

ROYAL HOBART REGATTA ASSOCIATION INC
FELLOWSHIP PRESENTATIONS
REMARKS BY
HER EXCELLENCY THE HONOURABLE BARBARA BAKER AC
GOVERNOR OF TASMANIA
GOVERNMENT HOUSE, FRIDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2024

Good afternoon, everyone. I warmly welcome you all to Government House.

May I begin by acknowledging the Muwinina people upon whose Country we gather. I acknowledge today's Tasmanian Aboriginal Community as ongoing custodians of Country. I recognise their enduring culture and deep connection to land, sea, and waters.

As Patron of our Royal Hobart Regatta Association, it is a pleasure to welcome you all to this ceremony to award six Royal Hobart Regatta Fellowships for 2024.

As we all know, our Royal Hobart Regatta has a long history. For over 180 years, it has been a symbol of our Tasmanian community's enthusiasm for maritime traditions. Today, we continue that tradition by honouring those who have shown not only remarkable skills, but also commitment to advancing the objects of our Association. They contribute to the future of our beloved annual Regatta.

The Royal Hobart Regatta Fellowships were established in the Association's Constitution to recognise individuals who have had a significant impact; and who exemplify the values of our society. These Fellowships recognise the important and long-term commitments of Fellows to fostering a spirit of community. They recognise those who have demonstrated exceptional talent, dedication, and commitment to excellence in their respective fields.

To all Fellowship recipients, may I express my congratulations. You have all earned your awards through hard work, perseverance, and a commitment to the aims of the Association. Today, we celebrate the contributions you have made. We also look forward to your contributions in the years to come.

May I also thank our Regatta community for your support and commitment to the traditions of our Royal Hobart Regatta. Your support and contributions make the three days of our annual Hobart Regatta, possible.

Congratulations again to our Fellowship recipients.

Thank you.