



# JP Newsletter

## JP training scheduled in 2016

The Department of the Attorney General JP Training Committee (JPTC) has scheduled training for 2016 on court procedures, administrative duties and Aboriginal cultural awareness.

These training dates can be viewed on the JP Training Calendar and include training seminars held throughout the State.

Recently the JP Branch liaised with the Office of the Public Advocate (OPA) to deliver training on Enduring Powers of Attorney (EPAs), Enduring Powers of Guardianship (EPGs) and Advanced Health Directives (AHDs) especially for JPs and other persons

authorised to witness these documents.

EPAs, EPGs and AHDs were identified from feedback to the JPTC as topics on which JPs would like more information.

A pilot training workshop was presented by Debra Casey from OPA on 10 November 2015 at Anzac House, Perth. The workshop was well attended with participants rating the session to a high standard.

The following comments from evaluations received were indicative of the quality of the training "a very interesting session" and "an excellent presentation."

Evaluations received after each training session provide valuable feedback to the JPTC and the training presenters.

Your participation in completing the evaluations is much appreciated.

Following this highly successful workshop, the JP Branch is working with OPA to deliver three similar sessions in 2016 and produce this training in a DVD.

This DVD will be streamed by video link to court locations around the State and facilitate training to JPs and other authorised witnesses. The DVD aims to give JPs accessible training delivered to a high standard.



A recent pilot training workshop presented by Debra Casey from the Public Advocate at Anzac House was well attended.

## Are your contact details correct?

To check whether your contact details are correct, or need to be updated, please email your:

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# JP training delivered in 2015

As at the end of 2015, there has been 35 Departmental JP training sessions held across Western Australia.

The training covered a range of topics including

- Search Warrants
- Traffic
- Violence Restraining Orders (VROs)
- Victim Awareness
- Bail and Surety
- Sentencing
- Witnessing Documents, Oaths

and Affidavits

- Enduring Powers of Attorney and Guardianship
- Aboriginal cultural awareness.

This training included 13 sessions in metropolitan Perth and 22 sessions in regional Western Australia.

In addition, online modules are available each month on VROs, Bail, Traffic, Warrants and Witnessing Documents, for JPs who are unable to attend training seminars.

Significantly, of the 39 JPs who perform court duty in the metropolitan area, 38 JPs have been trained. Some 75 per cent of JPs in the regions have also attended training.

In all, a total of 609 JPs have attended training since January 2015.

This is a great outcome and a credit to those JPs who give up their valuable time to develop their skills to ensure they deliver the best service to the Western Australian community.

Date	Location	Topic	Contact	Phone	Email
17 Feb 2016	Northam	Court Procedures	Clerk of Court	9622 1035	northamcourt@justice.wa.gov.au
12 Mar 2016	Perth	Court Procedures	JP Training and Research Coordinator	9425 2525	jps@justice.wa.gov.au
1 Apr 2016	Kalgoorlie	Court Procedures	Clerk of Court	9093 5300	kalgoorliecourt@justice.wa.gov.au
7 May 2016	Midland	Search Warrants, Witnessing Documents, Oaths and Affidavits	Clerk of Court	9425 2525	jps@justice.wa.gov.au
16 Jul 2016	Perth	Court Procedures	JP Training and Research Coordinator	9425 2525	jps@justice.wa.gov.au
22 Sep 2016	Joondalup	Court Procedures	JP Training and Research Coordinator	9425 2525	jps@justice.wa.gov.au
21 Oct 2016	Kalgoorlie	Court Procedures	Clerk of Court	9093 5300	kalgoorliecourt@justice.wa.gov.au
19 Nov 2016	Perth	Court Procedures	JP Training and Research Coordinator	9425 2525	jps@justice.wa.gov.au

## Did you know training modules are available online?

Have you considered online modules to assist in your on-going training to enhance your skills or to test and refresh your knowledge? There are five modules delivered through the Central Institute of Technology on:

- VRO (court accreditation)
- Bail (court accreditation)
- Warrants (court accreditation)
- Traffic (court accreditation)
- Witnessing (for JPs engaged/interested participating in signing centres.)

Two new modules (Sentencing and Court Protocol) are being developed and plan to be available by the end of 2015.

For more details please contact the JP Branch on 9425 2525.