

# Hi All,

We've been working hard behind the scenes to bring you an exciting line-up of events—stay tuned to our social media channels to be the first to hear what's coming up!

## **April Highlights**

April was another busy month for our members, with a calendar full of networking, creativity, and celebration.

One of our most popular events returned - Pottery Painting! This annual favourite was a sell-out once again, and it was fantastic to see everyone's creativity come to life. We'll be in touch via email once they're ready to collect!





We were also delighted to be invited to the University of Law's Nottingham Campus to network with aspiring law students. It was a pleasure answering their thoughtful questions about life in the legal profession, and we hope our members found the event as valuable and inspiring as the students did.

Our members also had the chance to attend several events hosted by the Nottinghamshire Law Society (NLS) this month.

A particular highlight was the NLS Annual Awards Dinner, where our very own Chair had the honour of co-presenting the Junior Lawyer of the Year Award. Congratulations to all the finalists on the night!



We also attended the final of the Hammond Cup, which showcased some truly impressive advocacy skills. A huge well done to all four finalists. You put in a tremendous amount of work, and it showed.

Finally, a heartfelt thank you and congratulations to Lauren Crow, our outgoing NLS President, for her dedication and leadership over the past year. We're excited to work alongside incoming President **Marie Dancer** and look forward to what's to come!

## Upcoming Events

**Mental Health Awareness Week** (12–18 May) is an important time for the profession, especially for junior lawyers. The legal field can be demanding and high-pressured, with long hours, tight deadlines, and the weight of responsibility often leading to stress and burnout.

We're committed to promoting positive mental health and wellbeing, and throughout the week we'll be sharing resources, tips, and insights into how we can all better support ourselves and each other in the profession.

We're still finalising our upcoming events calendar (football anyone? Wind Down Wednesday? maybe a trip to the arcade?)

Members will be the first to receive details by email.

Not a member yet? Keep reading to learn more about our discounted membership starting 1 May 2025.



### **Save the Date**

#### **Summer Soirée – 1 August 2025**

Get ready for the event of the summer!

Our **Summer Soirée** will take place on **1 August** with an evening of celebration, connection, and fun.

More details to come soon, but for now, mark your calendars!



## Membership & Sponsorship

We're pleased to announce a new discounted membership rate starting 1 May 2025. As a member, you'll receive:

- Discounted entry to all our ticketed events (including the Summer Soirée)
- Early access to event announcements
- Opportunities to network with peers and industry professionals

We are always looking for firms and local businesses to sponsor our events – this allows us to offer cost effective, higher quality events for our members and a good chance to network and build relationships with firms and businesses within Nottinghamshire.

If you would like to consider sponsoring any of our upcoming events, please contact us directly on [shannon@austinmoore.com](mailto:shannon@austinmoore.com).

## Don't Miss Out

Want to be first in line for our next events — including our first big celebration of the year, the **Summer Soirée**? Join our mailing list and follow us on social media to stay in the loop!

Warm regards,



**Shannon Mould – Chair of NJLD**



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