

**MEDIA RELEASE**

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Tully Tigers President, Anthony Emmi, receives Good Australian Award

TULLY TIGERS Rugby League Club President, Anthony Emmi, has been presented a Good Australian Award for his services to rugby league in the region.

Mr Emmi was presented the award by Cassowary Coast Council Deputy Mayor, Barry Barnes, and Hill MP, Shane Knuth, on Saturday night (5/2/2022) during the Tully Tigers Jersey Auction.

The Good Australian Award, instituted by Kennedy MP, Bob Katter, recognises hardworking and honest North Queenslanders, and recipients of the award can use the post-nominal letters G.A. after their name.

Bob Katter said Mr Emmi's work with junior and senior rugby league players in the Tully area had resulted in two local boys playing in the National Rugby League (NRL).

"Thomas Flegler has already played for Queensland in State of Origin, and I have no doubt that Jake Clifford will get an Origin jersey as well," Mr Katter said.

"Anthony has spent countless hours training our young players and administering the game we all love.

"He was also a driving force behind Tully's new grandstand and rugby league facilities. He contacted Shane Knuth and myself and made sure we got the funding off the State and Federal Governments."

Hill MP, Shane Knuth, said Anthony Emmi whole-heartedly deserves the award.

"I have never met anyone that is so passionate about his community or about seeing young people from different walks of life and backgrounds excel," Mr Knuth said.

"Further evidence of his great work was when Anthony Emmi was awarded with an Australia Day Award for Service to Sport in 2020."

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