

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

The Judo Federation of Australia (JFA) would like to congratulate Luis Val and Peter Herrmann, 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 the JFA and recognises distinguished and valued service to Judo in Australia in excess of 20 years.

While Lucy Val was awarded the inaugural JFA Service Award, for her outstanding and dedicated service over more than ten years to the sport of Judo at the national level.



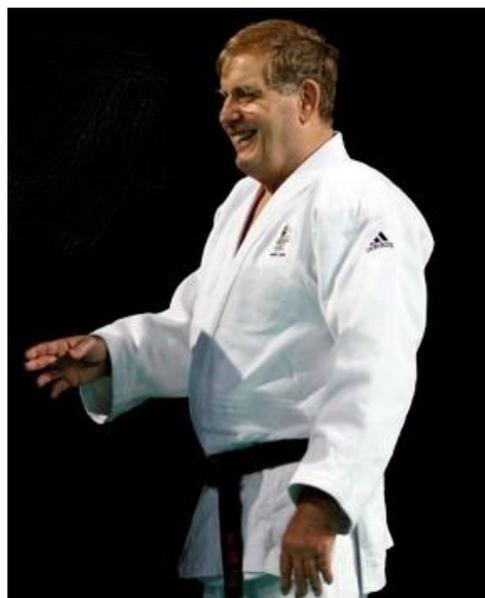
Luis Val is a Life Member of Judo ACT, who commenced his judo career in 1966 at the age of seven when the ACT was still a part of Judo NSW. As a member of NSW, Luis travelled to Sydney regularly to compete in selection tournaments and for training. He has been a competitor, manager, coach and administrator at both National and State level. He was appointed as the Competition Manager for Judo at the Sydney 2000 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

During his more than twenty year service to the sport of Judo he has also been the Tournament Director for several OJU tournaments, including OJU World Cups.

Peter Herrmann has had a wonderful impact on the Judo community in Australia as an Olympic and national coach. He is currently a Life Member of Judo NSW and has made a significant impact on the sport both domestically and internationally for more than thirty years.

The three-time Olympic coach was the JFA National Coaching Director for more than twenty years, while his career as both a competitor and coach saw him contributing significantly to the development of Judo both in Australia and internationally.

Herrmann was also previously the French National Team Coach at the 1976 Montreal Olympics.





The inaugural JFA Service Award was awarded to Lucy Val for her dedicated work as a volunteer and administrator for the sport of Judo at the national level.

Lucy has been part of the JFA Sports Committee since 2001 and during that time she has worked tirelessly to assist in the successful running of National Championships, OJU Championships and OJU World Cup events.

The JFA would like to congratulate and thank the recipients this year for their hard work, commitment and service to the sport of Judo.