

## About Heirisson

### François Antoine Boniface HEIRISSON (or Heyrisson)

François Heirisson was a Sub-lieutenant on *le Naturaliste* with Captain Hamelin, and Commander Nicolas Baudin in the *Géographe*, in their 1801-1804 expedition to chart Australia's coastline.

Although he was a capable cartographer, things did not always go well for Heirisson. His official reports and journals were a mess; his lack of deference to authority sometimes led to trouble with senior officers; and his eye for the ladies (or their eyes for him) gave him a 'reputation'.

Yet he is remembered everyday by those who cross the Causeway near Perth, even if they don't know why, as Heirisson Island was named after him - and his boat party's intrepid mission of 17 to 22 July 1801. This trip produced the first reliable chart of the Swan River, and ultimately led to Stirling's founding of the Swan River Colony in 1829.



### Rotary Club of Heirisson

The Rotary Club of Heirisson was chartered in 1991 and has a history of projects for young people, including *HeadQuarters*.



Our Club was named for the Island that was named for the man whose name is remembered in this award.

## How to nominate:

Nominators are asked to outline what form their proposal for support of their candidate would take, others who may be involved supporting or implementing the proposal, and why their candidate would benefit from the award.

This should clearly demonstrate the likely benefits of their proposal to their candidate's future life, or the lives of their family or peers, and our community's long-term interests.

To avoid a sense of rejection from non-selection, ***candidates must not be informed of their nomination.***

Candidates may be nominated on-line at:  
**[www.heirisson.org.au](http://www.heirisson.org.au)**

by email:  
**[heirisson@fortix.com.au](mailto:heirisson@fortix.com.au)**

or by post, using the nomination form.  
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