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EPLA Conference

Environment and Planning Law Association (NSW) Inc.

17 & 18 October 2008

at the A & I Hall of Industries

BANGALOW

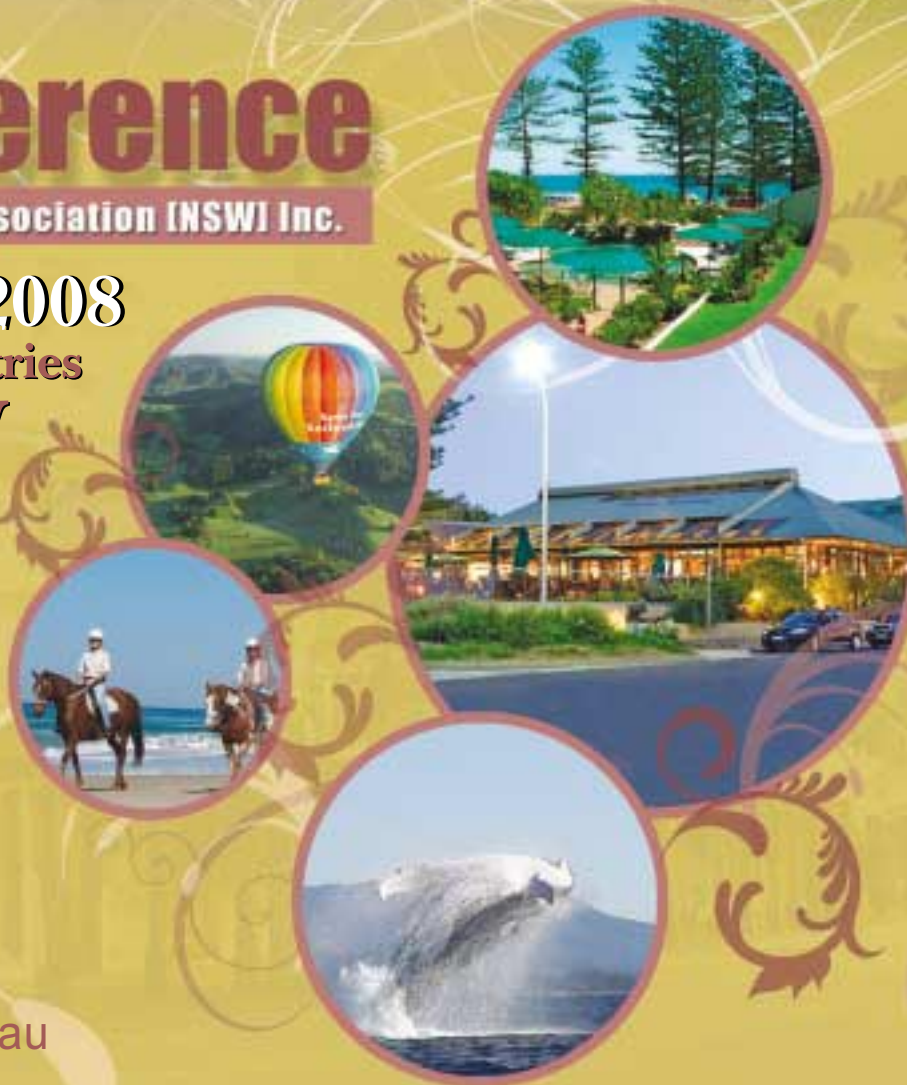
Conference Dinner

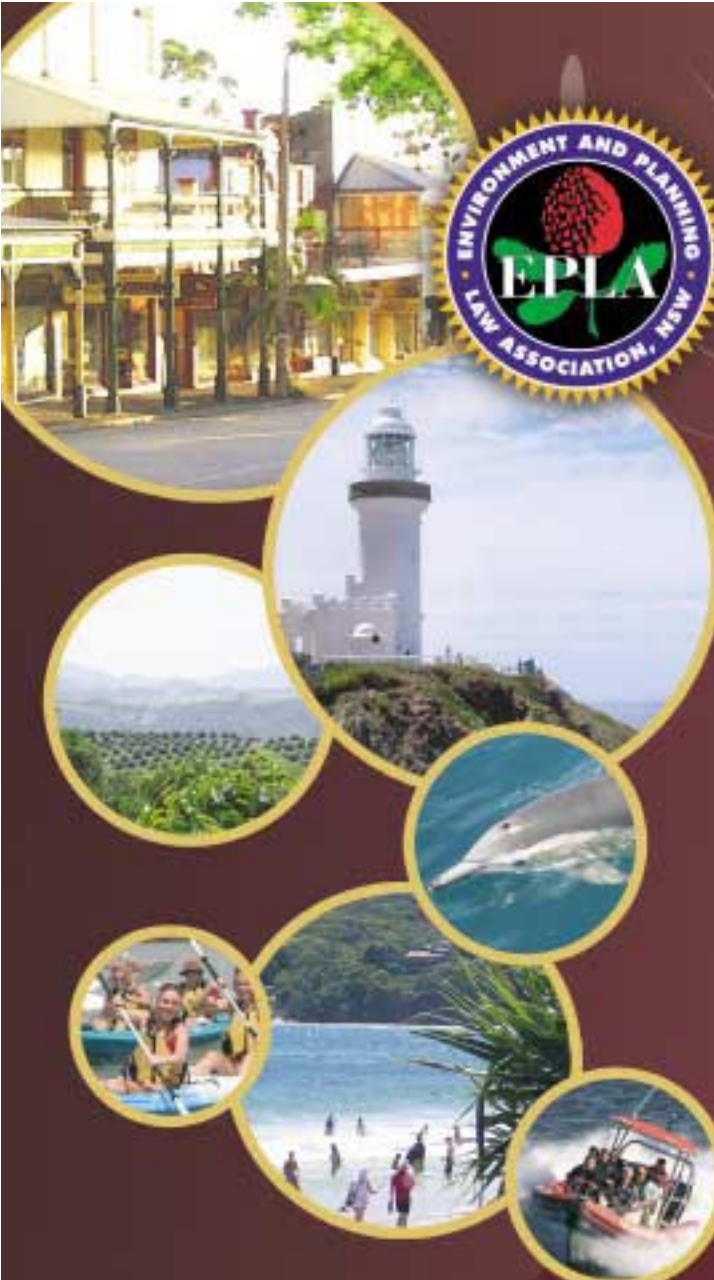
16 October 2008

at **BYRON BAY**

Book now!

Send your registration to
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2008 EPLA Conference

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The historic A & I Hall is set in the picturesque town of Bangalow, which has a unique village atmosphere.

Situated 780kms north of Sydney, Bangalow lies between Lismore and Byron Bay on the North Coast of NSW.

With an eclectic blend of shops, cafés and restaurants, its heritage listed main street is an arts and crafts bazaar.

Its vibrant atmosphere continues to entice new residents and businesses to the village, which in turn enhances the community spirit and residential amenity.

It is located close to the tourist mecca of Byron Bay, with great facilities as well as unique ambience and character.

On each conference day buses will be provided to transport delegates between Byron Bay and Bangalow.



EPLA is excited to be holding its 2008 annual conference in the heritage village of Bangalow in the Northern Rivers hinterland. In 2008 the Conference dinner is being held at the start of the Conference on Thursday 16 October, enabling delegates to get flights after Court out of Sydney. The dinner is being held at the well reviewed Pacific Dining Room, in the famous Beach Hotel in Byron Bay.

The topics and speakers at the Conference will be addressing issues relevant to all persons interested in environment and planning law in NSW and will focus on the important issues of:

- Climate change in the Development Assessment Process
- Biodiversity Banking
- Rural, coastal and regional issues
- Legislative updates – State and Commonwealth laws
- Recent Developments

Persons practicing in the Land Environment Court should not miss our regular session on **Recent Developments in Planning and Development Law**. The recent amendments to the NSW legislation will be considered by our eminent panel of speakers.

The EPLA Conference not only enables practitioners to meet their mandatory CLE and CPD requirements but affords an opportunity to meet with fellow practitioners and consultants in an informal atmosphere.

Don't forget Byron offers many activities including ballooning, kayaking, yoga, rainforest and wildlife tours, whale watching, or just enjoying the many wonderful restaurants and cafes in Byron and Bangalow.

I look forward to seeing you at the conference.

Sandra Duggan EPLA PRESIDENT

**Dinner Thursday 16 October
at the Pacific Dining Room,
Beach Hotel Byron Bay, 7.30pm for 8.00pm**

Please do not hesitate to contact Michele Kearns on 8227 9600 or email kearns@mpchambers.net.au for further Conference 2008 information

EPLA is an organisation whose members are drawn from many environmental disciplines including from the fields of planning, environment, architecture, local government and the legal profession. Membership is drawn from city and country regions, in government and private enterprise

Delegates are required to book their own flights (Virgin, Jetstar, Rex & Qantas) and accommodation. Ballina airport is 30 minutes south of Byron Bay. Gold Coast is 60 minutes north of Byron Bay. Suggested accommodation venues:

Byron Motor Lodge	Ph 6685 6522	Beach Hotel	Ph 6685 6402
Byron At Byron	Ph 6639 2000	East on Byron	Ph 6680 7555
Waves Byron Bay	Ph 6685 5966	Bay Motel	Ph 6685 6121

or visit the official tourist information site byron-bay.com



Address for Conference:

A&I Hall, Station St, Bangalow
(Buses arranged to and
from Byron Bay)

EPLA Conference 2008


THURSDAY, 16th OCTOBER, 2008
Dinner Sponsored by MARTIN PLACE CHAMBERS

7.30pm
Speaker
Topic

Dinner, Pacific Dining Room, Beach Hotel, Byron Bay
The Hon Justice Ian S Lloyd QC, Fiji Court of Appeal
"Crime in the Pacific – Give me L & E anyway"


FRIDAY, 17th OCTOBER, 2008
Morning Session Sponsored by STACKS NORTHERN RIVERS
10.00am
Welcome and Opening: Keynote Speaker, The Mayor of Byron Bay
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Friday
10.15 - 12noon

RECENT LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENTS
PART A — THE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979
Panel: Stephen Austin QC, The Hon Angus Talbot, The Hon Mahla Pearlman AO

- Robert Stokes MP, Member for Pittwater
- Marcus Ray, Department of Planning (Metropolitan Planning Team)
- Alison McCabe, SJB Planning

PART B — CONTAMINATED LAND MANAGEMENT BILL 2007
Chair: Anthony Whealy, Gadens

- Dept of Environment and Climate Change Representative
- Mike Nash, Douglas Partners Pty Ltd
- Philip Mulvey, Environmental Earth Sciences


12.00 - 1.30pm
LUNCH at the A & I Hall, catered by the renowned Bangalow Cooking School
FRIDAY, 17th OCTOBER, 2008
Afternoon Session Sponsored by THOMSON REUTERS
1.30 - 2.30pm
WORKSHOP — THOMSON ONLINE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
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Friday
2.30 - 3.30pm

THE INTEGRATION OF PRINCIPLES OF ESD, CLIMATE CHANGE AND OFFSETS (BIO BANKING) INTO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS
Chair: Tony Smith, Stacks Gray Lawyers, Murwillumbah and Coolangatta

- Commissioner Mark Taylor, Land and Environment Court of NSW
- Sue Higginson, Northern Rivers Senior Solicitor, EDO
- Matthew Baird, 3rd Floor, Wentworth Chambers


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Friday
3.30 - 4.30pm

RESPONSIVE DESIGN IN COASTAL REGIONS
Chair: Ian Hemmings, Vice President EPLA, Martin Place Chambers

- Kirston Gerathy, HWL Ebsworths
- Michael Jullian, Think Tank Architects
- Ros Vickers, McCullough Robertson, Brisbane

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Friday
4.30 - 5.30pm

LAW COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA
**YOUNG ENVIRONMENTAL LAWYER OF THE YEAR
ANNOUNCEMENT AND CELEBRATORY DRINKS**
SATURDAY, 18th OCTOBER, 2008
Sponsored by HUNT & HUNT
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Saturday
9.30 - 10.30am

COURT PANEL – THE KEYS TO THE EFFECTIVE PRE TRIAL AND HEARING PREPARATION AND PRESENTATION OF MERIT APPEALS, INCLUDING s34
Chair: Maureen Peatman, Vice President EPLA, Hunt & Hunt

- Senior Commissioner John Roseth, Land and Environment Court of NSW
- Commissioner Graham Brown, Land and Environment Court of NSW
- Commissioner Annelise Tuor, Land and Environment Court of NSW


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Saturday
10.30 - 11.00am

JIRS FOR DUMMIES

- The Hon. Justice Peter Biscoe, Land and Environment Court of NSW
- Avni Djemal, Martin Place Chambers

11.00 - 11.30am
MORNING TEA
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Saturday
11.30 - 12.30pm

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS — LAND AND ENVIRONMENT COURT OF NSW, COURT OF APPEAL AND HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA
Chair: Sandra Duggan, President EPLA, Martin Place Chambers

- Justice Jayne Jagot, Federal Court of Australia
- Adrian Galasso SC, 9th Floor, Wentworth Chambers

12.30pm
CLOSE of CONFERENCE — Sandra Duggan
1.00pm

CONFERENCE ADJOURNED TO THE BALCONY OF THE BANGALOW HOTEL
Bus collection back to Byron at 2.00pm ... hit the Beach !

Registration Form for the 2008 Conference

**DRESS
CASUAL
NO SUITS
or TIES**

NON-MEMBER

MEMBER

STUDENTS

Both Days	\$825	\$650
Friday 17 Oct.	\$600	\$450
Saturday 18 Oct.	\$500	\$350
Individual Session	\$300	\$250
Dinner Thursday 16 Oct.	\$165	\$140

Students may attend the Conference at 30% of the members rate

CORPORATE REGISTRATION

For every two full registrations, the third person attends the Conference FREE

COUNCILS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

For every full registration, the second person attends the Conference FREE

Name: _____ Firm: _____

Address: _____ Tel: _____

Mob: _____ Email: _____

I wish to attend:

Both Days	\$
Friday 17 October	\$
Saturday 18 October	\$
Individual Session Please Nominate	\$
Dinner: Thursday 16 Oct. @ Pacific Dining Room Beach Hotel, Byron Bay	\$
Dinner Partner	\$
Membership I wish to join EPLA (Complete Application Form below)	\$
PLUS 10% GST	\$
TOTAL PAYABLE	\$

Total to Pay

I HAVE BOOKED ACCOMMODATION AT —

I REQUIRE BUS COLLECTION ☐ YES ☐ NO

Please send to: Michele Kearns
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Credit Card details: _____ / _____ / _____ / _____

Exp. Date: _____ Name on Card: _____ Signature: _____

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Membership Application Form



Surname: _____ Title: _____

Other names: _____ Occupation: _____

Organisation: _____ Position: _____

Postal Address: _____ Postcode: _____

DX: _____ Email: _____

Telephone: _____ Facsimile: _____

Areas of Interest: _____

Membership Fees (Fees are inclusive of GST)

- ☐ **Individual** \$181.50 ☐ **Student** – Fulltime: Course _____ \$44
- ☐ **Corporate Rate** – Firms/Floors (please list all names to be registered) \$605
- ☐ **Corporate Rate** – Councils and Government Departments \$363
Discount for Outer Metropolitan or Country members (less 25% each)

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