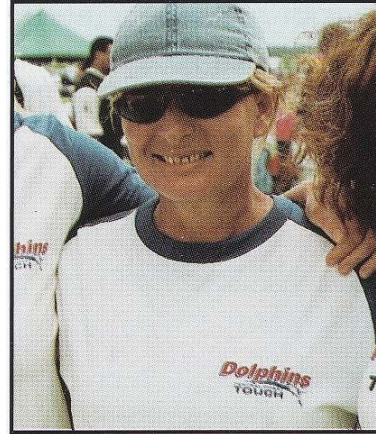


Vale: Christine STERLING-MEALLY 1956 – 2007



Date listed: 4/8/2010

STERLING/MEALLY, Christine 21 .4.1956 - 4.8.2007 wife, mum, nan, we miss you heaps, our Guardian Angel. Greatly missed, always loved. Sue, Pete, Jan, Graham, Bec, Taylor and Bella

Extract from Keeping in Touch 2003
Tribute to Chris Sterling by Rod Bruce

Anyone who has experienced Cancer knows of the trauma and life-changes it puts you through. It is almost impossible then to imagine what Chris Sterling is going through. Our Mate, Chris, is currently battling Cancer for the fourth time.

However in typical style, Chris shrugs her shoulders and gets on with it. She is concerned for the welfare of her daughter Bec, her granddaughter Talya and her father Max. But her concern for herself is limited to fighting the disease as best as she can and getting on with life/ She is inspirational to everyone close to her.

Chris has made a name for herself in our sport, a Level 6 referee, who at the time was rated the best female referee in Australia. As a player Chris represented Australia in 2000 in the Womens 35 Division at the European Championships in Edinburgh. One of her unrealised goals is to win a State Cup. And she has a good chance this year with the Central Coast Dolphins Womens 40 Team. Although she won't be able to play, she will be on the side and is considered an integral part of the Dolphin's machine.

So if you are feeling down and hard-done-by, think of what Christine is going through and you'll see how blessed you are.



The Christine Sterling Memorial referee of the Year Award is made annually by the Hunter Western Hornets. Christine's Graded in 1987 Badge number 108.