

I am greatly saddened to learn from our CBC Director and former President, ANBF Secretary Frank Hadley, of the death of my long term colleague and friend, FRANK QUILL.

Frank was a former Australian National Boxing Federation President who later became Orient and Pacific Federation President, a member of the WBC Board of Governors, as well as a WBC International Secretary. He was well known to delegates attending World Boxing Council Annual Conventions over the last 30 or so years, and will also be a familiar name to some of the greatest World Champions, as well as their managers and promoters, as a much respected Supervisor for WBC World Championships over the same period, all over the World.

When he was first delegated by the ANBF to attend our CBC meetings back in the '80s it was at a time when there was some discontent with our organization in Australia. It was Frank's straightforwardness and diplomacy that made it possible for the two sides to be reconciled, a situation which has been kept up to the present day, where we now have two reigning Aussie Commonwealth Champions and more activity there now than for many years.

An honest, upright, generous and kindly human being, qualities not always universal in this wonderful sport of ours, his talents extended beyond the narrow confines of our sport, particularly as a published author and journalist.

I am all the more sorry that he will not be there to greet me when I attend my first WBC Convention for a decade, this coming October in Baku, Azerbaijan, as I was much looking forward to seeing him again there. He would have been one of the first people I would have sought out and what will be I am sure a very enjoyable few days for me, will quite marred by his absence.

On behalf of the Directors of the CBC I extend to his family, and close colleagues and friends our most sincere condolences.

He will be greatly missed, particularly in our sport where his qualities are still very much needed.

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