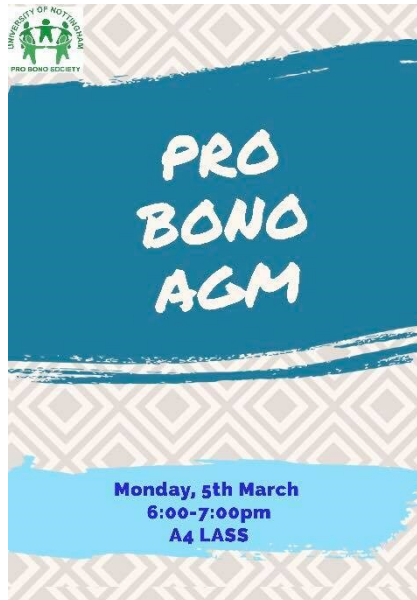


PRO BONO SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

ISSUE SEVEN

We will be having our AGM on the 5th of March at 6pm A4 LASS! Come along to find out more about what its like to be on our committee and see whether you would want to be on the committee for next year!



KEY DATES:

- Pro Bono Charity Pub Quiz 27th Feb 2pm in Mooch
- Pro Bono AGM 5th of March 6pm A4 LASS
- OutLaw Mock Trial 7th March
- Deadline to apply for committee positions is Thursday 8th of March
- Negotiation Competition Final Round 14th of March at BLP London Office
- Street Law Infringement Project Workshop 14th March 6:30pm B63 LASS
- Howard League: Frankie Owens Talk 27th February 6:30pm A4 LASS, Mark Mullins Talk 1st March 6:30pm A3 LASS

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Projects and
500+
members

BAR PRO BONO UNIT CHALLENGE

The Pro Bono Society has been participating in a national competition against other Pro Bono Societies to raise as much money for charity as possible! We have had various events to help us raise money such as our Christmas Fete and Krispy Kreme sale. We are also still continuing with our mountain challenge.

The competition ends on March 23rd and we are happy to announce that we have raised £432 of our £500 goal. Our next fundraising event is our pub quiz on the 27th of February at 7pm in Mooch. Come along for some fun and to support an amazing cause!

What's On

the **Howard League** for **Penal Reform**

Howard League has lots of exciting opportunities for you to get involved with this coming week! Be sure to put these dates in your diary so you don't miss out! COMING UP NEXT WEEK: Tuesday 27th February 6.30pm - Frankie Owens - A4 LASS

Frankie Owens is an ex-prisoner and award-winning author of *The Little Book of Prison A Beginners Guide*. Frankie will be telling us all about his experience of prison, as well as selling copies of his book (£10 each), with all profits going towards 'Read & Grow': an organisation that teaches prisoners and those at risk of offending. This talk is sure to provide an unique insight into prison life, so if you have any interest in the penal system then be sure to come along!

Thursday 1st March 6.30pm - Mark Mullins - A3 LASS

Mark Mullins is an experienced criminal and immigration barrister, who will be providing insight into working life as a practicing barrister and what its like to work in the legal system. If you have any interest in pursuing a legal career, this talk is for you!

There is a FREE trip to the national justice museum and that it will be either on the 20th or 21st of March depending on when we are available. If you are interested please email Pro Bono with the caption 'NJM' with when they would prefer the trip! Thank you!



Negotiations



Well done to everyone who competed in the Berwin Leighton Paisner (BLP) Negotiation Competition on 14th February. The BLP judges (three trainees and a member from the graduate recruitment team) were impressed with all the hard work that you had put in. Comments from the judges included how each of the semi-finalist teams had successfully prepared for the event and knew the brief inside and out, despite having only received the brief the evening before the competition. The competition was very close! The final round of the competition will be taking place on 14th March 2018 at BLP's office in London. All finalists will be travelling down on the day, preparing their scenarios whilst at the office and then will be judged by trainees, associates and partners. Thank you to all of those who competed this year and congratulations to all the finalists! Sign-ups for the 2018/19 BLP Negotiation Competition will open in October 2018.



Hi everyone! OutLAW has new events for you to help out with. Applications to help with each event are open NOW. Please note that you will need to have attended the mandatory safeguarding session before your application will be considered.

Debating Workshop at Toot Hill School: Wednesday 28th February (3:00pm-5:15pm) - We will be visiting Toot Hill School to deliver a debating workshop. The session will be the first time the School's new KS3 Debating Club will meet! (Applications close—Thursday 22nd February at 11:59pm).

Mock Trial Session with Trent College: Wednesday 7th March (9:30am onward - exact times TBC). We will be hosting a group of Year 9 and 10 students from the College for a taster mock trial session. Volunteers will be required to help introduce attendees to criminal trial procedure, witness statements, and the roles in a criminal court. We then hope to get some of the attendees to participate in a small competition among themselves. (Applications close - Wednesday 28th February at 11:59pm).

UCAS/Careers Presentation at Chilwell School: Wednesday 14th March (1:10pm-3:00pm) - We will be visiting Chilwell Sixth Form to deliver a presentation to Year 12 students. Volunteers will be required to deliver a section of the presentation. The presentation will cover aspects including: studying at university; UCAS and the LNAT; careers in law; law as a job market; and, alternative routes into the legal profession without going to university. (Applications close - Wednesday 7th March at 11:59pm)



What's On

STREETLAW

StreetLaw has an amazing opportunity coming up with the Infringement Project! The Infringement Project has been setup by UoN alumni with the aim of safeguarding and preventing female genital mutilation. They do this by presenting workshops and seminars regarding the laws around FGM throughout the community; such as with medical students, nurses, teachers, the WI and more. Now they are offering the opportunity for you to do the same! All attendees will be qualified to deliver these workshops throughout their time at UoN as a student. The workshops will be organised by StreetLaw and we are hoping to plan some before the end of this semester however, if not, they will be running throughout the 2018/2019 academic year. Please come along for an insightful session in a very Interesting area of law, where you can learn skills that could really make a difference! We will be providing food and refreshments!!! The session will take place on Wednesday the 14th March at 6:30pm in LASS (B63) Hope to see you all there!



Upcoming Events:

- Monday 26th: Brownies workshop at 6:15pm
- Thursday 1st, 8th and 15th March: Beeston Fields Primary School workshops
- Wednesday 14th & 21st March: Dunkirk Primary School workshops at 1:30pm



THE 'INFRINGEMENT PROJECT'
ARE OFFERING TRAINING TO
SAFEGUARD AGAINST

FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION

Come along and be trained to deliver safeguarding workshops in order to prevent FGM - all attendees will be qualified to deliver these sessions with the Pro Bono Society for the remainder of their time at UoN.

B63, Law and Social Sciences
14th March 2018, 6:30pm

Check our Facebook page and Teamup Calendar for more details.



Unbarred

This week we had the first Unbarred social! It was a great for us to say thank you to all our volunteers with pancakes and pizza as well as showing them the hugely positive feedback from the prisoners we have worked with. We have recruited some new volunteers and **look forward continuing the workshops with the same success.**

Volunteering with our projects is formally recognised by both the Society and the Law School with the Pro Bono Achievement Award, a highly regarded certification.



What's On

LawCareers.Net Awards 2018

The awards highlight and celebrate the amazing work that societies at campuses do across the whole country and the fantastic events and opportunities they create for their members. The Nottingham Pro Bono Society is proud to announce that we have been nominated for two awards! The winners will be announced in March 2018. We would like to give a huge thank you to our members and volunteers because this would not have been possible without the dedication and work you guys contribute. Here are the awards we were nominated for:

LawCareers.Net Student Law Society Awards 2018

Best at student engagement

- The De Montfort University Law Society
- The Holdsworth Club
- University of Nottingham Pro Bono Society



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Best pro bono activities

- King's College London Pro Bono Society
- UEA Law Society
- University of Nottingham Pro Bono Society



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Be a part of the BEST SOCIETY on campus!
Nominations open on the 5th March and close on
Thursday 8th March at midday.

JOIN THE PRO BONO SOCIETY COMMITTEE



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VICE PRESIDENT
GENERAL SECRETARY
TREASURER
PROJECT HEAD

For elected positions nominate yourself online through our SU webpage by submitting your manifesto. Project Heads will be elected through an interview process. More information about how to apply will be emailed out to all members.

Successful Pro Bono Project Applications

Do you understand what the aims of the projects are?
Are you passionate about helping meet those aims?
Why do you have this passion (previous experience perhaps)?

Do's

- Discuss how you will benefit others
- Show some understanding of the aims and requirements of the particular project
- Show genuine passion, enthusiasm, commitment and interest
- Some experience to demonstrate certain skills (but not necessary as partaking in these projects will help you to gain experience)

Don't's

- Mention the phrase 'this is for my CV!'
- Go over the word limit
- Have many spelling, punctuation and grammar mistakes
- Send a generic template you'd use for all projects (interest must be shown to that particular project)
- Submit past the deadline

Pro Bono Achievement Award

This Award recognises those who employ their time, skills and energies for the benefit of the local community.

1. To achieve the Pro Bono Award, you must complete either:
 - 3 events from 1 category (Penal, Education or Community)
 - 5 events across any of the categories (Penal, Education and Community)
 - 24 hours of A2J Innovations volunteering or 50 hours of PSU/CCA volunteering
2. Upon completion, email: lawprobono@nottingham.ac.uk to evidence completed activities.
3. Wait for confirmation email and certificate!

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*Evidence includes: confirmation by project head and/or photos from events, etc.
*Award can be completed over your entire degree.

For further information check out:

https://www.su.nottingham.ac.uk/societies/society/pro-bono/pro_bono_achievement_award/

