

## Nomination for Ms Narelle Barker Honorary State Life Membership

July 20, 2014

It is with great pleasure that I nominate Ms Narelle Barker for Honorary State Life Membership to IPSHA Ltd (NSW Branch). The criteria for nomination states that the candidate must be a former member of not less than ten years standing, a resident in their state, and must have made an outstanding and sustained contribution to the Branch.

Narelle Barker fully meets the above criteria. Narelle became a member of IPSHA (formerly JSHAA) in 1993 when she became Head of the Junior School at Wilderness Girls School, South Australia and immediately committed herself to full attendance and involvement in the Association. During her twenty one years of membership in both South Australia and New South Wales, Narelle has contributed to the development and functioning of the Association in many significant ways. She retires from educational leadership after 41 years of continual service to the lives of all those in her schools and colleagues in both State and Independent sectors.

In 2002 Narelle took up the position of Head of Junior School at Presbyterian Ladies' College, Sydney and became a member of the NSW Branch of IPSHA (then JSHAA). She was the Liaison Head for Cricket for a number of years and then represented IPSHA NSW on APPA NEC from 2006 to 2010. Narelle was one of three IPSHA representatives on the 2008 and 2014 APPA Conference Committees in Sydney. In 2009 through her APPA representation role Narelle became an advocate for SchoolAid - a role she intends to continue in her retirement. In addition, Narelle has been a member of the 2014 IPSHA Biennial Conference Planning Committee in Sydney.

With the increasing significance of having educational leaders from IPSHA on national peak bodies, Narelle took up the role of Principals Australia Institute (PAI) representative from 2010 until her retirement in 2014. Her ability to see the big picture in educational issues and her desire to have a collaborative and forward thinking relationship with all educational sectors enabled IPSHA to have a relevant and respected voice.

Narelle enjoyed the Performing Arts and compered the JSHAA Music Festival in Adelaide in 1995. This interest continued in NSW where Narelle took up the role of Convenor of the Performing Arts Festival (PAF) in 2012 and 2013. Her organisational skills were well utilised in further improving the PAF. Narelle has left a lasting legacy in the PAF.

Her continued contribution to the Association through Honorary State Life Membership is fully endorsed by the Branch.

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