

YARNUP

Manly Council Chambers

14 September 2017 6:00-9:00 PM

**The AHO is happy to announce another Yarn Up
We are very pleased to have the
Honorable Justice Rachel Pepper joining us**

Justice Pepper is a judge of the NSW Land and Environment Court, the first specialist environmental superior court in the world. The Court's jurisdiction includes enforcement, criminal prosecution, appeals and claims about planning, environmental, land, mining and other legislation.

Justice Pepper was appointed to the Court in 2009 and practised at the Bar before that, focusing on public law, including Aboriginal land rights. At present, she is the Chair of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing of Unconventional Reservoirs and Associated Activities in the Northern Territory.

Rachel's interest in Aboriginal affairs is longstanding: as a current member of the Judicial Commission's Ngarra Yura Committee, she works to increase awareness among judicial officers about contemporary Aboriginal issues, and their effect on Aboriginal people in the justice system. At the Bar, **Rachel** was Co-ordinator of the Aboriginal Legal Services/NSW Bar Association Pro Bono Barristers Scheme, providing assistance to the ALS in defending indigenous people in criminal matters.

Rachel will share some of her experiences and insights, including some thoughts on indigenous cultural heritage. We look forward to hearing from her!

A light supper will be served

Please RSVP your attendance

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