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WALKERSTON LOCAL NAMED AS FINALIST FOR NATIONAL TRUCKING INDUSTRY AWARDS

Walkerston trucking operator, Carol Single, has been named as a finalist in the 2009 National Trucking Industry Awards.

Carol is a finalist for the prestigious National Trucking Industry Woman of the Year Award. With her husband Ian, she is also a member of the Mackay Road Accident Action Group (MRAAG), which is a finalist in the National Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Australian Trucking Industry.

The MRAAG is well known throughout the Mackay community, demonstrating that it is possible to achieve positive results through various industries working together to protect their employees out on the road. Through a wide variety of activities, including school appearances, radio and TV advertising and education campaigns, MRAAG have raised the profile of trucking in the community.

Other finalists for the 2009 National Trucking Industry Awards have also been announced by the Australian Trucking Association (ATA), following a high standard of entries across all award categories.

"The National Trucking Industry Awards are an important part of the trucking industry's effort to promote the commitment and achievement of individuals and organisations within the industry," Trevor Martyn, the Chairman of the ATA said.

The 2009 National Trucking Industry Award finalists are:

- **National Professional Driver of the Year**
 - Bill Taylor (Ballarat, VIC), Robert Machin (Townsville, QLD), Bruce McCleary (Berri, SA).
- **National Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Australian Trucking Industry**
 - Mackay Road Accident Action Group (Mackay, QLD), Newcastle and Hunter Region Road Transport Awareness Group (Newcastle, NSW).
- **National Trucking Industry Woman of the Year**
 - Carol Single (Walkerston, near Mackay, QLD), Dianne Carroll (Yarragon, VIC), Kathy White (Summerholm, near Gatton, QLD).

Also presented on the night will be the Training Excellence Award and the Don Watson Memorial Award.

The award winners will be announced on Thursday, 23 April at the Gala Awards Dinner at Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre as part of the Australian Trucking Convention, which is being held on the Gold Coast from 21-24 April.

For a full list of the finalists for the National Trucking Industry Awards or for more information about the Australian Trucking Convention, visit www.ataevents.net.au

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