



GUARDIANS OF THE SURF

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Guardians of the Surf are a special group of Surf Life Saving supporters who make a regular donation – normally monthly – to help more than 40,000 volunteer lifesavers nationwide keep our beaches safe. They are, in effect, everyday people who become life savers off the beach.

The Guardians of the Surf program was established in 1999. Providing regular income the program has minimal administrative costs, making sure the money goes where it is needed most.

The program is an initiative of the Surf Life Saving Foundation, the fundraising arm of Surf Life Saving on behalf of the State Surf Life Saving entities. As well as the Guardian of the Surf program the foundation raises funds for Surf Life Saving through Lottery, Events and Donor programs.

Now in its Tenth year, the Guardians program is going from strength to strength, with more than 16,000 members across Australia who provide generous, regular donations to support our volunteers on the beach.

Through their support, no matter how big or small, Guardians are helping fund vital programs and services.

Grant Hackett was asked to be the Patron of the Guardians of the Surf program because, as a former surf lifesaver, he is an avid supporter of our movement.

Having stood guard on Gold Coast beaches himself, he understands the courage and determination a volunteer lifesaver shows day in, day out on patrol, and he respects the work our volunteers do to protect our coastline and its visitors.

Grant Hackett will be the face of the Guardians of the Surf over the coming year.

“When lives hang in the balance and every second counts, your regular gift will ensure Surf Lifesavers are ready to take action”.

Becoming a Guardian of the Surf is an important step, not only are you helping Surf Lifesavers by providing training and equipment, but you are also helping your friends and their families stay safe at the beach.

Anyone can become a Guardian of the Surf for as little as \$12 per month. For more information or to sign up, go to www.surflifesavingfoundation.com or phone **1800 642 925**.



Grant Hackett
Guardian of the Surf Patron

Lachie Holbery-Morgan
2009 Surf Lifesaver of the Year