

# **Australian Day Honours 2017**

(Those appointed)
COMPANION (AC) IN THE GENERAL DIVISION

#### The Honourable Robert James ELLICOTT QC, Potts Point NSW.

For eminent service to the Parliament of Australia, particularly as Attorney-General, to legal practice and innovative policy development, to advancements in global trade law, and to the international arbitration of sporting disputes.

Community: Foundation Board Member, Life Education Australia, since 1979 and Chairman, 1991-2104. Member of Wayside Chapel, 'since the 1970s'.

(Those appointed)
OFFICERS (AO) OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA

# Emeritus Professor MaryAnn BIN-SALLIK, Darwin NT.

For distinguished service to tertiary education as an academic, author and administrator, particularly in the area of Indigenous studies and culture, and as a role model and mentor.

Director of Kormilda Christian College Board, Darwin, 2005-2015 (Kormilda College is an Anglican and Uniting Church College).

#### The Reverend Alistair James MACRAE, Brunswick West VIC.

For distinguished service to the Uniting Church in Australia through executive and ministerial roles at state and national levels, and to the promotion of ecumenism, interfaith dialogue and reconciliation.

Uniting Church in Australia: Chair, National Assembly Working Group on Doctrine, since 2012. Director of Mission, Uniting Aged Care, 2012-2013. President, National Assembly, 2009-2012. Inaugural Executive Director, Centre for Theology and Ministry, 2004-2009. Moderator, Synod of Victoria and Tasmania, 2000-2003.

Convenor, Sexuality Task Group, 1991-1997. Minister, Wesley Lonsdale Street Church, Melbourne, since 2014. Minister, Brunswick West, 1995-2000. Minister, Portland, 1989-1995. Minister, Upper Kiewa Valley, 1985-1989. Ordained Minister, since 1984



# (Those awarded) MEDAL (OAM) OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA

# Mr Roger John ADAMS, Wauchope NSW.

For service to the community through a range of fundraising activities.

Volunteer at Uniting Church Free Meals.

#### Mr Stewart Trevor COUTTS, Benalla VIC.

For service to the community of Benalla.

Service includes: Benalla and Myrtleford Uniting Churches.

# Mr Donald Stuart GRUBER, Evatt ACT.

For service to the community of the Australian Capital Territory.

Board Member, Uniting Church Greenhills Centre, since 2010 and Convenor, Finance Committee.

# Mr Vaughan Mark HARDING, Inglewood WA.

For service to aged care organisations.

Chief Executive, Uniting Church Homes t/as Juniper, since 1992; Executive Director, 1989-1992. Past National Committee Member, UnitingCare Australia; Past Chair, Aged Care Network.

#### Mrs Heather Emily HEWETT MBE, Horsham VIC.

For service to the Indigenous community of the Northern Territory.

Translation, to Maung, Gospel of Mark, a project of the Northern Regional Council of the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress and the Uniting Church in Australia Northern SYNOD, 2009-2016. Started recording the Maung alphabet with the elders, included linguistic analysis, bible translation, translation and discussion of educational material including electoral information and land rights legislation, 1966-1974. Nursing sister, appointed to the Methodist Overseas Mission at Warruwi, 1957-1979.

#### Mr Alan Winley HOSKINS, South Gundurimba NSW.

For service to the Uniting Church in Australia, and to the community.



Board Member, UnitingCare NSW/ACT, 2014-2015. Chair, North Coast Regional Aged Care Board, since 2008; Board Member, since 2004. Board Member, UnitingCare Ageing, 2009-2015. Founding Member, Food Bank, Lismore Regional Mission, Uniting Church of Australia, since 2012; Deputy Chair, Church Council, current; Congregation Chairperson, current.

# Mrs Moreen Daphne HULL, Parkwood QLD.

For service to children, and to the community of Burnside.

Volunteer/Supporter, UnitingCare Burnside Homes, 'for 60 years'.

#### Mr Keith Lindsay IRVINE, Mt Waverley VIC.

For service to community health through a range of volunteer roles, and to social welfare organisations.

Independent Director, Trustee Board Beneficiary Fund, Uniting Church in Australia, 1994-2008; Chair, Fund Audit and Compliance Committee, 1994-2008; Past Director, Benefund Ltd; Chair, Ethical Investing Committee, Victorian Synod, mid-1990s. Director, Wesley Mission, Melbourne, 2001-2003; Chair, Audit, Risk Management and Compliance Committee.

# Mrs Dorothy Eileen JOHNSON, New Lambton NSW.

For service to the community of New Lambton.

Uniting Church in Australia - New Lambton Uniting Church: Volunteer, New Lambton Playgroup, since 1983. Past Church Organist, 'for many years'. Past Member, Church Council. Parishioner/volunteer, since circa 1970. Coordinator, New Lambton and Kotara Uniting Church, World Vision Australia 40 Hour Famine, since 1980.

#### Ms Sandra Ann KELLY, Mareeba QLD.

For service to the Indigenous community of North Queensland.

Known as "The Outback Angel". Coordinator, Frontier Services, Uniting Church Australia, 2001-2002; Coordinator, North West Isolated Care, Mount Isa, 1993-2001.

#### Mrs Rosalind Sinclair LEIGH, Ceres VIC.

For service to the community through a range of organisations.

Uniting Church in Australia: Church Elder, Congregations of Moriac, Barrabool and Ceres, current. Member, Property Board. Member, Parish Council. Member, Presbytery Committee. Member, Ministerial Calling Committee. Member, Ladies Guild. Involved with religious education in schools.



# Mr Matthew David LINN, Mitcham SA.

For service to the community through refugee support organisations.

Member, Aldgate Uniting Church, 'for many years'. Trustee, Pilgrim Uniting Church Foundation, 1996-2007. Member, Pilgrim Uniting Church, 1980's - circa 2007.

#### Mr Michael John McEWEN, St Ives NSW.

For service to the community through a range of organisations.

Congregation Member, Killara Uniting Church (and previously Gordon Uniting Church) since 1992 and served in leadership appointments from 1993-2014.

# Mrs Georgene Louise McKENZIE-HICKS, Sans Souci NSW.

For service to the international community, and to the Uniting Church in Australia.

Volunteer teacher and community support for the Karen people, Thai-Burma Border, since 1993. Volunteer teacher, Symbiosis Vocational School, Dhaka, Bangladesh, 1995-1998. Missionary, Methodist Overseas Mission, Milne Province, Papua New Guinea, 1961-1973.

President, World Day of Prayer, Uniting Church of Australia, since 1988 and English as a Second Language Teacher, Rockdale parish, current and Youth Group Leader, 1974-1993.

#### The Reverend Neale MICHAEL RFD, Melrose Park SA.

For service to the Uniting Church in Australia, and to the community.

Uniting Church in Australia: Moderator, South Australian Synod, 1992-1993. Chairman, South Australian Heads of Christian Churches Committee, 1992-1993. Acting Superintendent, Adelaide Central Mission, 1972-1973. Minister, 1959 - 2000. Mentor, young Ministers of the Synod, 'for many years'. Past Member, State Council, Australian Bible Society. Secretary, Christian Television Association, 1975-1976.

# Mrs Janet Pauline MORRIS, Horsham VIC.

For service to the community of Horsham.

Elder, Horsham Uniting Church, current and Parish Member, since 1979.

#### Mr Thomas John MORRIS, Beaumaris VIC.

For service to the building and construction industry.

Chairman, St Martins, Beaumaris Uniting Church Council, 2009-2014, and 1995, and Member, since 1967 and Elder, 1977-2014 and Chair, Property and Finance Committee, 1977-2014.



# Mrs Susan Lesley NURSE, Pymble NSW.

For service to the Uniting Church in Australia.

Roseville Uniting Church: Volunteer, 'for over 30 years'. Active leader, 'for 11 years'. Co-ordinator of fundraising events including: Community Market Morning Fundraiser benefitting people with disabilities, Streetwork, Frontier Services, and Lifeline.

#### Mrs Mavis Joan ROWLANDS, Burnie TAS.

For service to conservation, to youth, and to the community.

Treasurer, Burnie Uniting Church, since 1989 and Elder and Sunday School teacher and Church roster co-ordinator for Meals on Wheels, since 1980. Member, Executive Committees, Burnie Regional Church Council and Member, Presbytery Regional Council, since 1990.

## Mr Alan William STAFFORD, Benalla VIC.

For service to the community of Benalla, and to bushfire recovery projects.

Coordinator, Fire Fencing Recovery Project, Benalla Uniting Church, since 2009 and Volunteer, various fund raising activities, 'for many years', and Parishioner, since 1977 and Elder, 'for 5 years' and Congregation Chair, 'for 5 years'.

#### Mr John Archbold TURNBULL, Modanville NSW.

For service to secondary education.

Deputy Headmaster, Knox Grammar School, New South Wales, 1978-1992 and Head, English Department, 1972-1978 and English and French Teacher, 1963-1978. Alumni Director, Old Knox Grammarians' Association, 1998-2002. *Knox Grammar School is an independent, Uniting Church, day and boarding school for boys.* 

#### Mrs Pamela Joy WALKER, Pymble NSW.

For service to the Uniting Church in Australia, and to pastoral care programs.

Service includes: St Ives Uniting Church: Pastoral Co-ordinator, since 1990. Volunteer organiser, Seniors' Activity Day Centre, 2000-2014. Chair, Council of Elders, 1982-1986. Member, since 1977. Member, School Council, Knox Grammar School, 1981-1991. President, Mothers Group, Knox Grammar Preparatory School, 1973. Honorary Secretary, Knox Parents Association, 1974-1981.

# Mrs Margery Lola WHITEHEAD, Kensington NSW.

For service to the community through a range of volunteer roles.

Council Member at Lugar Brae Uniting Church Waverly, 'for 10 years' and Member 'for 11 years'.