



**Doug Parkinson, MLC**  
Deputy Leader of the Government in the  
Upper House  
Friday, 2 January 2004

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## **Sydney-Hobart Stalwarts Honoured**

Doug Parkinson MLC today honoured a group of sailors for their collective, long-standing association with the Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race.

He presented three specially-struck medallions recognising their participation in 25 races.

The recipients are:

- Mike Green (aboard Quest)
- Phil Eadie (Ragamuffin)
- Kim Jagger (KAZ)

Mr Parkinson also presented two 10 year medallions to Sally Gordon (Ichi Ban) and Felicity Nelson (Impeccable).

"Each of these sailors has seen many changes over their time."

"The Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race and the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia have had a marked influence on international ocean yacht racing."

"They have influenced the world in race communications and sea safety, maintaining the highest standards of yacht construction, rigging and stability for ocean racing yachts."

Mr Parkinson said the 630 nautical mile course was often described as the most gruelling long ocean races in the world –a challenge to everyone who takes part.

"That each of these sailors has taken part in ocean racing over a sustained period is testament to their skills, enthusiasm, and dedication to the sport of ocean racing."

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