



**Sharon Grierson MP**  
Federal Member for Newcastle



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### RECOGNITION FOR NEWCASTLE'S OUTSTANDING SPORTS PEOPLE

More than forty happy Novocastrians will today receive recognition for the outstanding contribution that they make to Newcastle's sporting community.

The awards will be presented by Labor's Shadow Minister for Sport and Recreation, Senator Kate Lundy, and the Federal Member for Newcastle, Sharon Grierson MP, in a ceremony conducted by Butch Hays, well known professional basketballer and charity worker.

The Commonwealth Sports Achievement Awards recognise the sporting contributions, performances, achievements and contributions by members of the Newcastle community.

The award is not restricted to athletes but all contributors to sport including administrators, trainers, school teams and those who support sport at a grassroots level.

This year the award recipients include those who have achieved national representation and success, such as the New Lambton South Aerobics Team. The awards are also going to those who have put in sustained effort and contributed to their sport for many years, like John Hay who has played and served at the Newcastle District Cricket Club for over 25 years.

These awards provide an opportunity for Newcastle to express congratulations and appreciation to some who have made an excellent contribution to sport in our community.

It's people like those being recognised today that have helped Newcastle develop the great sporting community that it has.

**Venue: No 1 Sports Ground, National Park, Parry St, Newcastle**

**Time: Today, 3.30pm – 5pm**

**Filming, photo and interview opportunities at the ceremony or by contacting Sharon Grierson on 4926 1555**

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