

LILYDALE

International award for Rotarian

FOR 50 years, Jim Sawyer has served the community as a Lilydale Rotary Club member.

And now Mr Sawyer, pictured, has received a recognition award from Rotary International for his dedication. Mr Sawyer, 87, recalled that he never had any plans to join Rotary, but

he became a charter member of the Lilydale club and never looked back.

"I've enjoyed my time; you've got to enjoy what you do to do it for 50 years," he said.

Mr Sawyer was a dairy farmer by trade and was a Lilydale Shire councillor from 1965-1979, including a

year as shire president in 1971. Aside from being the oldest and longest-serving member of the Lilydale Rotary Club, he is also a highly decorated member and a recipient of the Paul Harris Fellow award for service above self. He still attends Rotary meetings and shares his knowledge.

