

60 SECONDS WITH... PAUL BOLT

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN IN THE TAXI INDUSTRY AND IN WHAT ROLES?

I Started driving standard taxis in 1966 and was the first WATS taxi driver and operator from 1980. Now I manage 0200 and also teach.

WHAT COURSES DO YOU TEACH?

I currently present the NSW Taxi Council WATS course and the NSW Taxi Operator Course.

TELL US ABOUT YOUR FAMILY?

I have a small family with the biggest supporter, my wife Fearn. There is no way that I could have achieved my dreams in my life without her support over many years.

FAVOURITE FOOD?

Italian and Chinese food.

FAVOURITE MUSIC?

I love music, from Beethoven to Beatles, Classical, Rock and Jazz.

FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION?

The Italian Alps especially the Dolomites.

WHAT DO YOU DO TO UNWIND?

We travel to our country property in the Australian Snowy Mountains to relax most weekends.

WHAT IS YOUR MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT WHILST TEACHING TAXI STUDENTS?

There are many moments, but the best is to see when my teaching produces a successful driver or operator.

IF THERE WAS ONE THING YOU WOULD CHANGE IN THE TAXI INDUSTRY, WHAT WOULD IT BE?

I would like to see changes made to the WATS course specifically selecting special students with a desire to provide good customer service to all people with disabilities to be trained to this important task. WATS passengers have specific requirements, WATS vehicles are different, and WATS drivers should be special.

