme leadership experience
- **Dawn Bauman** (international guest speaker) - Sr. VP of Government and Public Affairs at CAI
- **Greg Smith** (international guest speaker) - Management company executive for Associa
- **Dr Cathy Sherry** - Associate Professor, University of New South Wales Faculty of Law
- **James Mathison** (host) - former host of Channel Ten's Australian Idol and three times ARIA Awards host
- Plus many more!

Early-bird registration closes 30 April, so don't delay and [register today!](#)

Upcoming Education

CPD Kirribilli

Thursday 11 May



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 on the **New Strata Legislation** and will cover the below areas:

- **New terminology**
- **Owners Corporation responsibilities**
- **Meeting procedures**
- **By-laws**
- **Renovations**
- **Managing agents**
- **Building managers**
- **NCAT**
- **Levy collection**

Date: Thursday 11 May 2017

Location: Kirribilli Club, 11 Harbourview Crescent, Lavender Bay, 2060

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

To register please
email education.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au.

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

CPD Online



SCA (NSW) offers members and non-members the

Certificate of Registration

19-21 June 2017



Start a career in strata! 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 3 days and is delivered in partnership with Real Estate Training Solutions P/L (RTO ID 90897).

Dates: Monday 19 to Wednesday 21 June 2017

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

Cost: \$990.00 (GST free)

To register please
email education.nsw@stratacommunity.org.au

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

Certificate of Registration

Lunch Sponsorship Opportunities



SCA (NSW) is offering corporate services members the opportunity 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.

opportunity to fulfil 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 \$245.00 for non-members. This price includes GST.

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

Cert IV Strata Traineeship Grant Available

Register your EOI



SCA (NSW) RTO partner, Real Estate Training Solutions P/L (RTO ID 90897), is offering NSW Government funded traineeships - CPP40611 Certificate IV in Property Services (Operations).

For further information and to register your **expression of interest**, please [click here](#).

To download the 2017 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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