

# Peter Overton

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## *Logie Winning Presenter, Keynote Speaker & MC*

Peter Overton is a familiar face on Australian television having presented some of the country's most significant news events in recent history on the Nine Network. Highly professional yet warm, engaging and community focussed, Peter is a popular keynote speaker and MC at corporate and public events across the country.

Peter Overton was appointed to the role of chief newsreader for Sydney's 6pm edition of *Nine News* in January 2009. This was following an eight-year stint as a reporter for the popular television show, *60 Minutes*, an association that Peter continued, by presenting special reports for the program and hosting its weekly feedback section.

Prior to joining *60 Minutes*, Peter spent 10 years with *Nine News* as a reporter and regular presenter.

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

At university Peter received his first break in the media, gaining work experience at Sydney radio station 2UE in 1985. He quickly progressed to an on air role, which he held until 1987 when he moved to Australia's first satellite television channel, Sky Channel. Peter spent four years as a reporter and presenter at Sky Channel.

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

While anchoring Nine's major nightly news bulletin, Peter saw the hotly contested 6pm news service achieve the number one position in Sydney in consecutive years from 2011 through to 2015.

In 2012, *Nine News* received a TV Week Logie Award for Most Outstanding News Coverage for the Queensland floods - an award shared across TODAY, ACA and News. Peter accepted another Logie Award for the *Nine News* team in 2014 for Most Outstanding News Coverage of the Blue



Mountains bushfires.

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.

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