

32ND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

18-20 OCTOBER 2023

MELBOURNE, VICTORIA

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Welcome

The Conference Organising Committee is delighted to officially invite you to be with us at this year's 32nd annual ANZSLA Conference to be held in the sporting capital of the world, Melbourne.

Located on the traditional lands of the Kulin Nation, Melbourne is one of the world's most multi-cultural cities, home to people from all corners of the world who have all contributed to the foundations and evolution of Melbourne's cultural and historic pedigree. Melbourne's rich heritage is reflected in theatre and arts and our internationally renowned food and café culture.

The international pre-eminence of sport is embedded in Melbourne's DNA — home of the MCG, the Australian Open, the Melbourne Cup, the Boxing Day Test, the Melbourne Grand Prix, and Australia's premier sporting code the AFL — and the backbone of this great sporting city is its sports loving community. We will host this year's conference at The Glasshouse, perfectly situated in the heart of the Olympic Park Sporting Precinct and bound by the Yarra River and Botanical Gardens.

The conference programme is exciting and topical and covers issues including: environmental issues to sport; media rights; collective bargaining; major events and crowd behaviour; reforms in unfair contract terms, privacy and employment law; appearances before sports disciplinary tribunals; and issues relating to high performance athletes leading into the 2024 Olympics and Paralympics.

Presenters at this year's conference are exceptional — proceedings will be opened by the AFL's new CEO Elect, Andrew Dillon; Professor Richard McLaren OC, Member and Arbitrator of the CAS, will deliver the Hayden Opie Oration; Sarah Walsh (Head of Women's Football, Women's World Cup Legacy and Inclusion, Football Australia) and Kate Palmer AM (Australian Cycling and Richmond FC Director, and former Australian Sports Commission and Netball Australia CEO) will provide keynote addresses; Michael McCann (Professor of Law & Director of Sports & Entertainment Law Institute at UNH Franklin Pierce School of Law, Sportico Legal Analyst and Attorney) will update delegates on US sports law developments; Emily Jackson (Head of Legal, 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup) and Rowie Webster (Triple Olympian and Bronze Medalist) panel members; and Tony O'Reilly (Kardos Scanlan, Partner) will chair our ethics debate.

As always, the conference provides an interactive forum for the exchange of ideas, and an excellent opportunity to renew acquaintances, network and make new friends. The social programme will feature some of Melbourne's iconic venues. Our welcome reception will take place at Melbourne's hottest roof top bar, The Duke of Wellington. The gala dinner is always one of the highlights on the social programme and this year is no exception, with this year's dinner being held at Melbourne's iconic Plaza Ballroom — one of Melbourne's most historic and beautiful venues. Titus O'Reily will provide his comedic thoughts on the sporting legal profession at the dinner which shapes as a highlight of the evening. The conference will be wrapped up with closing drinks— no umpires, just refreshments, banter and good cheer!

We encourage you to book your place as soon as possible and take the opportunity to enjoy all that Melbourne has to offer. We welcome you to be with us on 18-20 October 2023, together we can make the 2023 ANZSLA conference outstanding and memorable event.

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Programme

WEDNESDAY 18th OCTOBER

6.00pm **President's Welcome Reception**
The Duke of Wellington, sponsored by Gow-Gates

THURSDAY 19th OCTOBER

7.00am **ANZSLA Sports Cup**
 8.30am **Registration**
 9.00am **Welcome to Country**
Conference Opening
Ron Steiner, MC, Co-Founder, Steiner & Associates
Opening Address
Andrew Dillon, CEO Elect, AFL
 9.25am **Keynote Address- Virtual**
Sarah Walsh, Head of Women's Football, Women's World Cup Legacy and Inclusion, Football Australia.
 10:15am **Sports Law Case Update**
Prof Elizabeth Toomey, Professor of Law, University of Canterbury
Prof Jack Anderson, Special Counsel (Integrity Regulation), Racing Victoria
 11.00am **Morning Tea**

11.30am **Keep it green, support the sporting dream:
 Tips for sports in a changing climate**
Facilitated by: Margot Foster AM OLY, Chair, Sport Environment Alliance
Panel: Ben Ihle KC, Barrister
Jo Gilbert, Head of Sustainability, AFL
Peter Wearne, GM- Facilities, Melbourne Cricket Club

12.30pm **Fair Go Ump! Unfair contracts in sport**
Rich Hawkins, Partner, Bird & Bird

12:50pm **Don't drop the ball:
 Privacy and employment law updates**
Alison Baker, Partner, Hall & Wilcox

1.15pm **Lunch**

2.15pm **Keynote Address**
Prof Michael McCann, Director of Sports & Entertainment Law Institute at the UNH Franklin Pierce School of Law, Sportico Legal Analyst and Attorney. Michael has been appointed a Visiting Professor of Law at Harvard Law School for the fall semester.

3.00pm **I didn't see anything: Appearing before sports disciplinary tribunals – practical tips and reflections**
Facilitated by: Adrian Anderson, Barrister
Panel: Brianna Quinn, Legal Counsel, Bird & Bird
Paul Hayes KC, Barrister
Prof Richard McLaren OC, Member and Arbitrator of the CAS, Chief Anti-Corruption Officer for the International Tennis Integrity Agency (ITIA), Integrity Officer for the International Boxing Association and the Integrity Officer for the International Basketball Federation (FIBA).

3.45pm Afternoon Tea

- 4.15pm **Giving the punters what they want:
Current issues in media rights**
*Facilitator: Keith Binnie, Sport Partnerships Advisor,
Sky Network Television
Abhi Arunachalam, Head of Media Rights,
Cricket Australia
Rebecca McCloy, Commercial Director – Sport,
FOX Sports Australia
Rachel Launder, General Counsel, Nine Entertainment*
- 5.00pm **AGM**
- 7.00pm **Conference Dinner – Plaza Ballroom**
*Sponsored by: Hall & Wilcox
Dinner speaker: Titus O'Reilly*

FRIDAY 20th OCTOBER

- 9.00am **Ethics session (debate): The House agrees that
professional sports participants facing serious
criminal charges should be stood down pending trial**
*Chair: Tony O'Reilly, Partner, Kardos Scanlan
Opposing:
Matt Finnis, CEO, Cranlana Centre for Ethical
Leadership
Gayann Walker (Barrister).
Supporting:
Simonette Foletti, General Manager – Legal &
Compliance, Racing Victoria
Nicholas Baum, Barrister*
- 9.45am **Heroes, hosts and hooligans: Hosting major events,
crowd behaviour and liability for damages**
*Courtney McKay, Head of Legal, Melbourne &
Olympic Park Trust
Emily Jackson, Head of Legal, FIFA Women's World
Cup Aus-NZ 2023
Tom Hickey, Director, Corporate Development &
Commercial Legal Affairs at Brisbane 2032.*
- 10:35am **Paul Trisley Award Winner**

10.45am Morning Tea

- 11.15am **The Hayden Opie Oration Keynote Address:**
**Introduced by Hayden Opie AM, Senior Fellow, The University
of Melbourne**
*Prof Richard McLaren OC, Member and Arbitrator of the CAS,
Chief Anti-Corruption Officer for the International Tennis
Integrity Agency (ITIA), Integrity Officer for the International
Boxing Association and the Integrity Officer for the
International Basketball Federation (FIBA).*
- 12:10pm **Imagination and Insight – Staying ahead of the game:
In-house counsel panel**
*Facilitated by: Mark Lebbon, Special Counsel, Hall & Wilcox
Panel: Mel Mallam, General Counsel, Football Australia
Jacquie Mangan, Chief Legal Officer, Tennis Australia
Kate Ingber, General Manager, Legal, Cricket Australia*
- Lunch**
- 1.00pm **Keynote Address**
Kate Palmer, Chief Operating Officer, AusCycling
- 2.00pm **Is it fit for purpose? The Collective Bargaining
Model in Australia and NZ**
*Facilitated by: Brendan Schwab, Director; Hughes Schwab.
Panel: Todd Greenberg, CEO, Australian Cricketers' Association
Andrew Scott-Howman, Barrister, Port Nicholson Chambers, NZ
Megan Comerford, General Manager – Legal,
AFL Players' Association*
- 2.45pm
- 3.35pm Afternoon Tea**
- 4.05pm **The weight of the Nation: Issues for high performance
athletes leading into 2024 Olympics and Paralympics**
*Facilitated by: Liz Seddon
Panel: Rowie Webster OLY, Triple Olympian and Bronze
Medallist, former Australian Women's Water Polo Captain
Col Pearce PLY, Paralympian and Bronze Medallist
Henry Frayne OLY, Triple Olympian and Lawyer, Dentons*
- 4.50pm **Closing**
MC
- 5.00pm **Closing Drinks**

Social Programme

PRE-WELCOME RECEPTION WALKING TOUR

Join us for a unique walking tour through Melbourne's famous laneways and arcades with Hidden Secrets Tours. This is a unique way to see the real character of Melbourne.

The walking tour of the city allows you to be introduced to the culture and characteristics for which Melbourne is famous.

Unlike many cities, Melbourne's charm is hidden away down special nooks throughout the city.

Indulge on a stroll with locals in the city they love to call home!

Date	Wednesday 18th October
Time	2.30pm – 5.30pm
Venue	Meet at Federation Square and will conclude at The Duke of Wellington.
Dress	Comfortable shoes (<i>noting it will finish at the welcome function venue</i>)
Inclusions	Coffee/tea and a chocolate tasting. Additional beverages can be purchased at own cost.
Cost	No cost to full registrations but please note there is limited availability so is on a first in first served basis.

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME RECEPTION

Join us at The Duke of Wellington for an evening of networking, in a spectacular setting for the President's Welcome Reception. Established in 1853, The Duke of Wellington is Melbourne's oldest licensed pub. With the newly opened rooftop bar this is the perfect place to catch up with your colleagues and meet some new ones. They are located in the heart of Melbourne's CBD, opposite The Forum and a short walk from the MCG, Fed Square and Flinders Street.

Date	Wednesday 18 October
Time	6.00pm – 9.00pm
Venue	The Duke of Wellington 146 Flinders Street, Melbourne
Dress	Smart casual
Inclusions	Beverages and canapés
Cost	One ticket is included with full registrations.

Additional tickets can be purchased for AUD\$110 at the time of registration.

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ANZSLA SPORTS CUP

Represent your state/island and compete for the prestigious title of the ANZSLA Sports Cup. Participants will head off along the Yarra River on the Tan track. The session is suitable for all fitness levels – choose to walk or run. Further details will be provided prior to the conference.

Date Thursday 19 October
Time 7.00am
Venue Meeting point Federation Square



CONFERENCE DINNER

Our formal awards evening will be held at the Plaza Ballroom.

The Plaza Ballroom, is one of Melbourne's most iconic venues, situated in the heart of Collins Street at the famous Regent Theatre. Originally built in 1929, the venue underwent an extensive refurbishment in 1996.

Today the venue is more lavish and grander than ever, combining award-winning catering and impeccable service in a setting unmatched in history, grandeur and ambience.

Not only do we have one of the most beautiful venues we also have one of the most popular, sometimes polarising, sports satirist, Titus O'Reilly as our guest speaker.

An evening not to be missed!

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Date Thursday 19 October
Time 7.00pm – midnight
Venue Plaza Ballroom
 191 Collins Street (next to the Regent Theatre)
Dress Cocktail
Inclusions Pre-dinner drinks, three course dinner and beverages.
Cost One ticket is included with full registrations.



Additional tickets can be purchased for AUD\$185 at the time of registration.



POST CONFERENCE DRINKS

Join us for casual drinks following the end of the conference.

Date	Friday 20 October
Time	5.00pm-6.30pm
Venue	The Eatery at The Glasshouse
Dress	Smart casual
Inclusions	Drinks and nibbles
Cost	One ticket is included with full registrations.

What's on in Melbourne

2023 CAULFIELD CUP

Saturday 21st October 2023

Get a group together and enjoy a day of racing at the iconic Caulfield Cup!

MELBOURNE UNITED V NZ BREAKERS

Attend a local basketball game between Melbourne United v NZ Breakers at John Cain Arena on *Sunday 22nd October 2023*

MOULIN ROUGE! THE MUSICAL

Pop the champagne bohemians! The spectacular returns to Melbourne. After celebrating stellar reviews and a sold-out premiere season in Melbourne, Moulin Rouge! The Musical will now return to the iconic Regent Theatre from August 2023.

MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL JAZZ FESTIVAL

From 20 October

The Melbourne International Jazz Festival is a world-class jazz festival held annually in Melbourne Australia since 1998. For ten days every year, the underground comes above ground, showcasing and celebrating jazz culture. They bring together the biggest and best names in international jazz alongside leading and emerging contemporary Australian artists.

For more
information
about **What's on
in Melbourne
in October**
[click here](#)





Awards

PAUL TRISLEY AWARD

Paul Trisley was a highly regarded sports lawyer and one of ANZSLA's most dedicated members for many years. Paul died in 2001 and this award acknowledges his tremendous contribution to ANZSLA and the area of sports law generally.

At its annual conference each year, ANZSLA presents this award to a person who has never presented at an ANZSLA event or been previously published in the ANZSLA Journal, and who, in the judges' opinion, submits the best paper in accordance with the award guidelines. The judging takes into account the paper's accuracy, originality, practical value to sports administrators and lawyers, and its academic quality.

The winner will receive from ANZSLA:

- The Paul Trisley Award presented at the 2023 Conference dinner on Thursday, 19 October
- Full registration at the 2023 ANZSLA Conference in Melbourne, Australia
- Return air travel to and from the 2023 ANZSLA Conference (Australasia only)
- Two nights' accommodation during the 2023 ANZSLA Conference
- One year's ANZSLA membership

The winning paper may be published in the peer reviewed Australian and New Zealand Sports Law Journal. Entrants must email their paper in MS Word format to ANZSLA's Executive Manager (anzsla@anzsla.com) by Sunday, 3rd September 2023. Full terms and eligibility conditions for entry can be found at <http://anzsla.com/paul-trisley-award-sports-law-writing-competition>.

DENIS CALLINAN AWARD

This award is in memory of Denis Callinan who was a well-respected lawyer and ANZSLA member. The award is kindly sponsored by the Gold Coast Traffic Offenders Program, of which Denis was a founder.

The Denis Callinan Award recognizes members who render commendable community service in the field of sports law. Members are encouraged to nominate themselves or fellow members. The recipient of the Award will be presented with a trophy in recognition of their outstanding community service, and the right to nominate an appropriate recipient of a grant of AUS\$2,000 or NZ\$2,000 (dependent on the country of the recipient and subject to the approval of the ANZSLA Board).

Further information about the award can be found at www.anzsla.com. All nominations are to be submitted by email to ANZSLA's executive manager (anzsla@anzsla.com) by Friday 1st September 2023.





Registration

All fees are quoted and payable in Australian dollars and include Australian GST (10%).

REGISTRATION TYPE

Category

Early bird
(by 31 August)

Standard
(from 1 September)

ANZSLA member	\$1,090	\$1,370
Non-member	\$1,410	\$1,660
NFP / Academic member	\$975	\$1,205
NFP / Academic non-member	\$1,205	\$1,430
Student* member	\$520	\$520
Student* non-member	\$620	\$620
Day registration	\$730	\$900

INCLUSIONS

Full registration

- Attendance at all conference business sessions
- Daily catering
- One ticket to the President's Welcome Reception
- One ticket to the Conference Dinner
- One ticket to the Post conference drinks.

Student registration

- Attendance at all conference business sessions
- Daily catering
- One ticket to the President's Welcome Reception
- One ticket to the Post conference drinks.

*Students must be full time students and must send proof of student status to tiffany@conference.nz

Day registration

- Attendance at selected day's conference business sessions
- Day catering on selected day

CANCELLATION

If you are unable to attend the conference, you may reassign your registration to another person. Please email: tiffany@conference.nz if you are unable to arrange a replacement attendee, a full refund less an administration fee of AUD\$200 will be made, provided notification is received by 1st September 2023. After this date refunds will be at the sole discretion of ANZSLA and processed after the conference. If, for reasons beyond the control of ANZSLA, the conference is cancelled, the registration fee will be refunded after deduction of expenses already incurred.

Accommodation

You can make your accommodation booking when you register. Please ensure you check the terms and conditions when you book.

MANTRA ON JOLIMONT

133 Jolimont Road | [map link](#)

Mantra on Jolimont is located in Melbourne's CBD.



The hotel has a choice of open-plan studios and self-contained 1-bedroom apartments. All air-conditioned units include a fully equipped kitchen or kitchenette. Many of the apartments offer panoramic city views and onsite facilities include a hot tub, fitness centre and an outdoor swimming pool. The restaurant is currently only operating for Breakfast, from Thursday to Sunday.

King studio

\$199.00 per room per night, includes breakfast for 1 person
\$221.00 per room per night for 2 people includes breakfast.

One bedroom

\$230.00 per room per night, includes breakfast for 1 person
\$252.00 per room per night for 2 people, includes breakfast

NOVOTEL MELBOURNE ON COLLINS

270 Collins Street | [map link](#)



Located in Melbourne CBD, Novotel Melbourne on Collins is just 300-yards from the iconic Bourke Street Mall. It offers beautifully appointed guest rooms and executive rooms with contemporary furniture, redesigned colour schemes, new bathroom fixtures and new beds.

Standard room

\$270.00 per room per night, room only

Deluxe room

\$300.00 per room per night, room only

General Information

THE GLASSHOUSE

With shining views across the Yarra River and surrounds, The Glasshouse makes a statement sitting within the heart of the Olympic Park Precinct — the largest sporting precinct in the world.

Smooth shapes and cool angles create contemporary visual delight by virtue of design duo, Hecker Guthrie. Combined with the imagination of our accomplished event stylists from The Big Group Creative, The Glasshouse can create anything.

With the clean, modern aesthetic of this versatile space the possibilities are endless.

Paired with the glass finishes and reflections that draw the lush greenery of the Yarra River inside, The Glasshouse brings a sense of light and space to every event.

The functionality and versatility of the Event Space is second to none with its picture-perfect backdrop and floor to ceiling windows.

Perfectly positioned on the doorstep to Melbourne's CBD; whatever the occasion, you will reflect your best at The Glasshouse.

Hidden in plain sight on the doorstep to Melbourne's CBD, The Glasshouse is an architectural masterpiece designed for events of any size and style.



GENERAL INFORMATION CONT.

GETTING TO THE GLASSHOUSE

The Glasshouse is on the 70 tram route. Get off at stop 7D (Olympic Boulevard) and walk across the road and you are at the Glasshouse. The tram goes along Flinders street so any stop along there will be fine. It will take 5-10 minutes to go from the Melbourne CBD to the Glasshouse by tram.

You can also walk to the Glasshouse along the Yarra but this will take 20 minutes or so, depending on which hotel you are staying at.

Those staying closer to the Docklands can go to stop D10 situated on Docklands Drive (right near the hotels) (tram #70) which will take them to stop 7D (Olympic Boulevard). Then walk for a couple of minutes to the Glasshouse which is across the road from stop 7D. It is 16 tram stops in all.

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MELBOURNE

You will want to make time for Melbourne's, world-class blends, from its coffee culture and global cuisine to its laneway bars and urban beaches.

October is the perfect time to explore everything the city has to offer. There are cool rooftop bars, cosy pubs and hot new restaurants to discover. Shop till you drop at markets, malls and Melbourne-made stores.

Spectate at sports events including the Melbourne Spring Racing Carnival's Caulfield Cup held on Saturday 21 October 2023.

Take your seat at a premier show in the city's East End Theatre District, and meander through international exhibitions at Melbourne's galleries and museums.

So, take some time after the conference to enjoy all that Melbourne has to offer!

TRAVEL

Melbourne Airport is located 28km from The Glasshouse, with connecting flights from all states of Australia and New Zealand.

WEATHER

You can expect average daily temperatures of between 15-20°C. So it may pay to pack a warm jacket.

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