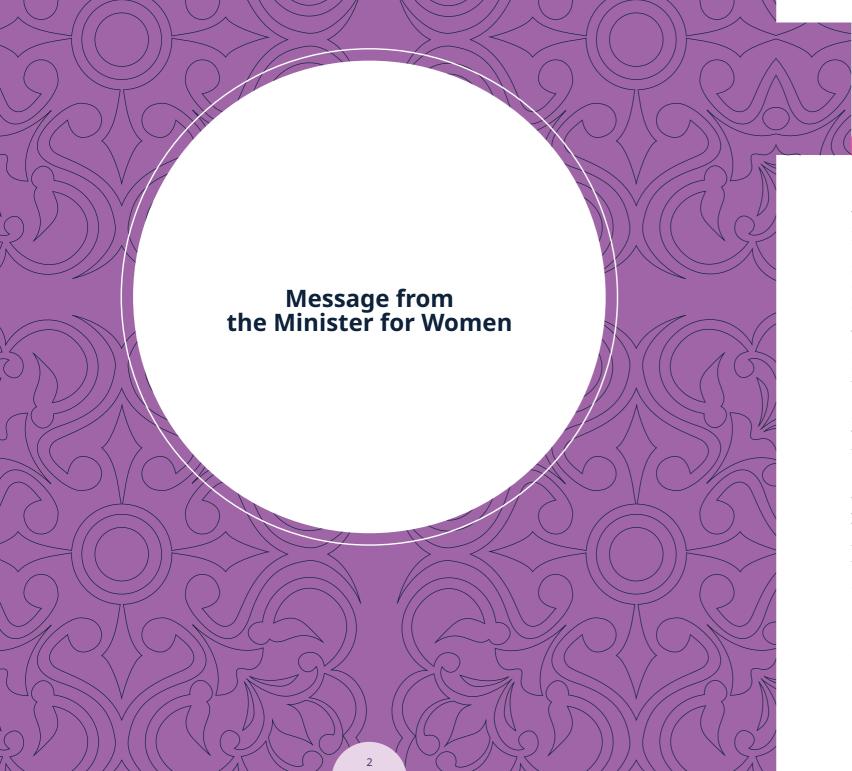




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Congratulations to the women and organisations who are being inducted onto the Tasmanian Honour Roll of Women in 2025.

I have been involved with the Tasmanian Honour Roll of Women since its inception. I am proud to see the Honour Roll continue to delight, inspire and celebrate Tasmanian women.

In every ceremony I have been part of, I have been moved by the stories of amazing Tasmanian women making important contributions to our state. This year is no different with 26 extraordinary women and three exceptional women's organisations with inspiring stories being inducted. No two stories are ever the same.

Trailblazers, pioneers and innovators are words that come to mind when reading the Tasmanian Honour Roll of Women 2025 biographies. Courage is a defining characteristic of all the women, and the organisations, joining this year's Honour Roll. For these women, courage manifests as willingness to help, courage to try something new, and courage to stand up for others.

Some of the women being inducted onto the Honour Roll in 2025 are familiar names with high profiles. While some women achieved high profiles due to media work, sporting success or serving in Government roles, others were



cast into the spotlight due to adversity. Despite experiencing tremendous difficulties and challenges, these courageous women brought about significant change and reform.

This year, once again, gives us the opportunity to recognise the quiet achievers and hidden champions. So many of these women make immeasurable contributions to our communities, through their generosity of spirit, their tenacity and their care.

The Honour Roll also highlights the importance of organisations in mentoring women and girls, and assisting women and children in need of support, including in times of crisis. Tasmania is a richer place for having these organisations and the incredible people who are part of them.

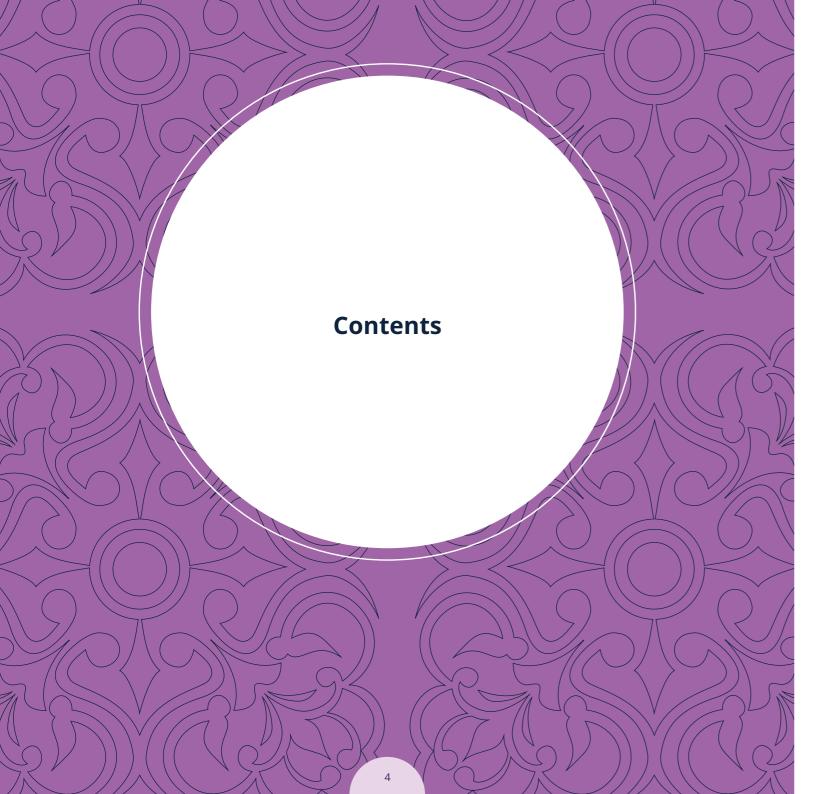
While each inductee is unique, a shared thread through these stories is a deep sense of generosity and service to others.

Once again, congratulations to the 2025 inductees on their achievements and induction onto the Tasmanian Honour Roll of Women. Thank you.

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Hon Jo Palmer MLC Minister for Women and the Prevention of Family Violence

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Tasmanian Honour Roll of Women 2025 Inductees

Wafa Ballard

Awarded for Service to Community, Advocacy and Inclusion; Multicultural affairs Born: 1 January 1965

Wafa Ballard has been a vital member of the Launceston community since arriving in Tasmania from Syria in 1990.

With a background in economics, Wafa has dedicated her life to supporting older migrants, playing a pivotal role as the coordinator of the Good Neighbour Council Launceston for over 22 years.

Wafa has transformed the services offered by the Good Neighbour Council, developing tailored programs that meet the unique needs of older migrants. Her work has included organising social activities, offering individual support, and facilitating access to essential services, significantly improving their quality of life and integration into the community.

Wafa has created a welcoming and inclusive environment for migrants. She has organised day trips, multicultural events, and an annual international church service, fostering connections across cultural and generational divides. Her leadership has created a sense of belonging for those who might otherwise feel isolated in their new home.

A compassionate leader and advocate for elderly migrants



- Wafa's work has had a profound impact on older migrant women, empowering them to become more self-reliant and better connected. Her efforts have reduced loneliness and isolation among this vulnerable group, creating a supportive network that enables them to navigate daily challenges with confidence.
- While her work has largely been behind the scenes, Wafa's contributions have had a transformative effect on the community. Her decades of service have enhanced the lives of countless individuals and enriched Tasmania's multicultural fabric, making her a worthy inductee onto the Tasmanian Honour Roll of Women.
- "Wafa embodies the ideals of migration, enriching Tasmania's economic, social, and cultural fabric through her unwavering support for our older migrants."

Reference from a community leader



A dedicated advocate for the environment, collaboration and literacy



Rees Campbell

Awarded for Service to Environment; Education; Community, Advocacy and Inclusion

Born: 18 January 1958

Rees Campbell is celebrated for her significant contributions to environmental conservation, literacy and community arts in Tasmania. The promotion of Tasmania and its unique natural environment has driven her diverse career, spanning adult literacy, environmental education and community advocacy, making her a vital figure in Tasmania's cultural and ecological efforts.

For more than 15 years, Rees coordinated Adult Literacy and Basic Education on the north-west coast. She introduced personalised tutoring and training programs that improved literacy rates among adults, particularly disadvantaged women, in the region.

Beyond her educational impact, Rees is deeply engaged in environmental advocacy. She has led community projects to protect Tasmania's unique biodiversity and built lasting partnerships with Aboriginal communities. These collaborations integrated Aboriginal knowledge and language and promoted the sustainable use of native plants into broader community initiatives, fostering mutual respect and learning. Her seminal publications on Tasmanian native edible plants and seaweed have led to greater knowledge and acceptance.

Rees's influence extends beyond her professional roles, reflecting her commitment to empowering communities and fostering collaboration. Her leadership has advanced environmental conservation and cultural inclusivity in Tasmania.

She was a founding member of U3A Wynyard and continues as president. She established WordPlayers, a community creative writing group. She was instrumental in facilitating a Tasmanian-first environmental project in collaboration with Waratah-Wynyard council to translocate a rare heathland plant community.

Her unwavering dedication to literacy, conservation and cultural advocacy has earned her national admiration as a role model for women. Rees was nominated for the 2025 Tasmanian Australian of the Year, and her work continues to inspire others locally and nationally.

"Rees Campbell's steadfast commitment to literacy, environmental stewardship, and cultural collaboration continues to inspire communities across Tasmania."

Peer testimonial

Melissa Paula Carlton, OAM

Awarded for Service to Sport and Recreation; Community, Advocacy and Inclusion Born: 8 September 1978

Melissa Carlton has been a beacon of inspiration within the Australian sports community.

Born in South Africa and moving to Tasmania at a young age, she discovered her passion for swimming in primary school, which led her to remarkable achievements on the international stage, making her a celebrated athlete.

Melissa's illustrious swimming career is adorned with remarkable achievements across two Paralympic Games. She won nine medals, including golds in the 400 metres freestyle and the 4x100 metres freestyle relay at the 1996 Atlanta Paralympics. Her athletic prowess was further shown at the Sydney 2000 Paralympics and various world championships, cementing her status as one of Tasmania's most accomplished Paralympians.

An esteemed paralympian and champion for inclusivity in sports



- Melissa has played a strong leadership role in community sports, notably as the Marketing and Programs coordinator at the Hobart Aquatic Centre, the inaugural manager of Launceston Aquatic and CEO of the YMCA of Hobart. A strong community advocate, Melissa has also served as a Glenorchy City Council Alderman between 2018-2022.
- Melissa's contributions have been widely recognised, earning her accolades such as Tasmanian Sportswoman of the Year in 1996 and the prestigious Order of Australia Medal.
- "Melissa epitomised all that is good about Australian sport. Young, successful, personable, and an outstanding role model, she has inspired both able-bodied athletes and those with disability."

Community statement



A committed leader in business, governance, and community volunteering

Heather Chong, FAICD

Awarded for Service to Government Public Services and Politics; Volunteering

Born: 1 September 1958

Heather Chong has profoundly impacted Tasmania through her exceptional contributions to business, local government, and community service.

With a strong background in accounting and extensive international experience, Heather has successfully applied her expertise to advance the commercial and philanthropic sectors in Tasmania.

As a Clarence City Councillor and former Deputy Mayor, Heather played a key role in shaping policies and delivering outcomes that improved the lives of Tasmanians.

Her influence extends to the corporate and not-for-profit sectors, where she has served on boards of listed companies, public enterprises, and community organisations such as Rotary, Story Island Project and Meals on Wheels.

Heather is deeply committed to volunteering and has made a tangible difference in her community through initiatives addressing homelessness, food security, and social inclusion.

As a District Governor for Rotary in Tasmania, she has led significant projects, including supporting vulnerable groups and championing youth programs. Her work with the Story Island Project and Meals on Wheels demonstrated her compassion and dedication to community welfare.

Heather's contributions to business, governance, and community service have earned her numerous accolades, including the Tasmanian Gold Medal Award from AICD in 2022, which honours her exceptional leadership and commitment to Tasmania's development.

She continues to inspire through her involvement in community events and as a role model for emerging leaders in Tasmania.

"Heather's vision and determination have touched countless lives, creating opportunities for growth and inspiring others to lead with purpose and compassion."

Peer testimonial



A visionary leader in

Kelly Drummond Cawthon

Awarded for Service to Arts and Media; Community, Advocacy and Inclusion

Born: 11 January 1970

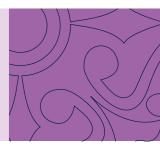
Kelly Drummond Cawthon is a transformative figure in the Tasmanian arts scene, known for her dedication to inclusive arts practices.

As the Creative Director of Second Echo Ensemble (SEE), she has championed equity and inclusion, reshaping Tasmania's cultural landscape to accommodate artists of all abilities.

Under Kelly's leadership, SEE has become a prominent arts organisation that not only supports but actively promotes artists living with disability. Her innovative approach to performance and community engagement has led to the creation of critically acclaimed productions that challenge societal norms and celebrate diversity.

Kelly has been instrumental in developing programs that facilitate artistic expression and professional growth for artists with diverse abilities. Her initiatives, such as the SEE Pathways to Work and Wellness at Work programs, have set new standards in the arts sector for supporting wellbeing and career development for artists living with disability.

inclusive performing arts



- An effective communicator and collaborator, Kelly has been pivotal in projects like On Display Global, a worldwide public installation that promotes visibility and inclusion for people with disability. This project, aligned with the International Day of People with Disability, highlights her commitment to creating global change through local actions.
- Kelly's contributions have been recognised through prestigious awards, including Hobart Citizen of the Year (2023), the Tasmanian Disability Awards Community Hero (2024), and the 2017 Impresario Award for Inclusive Arts Practices. Her unwavering commitment to social inclusion and cultural innovation continues to inspire and influence the arts and Tasmanian community.
- "Kelly Drummond Cawthon has transformed the arts by championing true inclusion, ensuring every artist is seen, heard, and valued."

Community testimony



Empowering girls and young women through leadership and community engagement

Girl Guides Tasmania

Awarded for Service to Community, Advocacy and Inclusion; Education and Training

Founded: 12 June 1911

Girl Guides Tasmania is a leading organisation committed to empowering girls and young women through a dynamic and values-based program of activities.

Girl Guides has been at the forefront of providing educational and developmental programs that encourage girls to explore their potential, develop leadership skills, and contribute positively to their communities.

Girl Guides offers a range of age-appropriate activities for girls from 5 to 17 years, fostering skills in leadership, teamwork, problem-solving, and social responsibility. The organisation is renowned for its inclusive approach, ensuring that girls from various backgrounds can participate in its programs, thereby enhancing their educational and personal growth.

Girl Guides has continually evolved to meet the changing needs of girls and young women in Tasmania. It has introduced initiatives like the "Voices Against Violence" program, which educates and empowers members to advocate against gender-based violence.

It also supports environmental stewardship through community projects like Clean Up Australia Day, reflecting its commitment to social responsibility and active citizenship.

Girl Guides plays a crucial role in advocating for youth leadership and gender equality, both locally and through its affiliation with the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS).

Girl Guides Tasmania has been instrumental in shaping the lives of countless young women, many of whom have gone on to become leaders in various sectors.

The organisation celebrates over a century of service, marked by significant milestones and contributions to Tasmania's social and cultural fabric. It continues to adapt and respond to the needs of young women, preparing them to be confident leaders of tomorrow.



A mentor paramedic first responders

Simone Haigh

Awarded for Service to Emergency Services; Workplace Relations

Born: 11 October 1979

Simone Haigh has been a cornerstone of Tasmanian emergency services for more than two decades.

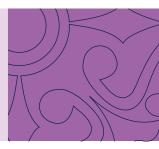
Starting as a volunteer, she rose through the ranks of Ambulance Tasmania to become an Intensive Care Paramedic and now serves as a Clinical Support Officer.

Simone's career is marked by roles in clinical, educational and leadership capacities. Within Ambulance Tasmania, she spearheaded the development of modern clinical guidelines, significantly improving maternity and obstetric care throughout the state.

Simone also plays a vital role in training and mentoring paramedics, ensuring the delivery of high-quality emergency care across Tasmania.

As a prominent leader in the Australasian College of Paramedicine, Simone has shaped national policy and education standards for the paramedic profession.

and mental health advocate for



- Her most notable achievement is initiating a national senate inquiry into the mental health of first responders, which resulted in the implementation of presumptive PTSD (Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder) legislation that has transformed workplace relations and support systems for emergency service workers.
- Simone's exemplary service was recognised with the Ambulance Service Medal (2019), which honours paramedics who have demonstrated exceptional commitment and leadership.
- She continues to serve as a role model for women in emergency services, inspiring others to lead change.
- In 2022, Simone was elected to the Kentish Council, where she continues to advocate for regional development and community well-being.
- "Without Simone, so many voices would not have been heard. Her tireless advocacy for mental health reform has transformed how we support first responders."

Community statement



A pioneer in cinematography and cultural heritage



Dorothy Hallam

Awarded for Service to the Arts, Media; Cultural Heritage

2 February 1925 - 26 January 2023

Dorothy Hallam was a pioneering cinematographer whose legacy has had a lasting impact on Australia's media landscape.

As the first female news cinematographer for the ABC, she broke new ground in a male-dominated industry, capturing some of Tasmania's most significant historical moments. Her dedication to storytelling has helped preserve the cultural heritage of Tasmania, particularly the Tasman Peninsula.

Dorothy's career spanned from 1961 to 1983. During this time, Dorothy and her husband, Maurice, produced 176 news films that chronicled pivotal events, including the aftermath of the Black Tuesday bushfires.

Her ability to capture the essence of these stories through film cemented her reputation as a pioneer in both journalism and visual storytelling.

In recognition of her contributions, she was named an Honorary Member of the Australian Cinematographers Society.

In 2020, Dorothy was a finalist for Tasmanian Senior of the Year in the Australian of the Year Awards.

Her work helped future generations of women in media, challenging gender norms and advocating for equal opportunities in the film industry.

Beyond her professional career, Dorothy remained deeply involved in her community. She volunteered with the Tasman RSL Women's Auxiliary, serving as secretary for many years. She also contributed stories to the Tasman Chronicle and was a member of the Tasman Peninsula Historical Society.

Dorothy's films, now preserved and digitised, serve as an invaluable resource for understanding Tasmania's history. Her dedication to storytelling and advocacy has left a lasting legacy, inspiring future generations of filmmakers, journalists and historians.

"Dorothy Hallam's pioneering work captured Tasmania's history in a way that will never be forgotten. Her legacy lives on through the stories she told and the barriers she broke."

Community testimony

Hobart Women's Shelter

Awarded for Service to Community, Advocacy and Inclusion; Prevention of Family Violence Founded: 1 December 1974

The Hobart Women's Shelter (HWS) is Australia's second-oldest women's refuge. For 50 years, it has provided emergency accommodation, support, and housing to women and children affected by family violence and homelessness.

HWS has supported thousands of women and children. In the past four years it has assisted 979 women and children.

Initially established by the Women's Electoral Lobby (WEL) in a two-bedroom house, it grew with government funding, expanding into a larger crisis shelter with transitional housing programs by the 1980s. In 2018, HWS opened a purpose-built facility with 15 self-contained units. Today, it operates 25 crisis units, 10 transitional properties, and two long-term homes, with plans to expand to 30 crisis units in 2025.

The HWS has taken a proactive role in addressing Tasmania's housing crisis, which disproportionately affects women and children. Since July 2020, 4,043 women and children were turned away due to capacity constraints. To address this, HWS launched an ambitious project to build 25 long-term homes. The first

Providing support, safety and advocacy for women and children



- two, 'Isabel' and 'Elsie,' opened in March 2024, housing five people. Entirely funded through philanthropy, including the 'Buy a Brick' campaign, these homes have been nominated for major awards. Once complete, the project will provide 24,000 bed nights annually.
- HWS plays a key role in partnerships that enhance support for women and children. As a founding partner in Tasmania's first Health Justice Partnership, Just Healthy Families, HWS helped secure a case work lawyer who assisted 82 women and 95 children. HWS partnered with Engender Equality to employ a family violence counsellor who provided 248.5 hours of service to 23 women in 5 months.
- It also introduced the Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP) Program to Australia in 2020, contributing to primary prevention efforts.
- Celebrating 50 years, HWS has evolved from a small shelter into a leader in family violence and homelessness services. Its legacy reflects the resilience of Tasmanian women, transforming lives through safety, support, and advocacy.



A champion of disability rights and inclusion



Judy Huett

Awarded for Service to Human Rights, Justice and Corrections; Community, Advocacy and Inclusion Born: 18 May 1973

Judy Huett is a remarkable advocate known for her unwavering dedication to advancing the rights and inclusion of people with disabilities. Born in the small community of Strahan, Judy's journey is a testament to her resilience and commitment to making a tangible difference.

Judy is a noted public speaker who uses her experiences to educate, inspire, and advocate for greater inclusion.

She works with the Speak Out Association of Tasmania as a self-advocacy liaison and support officer, helping empower her peers and contributing to the strategic direction of the organisation. Her role involves significant engagement with healthcare professionals, policymakers and community leaders to ensure that the voices of people with disabilities are heard, respected, and acted upon.

Judy has represented her community on the international stage, including addressing the United Nations Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in Geneva twice. In 2019 Judy was chosen as the co-lead of the Australian Delegation. There, she highlighted key issues affecting people with disabilities in Australia, demonstrating her ability to effect change at a global level.

ludy's influence is evident in her active participation on various boards and committees, including the Independent Advisory Council of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) and the Premier's Disability Advisory Council (PDAC).

Her long-standing involvement with the Speak Out Association has been instrumental in empowering people with disabilities across Tasmania and driving initiatives that foster inclusion and equality.

Judy continues to serve on various boards and committees, including the Roadmap Implementation Governance Group (RIGG), overseeing the implementation of the National Roadmap for Improving the Health of People with Intellectual Disability.

She is co-chair of the National Centre of Excellence in Intellectual Disability Health, reflecting her ongoing commitment to improving the lives of people with disabilities.

"People with disability can do anything. Don't see the disability, see the ability in people."

Judy Huett

Dr Mary Lindsay Kille, AM

Awarded for Service to Health; Human Rights, Justice **Born:** 29 April 1932

Dr Mary Lindsay Kille, an anaesthetist by training, has made a significant contribution to family planning, sexual health and forensic services in Tasmania.

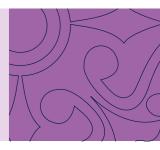
In 1973, she arrived in Australia with her family from the UK and became a dedicated member of the medical profession committed to women's health and rights.

Dr Kille faced significant opposition in establishing the Family Planning and Sexual Assault Support Services in the conservative environment of 1970s Tasmania.

Despite these challenges, she persevered to create crucial programs supporting women's health and safety. Her efforts were instrumental in establishing the first Sexual Assault Service in Tasmania and the third in Australia, delivering vital care with discretion and professionalism.

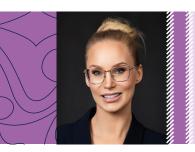
Dr Kille has made a positive impact on countless Tasmanians through her volunteer work, often conducted after hours.

A trailblazer in family planning and women's health in Tasmania



- Her work in family planning and sexual assault advocacy not only provided essential services but also helped to educate and train other medical professionals, thereby enhancing the overall quality of care available.
- Dr Kille's contributions have been formally recognised with several honours, including a life membership of Family Planning Tasmania and a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) award for significant service to public health and to the community.
- Her work has left an indelible mark on the medical and social landscapes of Tasmania, championing the cause of vulnerable populations and advancing human rights.
- "Dr Mary Kille's pioneering spirit and steadfast dedication have transformed women's health services in Tasmania, setting a high standard for compassion and excellence."

Peer testimonial



A champion of science communication

Dr Lila Landowski

Awarded for Service to Science and Education; Community, Advocacy and Inclusion

Born: 2 February 1987

Dr Lila Landowski is a renowned neuroscientist, educator, advocate, and science communicator whose research and public outreach have reshaped neuroscience understanding.

With over 100 million social media viewers, and appearances on ABC Radio and on programs including The Project and ABC's Secret Science, she regularly simplifies complex topics for the public.

Lila engages global audiences in discussions on brain function, nerve regeneration, and health. Her research focuses on stroke, dementia, and peripheral neuropathy, contributing to advancement in nerve repair treatments.

She is a dedicated advocate for STEM education, mentoring future scientists and engaging the public.

As a past and present Director of STEM peak bodies, including Science and Technology Australia and the Australian Society for Medical Research, Lila enthusiastically advocates for the sector.

Lila is committed to mentorship and outreach, inspiring thousands through school visits, public talks and online education initiatives.

Lila's achievements include the Premier's Tasmanian Young Achiever of the Year (2015), a Young Tall Poppy award (2018), and multiple University of Tasmania citations.

Her excellence in science communication has been recognised through awards including the 2019 Tasmanian STEM Communicator of the Year and as a finalist for the Australian Museum Eureka Award.

Her honorary titles include "Superstar of STEM" (Science and Technology Australia), "Public Education Ambassador" (Department of Education), and "Science Superhero" (Chief Scientist, Australia).

"Dr Lila Landowski has redefined science communication, bridging the gap between research and public understanding. Her passion for education and accessibility continues to inspire future scientists worldwide."

Community testament



An esteemed academic and advocate for environmental communication

Professor Elizabeth (Libby) Lester

Awarded for Service to Education and Training; Arts and Media Born: 15 September 1963

Professor Elizabeth (Libby) Lester is a distinguished academic and former journalist who has made pioneering contributions to media and communications, particularly focusing on environmental communication.

Throughout her career, Professor Lester has used her expertise to reshape how social and environmental challenges are communicated. Her leadership in projects such as The Tasmania Project provided vital insights during the COVID-19 pandemic, influencing public policy. Born and raised in Devonport, her career reflects her unwavering commitment to improving She is also a mentor, particularly for women in the ways in which the media and community academia, championing gender equality and shape public and political decisions for critical guiding emerging leaders in the field. environmental and social challenges. Professor Lester has received numerous A graduate of Devonport High School and Don accolades, including the Anne Dunne Award for media research, fellowships including at Oxford University, and a Vice-Chancellor's Award, Professor Lester began her career as a journalist recognising her outstanding contributions to journalism and research excellence. These

College, and with degrees from the Australian National University and University of Melbourne, with leading Australian publications before transitioning to academia, where she has achieved significant milestones.

She led the University of Tasmania's media program and served as the UNESCO Chair in Communication, Environment and Heritage.

Currently, she leads the Climate Change Communication Research Hub at Monash University, driving innovative approaches to addressing climate issues through effective communication strategies.



awards highlight her commitment to using communication as a tool for addressing complex societal challenges.

"Professor Lester's visionary leadership has transformed how we understand the power of communication in addressing environmental and social challenges, inspiring generations to follow her path."

Community recognition



A visionary planner and stalwart of environmental conservation



political change

Mary Ann McCuaig

Awarded for Service to Environment and Government; Community, Advocacy and Inclusion

18 July 1953 - 02 April 2024

Mary Ann McCuaig, fondly known as Anni, was a respected figure in Tasmania's environmental conservation community.

With an educational background in geology and environmental studies from the University of Tasmania, Anni dedicated over three decades to the Tasmania Parks and Wildlife Service (PWS), influencing major environmental policies and management practices.

Anni's career with the PWS began in 1984, culminating in her role as manager of planning and evaluation.

She was instrumental in crafting long-term management plans and conservation strategies that continue to guide the stewardship of Tasmania's national parks and reserves. Her work received national acclaim, including the prestigious Australian Planning Minister's Award for Planning Excellence.

Anni was an enthusiastic advocate for preserving natural sites and opposing developments perceived by many in the community as incompatible with environmental and cultural values.

As vice president of the Rosny Hill Friends Network, she lent her expertise to empower local voices in conservation advocacy.

Anni's commitment to sustainability extended to her involvement with organisations like Sustainable Living Tasmania and her advocacy for marine reserve systems.

Her mentorship inspired a new generation of conservationists, and her colleagues affectionately referred to her as the "fairy godmother of parks."

Anni's profound impact on environmental policy and advocacy left a legacy in Tasmania. Her work not only preserved the natural landscapes she cherished but also set a benchmark for future generations dedicated to sustainable land management.

"Anni's strategic approach to planning and her deep respect for Tasmania's wilderness have left an indelible mark on how we manage and protect our natural heritage."

Colleague tribute

Christine Milne

Awarded for Service to Environment; Government, Public Services, and Politics **Born:** 14 May 1953

Christine Milne is a distinguished Tasmanian who has championed changes in environmental policy, both locally and globally.

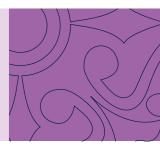
Born and raised in Latrobe, Christine began her career as a high school teacher before transitioning into environmental activism, driven by her unwavering commitment to ecological sustainability and social justice.

Christine's activism led her to politics, where she became a member of the Tasmanian Greens. In 1993, she made history as the first woman to lead a political party in Tasmania.

Later, as a Senator (2004–2015) and the first woman to lead the Australian Greens in 2012. she championed landmark initiatives in climate policy, renewable energy investment, and biodiversity protection.

Christine's impact extends beyond Australia. As a United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) Global 500 Laureate and former vice-president of the World Conservation Union (IUCN), she played a crucial role in advancing international environmental policies.

An influential advocate for environmental protection and



- Her relentless efforts to address climate change and promote sustainability have earned her global recognition and respect.
- Christine's exceptional contributions have been recognised with numerous accolades, including the Australian Bicentennial Award (1988), the 2015 Tasmanian Recipient of Women and Leadership Australia, and her appointment as an Officer of the Order of Australia (OM) in 2018.
- These honours celebrate her extraordinary service to Australian parliaments and her advocacy for environmental and social justice.
- Her service on various boards reflects her enduring dedication to sustainability, equity, and social progress.
- "Christine Milne's visionary leadership has transformed the environmental and political landscape, inspiring generations to fight for a sustainable and just future."

Community statement.



A leader in Tasmania's agricultural success



Deb Morice

Awarded for Service to Agriculture and Primary Industries; Community, Advocacy and Inclusion

Born: 1 January 1960

Deb Morice is a respected leader in Tasmanian agriculture, dedicated to empowering women in the industry and advocating for rural communities.

As Chair of Tasmanian Women in Agriculture (TWiA) and regional manager for Dairy Tasmania, she has played a pivotal role in strengthening women's participation, leadership, and visibility in the sector.

With 45 years of industry experience, Deb has worked extensively to secure grants, develop leadership programs, and create opportunities for women in agriculture.

Her leadership at TWiA has fostered greater industry recognition of women's contributions, while her role with Dairy Tasmania has further strengthened support networks for regional farmers.

Deb has worked tirelessly to increase professional opportunities for women in rural communities. She has actively influenced policy and industry perceptions, championing women as equal contributors to Tasmania's agricultural success.

Through her leadership roles, Deb has created mentorship and networking initiatives that connect women across different agricultural sectors. Her work continues to support the next generation of female leaders in farming.

Deb's contributions have significantly influenced Tasmanian agriculture, ensuring that women's voices are heard, valued and represented at all levels. Her efforts continue to inspire and drive meaningful change in rural industries and beyond.

"Empowering women in agriculture not only enriches the industry but strengthens the entire community."

Deb Morice

Katrina Munting

Awarded for Service to the Community, Advocacy and Inclusion; Justice Born: 21 July 1983

Katrina Munting is a symbol of resilience and advocacy in Tasmania's education and social justice spheres.

Born in Smithton, she transformed her traumatic experiences of childhood sexual abuse and her quest for justice into a powerful narrative of survival and systemic change.

Katrina's journey is marked by her success in both criminal and civil justice in the Supreme Court of Tasmania, and her pivotal role in the Commission of Inquiry into the Tasmanian Government's Responses to Child Sexual Abuse in Institutional Settings. Her testimony highlighted systemic failures in protecting children and has led to significant legal and policy reforms.

As a senior school science teacher, Katrina has dedicated herself to preventive measures and educational reform. Her efforts to ensure safe educational environments have impacted thousands of her students, inspired legislative changes and fostered a culture of vigilance and support in Tasmanian schools.

A courageous advocate for child safety and victims' rights



- She has also engaged in numerous speaking engagements and panels to educate and advocate for the rights and protection of children. Katrina's contributions have been recognised with several accolades, reflecting her impact on child safety and welfare. Her role in the Commission of Inquiry and subsequent reforms has made her a respected figure in efforts to combat child abuse and enhance educational standards.
- Katrina's contributions have been recognised through extensive media coverage and cited in significant judicial and policy reforms. Her role on the Department of Justice's lived experience advisory panel and her involvement in revising child safety legislations underscore her impact on public policy.
- "Katrina Munting's resilience and dedication to transforming her painful experiences into powerful advocacy for child protection make her a beacon of hope and change."

Community testimonial.



A leader in media literacy

Dr Jocelyn Nettlefold (Madden)

Awarded for Service to Arts and Media; Government, Public Services, and Politics **Born:** 5 March 1966

Jocelyn Nettlefold, known as Joce, is a highly regarded journalist, media innovator, and advocate for public-interest journalism.

Her career has shaped Australian media through investigative reporting, media education and digital transformation, redefining journalism's role in strengthening democratic discourse and community engagement.

Joce began her career as a cadet journalist at The Examiner in Launceston, earning early recognition for her investigative rigour and journalistic integrity. As a reporter for ABC News and the 7.30 Report, she covered major Tasmanian stories including the Beaconsfield Mine Rescue, bringing critical local issues to national attention.

A leading advocate for media literacy, loce has played a pivotal role in educating Australians on misinformation and responsible journalism. As ABC's national Media Education Partnerships manager, she led "Navigating the News", Australia's first industry-academic collaboration on media literacy.

As Tasmanian Local Content manager, Joce led ABC Radio Hobart to successive ratings victories and was instrumental in the station receiving a Resilient Australia Award for emergency coverage.

Her contributions to journalism have been recognised with numerous national and state media awards, including the United Nations Peace Prize (2006) for advancing ethical journalism.

Joce's PhD research explores ABC-facilitated community conversations and their impact on civic engagement and participation. Awarded a Federal Government Endeavour Executive Scholarship, she conducted research in the United States, further shaping media education and digital literacy.

"Jocelyn Nettlefold's leadership has strengthened journalism as a tool for truth and accountability, ensuring that media continues to educate, empower, and connect communities."

Community testimonial

Professor Gretta Pecl, AM

Awarded for Service to Science, Technology, Mathematics; Environment Born: 23 September 1970

Professor Gretta Pecl AM is an internationally recognised marine ecologist whose work has changed our understanding of climate change impacts on marine ecosystems.

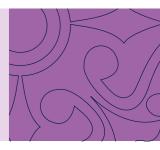
As director of the Centre for Marine Socioecology at the University of Tasmania, Professor Pecl has led groundbreaking research into species redistribution due to climate change.

A lead author for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's (IPCC) Sixth Assessment Report, Gretta has contributed to global climate policy.

As a recipient of an Australian Research Council Future Fellowship, she has led initiatives such as the national citizen science Range Extension Database and Mapping Project and Curious Climate which engages communities in climate science and adaptation strategies.

She has also developed several international networks, such as the Species on the Move research community, which has helped direct international research efforts on climate change and the impacts on our natural world.

A leading marine ecologist and advocate for climate adaptation



- Professor Pecl is a champion for women in STEM, dedicating significant time to mentoring and supporting women researchers in Tasmania and internationally. She has been instrumental in advancing gender equity in scientific leadership, ensuring more inclusive and diverse participation in marine and climate sciences.
- Professor Pecl has been inducted into the Australian Society for Fish Biology Hall of Fame, received a Fulbright Fellowship, and was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia (ÅM) for her significant service to ecological research and education.
- "Professor Pecl's leadership has reshaped climate science, inspiring action, innovation, and the next generation of researchers."

Peer testimony



A champion of service in local government



women's health

Kim Petrina Polley, OAM

Awarded for Service to Government, Public Services and Politics; Community, Advocacy and Inclusion Born: 13 February 1954

Kim began her career in education before venturing into local government. Elected to the Northern Midlands Council in 1999, she distinguished herself with her dedication to public service and leadership.

Kim is a prominent figure in Tasmania's Northern Midlands, serving as the first woman Mayor of the Northern Midlands Council. Her tenure from 2000 to 2014 marked significant advances in local governance and community development. Kim's leadership in advocating for the 'popular election of Mayors' fundamentally reshaped local government in Tasmania, creating greater opportunities for women to assume leadership roles. Her efforts have led to a notable increase in female representation as mayors and deputy mayors throughout the state. Kim successfully fought for all councillors to be reimbursed for childcare expenses which were incurred whilst attending council meetings.

She championed critical infrastructure projects, including the construction of the Longford flood levee and the modernisation of water and sewerage systems - initiatives that greatly improved safety and quality of life in the region.

Kim's contributions have been recognised with several accolades, including the Centenary Medal in 2001 and an Order of Australia Medal in 2010.

"Kim Polley's visionary leadership has left a lasting impact on the Northern Midlands, inspiring greater opportunities for women in governance and transforming her community's quality of life."

Community testimonial

Vicki May Purnell, OAM

Awarded for Service to Health; Community, Advocacy and Inclusion; Volunteering Born: 29 September 1956

Vicki Purnell has dedicated much of her life to service in health and community support.

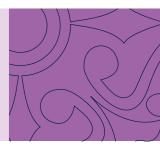
She holds a Bachelor of Science, a Diploma of Education and more recently a Diploma of Family History from the University of Tasmania and spent 37 years passionately teaching secondary mathematics and science.

Following her retirement, Vicki founded Bridie's Blossoms and Blessings in 2013, inspired by the personal tragedy of a friend's stillbirth. This initiative ensures that miscarried and stillborn babies are clothed and farewelled with dignity. Vicki personally crafts layettes and keepsakes, supporting over 1,000 families across Tasmania.

Vicki has been a tireless advocate for women's health, particularly in raising awareness of gynaecological cancers. As a uterine cancer survivor, she has become a voice for better education, support and care for women facing similar challenges.

Through her role as a volunteer presenter for the Survivors Teaching Students Program, Vicki shares her story with medical students to enhance their understanding of gynaecological cancers and improve patient care.

A dedicated teacher for



- Vicki also creates sensory guilts for dementia patients, providing comfort and connection to those facing cognitive decline.
- Her advocacy has extended to federal policy reform, in 2020 Vicki successfully campaigned to remedy inequities in the Australian Government's Stillborn Baby Payment.
- Vicki's selfless contributions have earned her national recognition. She was named the 2019 Tasmanian Local Hero at the Australian of the Year Awards, honouring her compassionate work and community impact. In 2022, she was awarded an Order of Australia Medal (OAM) in the Australia Day Honours for her significant contributions to community health and advocacy.

"Vicki Purnell's advocacy led to crucial legislative reform, demonstrating how one individual's dedication can impact government policy."

Community statement



A lifesaving midwife who shaped rural healthcare in Tasmania



celebrating Tasmania

Maria Raake

Awarded for Service to Health; Community, Advocacy and Inclusion

12 February 1832 - 11 June 1932

Maria Raake devoted more than 50 years to serving her rural communities as a midwife. Born and raised in Avoca, she became an indispensable figure in her community, attending over 1,000 births across the region, often under challenging conditions.

Maria's career was defined by her extraordinary resilience and commitment to providing essential midwifery services where they were most needed. Without formal training, she mastered her skills through hands-on experience, ensuring safe childbirths in homes scattered across Tasmania's rugged landscape. Her dedication was exemplified on one harrowing occasion when, after being thrown from her horse and injured, she continued on foot to deliver a baby before seeking medical attention for herself.

Maria played a vital role in improving maternal and infant health in rural Tasmania during a time when hospital access was scarce for many families. Her work not only ensured the survival and well-being of countless mothers and children but also bridged a critical gap in healthcare services, bringing safety and care to isolated communities.

In 1852 Maria married Gothard Raake and they had six daughters. Remarkably, the last birth she attended was in her 90th year, showcasing her unwavering dedication and resilience.

Maria's lifelong service is commemorated by the Northern Midlands Council with an information plague, honouring her as "A Woman of Substance." This recognition reflects her status as a community hero and a foundational figure in rural healthcare in Tasmania.

Her legacy continues to inspire generations of healthcare professionals, particularly those serving in rural and remote areas.

"Maria Raake was more than a midwife; she was a guardian of life in the bush. Her legacy of dedication and courage continues to inspire generations of caregivers."

Community testimony

Katherine Scholes

Awarded for Service to Arts and Media; Literature Born: 5 July 1959

Katherine Scholes is an acclaimed author and filmmaker, born in Tanzania and raised in Tasmania, whose works resonate deeply with both local and international audiences.

Her books have been translated into numerous languages, selling millions of copies worldwide. She is an award-winning film producer and screenwriter.

Katherine's early experiences in Tanzania's expansive landscapes shaped her literary voice, leading to bestsellers including The Rain Queen and The Hunter's Wife. Her Tasmanian children's book The Boy and the Whale became a classic in Germany, remaining in publication after 35 years. Her book Peacetimes, exploring conflict resolution, made a lasting impact in Japan, where it is accompanied by the work of revered photographer Tanuma Takeyoshi.

Katherine was one of the verv first artists to travel to Antarctica with the Australian Antarctic Division. Her resulting novel The Blue Chameleon won a NSW State Literary Award.

A renowned author and filmmaker



- Her later novel The Stone Angel, set in Tasmania, was longlisted for the prestigious International Dublin Literary Awards.
- Katherine is a co-founder of a media production company with her partner Roger Scholes, the acclaimed writer-director of feature film The Tale of Ruby Rose. They pursued projects with environmental and social themes, such as The Franklin River Blockade, and Last Port of Call.
- An advocate for the Tasmanian arts community, Katherine mentors emerging writers and filmmakers. Her significant contribution to the establishment of Screen Tasmania has helped build a thriving creative industry.
- Katherine has earned numerous accolades. including a Bicentennial Medal for her contribution to Australian society.
- "Katherine Scholes has masterfully woven Tasmania into the global literary and film tapestry, inspiring artists and bringing our stories to life on a global stage."

Community leader



A global advocate for legal reform and women's rights



and production

Cate Sumner

Awarded for Service to Human Rights, Justice; Prevention of Family Violence

Born: 18 September 1965

Cate Sumner is a legal expert and human rights advocate with more than 30 years international experience. She has spent her career improving access to justice for women, people with disability, and vulnerable children.

Cate has worked with international organisations including Baker & McKenzie in Cairo, the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East in the Gaza Strip and Jerusalem, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and the International Development Law Organisation.

In 2005, she founded Law & Development Partners, bringing legal specialists to address justice issues across the Asia-Pacific.

Cate has contributed to research and policy development for UN Women, the World Bank, the Lowy Institute, and the Centre for Global Development.

In 2019, she was awarded a Churchill Fellowship to explore how collaborative funding models combining government, corporate and philanthropic support can fund free legal services for women and children experiencing violence.

Cate's Churchill Fellowship led to a coalition of organisations establishing Tasmania's first health, justice and housing partnership called Just Healthy Families, which provides specialist family violence legal services at 19 locations across Tasmania, including the Hobart Women's Shelter. In its first 30 months, Just Healthy Family lawyers have assisted more than 3500 women and children across Tasmania.

Cate has been instrumental in expanding the Hobart Women's Shelter's impact by securing crucial funding, improving data analysis and reporting systems, and advocating for guality housing. Her leadership has helped the Hobart Women's Shelter expand its services and strengthen its long-term impact.

"Cate Sumner's dedication to justice has transformed legal access for women and vulnerable communities worldwide, ensuring the law is a tool for empowerment and equality."

Community testament

Elizabeth Jean Swain, AM

Awarded for Service to Engineering; Community, Advocacy and Inclusion Born: 24 December 1949

Elizabeth Jean Swain, known as Liz, has been a trailblazing figure in the field of engineering and community governance and leadership in Tasmania.

Spending over four decades at Rio Tinto's Bell Bay Aluminium smelter, Liz became its first female metallurgist (now a Chemical Engineering degree) and a driving force behind advancing the careers of women in the industry.

Liz achieved several historic milestones at Rio Tinto, including becoming the first female to be employed in a senior leadership role at Bell Bay Aluminium. She held pivotal superintendent positions and was instrumental in the establishment of Rio Tinto's maternity leave policy - a groundbreaking move in a nontraditional industry.

Her work in R&D, project management, cultural change and strategic development contributed to significantly boost the company's productivity and innovation.

Liz has dedicated herself to community service (such as equestrian, ski patrols and springboard diving) through various board positions.

A leader for women in engineering



- Her leadership has driven significant organisational changes and improved governance structures in Tasmanian organisations, from disability service, aged care providers, employment and training to financial institutions.
- Liz has been a valued member of the Tasmanian Women's Council, which is instrumental in providing advice to Government on women's policy matters, since 2023.
- Liz's contributions have been widely recognised, including her award as Tasmanian Business Woman of the Year in 1987 and her appointment as a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in 2018 for her services to industry and the community. Her work continues to inspire future generations, especially women pursuing careers in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics).
- "Liz Swain's exceptional leadership in engineering and governance has set a powerful example for women in STEM, leaving an enduring legacy in Tasmania's industrial and community sectors."

Community testimony



A courageous voice for survivor advocacy and legal reform





National Park

Grace Lauren Tame

Awarded for Service to Human Rights, Justice and Corrections; Community, Advocacy and Inclusion Born: 28 December 1994

Grace Tame is a nationally recognised advocate whose courage and determination have driven significant legal and cultural reforms for survivors of sexual abuse.

A native of Hobart, she has used her personal experience to challenge outdated laws, shift societal attitudes, and empower survivors to reclaim their voices. She talks openly about her autism and describes her neurodiversity as a strength.

Grace's advocacy gained national prominence with her campaign against a Tasmanian law which prohibited survivors of sexual abuse from being identified and prevented them from speaking publicly about their experiences. Her successful effort to overturn this law marked a historic victory for free speech and survivors' rights, leading to her recognition as the Australian of the Year in 2021.

Grace has used her platform to lead national conversations about sexual violence, grooming, and systemic change. A frequent speaker and media commentator, she works to destigmatise survivors' experiences, promote stronger legal protections, and encourage institutional accountability.

Grace's contributions have been recognised with multiple accolades. She was the first Tasmanian to be named Australian of the Year (2021), following her earlier recognition as Young Tasmanian of the Year, including the Golden Wattle Award, which honours Australians making an exceptional impact. Her advocacy has received national and international media coverage, amplifying the movement for survivor justice.

Committed to long-term change, Grace founded the Grace Tame Foundation, which advocates for survivors' rights and education on sexual abuse and trauma. She also promotes mental health awareness and resilience, championing physical activity through running and mindfulness initiatives. An ultra-marathon winner, Grace acknowledges the healing power of running and says, "running is a fantastic, healthy way to regulate emotions."

"Grace Tame's courage and determination have not only redefined survivor advocacy in Australia but have also empowered countless individuals to find their voice and demand change."

Community testimonial

Kate Julia Weindorfer (née Cowle)

Awarded for Service to Environment; Tourism 19 July 1863 - 29 April 1916

Kate Weindorfer was a visionary environmentalist whose enduring legacy, alongside her husband Gustav Weindorfer, is the establishment of Cradle Mountain National Park.

Her work has profoundly shaped Tasmania's natural heritage and eco-tourism industry.

Kate was a self-educated botanist with a deep passion for conserving Tasmania's wilderness. Her advocacy and efforts were instrumental in creating Cradle Mountain National Park. In partnership with Gustav, she purchased land in Cradle Valley, where they built the Waldheim Chalet. This iconic structure served as a hub for conservation efforts and laid the foundation for eco-tourism in the region.

Kate's commitment to preserving Tasmania's natural beauty extended to raising awareness about the importance of conservation.

An environmentalist and co-founder of Cradle Mountain



- Her efforts contributed to fostering a culture of environmental appreciation and stewardship that remains central to Tasmania's identity. Kate's pioneering spirit and dedication to Tasmania's wilderness have been honoured posthumously. In 2012, she was included in the Friends of Cradle Valley Honours List, recognising her contributions to environmental conservation.
- Today, her legacy lives on through ongoing conservation programs and educational initiatives that celebrate her role as a foundational figure in protecting Tasmania's unique ecosystems.
- "Kate Weindorfer's deep appreciation for Tasmania's natural beauty and her efforts to preserve it for future generations have cemented her legacy as a foundational figure in environmental conservation."

Community recognition



A celebrated culinary educator and advocate for community wellbeing



Sally Wise, OAM

Awarded for Service to Tourism; Volunteering

Born: 2 September 1951

A beloved Tasmanian kitchen guru and cookbook author, Sally has dedicated her career to teaching practical cooking skills and promoting better nutrition. Known for her approachable recipes and passion for simple, nourishing meals, Sally has authored 16 bestselling cookbooks and is a regular voice on ABC Radio, where her culinary advice has reached audiences everywhere.

Sally began her career teaching cooking at community centres, often volunteering her time to support those eager to learn. Her emphasis on accessible ingredients and practical techniques has earned her a loyal following. A notable contribution is her work at Risdon Prison, where she taught cooking to soon-to-bereleased inmates, equipping them with valuable skills for reintegration.

Sally's passion extends to promoting Tasmania's food culture by collaborating with local producers and advising food businesses on recipe development.

Sally's radio segments reach national and international audiences. Her ability to demystify cooking and inspire confidence in the kitchen

has made her a household name and a respected ambassador for Tasmanian food and hospitality.

Sally's dedication has been celebrated with an Order of Australia Medal (OAM) in 2021 for her contributions to culinary education and community service. In 2019, she was named Tasmanian Senior Australian of the Year, recognising her tireless efforts to promote nutrition, support social rehabilitation, and empower communities through cooking.

For more than a decade Sally operated the Sally Wise Cooking School. Sally continues to teach and mentor aspiring cooks, often offering free classes to those in need. Her volunteer work extends to supporting food businesses by providing free advice on recipe development and cooking techniques.

Her unwavering commitment to education. community, hospitality and tourism ensures her lasting impact on Tasmania's culinary and social landscapes.

"Good food brings people together. It nourishes not just the body but the spirit, fostering connections and community."

Women's Legal Service Tasmania (WLST)

Awarded for Service to Community, Advocacy and Inclusion; Prevention of Family Violence Founded: 30 April 1996

WLST is dedicated to providing free and confidential legal and social support services to women across Tasmania.

With offices in Burnie, Hobart, and Launceston, and providing outreach across the state, WLST aims to remove significant barriers women face in accessing justice. WLST supports women in areas of family law, domestic violence, child protection, employment, sexual harassment, and discrimination.

WLST offers a variety of services including legal advice, representation and community legal education. WLST employs social workers and financial counsellors to assist clients work collaboratively with lawyers. WLST works to enhance women's safety and wellbeing by addressing interconnected, complex sociolegal issues.

WLST is known for its innovative approach which include trauma-informed legal practices and public legal education campaigns. Events like the "Beyond the Prison" seminar and the Annual National Sexual Harassment Conference are examples.

Aids women but also fosters societal change for gender equality



- WLST has also produced innovative resources including podcasts, videos and using plays to challenge gender stereotypes and facilitate conversations.
- Through strategic partnerships with government bodies, non-profits and community groups, WLST enhances its reach and impact. WLST is a vocal advocate for women's rights at local, state, and national levels ensuring that legal reform and policies reflect the needs and rights of women.
- WLST's impact is evident in its extensive service delivery, including handling thousands of cases annually and conducting numerous educational workshops and seminars.
- "WLST strives to ensure that every woman in our state has access to justice, including access to integrated legal and social supports, empowering them to lead safer, more fulfilled lives, where women have the opportunity to reach their potential."

Yvette Cehtel, CEO

Sally Wise



The Tasmanian Women's Council, established by the Minister for Women, provides advice to the Tasmanian Government to assist in the development and delivery of informed, effective and evidence-based policy, programs and projects for women.

Members

Ms Deb Hunter member since October 2023

With post graduate qualifications in environmental science and specialising in environmental management and tourism, Deb, a proud autistic woman and victim-survivor of family and domestic violence, currently runs Wild Cave Tours, an environmental tourism business in rural Tasmania.

Ms Trudy Witbreuk member since October 2023

Trudy has extensive experience in international diplomacy and negotiations, with a particular focus on pursuing Australia's economic interests overseas gained while a senior government official with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Trudy currently sits on the board of the Australia Indonesia Business Council, board of Tasmanian NGO Care For Africa and a member of Chief Executive Women and the International Women's Forum.

Ms Jo Flanagan member since October 2023

With a management background in women's services, Jo is currently the CEO of Women's Health Tasmania. Jo is a Director of the Australian Women's Health Network, co-Chair of the Tasmanian Sexual and Reproductive Health Collaborative Group and member of Primary Health Tasmania's Advisory Council.

Ms Sarah Leary member since October 2023

Currently the Assistant Commissioner, for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander policy and reporting at the Productivity Commission, Sarah, a proud Palawa woman, is a former journalist and diplomat. Previously as an advisor to Australia's Ambassador for Women and Girls, Sarah supported Australia's successful UN Human Rights Council campaign.

Ms Susie Daly member since September 2020 Specialising in agri-business, Susie is a director of Daly Farms and Hellfire Bluff Distillery, founder of Daly Potato Co. and currently completing an aged care course. Susie's significant contribution to agriculture in Tasmania was recognised at the 2019 Australian Farmer of the Year awards.

Ms Liz Swain member since October 2023

Spending over four decades at Rio Tinto's Bell Bay Aluminium smelter, Liz became its first female metallurgist, leading large male operations and maintenance teams in all aspects of aluminium and advancing women's careers in the industry. A former Tasmanian Businesswoman of the Year and Order of Australia Medal (AM) recipient, Liz is being inducted onto the Tasmanian Honour Roll of Women in 2025. Liz, while notionally retired, serves as a director on numerous not-for-profit boards across a wide range of industries.

The Inspiring Young Women's Awards

The Tasmanian Women's Council, in conjunction with the Minister for Women, is proud to be launching a new award to celebrate young Tasmanian women. The awards, affectionately known as The Graces, after Grace Tame who is being inducted onto the Honour Roll in 2025, will recognise and honour the achievements and contributions of young Tasmanian women.

To find out how to nominate an inspiring young woman for these awards please visit women.tas.gov.au

Call for new members

The council will shortly be calling for new members. If you would like to contribute to improving outcomes for Tasmanian women, please email <u>women@dpac.tas.gov.au</u> to express your interest in joining the council.





Tasmanian Honour Roll of Women

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Adams AM, Gwendolyn Adams, Donna Louise Adam-Smith OBE AO. Patricia Ahearn, Patricia (Pat) Alexander, Dr Alison Andersch, Lynette (Lyn) Anne Andersen, Clair Andrew, Wendy Elizabeth Andrews, Gloria Archer, Geraldine Australian Women's Army Service (Tasmanian Division) Australian Women's Land Army (Tasmanian Division)

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Baker, Barbara Baker, Florence Jean Baker, Marjorie Gladys Ball OAM, Aida Olive Ballard, Wafa Bardenhagen, Dr Marita Elaine Barnes OAM, Vera Florence Barnett, Barbara Barnsley, Kathryn Iona Barron OAM, Elizabeth Lauretta Barron, Jennifer (Jen) Bartkevicius, Margaret Anne Barwick, Heather Benjamin MBE, Phyllis Jean Bennett, Elizabeth Gay (Beth) Bennett, Jane

Berger, Shirley May Beven, Mavis Binks OAM, Mary Binns, Sister Marlene Bird, Margaret Josephine Bjelke Petersen, Marie Caroline Blackburn, Elizabeth Blackburn, Susan Irene Bladel, Frances (Fran) Bligh, Marjorie Alfreda Willis Blizzard, Jan Mary Bond OAM, Ailsa Gray Bonham, Prudence (Pru) Bovill, Jane Braham, Elizabeth Beeton Bright, Kathy Brock, Cynthia Helen Brown OAM, Daphne Joyce Brown, Geraldine Mary Buckingham, Beverley (Bev) Burbury, Marion (Jill) Burgess, Jean Heather Burgess AM, Mavis Margaret Burns, Kathryn Ann Burt, Glenn Vivien Bushby, Hazel (Elaine) Butler AM, Heather Rose

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Cairns OAM, Joy Miriam Cairns, Virginia Marigold Cameron AM, Mary Cameron, Imelda (Mel) Gillian Cameron, Patricia (Aunty Patsy) Campbell AC OBE, Enid Campbell, Mary Campbell, Rees Campbell-Smith MBE AM, Mollie Carey MBE, Eleanor Eileen (Nell) Carlton OAM, Melissa Paula Carswell, Joan Cavanagh-Russell, Megan Chapman, Phillipa (Sister) Chauncy, Nancen Beryl (Nan) Chong FAICD, Heather Clark, Elizabeth Mabel Clark, Linda Ruth Clarke, Maureen Rosemary Cleaver, Judith Louise Clemenston, Lesley Ann Clingeleffer, Janet Coaldrake, Maida Coleman, Jill Estelle Coleman, Rosemary Colville AM, Margaret Jean Coombe, Shirley Cornish, Ros Country Women's Association in Tasmania (Inc) Cowen, Donna Cowie OAM, Roxena (Roxy) Cowle, Gertrude

Cox AM, Suzanne Gertrude Coy, Johana Crisp, Mary Murdoch Cross, Carolyn Crotty, Anna Cumming (Tranter), Sister Elsie May Curtain, Constance Marie Curtis AM, Winifred Mary

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Frohmader, Wendy Noeline Fullard, Corrie Lavinia Fulton, Amabel Fulton, Elizabeth Ann Furmage, Rhyllis Gertrude

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Grey OAM, Eleanor (Betty) Grey, Carol Aileen Griffiths AM, Maxine Muriel Grounds, Lucy Margaret Gurr, Elizabeth Joan Guy, Mary Phyllis

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Layton AM, Faith Landowski, Dr Lila Le Mottee, Noreen Leary, Alma May Lester, Professer Elizabeth Lewis, Rosalind Mary Little, Elizabeth Lindsay, Helen Ruth Linegar, Karen Lodder, Mary Luck OAM, Marjorie Ann Luckman OAM, Jessie Sheila Lyons, Dame Enid Muriel

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