

Providence Independent Investment Advisory Hosts His Royal Highness, The Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex KG GCVO

Duke of Edinburgh's Award Supporters and Alumni Lunch

Melbourne, Friday 6th April, 2018 His Royal Highness, The Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex KG GCVO was hosted by Providence Independent Investment Advisory, at an event today for supporters and alumni of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

The lunch at the Australian Club in Melbourne was attended by notable guests including representatives from Cricket Victoria, Invictus Games and Australian Rugby Union.

The purpose of the lunch was to thank Award Ambassadors and supporters for their financial contribution to the award and to recognise the numerous volunteers that support it, as well as a partnership between The Award and The REACH Foundation.

Grant Patterson, Managing Director of Providence, who hosted the lunch is an Ambassador of the Duke of Edinburgh Award and an advocate for youth issues. Mr Patterson said "It is wonderful to be associated with philanthropic groups who support our youth in building resilience, confidence, self-belief and a sense of purpose in order to become the best they can be and the future leaders within our community."

The event highlighted the Duke4Sport partnerships which aligns The Award with key sporting peak bodies, and an advocacy partnership with youth charity The Reach Foundation.

His Royal Highness, said "The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award – Australia has experienced much success with new innovative projects launched to broaden our reach to more young people and especially to connect with hundreds of vulnerable youth. Like most charities, we couldn't possibly achieve this without the enthusiasm, time and connections of our growing list of financial supporters; it is their generosity that has enabled The Award to extend its reach to thousands of young people. "

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Note to the Editor: Grant Patterson, Duke of Edinburgh Award Ambassador, Managing Director of Providence, is available for comment.

About Duke of Edinburgh's Award: The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award is a leading youth development charity, enabling and empowering young people to realise their full potential and build a brighter future. As Australia's largest complementary youth education program, the Award is highly inclusive and has a rich and successful history since commencing in 1959.

About Providence: Providence was established in 2000 as an independent advisory firm providing independent, expert advice and investment strategies to high net worth individuals, families and not-for-profit organisations. Providence also supports a planned and professional approach to philanthropy for clients through the Providence Philanthropic Foundation. For more information, please visit www.providencewealth.com.au.

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