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PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

On behalf of the Oxford Law Society, I warmly welcome you to Oxford for Michaelmas Term 2014. Whether you're a returning member, or a fresher new to LawSoc, this term is guaranteed to have something exciting in store for you. The Society is one of Oxford's largest, enjoying a reputation for hosting some of the biggest, most glamorous social events in town, and this term will be no exception.

The term kicks off with the legendary **President's Drinks** (kindly sponsored by **Herbert Smith Freehills**) hosted in the grand setting of Freud Bar. Members will then be able

to enjoy a plethora of social events, plus interactive presentations and workshops to help them learn more about or prepare for a legal career or applications - all sponsored by some of the world's top law firms. To end the year, we have our spectacular **Michaelmas Ball** (kindly sponsored by **Hogan Lovells**). This will be held at the **Warner Bros. Studio Tour**: it promises to be one of the most unique, exciting balls in LawSoc's history!

We're also excited to be hosting a **Commercial Awareness Panel**, bringing together representatives from leading investment banks, management consultancies, accountancy firms, law firms and barristers' chambers. This is a rare chance for students to compare multiple industries at a single event - a must-attend for anyone considering a career in the City.

I am also delighted to announce LawSoc's partnering with **Shuffle Nights** this term, enabling us to offer members **exclusive club deals**: details can be found in this term card.

A final thanks goes to all our sponsors for their generous support, in particular **Herbert Smith Freehills**, who sponsors this term card. Thank you to everyone who played a role in bringing this term together, especially the tireless work and dedication of my executive committee. Lastly, a thanks to our members. Your continued support and enthusiasm means LawSoc goes from strength to strength. The committee and I are here to help you: don't hesitate to get in touch. This one's on us - have a brilliant term.

Richard Bach

Hertford College
President
Oxford Law Society
Michaelmas Term 2014

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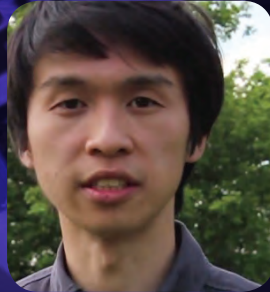
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Later in term, all members are invited to apply to Committee by way of a short email manifesto. Elections to the Committee take place in Week 8, following the Termly General Meeting (TGM).



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JOINING THE SOCIETY

The Oxford Law Society ('LawSoc') hosts some of the best social events at Oxford. Membership of the Society is outstanding value for money. For a single upfront fee, members enjoy free access to all of our presentations and Oxford-based social events, as well as discounted club entry and a free copy of our termly magazine *Verdict*.

WHO CAN JOIN?

Anyone; as long as you're a member of Oxford University or the Oxford Institute of Legal Practice (OXILP). You don't have to be already set on a career in law, or even studying law - the Society is very much here to help you explore law as a career option, and in fact many members of our committee are non-lawyers!

HOW MUCH IS IT?

Full membership costs **£35** - this is valid for your whole degree. Alternatively, visiting or post-graduate students may wish to opt for a one-year membership, which costs **£20**.

HOW DO I JOIN?

You can join LawSoc in a matter of minutes by going to our website (www.oxfordlawsoc.com) and clicking the 'Join' panel. If you prefer, you can pidge a cheque to our Membership Manager stating your name, college, year of study, course and course length. LawSoc also runs **membership drives** at various colleges throughout term, where you can sign-up for membership on the spot and also receive free stash (branded clothing).

Once you have joined, your LawSoc membership card will be delivered straight to your pigeon hole. You can then bring it to access all of our events (members can also show a copy of their confirmation email, sent instantly upon joining LawSoc). If you've any questions about membership, please don't hesitate to contact our Membership Manager (membership@oxfordlawsoc.com) who will be pleased to assist you.

Don't miss out. Join today... see you tonight



PRESENTATIONS

wk2

Insight into Solicitors University of Law

Monday 20th October

5.30pm, New Seminar Rooms, Wadham College

The University of Law is the UK's longest-established specialist provider of legal education, and one of the most popular for completion of the Graduate Diploma in Law (GDL) and Legal Practice Course (LPC).



Life at the Bar Blackstone Chambers

Wednesday 22nd October

7.30pm, Massey Room, Balliol College

Blackstone Chambers is a big name with impressive accomplishments in both commercial and public law. Its barristers' work ranges from the BBC's 'Operation Yewtree' following the Jimmy Savile scandal to the Leveson Inquiry, the Francis Inquiry into service failures at NHS Staffordshire, and the trial of convicted fraudster Bernard Madoff. This is a great opportunity to find out what it's like to don silk for one of London's top sets - and how you could, too.



wk3

Commercial Awareness Panel miscellaneous City representatives

Tuesday 28th October

5.30pm, Gulbenkian Lecture Theatre
(Law Faculty)

This rare event brings together representatives from leading investment banks, management consultancies, accountancy firms, law firms and barristers' chambers. It is a prime opportunity for students to compare more than one industry sector, at a glance, at a single event - a must-attend for anyone considering a career in the City.



PRESENTATIONS

wk4

Contract Drafting Simmons & Simmons

Wednesday 5th November

3.30pm, venue TBC

Simmons & Simmons is a versatile international law firm with a focus on financial services, life sciences, technology, asset management and energy. Drafting contracts is an essential skill for lawyers - this workshop is a great way to get stuck in.

Simmons & Simmons

wk5

TBC

Centre for Professional Legal Studies (Cardiff Law School)

Monday 10th November

5:30pm, venue TBC

The CPLS at Cardiff is a leading provider of legal training and the only Russell Group university validated by both the Solicitors Regulation Authority and the Bar Standards Board to offer both vocational courses for the profession.



wk6

Alternative Dispute Resolution Workshop

Herbert Smith Freehills

Monday 17th November

5-7pm, venue TBC

Herbert Smith Freehills offers a huge range of legal services and is renowned for its strengths in corporate and dispute resolution. ADR is the settling of legal disputes without going to court - come and learn from some of the best in the business.



wk7

Commercial Awareness Workshop

Baker & McKenzie

Tuesday 25th November

Time and venue TBC

One of the world's biggest law firms by revenue, the US firm is a giant in corporate and finance. Commercial awareness is a core competency for many law applications so this is a chance to find out exactly what top-flight firms are looking for.

BAKER & MCKENZIE


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12th Oct	13th Oct	14th Oct	15th Oct	16th Oct	17th Oct	18th Oct
		Tea and Cake // President's Drinks Herbert Smith Freehills TSK, 2pm // Freud, 7pm		Question Time Jones Day House Bar, 6pm		
19th Oct	20th Oct	21st Oct	22nd Oct	23rd Oct	24th Oct	25th Oct
	Insight into Solicitors University of Law New Seminar Rooms Wadham College 5.30pm		Life at the Bar Blackstone Chambers Massey Room Balliol College 7.30pm	Tapas and Sangria Travers Smith La Tasca, 7pm		
26th Oct	27th Oct	28th Oct	29th Oct	30th Oct	31st Oct	1st Nov
		Commercial Awareness Panel Gulbenkian Lecture Theatre, 5.30pm		Burritos and Mojitos Baker & McKenzie Las Iguanas, 7pm		
2nd Nov	3rd Nov	4th Nov	5th Nov	6th Nov	7th Nov	8th Nov
			Contract Drafting // Sushi and Sake Simmons & Simmons TBC, 3.30pm // YO!Sushi, 6.30pm		Champagne and Chocolates Camera, 7.30pm	Oxford Law Fair Exam Schools, 11am
9th Nov	10th Nov	11th Nov	12th Nov	13th Nov	14th Nov	15th Nov
	TBC Cardiff Law School Time and venue TBC		Movies and Martinis BLP Phoenix Picturehouse 6pm	Cocktails and Cupcakes Macfarlanes House Bar, 7.30pm		
16th Nov	17th Nov	18th Nov	19th Nov	20th Nov	21st Nov	22nd Nov
	Dispute Resolution Workshop Herbert Smith Freehills TBC, 5-7pm		Pizza and Prosecco Borges Salmon Pizza Express Golden Cross, 7.30pm		Ice Cream Indulgence G&D's St Aldates, 7pm	
23rd Nov	24th Nov	25th Nov	26th Nov	27th Nov	28th Nov	29th Nov
		Commercial Awareness Workshop Baker & McKenzie Time and venue TBC	Wine Tasting Cleary Gottlieb Oxford Union, 8pm			
30th Nov	1st Dec	2nd Dec	3rd Dec	4th Dec	5th Dec	6th Dec
		Termly General Meeting The Cube, Law Faculty 1pm		Law Society Ball Hogan Lovells Warner Bros. Studios 7pm		

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Please be aware that dates, times or venues may be subject to change. Members on our mailing list will be notified via email.

EVENTS

President's Drinks is kindly sponsored by



14th
October
TUESDAY
1st Week
7pm

This event is preceded by
TEA & CAKE

a chance to meet firm representatives
@ Turl Street Kitchen 2.30-4pm

Please bring your membership card for both events

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Tapas & Sangria

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23rd October
THURSDAY
2nd Week

La Tasca @ 7pm

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Burritos & Mojitos

THIS EVENT WILL BE
BALLOTTED

BAKER & MCKENZIE

30th October
THURSDAY
3rd Week

Las Iguanas @ 7pm

Please bring your membership card

Sushi & Sake

5th November
WEDNESDAY
4th Week

6.30pm @ YO!Sushi

Please bring your membership card

This event is preceded by
Contract Drafting

venue TBC @ 3.30pm

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Question Time: 18.00 at The House Bar, Blue Boar Street, Oxford



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Champagne & Chocolates

7th November

FRIDAY

4th Week

Camera @ 7.30pm

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Cocktails & Cupcakes

13th November

THURSDAY

5th Week

House Bar @ 7.30pm

Please bring your membership card

MACFARLANES

Pizza & Prosecco

19th November

WEDNESDAY

6th Week

7.30pm @ Pizza Express Golden Cross

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THIS EVENT WILL BE
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Ice Cream Indulgence

21st November
FRIDAY
6th Week
C&D's St Aldates @ 7pm

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Wine Tasting

THIS EVENT WILL BE
BALLOTTED

CLEARY
GOTTLIEB

26th November
WEDNESDAY
7th Week
Oxford Union @ 8pm

Please bring your membership card

Law Society Dinners

Oxford Law Society holds balloted three-course dinners throughout term, hosted by top international law firms, at some of Oxford's finest restaurants. Members are invited to apply. Keep an eye out and we'll keep you updated with our latest opportunities.

Various venues @ TBC

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 **Oxford Law Society**

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EXCLUSIVE OXFORD CLUB DEALS

LawSoc is delighted to be partnering with **Shuffle Nights** this term. Since 2012, **Shuffle Nights** has run the largest and most popular Oxford club nights, including student favourites Wednesdays at Park End and Fridays at Wahoo.

Shuffle Nights will host the official after-party for every LawSoc social event. Members will also be able to enjoy the following entry deals throughout term by presenting their LawSoc membership card at any **Shuffle Nights** venue:

TUESDAYS at LOLA LO

Queue jump until 11pm with one friend, plus £3 entry.

WEDNESDAYS at LAVA IGNITE (Park End)

Queue jump until 11pm with one friend.

THURSDAYS at WAREHOUSE

Queue jump until 11pm with one friend, plus £3 entry.

FRIDAYS at WAHOO

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ESSAY COMPETITION

Verdict is LawSoc's termly magazine, one of the few quality society publications in Oxford, featuring original content and contributions from top legal minds - the likes of Cherie Booth QC and Baroness Hale. The magazine's **essay competition** is open to all members; the question is announced at the start of term. Entries are around 700-900 words long, with prizes of £75 and £25 up for grabs.

MOOTING

LawSoc's Master or Mistress of Moots organises **mooting events** for members throughout term. These are unparalleled opportunities to hone your advocacy skills. Mooting is a challenging and enjoyable way to develop or try out your oral talents - useful for a huge number of careers but especially useful if you're thinking about a career at the bar. Members will be invited via email to apply to get involved.





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