



# The Hon Robyn Parker MP

## Minister for the Environment

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#### Government honours heritage heroes

Minister for Heritage, the Hon. Robyn Parker, has today honoured 24 individuals and groups as 'heritage heroes' through the tenth annual NSW Government Heritage Volunteer Awards.

The awards recognise the exceptional contribution to heritage conservation, management and promotion made by our communities unsung heritage heroes.

"Volunteering makes a significant contribution and the work being done by community members is so important in helping to protect, preserve and bring to life our heritage places and stories," Ms Parker said.

The NSW Government Heritage Volunteer program has seen more than 200 groups and individuals formally acknowledged for their work over the years.

"Our 2011 award winners represent a cross-section of community based organisations, heritage agencies and individuals from regional and metropolitan areas of NSW all of whom generously donate their time and effort so the rest of us can enjoy our proud history," Ms Parker said.

"I thank and congratulate all our heritage volunteers for their contribution towards our State's heritage," Ms Parker said.

The Heritage Volunteer Awards were first introduced in 2002 to recognise local community-based volunteers and heritage organisations in conserving heritage in NSW.

A full list of Heritage Volunteer Award recipients are below:

<b>Awardee</b>	<b>Heritage Category</b>	<b>Type of Work</b>	<b>Local Government Area</b>
Arakoon Bush Care Volunteers	Natural Heritage	Physical Conservation	Kempsey
Bob Brown	Cultural Heritage	Historical Research	Berrigan
Bruce Robinson	Cultural Heritage	Historical Research	Weddin
Camden Park Nursery Group	Landscape & Garden Heritage	Physical Conservation	Wollondilly
Cape Byron Friends Volunteers	Maritime Heritage	Interpretation	Byron
Crew of the Ballina Naval and Maritime Museum	Maritime Heritage	Education	Ballina
Dorothy Doolan	Natural Heritage	Physical Conservation	Hornsby
Friends of the Waterworks	Cultural Heritage	Physical Conservation	Goulburn

Gary Cook	Cultural Heritage	Interpretation	N/A
Helen Coulson	Cultural Heritage	Historical Research	Murray
Helen Davies and Jocelyn Brennan-Horley	Built Heritage	Interpretation	Ku-ring-gai
Historic Roto House Volunteers	Cultural Heritage	Interpretation	Port Macquarie Hastings
Innes Ruins Volunteer Guides	Cultural Heritage	Interpretation	Port Macquarie Hastings
Jill Madew	Moveable Heritage	Fundraising	Snowy River
John Riley	Maritime Heritage	Surveys/studies	N/A
Lyall Munro	Aboriginal Heritage	Community Campaign	Moree Plains
Margaret Price	Multicultural Heritage	Management	Broken Hill
Mari Metzke	Built Heritage	Education	Hornsby
Marrickville Heritage Society	Built Heritage	Promotion	Marrickville
Mary Jacobs	Aboriginal Heritage	Education	N/A
Mary Ledwidge	Built Heritage	Physical Conservation	Murray
Montreal Goldfield Management Committee	Cultural Heritage	Physical Conservation	Bega Valley
Ron Johansen	Cultural Heritage	Historical Research	Tweed
Rotary Club of Wentworth	Moveable Heritage	Interpretation	Wentworth

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