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Scrymgour named Indigenous Person of the Year

Labor MLA Marion Scrymgour has been awarded a tremendous honour after being named Darwin NAIDOC Indigenous person of the Year, Chief Minister, Clare Martin, said today.

Ms Martin presented the 2002 Darwin winners at a ceremony held at Parliament House on Monday night.

"Marion and her family must feel extremely proud of this wonderful and much deserved achievement," Ms Martin said.

"The Territory Government is also extremely proud of Marion who, as a member of the first NT Labor Government, made history becoming the first indigenous woman to be voted into our Parliament.

"This recognition is reward for the hard work and dedication that Marion has given to representing and improving the lives of the Territory's indigenous and non-indigenous community.

"It's all the more impressive that Marion was selected for this honour with the judges receiving a high standard of local nominees."

Ms Martin said that NAIDOC Week gave Australians the opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate our indigenous culture and heritage, and that the awards were positive recognition for these Darwin community leaders.

"On behalf on the Government, I congratulate all 2002 NAIDOC award winners," she said.

Darwin 2002 winners:

- Best Indigenous organisation: Radio Larrakia 8KNB
- Most senior Elder: Teresa Cubillo
- Indigenous Scholar of the Year: Steven McGregor
- Indigenous Trainee of the Year: Erin Lew Fatt
- Indigenous Volunteer of the Year: Kerry Weatherall
- Indigenous Youth of the Year: Hannah Roe
- Indigenous Sportsperson of the Year: Xavier Clarke-
- Indigenous Person of the Year: Marion Scrymgour MLA