2026 Stonehaven Medal Criteria

Overview

The Tingira Stonehaven Medal is awarded annually to an ex-Junior Recruit (ex-JR) who has demonstrated achievement 'above and beyond' expectations in naval or civilian community service.

This is the highest honour within the Tingira Association and is based on the original Stonehaven Shield, first was presented annually to HMAS Tingira by the Governor-General, Lord Stonehaven, in 1925.

Eligibility

The award is open to any former JR who was a member of one of the 88 intakes into the Royal Australian Junior Recruit Training Scheme at HMAS Leeuwin and HMAS Cerberus between 1960 – 1984.

Criteria

Consideration for this award is given to those who have demonstrated a high level of commitment and professionalism to projects or activities that have resulted in positive and successful outcomes for the navy, civil service and/or community over a sustained period of time. The service provided by the nominee can be through one or several organisations and can be either in the course of their employment, through their own business and/or as a volunteer.

Nominations

Anyone can nominate an ex-JR for the Stonehaven Medal. Nominations should provide the following:

- Name of person being nominated and official number (if known)
- Intake and year joined the Navy
- Contacts for the nominee and nominator including residential address, email and phone
- A maximum of 500 words to support the nomination outlining the nominee's achievement as per the above criteria

Nominations are to be submitted to the Secretary at tsec@tingira.org.au by 06 October 2026

Award Recipient

The Tingira Australia Committee will consider all nominations and will determine the recipient to be announced in November 2026.

The recipient receives a mounted Medal trophy with his name struck on a perpetual Tingira shield, that they can display for the following 12 months along with a personalised replica for them to keep. The award will be presented at an appropriate venue at a suitable agreed time.

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