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### **Kerri Tepper – Nomination for Life Membership**

#### **Personal History**

**Kerri Tepper** (born 1967) is regarded as one of the finest female table tennis players Australia has produced. Hailing from the small Victorian country town of Murtoa, at age 9 she became Victorian Closed U/10 Champion in 1976 - then went on to represent Australia at over 27 major international events from 1986 to 1997 including two Olympic Games.

Kerri was Chief Executive Officer of Table Tennis Victoria (1993 – 1996), and retired from international table tennis competition in 1997.

She has continued her passionate commitment to sport and the Olympic movement through volunteer roles including:

- TTV Board of Management (Communications Portfolio) 1993
- Athlete Advisory Committees National & VIC Athlete Career & Education (ACE) Program / VIC Sport Drug Agency Athlete Advisory Committee 1995 – 1997
- Patron, Kerri Tepper Table Tennis Tournament for People with Disabilities, Horsham. 1996 present
- SBS / ABC TV coverage of Australian Open Table Tennis Pro Tour. 1996 2000
- Advisory Committee Member, Sports Federation Foundation (SFF). 1997 1998
- Board Member, Victorian Olympic Council (VOC). 1999 2013
  (Including Vice President VOC 1997 2013; Director, Victorian Olympic Foundation 2009 2013; Education Commission Member; as well as developing & launching the VOC Julius Patching Official of the Year Award 2007.)
- Selection Panellist, VicSport Awards. 1999 2002
- Facilitator, Australian Olympic Academy VIC. 1999 & 2004
- Presenter, Australian Olympic Committee's Drug Education Program (2000 2002) and WADA Drug Education Program (including World University Games – Beijing August 2001; Commonwealth Games - Manchester 2002.)
- Director of the Victorian Institute of Sport (VIS). 2001 2007 (Including Chair VIS Marketing Committee. 2001 2003)
- Course Conductor, Oceania Table Tennis Federation Women's Development Course. Fiji 2004
- Expert Commentator, Channel 7 Olympic Table Tennis Coverage 2004 & 2008























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Board Member, Volunteering Victoria. 2012 - 2013

#### **Career Highlights**

- Dual Olympian (Seoul 1988 and Barcelona 1992)
- 4 Commonwealth medals (1 silver, 3 bronze)
- 16 Oceania titles (4 singles, 5 doubles, 2 mixed doubles, 5 teams)
- 17 Australian Open titles (5 singles, 8 doubles, 4 mixed)
- 7 Australian Closed titles (3 singles, 3 doubles, 1 mixed)
- 10+ Australian Junior titles
- First Australian woman to achieve a World or Asian ranking and first Australian woman to be ranked in World top 100
- Table Tennis Australia Female Player of the Century (Australian –born)
- Australian Player of the Year 'Victor Barna Award' (4 times 1986 1988, 1993)
- Victorian 'French Award' Player of the Year (10 consecutive years from 1985 1994)
- Murtoa High School Special Achievement Certificate for Table Tennis 1980 1983
- Wimmera Junior Sports Star 1983
- TTV Junior Player of the Year 1983
- Dunmunkle Shire Australia Day Young Citizen Award for dedication and achievement in Table Tennis 1984
- Wimmera Sports Star of the Year 1986
- Australia Day 'Australian Achiever' Honour 1987
- Competed in Swedish League 1990 1991
- Victorian Institute of Sport (VIS) Scholarship Holder 1991 1996
- VIS Athlete of the Month May 1993
- Young Achiever Awards Victoria Outstanding Achievement Nominee 1994
- SCA Australian Open Most Successful Female Player Award 1995
- Wimmera Sports Assembly Hall of Fame Inductee 1997
- Australian Representative, International Olympic Academy Session for Young Participants, Olympia, Greece, 1998
- Australian Sports Medal recipient 2000
- Olympic Torchbearer, Torch Relay Sydney 2000
- Table Tennis Victoria Hall of Fame Inductee 2002
- Australian Table Tennis Hall of Fame Inductee 2008
- Victorian Olympic Council Life Member 2014 (second female in VOC history)

























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