



## **2016 King Edward VII Cup**

### **Citation for Professor John Pearn AO, RFD**

Professor Pearn has given 40 years of sterling service to the Royal Life Saving Society, both in Australia and around the Commonwealth.

Professor Pearn became a member of the Royal Life Saving Society Australia in 1976. He is a highly regarded paediatrician and has made a lifelong contribution to the researching the science of drowning prevention. Professor Pearn was appointed as RLSSA National Medical Advisor in 2002, and still holds this role today. He has been the RLSSA representative to the Australian Resuscitation Council since 2003, and also serves as the RLSSA representative to the ILS Medical Committee.

Professor Pearn is the holder of a number of lifesaving honours. He was awarded RLSSA's Meritous Service Medal in 2001, and the Life Member Award in 2005. In 2009, he received the Commonwealth Service Cross.

Professor Pearn has presented at numerous domestic and international conferences including most recently the National Drowning Prevention Summit 2014 and the World Conference 2013. He serves as a mentor and inspiration to the Research and Leadership team in the Australia National Office.