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Refresh your directorship knowledge

How much has the world changed since you completed the Company Directors Course?

Maintain the professional reputation and progress you've made as a director by ensuring your regulatory, legal and governance knowledge is current. Ensure you're adding great value as a director to the board and the organisation's performance.

Increasingly, directors are expected – by both regulators and stakeholders – to undertake a number of governance, compliance and strategic functions. The *Company Directors Course Update* provides an overview of the mindset of director and board decision making, before examining director duties and responsibilities, risk oversight, strategic contribution, and improving board effectiveness.

This program is for refreshing director knowledge and highlighting important changes in the director landscape. It is designed to

ensure that your governance knowledge is up to date and relevant, by providing key insights into changes and issues faced by contemporary boards and how that impacts your role as a director.

Utilising the most current version of *Company Directors Course* materials, the course provides current information and related case studies. The course is informative, thought-provoking and practical, enhancing your confidence to tackle the challenges and reap the rewards of directorship. ⑩

The two-day Company Directors Course Update will be held in Darwin on Thursday 13 and Friday 14 August 2015 at the Elan Soho Suites. Register now t: 08 8236 2800 or e: sa-nt@aicd.com.au

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Welcome back

It is with much delight that we announce that Terri-ann Maney has been appointed to the newly created full-time position; Business Development Executive – NT.

We know that many of our members will be thrilled with this decision as she had been working with us in a part-time capacity up to November last year.

Terri-ann will continue to work on an as needed basis up to Thursday 2 April and will commence her full-time role week commencing 13 April.

We welcome Terri-ann back to the AICD 'family' and we look forward to working with her and the NT Committee to take the Territory to new heights!

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STATE MANAGER UPDATE



Carmel Noon MAICD

SA/NT State Manager, Australian Institute of Company Directors

Welcome to our first NT Director Newsletter for 2015, I hope the year so far has been positive.

We kicked off the year in February with our flagship program the *Company Directors Course*, and this course will be held again during August. Also in August we will be holding our *Company Directors Course Update* for those who have undertaken the *Company Directors Course* in the past and wish to update their knowledge.

Tuesday saw us hold our first Director Briefing for 2015 at Deloitte. Hendri Mentz, Office Managing Partner, Deloitte presented a report on *Red Tape: Get out of your own way!* We will host further Director Briefings, plus Leaders' Edge Lunches, a Member Cocktail Party and of course our Annual Dinner throughout 2015.

We will once again be holding a Leaders' Edge Lunch in Alice Springs to coincide with the Indigenous AFL Round in May – watch this space for the announcement of the 'on the couch' guest!

If you haven't considered your professional development for this year, now is certainly the time to do so. We have various e-learning programs and webinars on offer. These e-learning programs include *The Role of the Board*, *Governance in Action*, *Effective Board Meetings*, *Conflicts of Interest* and *Interpreting Company Financial Statements*. Webinars on offer include; *Privacy Governance - Risks and Opportunities for Directors*, *The Role of the Not-for-Profit Director*, *The Board's Role in Implementing Strategy* and much more.

Please do not hesitate to contact our office on 08 8236 2800 or sa-nt@aicd.com.au if you would like further information on any of the above, or if you wish to discuss your learning pathway with our Professional Development Executive.

We are excited to announce commencing 1 July 2015, the Department of Business are a new annual sponsor of the NT events program and we look forward working with them.

We would also like to formally welcome NT Committee Chair, Richard Giles FAICD to the SA/NT Division Council, as he was officially co-opted to the council in the last meeting of 2014.

I look forward to bringing you an exciting program of events and courses this year. ☺

There are many paths to the top, but only one course

Company Directors Course

If you haven't yet completed our *Company Directors Course*, or know someone who would benefit by attending, then consider attending the course this August in Darwin.

Monday 17 to Friday 21 August 2015

Elan Soho Suites

For further information or to register e: sa-nt@aicd.com.au or t: 08 8236 2800

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Red tape – *Get out of your own way!*

Tuesday 24 March 2015

Deloitte, Darwin

On Tuesday 24 March, Hendri Mentz, Office Managing Partner, Deloitte NT, presented Deloitte's 4th report under the *Building the Lucky Country Series* – titled *Get out of your own way!* – unleashing productivity to AICD members and guests at the first Director Briefing for 2015.

Building the Lucky Country Series explores business imperatives for a prosperous Australia. Deloitte believe that it's not enough for 'Australia to ride our luck'. We also have to make it. The *Building the Lucky Country Series* has been developed to prompt debate and conversations across business, industry associations, government and the media on issues facing the Australian economy.

Get out of your own way! examines the cost of red tape and compliance – both externally and internally.

The presentation was followed by a discussion with Executive Director of the Red Tape Abolition Squad, Katrina Martin, and experienced not-for-profit director and facilitator, Lindsay Holmes FAICD. The audience were fortunate enough to hear Lindsay's thoughts on the Deloitte report from a NFP perspective and Katrina's from a government perspective.

We would like to thank everyone for attending, and look forward to bringing you more informative Director Briefings throughout the year. ☺

Event sponsor:

Deloitte.



L to R: Lindsay Holmes FAICD, Katrina Martin and Hendri Mentz



Members and guests at the Director Briefing

A transformative experience for practiced directors

Mastering the Boardroom

An experience beyond classroom-style learning, our *Mastering the Boardroom* course will test your thinking in real world situations and assess your adeptness at dealing with ambiguity, conflicting priorities and challenging boardroom dynamics. This one of a kind learning experience will transform your performance as a director.

11 to 14 August, Sanctuary Cove QLD
13 to 16 October, Aitken Hill VIC

For further information or to register,
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Welcome new Councillor



Last year's SA/NT council election saw the appointment of new council member, Northern Territory's own Mr Richard Giles FAICD. It is great to finally have official NT representation on the SA/NT division council.

Richard was originally a partner with an Adelaide law firm, and moved to Darwin in 1980 to establish its Northern Territory office. He and one other partner then purchased the practice and merged with the Darwin based legal firm of Cridland & Bauer in 1989.

Richard was the managing partner of Cridlands from 2000 to 2008 and continues to be a key member of the commercial division of Cridlands MB (now HWL Ebsworth Lawyers) providing a broad range of commercial legal representation and advice. Richard has advised many notable business enterprises over a number of years providing advice in relation to corporate governance as well as advising and drafting documentation for major projects.

He is chairman of Anglicare NT and is the chairman of the Northern Territory Committee of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD).

We also asked Richard why he wanted to officially join the SA/NT division council. Richard stated, 'I have been a member of the NT Committee of the AICD for over 10 years. I was appointed to be the chair of that committee 2 years ago and since then have attended SA/NT Council meetings by

invitation. I am very pleased to have been now formally appointed as a member of the SA/NT Council and see the appointment as an important recognition of the Territory's position within the AICD.

'I am keen to ensure that the Territory is fully and formally represented on the Council. The "NT" is already in the name of the Council and I think that it is important that the Council represents the interests of all SA and NT members.

'The Territory has a growing and developing economy with significant business opportunities. Our NT members comprise not just the business sector but also government and not-for-profit organisations and are all keen to be kept abreast of changes in governance practices and the ever increasing requirements on company directors. The enthusiastic attendance of our members at presentations on changes in the regulation of not-for-profit entities and events such as the Essential Director Update (first held in the Territory in September last year) is indicative of this interest. I am keen to see this continue, not just in Darwin but also in Alice Springs and for our regional members.

'I look forward to serving on the SA/NT Council and continuing the work of our NT Committee.' ®

Add your DPD units online



Members can add their DPD units by just using the 'add activity' option in their online DPD log. This isn't mandatory though – members can choose to keep their own record in some other way.

But it is important that whatever approach a member takes, it should be consistent and detailed as it may be needed as proof of their development activity and in case of a random member audit.

Visit [w: companydirectors.com.au/recordyourdpd](http://w:companydirectors.com.au/recordyourdpd)

New Virgin Australia services announced

Virgin Australia has recently announced services between Darwin, Alice Springs and Adelaide which are now on sale ahead of flights commencing 30 March 2015.

The new flights will be operated on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and will utilise Virgin Australia's 176-seat Boeing 737-800 aircraft, which includes business class seating and complimentary wireless in-flight entertainment for all passengers.

Velocity Frequent Flyer members will be able to earn

Status Credits and Velocity Points on these routes.

Business Class customers and eligible Velocity members will be able to enjoy access to Virgin Australia's Adelaide Lounge and the soon-to-be-launched Darwin Lounge and Alice Springs Regional Lounge, both lounges will be opening on 30 March to co-inside with the launch of these flights.

If you would like further information please contact your local travel agent or Virgin Australia on 136 789.

