## YEAR OF INDUCTION 2019

**Category - Prominent Persons** 



**ALLAN BARTRAM (WA)** 

## **CLUB ACTIVITIES**

After immigrating to Australia from England in the late 1980's Allan pursued his love of retrieving which he had begun prior to his departure. He purchased a Golden Retriever and began competing in Retrieving Trials in earnest and also in Shows. As a member of the Golden Retriever Club Committee (1992 – 1996) and with the aid of two other committee members they started the first Novice and Restricted Trials for this club.

He stewarded at many trials and took on the role of Trial Manager for the 1994 National Retrieving Trial. Since that year he has competed in or attended all National Trials bar one.

Allan became a committee member of the Retrieving Club of WA in 1990 and also served as President of the club from 1994 - 1996.

He served as Committee member for several years on the Australian National Retrieving Club Committee before becoming Chairperson in 2006. He still maintains this role.

Allan has also served on the State Retrieving Working Party since 2004.

One of the main roles Allan held for many years was as the WA RAFT representative for Retrieving. In this capacity he held a number of positions within the National RAFT Committee and earned the respect of many people across Australia.

As the RAFT representative Allan was also responsible for the WA Judges Training Scheme and effectively mentored a number of people applying for their judge's license.

Another task which Allan has cheerfully undertaken has been the storage of pigeons for both the Retrieving Club and the Australian National Retrieving Club in preparation for trials.

## TRIALS - JUDGING/STEWARDING/MANAGING

In the years since Allan began his trialling career he has cheerfully taken on the role of steward and has been a very dependable and responsible Trial Manager for countless judges.

His own trialling began in WA with golden Retrievers and from 1994 to 2003 he worked R.T.CH Monterey Field Twist, a New Zealand import. In more recent years he has competed with R.T.CH. Boomermagic Halloween Hero, a black Labrador. He has also competed with his Labrador in S and R Field Trials in WA.

## TRIALS - HANDLING/TRIAL HISTORY

In the mid 1990's Allan began what has become a very successful judging career. Since becoming a Championship Judge in 2002 he has been asked to judge the 2012 National Championship and the State Championship twice in both Queensland and Western Australia and also one in Tasmania, Victoria and South Australia. He has also judged a number of stakes in other states apart from his many judging appointments in Western Australia.

Throughout his long career in Retrieving Allan has always worked hard for both Retrieving Trials and the people involved in Retrieving. He has made many outstanding contributions to our sport.