

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

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It has been a busy time with attending the National Conference in Perth and the Australia Day 2024 Investitures at Government House Sydney.

I was also honoured to attend and be one of the guest speakers at a University of Sydney event on 26 June for Order of Australia recipients who are Alumni of the University. It was well attended with more than 100 guests and very inspiring guest speakers who spoke about their personal journeys toward being awarded an Order of Australia.

On 24 July we hosted the annual luncheon for Australia Day 2024 recipients and their guests at NSW Parliament House. There is a full report in the Events section below, but it is worth repeating that it was a very successful event.

Preparations are well under way for the Sydney Conference May 1-4 2025, which marks 50 years of The Order of Australia Awards and 45 years of our Association. It gives me great pleasure to announce that the Welcome reception has been confirmed at Government House Sydney and the Wreath Laying Ceremony, Farewell Luncheon and handover to Darwin will be held aboard the HMAS Canberra. On behalf of the Association, sincere thanks to our NSW Branch Patron and NSW Governor Her Excellency The Hon Margaret Beazley AC KC and to Rear Admiral Christopher Smith AM CSM RAN, Commander Australian Fleet, Royal Australian Navy, for their kind generosity and strong support of our Association.

I look forward to all of you joining us at SYD25! We are looking for company and individual sponsors so please contact me if you can help in any way.

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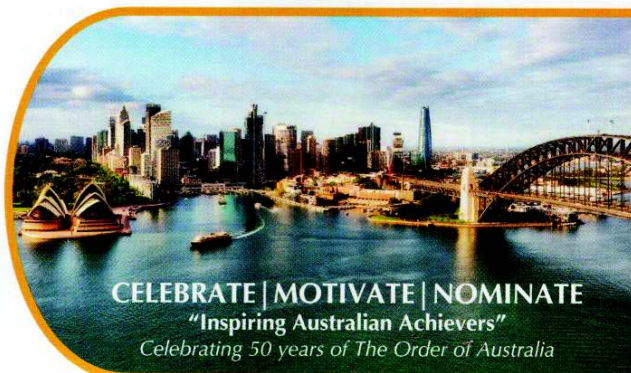
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