

PETER STANLEY

Senior Volunteer of the Year Award from Town of Claremont



Peter Stanley joined Claremont Yacht Club in 1971 and has been a Member for 48 years. A resident of Claremont for over 50 years, his contribution is such that he was made a Life Member of the Club in 2014. For 36 of his years of membership, Peter has volunteered in some capacity. Peter has served on the Club's General and House Committees for 14 years. From the 1980's to the 1990's Peter was instrumental in the success of the Junior dinghy fleet, providing instruction and encouragement to the junior membership. For many years now Peter has assumed the responsibility for maintenance of the clubhouse and marina. He is not only hands on but also organises and negotiates minor and major maintenance works in addition to directing Club staff. This contribution equates to tens of hours per week, every week. Peter has offered his boat, on many occasions, for the Town of Claremont Seniors' river cruise, other not for profit organisations and also Club events. He neither receives remuneration for his countless hours nor does he seek thanks.

Claremont Yacht Club is a community based, not for profit organisation. Approximately 75% of our membership is from within a 5km radius of the Club. The responsibility for maintenance that Peter has assumed has reduced costs considerably to ensure that local residents have an affordable facility within the Town of Claremont. On many occasions Peter has offered his boat (including skippering the vessel) for the Town of Claremont Seniors' river cruise at no cost to the Town or the individuals. Similarly, he has offered his boat on many occasions to other not for profit organisations within the community. Peter is the epitome of a volunteer and not for profit organisations cannot survive without people like him. I endorse Peter Stanley to you as outstanding candidate for this award.