

## **Arthur Murgatroyd**

Since I was about 19 I have been volunteering. I grew up in Townsville and I was a member of the Arcadian Surf Life Saving Club on Magnetic Island.

I came to Sydney in 1961 and in the mid 1960's I joined Apex which then was a service club for men until they reached 40 years of age.

In 1980 I saw an article in my local paper about swimming club called Splash which was for disabled people and wanting volunteers to assist the members to help them swim and provide transport. I was with the club until it folded in 1998.

1997 I became a volunteer for Bicycle NSW and was a team leader for many years. I went on three Big Rides around New South Wales and I still enjoy volunteering for the Spring Cycle, Gear Up Girl Challenge and at times helping out in the office.

Now that I have retired, volunteering for events both sporting and non sporting events are a big part of my life. I enjoy meeting people and helping out behind the scene and for many of my volunteering experiences I go interstate and overseas to volunteer and combine it with a holiday.

One of the rewards when volunteering is when a person involved with the event will thank you for being a volunteer.

