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Sport. Life. Inclusion.

Vale Annemaree Walker



1963 - 2010

SASRAPID LIFE MEMBER & FRIEND

A TRIBUTE...

BEGINNINGS AND ENDINGS!

In 1979, a dream to enable the inclusion of people with an intellectual disability into community life through participation in community sports activities, was just a dream. But dreams can become reality through the assistance of supportive people.

Apart from being No 1 Rocky Horror Show groupie, Annemaree became a supportive person, together with St Paul's College Netball Team members she worked to establish a world first, ie "inclusion of players with an intellectual disability into the programs of South Australian Netball Association"

in 1980, after a preparatory training season at Southern United Netball Association at Morphett Vale in 1979 had paved the way.

On the basis of these initiatives SASRAPID was formed in July, 1982. Annemaree became the first Coordinator with 10 Pin Bowling at Norwood Bowl and then managed the State Team to the Bicentenary Championships in 1988.

Annemaree expanded her skills through involvement with Lawn Bowls, Table Tennis and Indoor Cricket. Annemaree was also a Recreation Assistant with the TRAC project.

For the past few years, Annemaree has been responsible for the excellent Windsor Gardens Indoor Cricket competition, ably assisted by daughters Hannah and Tahlia and Mother Eileen.

In 2009, Annemaree was awarded a well deserved Life Membership of SASRAPID.

Annemaree sadly passed away on April 10th, following a long illness.

Annemaree, your legacy apart from your amazing four children, wonderful Mother, and many friends, is the quality of life that you have enabled for those who have been involved in the activities that you have conducted.

God Bless and thank you from your very proud friend,
Marie Little (Founder and Life Member of SASRAPID)

In memory of Annemaree, the Indoor Cricket Windsor Gardens "Player of the Series" trophy will be named in her honour.