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EDITORIAL

This year's issue of the Plymouth Law and Criminal Justice Review continues to showcase some of the amazing activities and successes that our students are involved with and have achieved. Highlights this year include the reflections of the mooting teams' report of the internal mooting competition final held, for the first time ever, at the Supreme Court before the President Lord Neuberger. The student presentation at the British Undergraduate Research Conference shows the innovative ideas that the PALS team developed with their Monopolaw game to assist first year students which attracted significant interest. Emmanuel Alabi's experiences as Chair of the UPSU BAME student forum underlines the ways in which our students have effectively participated within the wider University context and Eleanor Rockett's internship at a Ghanaian law firm not only offers an intriguing title but is an inspiration to others. Examples of students working in partnership with staff are highlighted in Rosie Brennan's review of the work of the Refugee Family Reunion Project run by the School's Law Clinic (further informed her report of the 1st Annual Conference of the Refugee Law Initiative and Dale Teobald has written a comprehensive and entertaining report (see some of the photographs of staff dressed as pirates) of the three ESRC Festival of Science events that law and criminology staff were involved with this year on themes of Piracy in the South West – and the third annual successive and successful contribution to the Festival.

John Kirkhope continues his series of revealing insights into the dark corners of the Duchy of Cornwall this time offering some interesting observations and comparisons with another anachronistic institution, The Seigniory of Sark. Issues relating to the problems associated with drunkenness, deviant leisure and the night time economy also feature in Thomas Raymen's report on the American Society of Criminology's conference he attended in New Orleans and Sam Barnes' dissertation article. Environmental law issues again prove popular in the law dissertations of Lydia Scambler and Louise Dale, and the legal position regarding the transmission of HIV in James Stone's article and the current extent of and response to the seemingly insoluble problem of child sexual exploitation.

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