

Dallas Cooper Receives Prestigious ABF Honour

The Australian Bridge Federation recognizes individuals who have given outstanding service to bridge in Australia through election to the ABF Committee of Honour. This honour has been awarded to only 28 individuals throughout its' near 100 year history.

I am pleased to announce to members of the Tasmanian Bridge Association that at the recent ABF Annual General Meeting our club member Dallas Cooper was elected a member of the Committee of Honour. Dallas is only the third Tasmanian to receive this prestigious award. Previous Tasmanians elected were Brenda Jones in 1978 and Roger Penny in 1998.



Dallas retired this year after serving as a TBA Councillor to the ABF for 22 years, including the last 6 years as a member of the committee of management, now known as the Board of Management.

In addition to her contribution to the ABF, Dallas has provided an outstanding contribution to the management of the TBA, being a committee member for 27 years; twice president in 2001-3 and 2007-8; a coordinator of the Tasmanian Festival of Bridge over many years; and coordinator of the Australian National Championships in Tasmania on three occasions.

Bridge has not been her only community passion in Tasmania, having given similar dedication to the game of badminton in Tasmania. In 2020 Dallas was awarded the national honour of OAM for her services to badminton and the community, with her contribution to bridge featuring on the citation.

I am sure you all join with me in congratulating Dallas on this magnificent achievement and look forward to her ongoing activities as a director and competitive player at the TBA.

Graeme Poulton

President

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