

Dr Phil Ridden for Honorary State Life Membership

It is with great pleasure that I nominate Dr Phil Ridden for Honorary State Life Membership. Criteria for nomination include:

1. The Member must reside in the state
2. The Member must have been a member for 10 years
3. The Member must have made an 'outstanding and sustained contribution to the state Branch'

It is therefore without hesitation that I proceed with this nomination.

Phil Ridden has been a valued member of the Junior School Heads' Association, and latterly the Independent Primary School Heads Association for many years.

At a professional level, he has maintained a steadfast commitment to the Association and dedicated a large amount of time, energy and expertise to our Association.

He has been fundamental in establishing our Deputies network, has led Chess competitions, led the Art Network, hosted Ecumenical Services and acted as mentor and friend to all. He has been the representative for Principals Australia (and State Chair for a few years), and for IPSHA members this has meant our voice has been heard clearly on major national educational forums and the West Australian branch has been well-informed of major developments and directions.

In his time as an educator, Phil has achieved great things. He was awarded a Doctor of Education from the University of Western Australia in 2003 and a Master of Education from Murdoch University in 1987.

He commenced his teaching career in 1974 and first became a Deputy Principal in 1982. In the period from 1978–1981 he was a Curriculum Writer and Consultant, DETWA and then moved to DETWA in 1991 as a Professional Development and Training Consultant. In 1992–2001 Phil was the Foundation Head of the Primary School, St Stephen's School Duncraig and then moved to the Carramar campus as Foundation Head of the Primary School from 2001 – 2011.

Whilst serving in these roles, Phil has been furnished with numerous LEADERSHIP HONOURS including:

- Awarded John Laing Professional Development Award by Principals Australia.
- Awarded Fellow of the ACEL (WA); Honorary Life Member of WA Primary Principals' Association; Life Member of ACE; Associate Fellow of ACEL
- Awarded Writer of the Year, *Prime Focus*.

Phil is currently serving as Executive Officer to the Board of four independent schools (part time). He is also a Writer, speaker and consultant.

On a personal level, Phil is a man of great integrity and wisdom. His influence reaches far and beyond educational networks and he is known for his strong Christian faith and as a much loved member of the community.

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Phil is a humble, wise individual whose loyalty, laughter and friendship has been and is greatly valued by all. He has always been the first to publicly and generously acknowledge the efforts of Heads who have coordinated an event for the Branch or the students. Phil's generous support, wonderful ideas and enthusiasm will be greatly missed by IPSHA (WA) and we join together in wishing him and hiswife every health and happiness as they embark on their next adventures.

It is with great pleasure that the Independent Primary School Heads Association (WA Branch) nominate Phil Ridden for an Honorary State Life Membership.

Chrissy Gamble
Head of Junior School
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