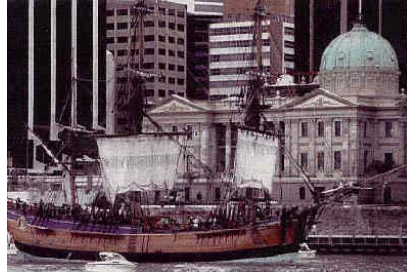


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Law' for non-law postgraduate students with the Centre of Maritime Studies, UQ. Courses on the Marine Environment and on the International Law of the Sea are planned for later in the year, as well as industry seminars on Marine Tourism Risk Management and Underwater Cultural Heritage.

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### CML Activities

The CML has been very active over the last six months with a number of notable events that have impacted heavily on the maritime scene. These have included the grounding of the *Bunga Teratai Satu* on the Great Barrier Reef in November 2000 in which Dr Michael White acted in a number of capacities as a consultant after the event. Also, Dr Sarah Derrington continued as a consultant on the advisory board to the Australian Law Reform Commission's Review of the *Marine Insurance Act 1909* (Cth). This was completed in March 2001. Attendances at seminars by ACORN and APEC in Vancouver, Canada, and the CMI conference in Singapore were also on the CML Directors' itinerary.

Meanwhile, teaching commitments continued and included the successful 'Admiralty Jurisdiction Practice Course' in February 2001 and 'Introductory Maritime

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### Admiralty Jurisdiction and Practice Course

On the first weekend of February, 15 students and practitioners from far-flung places such as New Zealand, Perth, Melbourne and Sydney journeyed to Brisbane for the CML Admiralty Jurisdiction and Practice Course. The course was held intensively over four days with plenty of time in the evenings to network and get to know all the participants. The Masters Students are now completing their 10000 word Research Papers on issues concerning the *Admiralty Act 1988* (Cth), the Arrest Conventions and Limitation of Liability Conventions.

The highlights of the Course were the many guest lecturers (including a Marshal and practitioners) and the 'Hypothetical' on an Admiralty problem, moderated by Mr

Andrew Muttit and panelled by Messrs Stephen Dickens, Michael Fisher and Ernie van Buuren.



Class of February 2001: Admiralty Jurisdiction and Practice Course.

## Future Courses and Maritime Moot

The next Maritime Course is 'Marine Environment Law & Policy'. The lecturers are Dr Michael White QC and A/Prof. Sam Bateman AM. It is being held in the intensive format, over five days from Monday 23 July to Friday 27 July. The course looks at the International, Australian and Queensland marine environment, with special consideration of the Great Barrier Reef. In light of the *Bunga* incident, all maritime lawyers, regulators and planners should be aware of complicated issues concerning the marine environment and this course will provide a valuable introduction.

'International Law of the Sea' is the following course offered by the CML. Dr White will again be lecturing, this time with Frances Hannah. Again, the course is in intensive format, over four days from Friday 21 September to Monday 24 Sept. Again every lawyer, regulator and planner who wants to truly understand Australian legislation needs to have knowledge of international LOS issues.

Finally, the second International Maritime Arbitration Moot is on from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 27th June in Hong Kong. This year there are 6 university teams involved and Dr Derrington from the CML has organised and set an interesting question for the moot (based on

commercial shipping). The CML wishes all teams an enjoyable moot!

For more information on courses and seminars throughout the year check out the website at: [www.law.uq.edu.au/cml](http://www.law.uq.edu.au/cml)

## New CML Web Site

As a result of changes to the whole of the T.C. Beirne School of Law web site, the CML web site also has a new format. This site includes all CML material such as the Annual Report (with details of research work of academics and PhD/Masters students), newsletters, details of the courses and upcoming events. The address to remember is:

<http://www.law.uq.edu.au/cml>

Make sure to add it to your 'favourites'!



'Admiralty Jurisdiction Hypothetical': Standing- Sarah Derrington, Andrew Muttit, Michael White  
Sitting- Michael Fisher, Stephen Dickens, Ernie van Buuren.

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