

Australia Day Honours for Sharpe Bros



L-R Michael Sharpe, Hon John Della Bosca MLC, Richard Sharpe, Member for Robertson Belinda Neal.

The strong sense of community spirit that drives the successful Sharpe Bros family business was honoured at this year's Gosford City Australia Day Community Awards.

Sharpe Bros, a Gosford-based road maintenance company which repairs roads across New South Wales, was named Business of the Year at the special awards ceremony held at the Central Coast Leagues Club on Friday 23 January 2009.

Joint Managing Directors and brothers, Michael, Richard and Hayden Sharpe were commended for their involvement with various community groups including Apex, Rotary and a number of Chambers of Commerce across the Central Coast.

The company was congratulated for their contribution to local business and industry with their investment in new machinery which utilises environmentally beneficial technologies, and has led to the employment and training of local people.

Michael Sharpe said as the third generation of Sharpe companies, the brothers continued the philosophy of providing support to community groups through donations, sponsorships and volunteering.

“We offer materials and services free of charge to schools, fire stations, and other community facilities, whilst remaining a successful and profitable business,” Mr Sharpe said.

Sharpe Bros has invested millions of dollars designing and building award-winning technologies in their Gosford workshop and their solutions are used by councils and government agencies across the state to make roads safer, stronger and longer lasting.

The company's uniquely Australian innovations include the Sidewinder train of equipment, which provides fast and cost effective road edge repair, and the Flexipaver adjustable patching process, which takes the guess work out of fixing asphalt pavements.