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[The Queen's Birthday Honours List this year](#) included one name that is known in GA right up and down the eastern seaboard: **Trevor Bange**. Bange was given an OAM for services to aviation, and it is probably one of the most deserved that has ever been awarded to an aviator. His service to GA and the recreational community as a whole was probably worthy of an AM at least. We are talking about someone who learned to fly gliders in the early 1960s, has been on the committee of the **Darling Downs Sport Aircraft Association** for 45 years, was involved with the Air Force Cadets for 34 years, was a member of Scouts Queensland, a long-time member/convenor of the local RAPAC and has been a director of RAAus since 2013. Somehow he fitted in time to serve as a Justice of the Peace. And there's the annual **Clifton Fly-in** that he organises. What more can a person contribute? Every year Trevor Bange proves wrong the adage that one person can't make a difference. His OAM is more than deserved.

Aviators Honoured in Queen's Birthday List

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Chairman of the Aviation Safety Advisory Panel Pat Murray heads a list of five aviators recognised in the Queens Birthday Honours list released yesterday.

Murray, who was awarded a Member of the Order of Australia (AM), was joined by Queensland recreational flying identity Trevor Bange, NT airport administrator Robert Calaby, WA aviation record holder Barry Markham and Whitworth Aviation founder Bill Whitworth, all of whom received Medals of the Order of Australia (OAM).

Pat Murray AM has had a very long and distinguished career in both military and civil aviation. In his air force career he was personal flying instructor to HRH Prince Edward at the RAF Central Flying School, and an operational pilot and flying instructor with the RAAF, and a Roulette display pilot. He flew with Cathay Pacific as a Senior Check and Training captain. Murray has contributed to the Honourable Company of Air Pilots (formerly the Guild of Air Pilots and Navigators) in several roles including Chairman of the Australian

Region and Deputy Chairman and Technical Director. He is also an Honorary Professor at University of Southern Queensland and a former Professor of Aviation and Logistics. At Griffith University, Murray was the inaugural director of the Aerospace Strategic Study Centre. Murray was Group General Manager of the Air Transport Group at CASA between 2005-08 and since 2017 has been the Chair of the Aviation Safety Advisory Panel (ASAP), and since 2020 the Chair of the Future of Aviation Reference Panel.

One of the most recognisable names in recreational aviation is that of **Trevor Bange OAM**. Bange is the CFI of Lone Eagle Flying School, run by the Darling Downs Sport Aircraft Association, of which he has been on the committee for 45 years, mostly as treasurer. Bange is the driving force behind the Clifton Fly-in, serving as organiser since 1982. He has contributed significantly to the success of gliding in the area as a member of the Darling Downs Soaring Club since 1967, serving terms as treasurer, secretary, airworthiness officer, flying instructor and tug pilot. Bange joined the board of Recreational Aviation Australia (RAAus) in 2013 and has served on the South East Queensland Regional Airspace and Procedures Advisory Committee (RAPAC) as either ordinary member or convenor since 2002. Bange also served the Air Force Cadets as a flight commander and flying instructor for 34 years.