

## 2024 Recipient Madge Tate Service Award Sharron Markovic

Congratulations to Sharron Markovic, the recipient of this year's Madge Tate Service Award.

Sharron has been a tireless supporter of the Auxiliaries for the past 24 years, after a chance invitation to attend the CIKA annual ball with her friends Julie and Sam Casilli sparked a passion for supporting children with cancer.

Since that first ball, Sharron has consistently raised her hand to take on important volunteer roles - first with CIKA and then as one of the founding members of the Cancer Crusaders Auxiliary from 2013.

As Stall Convener for the past 24 years - 13 years with CIKA and 11 years (and counting!) with Cancer Crusaders - Sharron has spent countless hours sourcing stock to sell and donations from the community. She is renowned for keeping her sharp eye out for anything her Auxiliary can onsell or raffle.

The Cancer Crusaders are well known for their hospital stalls and Market Days, which raise thousands of dollars each year. Sharron has manned the stalls each year and has become a well-known friendly face for staff and patient families alike.

In addition to the famous stalls and Market Days, Sharron is also passionate about supporting a range of fundraising events including the Cancer Crusaders High Teas, Annual Dinner Dance, Oaks Day Luncheon, bake sales, and of course, the Kids Day Out.

From wrapping silent auction hampers to baking delicious treats, sewing beautiful aprons, knitting gorgeous baby clothes, liaising with event venues, and organising prizes and centrepieces, Sharron has done it all.



Sharron is also active on an administrative level, having served as a member of the Fundraising Committee and as Secretary of Cancer Crusaders from its inception until today.

One of the most remarkable things about Sharron is that in addition to being a hard-working Auxiliary member, she is also a mother of three boys and a full-time nurse who works night shifts. Her incredible dedication and passion make her a wonderful example of the extraordinary good being done by RCH Auxiliary members every day.

Congratulations once again to Sharron, and thank you for your tireless efforts for the RCH and Auxiliaries over the past 24 years.

