

## Two Life Memberships and a Service Award bestowed on three outstanding Judo Australia members at recent Annual General Meeting

Judo Australia (JA) would like to congratulate Alan Broadhead from NSW and Neil Hayes from the ACT, who have been recognised with Life Membership at the recent AGM for their outstanding service and commitment to the sport of Judo.

Life Membership is the highest honour that can be bestowed by JA and recognises distinguished and valued service to Judo in Australia in excess of 20 years.

Malcom Slade from VIC was also awarded a Service Award, for his outstanding and dedicated service to the sport of Judo in Australia.

Alan Broadhead is a life member of Judo NSW and has been a member of Judo Australia since 1964. Alan was a member of the Judo Australian national team from 1978-1981, representing Australia at multiple international events. Alan is Head Coach & President of the Illawarra International Judo Club (IJC) 1983-present, an NCAS Level 2 Coach since 1981 and Judo NSW President from 2000 – 2006. He was the Judo Administration Manager working full-time with the Sydney Olympic Games Organising Committee, delivering the Sydney 2000 Olympic and Paralympic Judo Competitions.



Alan was also a JA Board Director from 2000-2014 and is now Chair of the JA Kodokan Committee, coordinating and recommending all Australian Dan Grades for ratification to the Kodokan Judo Institute in Tokyo, Japan, and Chair of the JA National Grading Committee, where he led the development of the new comprehensive JA National Grading Policy in 2017.



Neil Hayes has provided distinguished and valued service to the sport of Judo in Australia over a significant number of years. Neil is a Judo ACT Life Member and has been involved in Judo at the National level continuously since 1994 and is still actively entrenched at the Club, State and Continental levels as well.

During his more than 20 service to the sport of Judo he has been involved in multiple State, National and International events and is currently a member of the JA Sports Committee.

He is actively involved in coaching at the Club and State level and is an OJU-A licensed referee who referees at State, National and OJU Level competitions.

A Service Award was bestowed upon Malcom Slade for his dedicated work as a volunteer, administrator and referee for the sport of Judo over many decades.

Malcom has been a member of the Judo Victoria Committee since 1982 and was awarded Life Membership in 2004. He has previously worked as Secretary and now currently Registrar with Judo Victoria, spending many hours each week ensuring membership, grades and all records are up to date.

Malcolm has been a referee for over 50 years, 40 years as an Australian and Oceania referee representing Australia at multiple international tournaments, such as the World Masters (Veterans) Judo Championships and OJU Championships and refereeing State Open Championships and the National Championships.

Malcom was also one of the National Technical Officials in charge of a mat at the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games.

JA would like to congratulate and thank these recipients for their hard work, commitment and service to the sport of Judo in Australia.

