

The School of Accounting & Corporate Governance Bulletin

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REGULATING INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

Peter Carroll and Simone Bingham, together with Richard Eccleston from the School of Government and Tom Conley from Griffith University, have recently completed a new book on the increasingly important topic of the regulation of international business. The book will be published by Prentice Hall's imprint, Pearson Australia, in 2008; it will be the first Australian book to focus on this topic and is aimed at the undergraduate market.

RETHINKING REGULATION

Meeting the challenges of promise and performance

Peter Carroll, together with co-authors Helen Silver, the Secretary of the Victorian Department of Premier and Cabinet, international consultant Rex Deighton-Smith and academic UNSW academic Chris Walker have recently completed a book to be published by the ANU E Press in 2008. It examines, in critical and timely fashion, given the Rudd Government's commitment to a third wave of regulatory reform, the quality and performance of Australia's regulatory systems at the national level.

EXTERNAL PRESENTATIONS

Sue Hrasky is presenting two papers entitled *Reinforcing the narrative with the visual in annual reports*, and *Chairpersons' annual report photographs: compositional elements and construed meaning* at the EIASM First Workshop on Imagining Business – reflecting on the Visual power of management, organisations and governing practices hosted by the Nantes School of Management & CSO

Professor Clift will Chair the forthcoming Annual London Conference on *Money, Economy and Management* to be held at Imperial College, London from 3-4 July 2008 and the 9th International Business Research Conference at the Novotel Hotel in Melbourne from 24-25 November 2008.

ACCOUNTING CELL

Hobart – Monday 7 July

What is the Role of Governance in Not-for-Profits?
Host: Sonia Shimeld

Raincheck Lounge
393 Elizabeth Street
6.00 – 7.30 pm

Pencil this in to your diary and join your colleagues in some lively and interesting academic conversation.

DEAN'S ROLL OF EXCELLENCE 2007

The Head, Professor Victoria Wise, and staff of the School of Accounting and Corporate Governance extend congratulations to the following students in the School who achieved outstanding results for 2007 and were admitted to the Dean's Honour Roll.

Dean's Honour Roll

Piscioneri, Olivia Maree

Crouch, Jesse Pat

Stokes, Danielle

Cai, Xinyi

Howard, Jason Leigh

Beattie, John Gordon

Dan, Wern Hwa Andrew

Borg, Simone Yasmin

Leung, Talina Rachel

Hoare, Daniel Christopher

Heys, Lauren Rose

Beswick, Edward James

White, Anthea Eileen

Rainbow, Kellie Antonia

Flight, Katie Louise

Kay, Mitchell Winston

Johnston, Nathan James

Alexander, Kurtis Graeme

Davies, Andrew John

Irwin, Alexandra Jean

McQuillan, John Alan

Pelham, Alicia Maree

CONGRATULATIONS

Xenia Stathopoulos (Honours 2007) has had an article from her Honours dissertation accepted for publication in the International Journal of Behavioural and Healthcare Research, an interdisciplinary journal.
(<http://www.inderscience.com/ijbhr>).

Mohd Shaari Abdul Rahman has completed the requirements for the award of a Doctor of Philosophy. His topic is: *Utilisation of Data Mining Techniques within the Accounting Information System in the Public Sector: A Country Study - Malaysia*.

WHO'S WHO

Do you know Who's Who in your School? Who's Who in Australia gives a time-honoured insight into the lives of prominent people who shape Australian society. In recognition of their important contribution to life in and the life of this country the following two staff members receive mention in the May 2008 editions (and earlier) of:

Who's Who of Australia
Adjunct Professor Robert Clift

Who's Who of Australian Women
Professor Victoria Wise

CONGRATULATIONS

Dr Gail Ridley has received a letter of congratulations from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet on the successful completion of her project *Leveraging System Security Compliance for Counter Terrorism*.

The Department thanked the University of Tasmania and the project team led by Dr Ridley for delivering the project in a timely and professional way. The Department also acknowledged the significant contribution the team made to a number of Australian Government agencies.

Congratulations to Gail and her team on the successful completion of this very important externally funded project.

NEW STAFF

It is with pleasure that the School announces the appointment of Mr Tony Stanger as a Level B academic in the School of Accounting and Corporate Governance.

Tony Stanger was formerly with Flinders University in South Australia. Tony is an ex-graduate of the University of Tasmania having completed his Bachelor of Commerce and Diploma of Education here.

Tales from the olden days

Some of the oldest surviving business records date back to the Chaldean-Babylonian, Assyrian and Sumerian civilisations as far as 3500 BC.

This Mesopotamian script derived from an archaic counting system using tokens – small clay counters of many shapes which served for counting and accounting for goods in the prehistoric cultures of the Near East. For example, jars of oil were counted with ovoids, small measures of grain with cones, large measures of grain with spheres and so on.

Some scholars and historians suggest that these early tokens marked the true beginning of writing. Without accountants and our reports there would be no written word. No Homer and the Iliad, Chaucer and the Canterbury Tales, Shakespeare's Sonnets or perhaps Sex and the City.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Education is... hanging around until you've caught on.

Robert Frost