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AMCHAM LUNCHEON CUSTOMER TIP

How to remove Spyware from your computer

Did you know that software on your PC may secretly record your activities and report them to someone else?

Called “spyware”, this software covertly gathers information about your online behaviour through your Internet connection without your knowledge, usually for advertising purposes.

Typically hidden with shareware or freeware downloads, spyware programs monitor your activity on the Internet and transmit that information to an unknown third party. Because spyware runs in the background, it uses up the bandwidth of your broadband link, slowing down its speed.

The Internode Help Desk regularly assists customers by advising them how to remove spyware from their computers, thereby both improving performance and protecting their privacy.

You can install programs that check your PC for spyware inadvertently installed on the system.

A great utility for this is a program called Ad-Aware which is available from the link below: www.lavasoftusa.com/products/ad-aware_se_personal.php

You can buy or download a range of commercial third party products to ensure your PC is free of malicious

software. Use them to perform a virus scan of your system.

For answers to other frequently asked questions, visit the Internode website at www.internode.on.net/support/faq/



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AMCHAM WELCOMES NEW PARTNER - DONALDSON WALSH LAWYERS

“Armani? No, they don’t often bring in anything that swish. But to their credit they always have nice slacks.” Local dry cleaner

Ask the average punter what their impression of lawyers is and they don't tend to use an excess of superlatives. The popular stereotype will more typically include such enviable descriptions as 'arrogant', 'amoral' and 'aloof' – the other kind of triple-A rating.

So in the face of such entrenched negative preconceptions, how can a firm hope to be believed if it claims to be composed of a very down-to-earth and considerate team of professionals? At Donaldson Walsh (DW), the answer has always been to leave the slick 'corporate predator' routine to Hollywood and simply be themselves. Their tag-line reads, "Great service. Reliable results. Plain talking" because those are the things they really are focused on.

Having said that, of course, they're also uncommonly interested in providing genuinely outstanding legal expertise, and are able to provide it in each of the following areas:

- Commercial Disputes & Insolvency
- Intellectual Property & Technology
- Property & Construction
- Workplace Relations & Employment
- Corporate & Commercial
- Insurance
- Taxation & Revenue
- International Business
- Franchising
- Private Clients
- Workers Compensation & Self Insurance

They're also not so modest as to deny the fact that several among their team are acknowledged leaders in their fields. Sandy Donaldson, a DW founding Partner, is often referred to as "Mr IP" in South Australia, particularly in the Defence, IT and Biotech industries, although he cringes every time he hears it. Alan Branch, another Partner, is also embarrassed to admit that he's often bestowed with a title that doesn't get him a lot of street cred' with his kids. In Alan's case it's 'Mr Franchising'.

Other DW Partners too have built well-deserved reputations, such as Karl Luke in Workplace Relations & Employment, Rod Dunne in Taxation and Revenue, and their whole Insurance team.

“Go the extra mile? Are you kidding? I can't remember ever going there when they didn't have lollies in the foyer. Good ones too.” Springwater delivery person

With over 70 staff, DW is what's known as a mid-size firm, which puts them in a fortunate position. They have the proven capacity to take on large, highly complex caseloads, yet without losing the human touch of a tight-knit team.

They're able to remain accessible at all times, Partners included, and give that little bit more than people expect, through things like regular informative seminars, networking functions and timely on-line communiques in which they actually – shock horror – express an opinion.

Admittedly their approach hasn't quite managed to erase the popular negative stereotypes mentioned earlier, but in their 12 years of practice it has made their clients happy. And that, after all, is the only perception they need concern themselves with.



**Like to learn more
about Donaldson Walsh?**

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“But I contend that the strongest of all governments is that which is most free.”

WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON, 1841

speaker profiles

HON PAUL CAICA MP

Minister for Employment, Training and Further Education, Minister for Science and Information Economy

Paul Caica was elected to the South Australian Parliament as the Member for Colton in 2002. Previously, Paul was a firefighter for almost 20 years. Following the March 2006 election, Paul was appointed to the Cabinet and Executive Council as Minister for Employment, Training and Further Education, Youth and Gambling, and was appointed Minister for Science and Information Economy in February 2007.



MR JOHN GALLACHER

Chief Executive Officer, AWD Alliance, Chief Executive Officer, ASC Shipbuilding

John Gallacher has over 35 years experience in engineering and construction, project management and shipbuilding, and has held positions of Project Manager, State Manager, Managing Director and CEO. His early career developed in the off-shore oil and gas sector in Australia, England, Scotland and Japan and subsequently he was project manager of some of Australia's largest on-shore resource development projects. John joined ASC in 2004 and today is responsible for ASC Shipbuilding and its role in the Air Warfare Destroyer Program.



MR JIM WHALLEY

Chief Executive Officer, Nova Group

Jim Whalley is the CEO of Nova Defence, who employ over 100 people and is now Australia's largest employer of Defence Test and Evaluation specialists. The company's customer base has also expanded outside defence to include space, satellite communications, health care and rail where its expertise in human factors and systems engineering has been used in a number of projects. Nova's achievements have included selection as one of the top 20 fast growing companies in South Australia, three years running and as a Top 100 South Australian company.



INTRODUCTORY REMARKS BY DR IAN CHESSELL

Formerly Australia's Chief Defence Scientist, Dr Chessell was appointed South Australia's Chief Scientist in March this year. He also holds the position of Adjunct Professor in Systems Engineering with the University of SA, and Co-Chairs the Premier's Science and Research Council.

upcoming events

NETWORKING MARKET FORUM



Wednesday 28 May, 5pm – 7pm

Hilton Hotel

Give a two minute presentation and/or book a booth to promote your company. OR simply come along to enjoy good food and wine and meet new people. Bring lots of business cards and your outgoing personality. We promise you plenty of time to circulate and 'we have ways' to ensure you meet as many people as possible.

DELOITTE "WOMEN OF INFLUENCE" LUNCHEON



Wednesday 4 June, 12.15pm – 2pm

Adelaide Convention Centre

WHAT REALLY HAPPENED AT THE PRIME MINISTER'S 2020 SUMMIT?

Karen, Tanya and Sandy were all participants at the **Prime Minister's 2020 Summit** held recently in Canberra. Find out about the decisions and recommendations made by these three women and their fellow summiteers. Each are high achievers in their own right, and we will talk to them about what they do and the influences that power their working lives.



Karen Moses

Chief Operating Officer
Origin Energy Australia



Tanya Smith

Deputy Chief Executive
Cabinet Office, Dept of
the Premier and Cabinet



Sandy Pitcher

Director
Office for Women



Leigh McClusky

Panel Interviewer

upcoming events

INTERNODE BUSINESS LUNCHEON



Friday 4 July 11.45am-2pm

Hyatt Regency Hotel

BROADBAND IMPACT: YOUR 24 MONTH WINDOW ON THE FUTURE

The new Broadband strategy: it's going to cost billions! Will we get it right? Some say our economic future might depend on it! Hear our expert panel discuss the 'good, the bad and the ugly' possible outcomes.



Shara Evans

Managing Director Market Clarity



Prof Reg Coutts

Coutts Communications



Simon Hackett

Managing Director Internode

Then stay on for our...

4th July Party

Friday 4 July 2.15-5pm @ Waves Disco

Networking at its best on one of the most important dates in American history. Lots of fun and surprises!

AMCHAM BUSINESS LUNCHEON



Friday 20 June 12.15-2pm

Minister for Defence Science and Personnel

The Hon Warren Snowdon MP

AMCHAM BUSINESS SEMINAR



Monday 7 July 5-7pm

The Hon Dr Craig Emerson MP

Minister for Small Business, Independent Contractors and the Service Economy; Minister Assisting the Finance Minister on Deregulation

today's wine

DI GIORGIO

THE DI GIORGIO FAMILY'S COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE AND QUALITY IS REFLECTED IN EVERY STEP OF THE VITICULTURAL AND WINEMAKING PROCESS. THESE ADVANCED TECHNIQUES HAVE RESULTED IN THE FINE WINES ON OFFER TODAY.

NV SPARKING PINOT CHARDONNAY

An easy drinking, traditional sparkling Pinot Noir and Chardonnay blend offering spicy fruit and freshly baked bread characters amid a pool of strawberry bubbles.

FRANK 2004 CABERNET / MERLOT / SHIRAZ

A full bodied dry red with vibrant purple hues, this wine has ripe forest fruit characters to dominate the palate, with savoury tannins and supple oak leading to a dry finish. A fantastic quality wine with distinctive character, ready to drink now and is the perfect accompaniment to anything and everything.

FRANK 2006 SEMILLON / CHARDONNAY / SAUVIGNON BLANC

An aromatic dry white with pale straw and faint green hues, this wine is light and refreshing, with subtle honeydew melon, lemon rind and spice flavours followed by crunchy acidity and a clean, dry finish.



photos

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Desmond Khoo - DTEI / Fred Pascale - Pascale Construction



Paul Hector - Westpac / Richard McLachlan - Defence SA /
Frank Lancione - Piper Alderman



Tony Curtis - NAB / Lisa Jesse - Jamshop
Paul Kitching - Adelaide Review/ Rip it up



Jim Tape - Baulderstone Hornibrook /
Andrew Scholfield - Bassett Consulting Engineers



Aimee Lane - Lane Print Group / Dean De Cesare - Lane Print Group



Kerry Hammill - AICM / Des Munro - Sims Partners /
Doug Conner - Coopers Brewery / Nigel Hillier - Coopers Brewery

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