

# Club Mudgee Commended

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Max Potential program managers Carol Cockerill-Wright and Fiona Brown with Future Achievement Australia chairman Wayne Deeth at the Clubs NSW awards at the Sydney Convention Centre in Darling Harbour on Friday evening.

Club Mudgee's support for the Max Potential youth development program was singled out for special mention at the Clubs NSW awards night on Friday evening.

Future Achievement Australia chairman Wayne Deeth sent a "very, very special thank you" to Club Mudgee for its support for the program over the past seven years.

"Your passion and commitment to the community and Max Potential is inspiring," Mr Deeth told Club Mudgee representatives in front of an audience which included Premier Barry O'Farrell and NSW Opposition leader John Robertson.

Mr Deeth said over the past 10 years, more than 3000 young adults had taken part in Max Potential across the state.

Thirteen high school students are taking part in the latest 22-week Max Potential program in Mudgee, working with coaches from local businesses, industry and the community to build confidence and develop life goals.

Mr Deeth announced that as a result of a new partnership with the NSW Centre for Volunteering, involvement in Max Potential programs would in future be recognised at HSC level.

The University of Western Sydney has also expressed interest in being involved in Max Potential.

“You can make a difference in the community, one young leader at a time,” Mr Deeth told the Clubs NSW audience.

Club Mudgee was nominated for the Central West region Ambassador Award in recognition for spearheading the campaign which raised more than \$100,000 for a new Mudgee Rescue Squad vehicle in less than 12 months.

Club Mudgee CEO Maureen Heywood was also nominated for the “Heart of Community” Award.