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BGRA awards Roger Wilson

The Bulky Goods Retailers Association awarded its former vice president Roger Wilson with the prestigious annual Warwick Shedden memorial trophy at the BGRA forum in Sydney last week.

“Roger has made a substantial contribution to the Bulky Goods Retailers Association and our industry over a significant period of time. He is a well-deserved recipient of this prestigious award,” said BGRA executive director Philippa Kelly who noted that the board voted unanimously to award Roger with the 2009 trophy.

In March 2008 the BGRA appointed Roger to manage its member services following his retirement from Forty Winks where Roger was CEO for 21 years. “Roger has been a long-standing member of the BGRA and his vast knowledge and experience in our industry has contributed to the growth and success of our association over many years,” added Philippa.

The Warwick Shedden memorial trophy recognises the significant contribution made to the BGRA and the Australian bulky goods industry. Previous recipients include Spotlight director Zac Fried, The Good Guys’ Wayne Jennings, former BGRA convener Bryan Sanger, Sue Robinson, former executive general manager of the NSW Urban Taskforce, PricewaterhouseCoopers and Richard Horne of CB Richard Ellis.

The award is named in honour of Warwick Shedden, one of the founding members of the Bulky Goods Retailers Association. He was the owner of OZ Design Furniture before passing away suddenly in 2001.

The BGRA is the peak national organisation representing the interests of bulky goods retailers in Australia. Keynote speakers at the Charter Hall Group BGRA 2009 NSW forum were successful retailer and bulky goods developer Brett Blundy of BB Retail Capital and the Hon Kristina Keneally MP, NSW Minister for Planning.

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