

## Honorary Life Membership

The Management Committee of the Garden recently decided to develop the concept of Honorary Life Membership. This honour can be awarded to a gardener who has made a long and outstanding contribution to the Fern Avenue Community Garden.

At the 2023 Christmas celebration, two people were awarded Honorary Life Membership: Jill Skopal and Cecile Storrie.

In her citation to these two members, the Chair of Alternative 3, Janet Farrall, made the following observations:



### **Jill.**

Jill is a valued member of the Fern Avenue Community Garden. She has been our unofficial General Manger for two decades. Jill has liaised with the City of Unley, welcomed new plot-holders, coordinated deliveries, interpreted and maintained garden conventions and helped gardeners find missing keys, secateurs and sunglasses. Jill has been the mainstay of the Thursday morning Volunteers group who have met for years to give their time to projects that enhance the garden for all members and visitors.

Her contributions to the Management Committee over time have been outstanding.

### **Cecile**

Cecile is passionate about organic gardening and committed to implementing this in our Community Garden. Apart from managing her own garden plot, Cecile has been a source of knowledge, skills and experience about organic gardening for more than two decades. She has fostered school and community involvement in our Community Garden and liaised with Community Garden organisations in South Australia and interstate. Cecile's contributions to the Management Committee over time have been outstanding.