

Peter Overton

Logie Winning Presenter, Keynote Speaker & MC



Peter Overton became the chief newsreader for Sydney's 6pm edition of Nine News in January 2009 after spending eight years as a reporter for 60 Minutes. Prior to joining 60 Minutes, Peter spent 10 years with Nine News as a reporter and regular presenter.

Born in 1966 to Australian parents in England, Peter was two when his family returned home to Australia. He attended North Sydney Boys High School and completed a Bachelor of Economics degree at Macquarie University.

At university he received his first break in the media, gaining work experience at Sydney radio station 2UE in 1985, soon progressing to an on air role.

Peter continued this role until 1987 when he moved to Australia's first satellite television channel, Sky Channel where he spent four years reporting and presenting.

In 1991, Peter joined Channel Nine in Sydney as a sports reporter for National Nine News. He co-anchored Channel Nine's coverage of the Thredbo disaster from the Sydney studios with Tracy Grimshaw. He also anchored the major super league ARL court decisions.

While anchoring Nine's major nightly news bulletin, Peter has seen the hotly contested 6pm news service rise to number one in Sydney, achieving that in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 & 2015.

This was capped off by a Logie Award in 2012 for Most Outstanding news coverage for the Queensland floods - an award shared across Today, A Current Aaffair and Nine News. Peter accepted another Logie Award for the Nine News team in 2014 for Most Outstanding news coverage of the Blue Mountains bushfires.

Peter continues to contribute special reports for 60 Minutes and hosts the weekly feedback section of the program.

Peter has a strong sense of community. He serves on the Defence Reserves Support National Council, is a Co-Patron of the Mental Health Council of Australia, Patron of the Monstar Foundation (Motor Neurone Disease), Patron of the Olivia Lambert Foundation (neuroblastoma), Co-Patron of the Peter Hughes Burn Foundation, Ambassador for the George Gregan Foundation, Ambassador for the Sydney Children's Hospital Foundation, Ambassador for the Sony Foundation (Teenage Cancer), National Ambassador for Special Olympics Australia and Ambassador for the Australian National Literacy Foundation.

Peter Overton is married to Jessica and they are parents to young daughters Allegra and Giselle.

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