

## **President's presentation to His Excellency the Governor**

In early August, I presented His Excellency the Governor of Western Australia, Dr Ken Michael, with some gifts to thank him for Officially Opening the newly refurbished Legislative Council Chamber in April 2010. The Governor had officiated on this historical occasion.

The gifts presented to the Governor included a bound volume of the Legislative Council Minutes 1832-70, bound volume of Parliamentary Debates 1870-76, a framed carpet square of the original Chamber carpet, and a DVD of the Opening of the newly refurbished Legislative Council Chamber.

Present at the presentation of gifts included the Governor's Official Secretary, Kevin Skipworth LVO, Carol Buckley, Deputy Official Secretary, David Gilmour, Aide-De-Camp to His Excellency the Governor, Lorraine Coogan, Executive Assistant to the President, Malcolm Peacock, Clerk of the Legislative Council, and Chris Hunt, Usher of the Black Rod.

We have a close relationship with the Governor, especially through historical events, such as the Opening of Parliament, where the Governor officially opens the Western Australian Parliament after each election, just like the Queen does in the United Kingdom.



Picture: *The President (left) presenting the framed carpet square to the Governor (right).*



Picture: *The President presenting the Bound volume of Legislative Council Minutes 1832-70 to the Governor in the Executive Council Room of Government House. As can be seen in the background, the Governor immediately had the carpet square hung alongside a print of Owen Garde's famous painting of the original 1832 Legislative Council.*