

Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in the General Division

Mr Robert Bernard French, Petersham NSW 2049

For significant service to the LGBTIQ+ community, and to history preservation.

Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras

- Conducts, Sydney Gay and Lesbian History Walk, since 1990.
- 78er LGBTIQ Rights Activist and Marcher, 1978.
- Committee Member, First Mardi Gras.

NSW Gay and Lesbian Rights Lobby

- Co-Convenor, for five years.
- Assisted with establishment.

Pride History Group Sydney

- President, until 2016.
- Secretary.

LGBTIQ+ Associations

- Vice-President, AIDS Council of New South Wales, 1986-1987.
- Involved in Establishment, Australian Lesbian and Gay Archives (now Australian Queer Archives), 1978.
- Former Co-Convenor, Gay Rights Lobby.
- Key Lobbyist, Movement to Decriminalise Male Homosexuality in New South Wales, 1976-1984.
- Activist, Campaign Against Moral Persecution, 1971.

Australian Society of Archivists

- Treasurer, 1977-1979.
- Foundation Member, 1975.

Sydney Star Observer

- Former Chair.
- Former Board Member.
- Columnist, In the Past Lane, 1991.

Publications

- Author, *French Camping by a Billabong: Gay and Lesbian Stories from Australian History*, 1993.
- Author, *Gays between the Broadsheets: Australian Media References on Homosexuality 1948-1980*.
- Author, *Mossies could spread AIDS: Australian Media References on AIDS 1981-1985*.

Awards and Recognition include:

- President's Award, ACON, 2019.