



Thursday 10th July 2008

Mr Ray Connell
26 Sunhill Drive, Merewether
Newcastle NSW 2291

Dear Ray,

On behalf of *The Daily Telegraph* and *The Sunday Telegraph* I would like to congratulate you on being nominated in the environment category of the 2008 Pride of Australia Medal.

The Pride of Australia Medal is a community-based awards program that honours everyday Australians, like you, who do extraordinary things – the unsung heroes of our communities whose contribution to Australian life is not widely known by the general public.

There are 10 Pride of Australia Medal award categories that celebrate and honour values and attributes like bravery, courage, leadership, community spirit, mateship, fair play, tolerance, hard work and generosity.

A unique sterling silver Pride of Australia Medal will be awarded to the winners to recognise and honour them at a special ceremony in Sydney in October.

If you are selected as a finalist in your medal category you will be advised by phone at the end of August 2008. As a finalist, you will be sent forms requesting your written permission to carry out character reference checks and a Statutory Declaration form for you to sign.

For more information on the Pride of Australia Medal visit www.prideofaustralia.com.au or call 1800 888 831.

If after reading this letter you choose to withdraw your nomination from the Pride of Australia Medal, please contact Georgina Metcalfe on (02) 9288 2703, as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Tony Thomas
Deputy Managing Editor