

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## Greenbatch Foundation winner of the Sustainability Award in 27<sup>th</sup> Belmont & WA Small Business Awards

Greenbatch Foundation was one of many Western Australian small businesses awarded in the 27th Belmont & WA Small Business Awards on the Thursday the 27<sup>th</sup> of November 2020. The winners were showcased at the 'Night of Stars Event' in the ballroom of the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre with over 320 attending.

The welcome address was delivered by City of Belmont Cr Bernard Ryan. VIP guests included Consul General India, Dantu Charandasi & Comm Consul of India, Dinesh Bhardwaj; Hon Consul of the Republic of Mauritius, Ian Whitaker, Hon Consul Slovakia, Paul Faix; Member for South Perth, Hon John McGrath, MLA; City of Belmont, Deputy Mayor Cr George Sekulla, Cr Jenny Davis, Cr Bernard Ryan; City of Cockburn, Cr Chontelle Stone; EMRC Chair Cr Jai Wilson; The Australian Asian Association of WA, President Marlene Burnaby; Hong Kong Business Association WA President Winnie Lai Hadad; Business & Professional Women WA President Carol Hanlon; Belmont BEC Chair Jules Lewin and TCF WA Chair Irving Lane welcomed many WA State and Club Presidents who attended the presentation awards night.

Entertainment was provided by singers Kaylene Taylor, Charndeep Kaur and David Lazaro 'Expedition The Musical Journey' with Ken Haywood presenting the Welcome to Country. The WA Designer Showcase wowed all attendees with design talent from Jonte, Kirrikin, Pretty Fly Accessories, MummActiv, SilverStar and CIZZY Bridal Australia with models supplied from Metro Modelling and Dance Academy. MC's for the 'Night of Stars' evening included Belmont BEC Patron Louise Percy & Past Belmont BEC Board Member Hannah Beazley.

Greenbatch Foundation's mission is to engage, educate and empower Western Australians to reduce plastic pollution and give waste plastic a new life. They are currently working towards building WA's first post-consumer plastic reprocessing plant.

Winner of the Sustainability Award, Greenbatch Foundation was represented by Jason Hamling who said, "Greenbatch Foundation's aim is to Engage, Educate and Empower, Western Australians to reduce plastic pollution and give waste plastic a new life. We are working towards building WA's first post-consumer plastic reprocessing plant, turning the PET plastic bottles we put in our recycling bins into items such as 3D filament for schools."

The Sustainability Award is supported by TCF Global. Carol Wallbank, Director from TCF Global, said, "We are thrilled to support the Sustainability Award. TCF Global assists small business with sourcing and linkages to global networks of sustainable suppliers. TCF is recognised for its long-time delivery of online sustainable fashion and often invited as a guest speaker at numerous international forums on fashion sustainability and the circular economy."

Carol Hanlon, Founder of Belmont BEC and the Belmont & WA Small Business Awards said, "The awards provide a fantastic opportunity for small and growing enterprises from Belmont and across Western Australia to be recognised for their achievements.

Ms Hanlon said, "This is the 27th year we have held our Small Business Awards and it is exciting to see the awards grow each year to provide recognition to those in Western Australia striving for business excellence and acknowledging community achievements. We sincerely thank the valuable support from our Category Sponsors which make this amazing small business event possible. In particular to the City of Belmont for their long-term support".



For further details on all winners of the 27th Belmont & Western Australian Small Business Awards 2020 visit <a href="https://www.belmontbec.com/awards">www.belmontbec.com/awards</a>

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