

Award for An Outstanding Person In A Region Or Special Interest Group

Jennifer Ollerenshaw Citation

The diversity of regions and business types in the NSW and ACT nursery industry dictates NGINA's dependence on active regional and special interest organisations to communicate and interact with members at a local level. Without doubt the recipient of this award goes beyond the call of duty to keep the Tubestock Growers Group members informed and interested.

Jennifer Ollerenshaw is not the front person for this group but has toiled for many years serving this group of specialist propagators in a secretarial capacity, recording minutes, sending out agendas, keeping members informed of what's happening and make members feel welcomed and valued. Without fail when the AGM is held when no one puts up their hand for her position she re-volunteers selflessly. This is no mean feat considering she is the co-owner of Bywong Nursery which she runs with her Husband Peter. Bywong Nursery is located 30kms north east of Canberra, near the old gold mining settlement of Bywong. Peter and Jennifer

Ollerenshaw started the nursery in 1984.

Whilst the Group is not a large group it is a very important group that meets to keep abreast of industry and technical developments which is critical for these propagators that are at the heart of the supply chain of the industry.

The meetings held quarterly attract a regular group of attendees and are held at the NGINA offices on the Monday night prior to Trade Day. Jennifer always bakes a cake for the occasion – this has continued for over 15 years without fail- worthy of an award in its own right!

It is no mean feat to maintain member's interest and keep them coming back for more. That the committee continues to conduct meetings which are informative and interesting, is a great credit to them. Jennifer has been a stalwart of this group in the way she has served it with huge commitment, loyalty and dedication and is a worthy winner of the award for an Outstanding Individual in a Region or Special Interest Group.



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