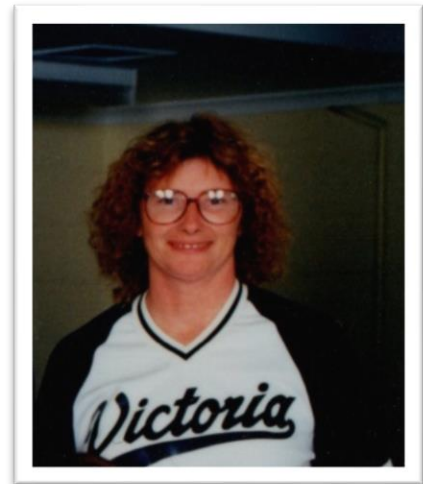


MERLE SHORT SERVICE AWARD

NOMINEE: JANE LACEY
ASSOCIATION: FRANKSTON
YEAR AWARDED: 2005



STATEMENT OF ACHIEVEMENTS:

- 1979 – Started the Overport Jets Softball Club with members of the Frankston Hockey Club. Sometime during the early 1980's, Overport Jets became Bayside Softball Club. During this period Jane became a representative player with Frankston, became club President and took on Frankston Softball Association responsibilities.
- 1987 – Lecturer's accreditation in softball
- 1987 – Coach's accreditation was achieved
- From the 1980's and through to 2004, Jane was President of Bayside and held various Frankston Softball Association positions, but spent most of her time as Championships Coordinator.
- Throughout this time Jane coached virtually all levels of Frankston Softball Association teams, but focussed on juniors, especially the Under 14 and Under 16 representative teams.
- 1989 – Under 19 Women State Team Assistant Coach
- 1990 – Under 19 Women State Team Assistant Coach
- 1991 – Under 19 Women State Team Manager
- Through this period, Jane was involved in the introduction of Regional Softball competition and entered the Bayside senior team in the South East Regional Competition involving Dandenong, Moorabbin and Frankston.
- Jane also facilitated the involvement of Frankston players in the "Rangers" softball teams in the A Grade and A Reserve competition at Waverley.
- In the late 80's to 90's Jane was instrumental in facilitating State team selection of Frankston players for the first time in State junior teams through her player preparation and promotion of the Frankston Association.
- Through this time Jane was also involved in State Development Squads with their selection, training and preparation. This involved all Associations and concentrated heavily on the Primary age group.
- 1992 – Under 19 Women State Team Manager
- 1993 - Under 19 Women State Team Manager
- 1994 - Under 16 Girls State Team Manager
- 1994 – Level 2 Scoring Accreditation

- 1995 - Under 16 Girls State Team Manager
- 1995 – St George Bank Spirit of Sport Award for outstanding voluntary contribution to sport through softball.
- 1996 - Under 16 Girls State Team Manager
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- 1999 – Coach of Victorian State Primary Schools Softball team
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- 2001 – Frankston Softball Association Under 16 Girls Representative Coach
- 2002 - Frankston Softball Association Under 16 Girls Representative Coach
- 2002 – Certificate of Recognition – World Masters Games, multi sports event
- 2004 – Jan Tyers Memorial Award for commitment to, and development of softball – Frankston Softball Association Award.

SUPPORTING STATEMENT:

Jane has over the years been a most dedicated and committed member of the Softball community, and her contributions and achievements to the Frankston Softball Association and Victoria Softball over a 25 year span has been exceptional – and she is well and truly a most worthy nomination for the “Merle Short Service Award”.

