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Dr. BRAD MURPHY

2020 STONEHAVEN MEDAL

Tingira Australia Association President, Lance Ker, announced today that former Royal Australian Navy Junior Recruit, **Dr. Brad Murphy**, from Bundaberg, Queensland, is the winner of the 2020 Tingira Stonehaven Medal.

The Stonehaven Medal is awarded to the Tingira member who can show cause in their local community or present naval duties ***‘above and beyond the expectations of his communities and normal call of duty’***.

Tingira Boys, Ray James, Danny O’Riordan and Greg Read were also finalists in this years nomination list from members of the association. Brad Murphy was judged as the most outstanding of the four candidates in this years nominations for his recent industry and community achievements.

“The workload and commitment that Brad has achieved and displayed amongst his Defence and Indigenous community duties left him a standout winner” said Tingira Australia Association President, Lance Ker at a private presentation last week to Brad, family and friends in Bundaberg in a COVID-19 restricted small gathering at his GP Practice.

Brad Murphy's nomination was a resume that read like a 'boys own' story book.

A young boy, dreamed of joining the navy when passing a Newcastle shipyard each day on his way to school. Then joined the navy at age 15 as a young Junior Recruit and became a navy medic as his first ambition in life. Working his way through the ranks of Navy, St Johns Ambulance, NSW, Queensland and ACT Ambulance Services to finally graduate as 'Dr' Brad Murphy, from James Cook University in 2005 and Specialist General Practitioner in 2011.

37 years onwards - Brad Murphy is awarded 2016 'Indigenous Doctor of the Year'. Owns and operates the '2019 General Medical Practice of the Year' in Bundaberg.

Brad holds several positions on Medical and Defence industry associations, advocate to the Federal Department of Veterans Affairs and is the proud recipient of this years Tingira 'Stonehaven Medal' adding to his prestigious awards portfolio.

"This is just unbelievable, I did not see this coming, very proud of my Tingira shipmates for this, sure will celebrate this one with the local veteran lads on Tingira Day this weekend" said a very excited Brad Murphy when informed of his win.

The Stonehaven's origins trek back in history to 1926. Governor-General of Australia, Lord Stonehaven, presented the 'Stonehaven Shield' to the best divisional intake as an annual award to the 15 year old navy 'Tingira Boys' on board the training ship HMAS Tingira in Rose Bay, Sydney. This is the fourth year the medal has been presented by the Tingira Australia Association.

The Stonehaven Medal is donated and supported by the Cumberland RSL sub-Branch, Sydney, for which the Association is most grateful of their continued support.

Tingira Australia Association celebrates Tingira Day on Monday 13 July, the 60th anniversary of the first intake of the second generation 'Tingira Boys' form HMAS Leeuwin, Fremantle, WA.

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*Dr. Brad Murphy, accepting 2020 Stonehaven Medal
from Tingira President, Lance Ker*



Dr Brad Murphy of Bundaberg, celebrating with friends and family when he received his Tingira Stonehaven Medal recently