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after spinal cord injury

PARAQUAD CARER BRAVES CITY LOCKDOWN AND FLOODS TO SIMPLY SAY GOODNIGHT

Newcastle-based ParaQuad Carer, Peter Brandimarti, battled extreme weather conditions and explained his way past SES and State Fire Service barriers to give a quadriplegic man his medication and put him to bed last Friday night, 8 June.

Mr Brandimarti is a Personal Carer for ParaQuad NSW (Paraplegic and Quadriplegic Association of NSW) and regularly assists a quadriplegic man (paralysed in all four limbs) in the city with meal preparation, administering his medication and going to bed. Aware that his client was unable to do these tasks for himself, Mr Brandimarti knew he had no choice but to brave the elements.

At 10.30pm Mr Brandimarti drove through floodwater, crossed intersections without traffic lights and talked his way through SES and State Fire Service road blocks to gain access to the city and reach his client, certainly encountering some of the scariest driving conditions ever encountered in Newcastle.

Mr Brandimarti will be presented with a 'Carers Award' by ParaQuad NSW CEO, Max Bosotti, for services above and beyond the normal expectations of personal carers. "A 'Carers Award' is in appreciation for going out of the way for ParaQuad clients" commented Mr Bosotti, adding that "it is exceptional individuals like Peter Brandimarti who give ParaQuad its reputation for providing high quality personalised services to hundreds of people who have had a spinal cord injury".

ParaQuad NSW – the Paraplegic and Quadriplegic Association of NSW - is a charitable, member-based association which, for over 45 years, has provided services and support to people with permanent spinal cord injury and related physical disabilities.

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