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Australia Day honours for prominent CENTURY 21 Principal

Craig Marshall, Principal of CENTURY 21 Cordeau Marshall, was yesterday awarded Australia Day Honours for Outstanding Service to his local community by Ku-ring-gai City Council.

The award was presented to Craig at an Australia Day concert in Bi-Centennial Park, Pymble.

Owner and principal of five CENTURY 21 offices in Lindfield, Turramurra, Gordon, Pymble and St Ives, Craig's work and commitment to his local community ensures that he is always busy.

Since 1988, Craig has donated over \$1 million to support the local community through groups such as sporting associations which include the bowling clubs and soccer clubs. Local schools and charities, such as the MS Society and Lifeline, are also assisted. On average 40 different associations are sponsored by Craig and century 21 Cordeau Marshall each year. Best of all, the money donated is used in the Ku-ring-gai Council area to benefit local people. He doesn't just donate money but also time by doing charity auctions and being at local sponsorships giving out balloons to the children and eco bags to the parents.

A local resident all his life, Craig is grateful for the opportunities that his local community has given him and sees his donations as a way of giving back.

"Having been part of this community since I was born makes this area very special to me. Being able to give back to the community is just as important to me as running successful real estate agencies. I am glad I can use my businesses to benefit the community and the people of Ku-ring-gai," Craig said.

Craig credits the support of his partner, Michelle Placks, Principal of CENTURY 21 Gordon, and his entire staff for the ability to continue supporting the local community.

"The support of Michelle and my assistant Lina is instrumental in the organisation of my charity activities. I'm grateful to my staff for becoming involved, each taking a different community group to work with. This builds community spirit and also team spirit amongst our CENTURY 21 offices," he said.

"We try and do as much as we can for the community although time is very precious. I once tried to run three charity auctions in one night which was a bit of a stretch."

According to Craig, "My staff has been wonderful with the charity work making it possible to do as much as we can. Although we seem like we do a lot for the charities they do a lot for me and the team as well."

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