

Val Kelly

Life Membership awarded 08/07/2007



Val joined Hervey Bay SLSC in December 1992 and in her first season was a Parent Helper for the Under 8 Age Group in which her son, Ben was a member. She has since taken on a position either on the Junior or Senior committee nearly every season, including Club Treasurer, Club Registrar (10 seasons) JAC Secretary (8 seasons) and JAC Registrar (7 seasons). In 1994, Val gained her Level 1 Beach Official Accreditation and has been an Official at many surf sports carnivals including 4pt carnivals, Branch, State and North Australia championships. Val was also an Olympic Volunteer at the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games. In 2003, Val received the "Citation of Merit" from the International Life Saving Federation, and in 2005 Val was awarded the 10 years Officiating Service Award. Val was awarded Life Membership in 2007, and became the first Female Life Member of Hervey Bay Surf Lifesaving Club.