



# The Hon Graham Annesley MP

Minister for Sport and Recreation

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### **NSW SPORTS STARS ADMITTED TO NATIONAL HALL OF FAME**

The Minister for Sport and Recreation Graham Annesley has congratulated the seven outstanding Australians who were inducted into The Sport Australia Hall of Fame on last night.

“I offer my sincere congratulations to the inductees who are all exceptional Australians,” Mr Annesley said.

“Their direct involvement in competition and other facets of our sporting heritage, make these inductees great ambassadors for our country as well as the sports to which they are dedicated.”

The seven inductees into the Hall of Fame are:

- **Layne Beachley (Surfing)**
- **Belinda Clark (Cricket)**
- **Judy Joy Davies (Media)**
- **Lorraine Landon (Administration Basketball)**
- **Glenn McGrath (Cricket)**
- **Kostya Tszu (Boxing)**
- **Greg Welch (Triathlon)**

Cathy Freeman was awarded the highest honour in Australian sport when elevated to legend status in the Sport Australia Hall of Fame

TOUR de France champion Cadel Evans also won the Sport Australia Hall of Fame's The Don award for "one of" the all-time great victories.

The Sport Australia Hall of Fame recognises and promotes the outstanding sporting achievements of Australia's greatest athletes to encourage everyone, young and old, to reach their sport and life potential. It aims to preserve Australia's rich sporting heritage and use the values and experience of its Members to inspire our future stars.

Mr Annesley added, “They join other great Australians in the Hall of Fame, like the first inductee, Sir Donald Bradman, and NSW should be very proud of Layne Beachley, Lorraine Landon, Glenn McGrath and Kostya Tszu for the substantial contribution they have made to our state's rich sporting heritage.”

“Like all those who have preceded them, I'm sure the new Sport Australia Hall of Fame members will also be inspiring role models for young people and the wider community,” Mr Annesley said.