

Rotary
District 9675



2020 Inspirational Women's Awards



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2020 NSW INSPIRATIONAL WOMEN'S AWARDS ROTARY CELEBRATES WINNERS

The Rotary Clubs of NSW hosted the Rotary Inspirational Women's Awards on Sunday. Twenty-four women from all parts of the State of NSW were judged by panels of Rotarians from Rotary Districts across the State. The celebration was held in seven locations: Dapto, Lightning Ridge, Maitland, Norfolk Island, Old Bar, Orange and Sydney where the Award Patron, the Hon Margaret Beazley AC QC joined the celebration to congratulate the finalists and the awardees.

The Inspirational Women's Awards (RIWA) recognize community service across all sectors and locations throughout NSW. Judging focuses on the level of commitment, dedication, perseverance and proactivity in improving the lives of others. The Awards are open to all women across NSW who aren't connected to Rotary.

In keeping with Rotary's motto of 'Service Above Self', these Awards acknowledge and celebrate community service performed by women through their various activities and endeavors, over and above their normal daily role. They are the "quiet achievers", whose actions inspire others and make a difference to their communities.

Minister for Women Bronnie Taylor congratulated the winners and nominees and said the awards were a fantastic way of shining a light on the enormous contributions of women in city, regional and rural communities across NSW.

"These awards celebrate the outstanding commitment, sacrifice and passion of inspirational women all across the state. As a community, it is so important to take the time to acknowledge and thank our volunteers," said Mrs Taylor.

"These women give so much of themselves and ask for so little in return."

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The following are the winners for each of the following categories: Young Inspirational Woman aged 18-30, and Inspirational Woman of the Year:

- Young Rural Inspirational Woman of the Year – Rebecca Crisp – East Orange
- Young Urban Inspirational Woman of the Year – Fibha Frameen - Merrylands
- Young Health Worker of the Year- Katie Newcombe – Old Bar
- Rural Inspirational Woman of the Year – Erin Pogmore - Windellema
- Urban Inspirational Woman of the Year – Kylee Bentham – Mt Annan
- Health Worker of the Year – Christine Cleary – Baulkham Hills

The overall winner of the Rotary Inspirational Woman 2020 was Christine Cleary

The overall winner of the Young Rotary Inspirational Woman 2020 was Fibha Frameen

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