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It's Hugh & Bevan Pipe CEO, Telstra CTO share ACOMM honours

Pipe Networks CEO Bevan Slattery and Telstra chief technology officer Hugh Bradlow are joint winners of the ACOMM Telecommunications Ambassador of the Year award—the first time the award has been shared.

Judges for the award—CommsDay publisher Grahame Lynch, Communications Alliance CEO Anne Hurley, KPMG's Malcolm Alder, BBY's Mark McDonnell and Kim Denham of the Australian Computer Society—found both candidates were so strong that they both deserved the accolade.

Other award winners last night included:

- Telstra Enterprise & Government: *Innovation for a Large Company*
- Leopard Labs: *Innovation SME*
- Truman Hoyle Lawyers: *Professional Services Excellence*
- Pipe International: *Partnerships for Growth*
- iiNet: *Consumer Customer Service*
- Telstra Enterprise & Government: *Corporate Customer Service*
- Internode: *Environmental Responsibility*
- SingTel Optus & Dialogue Communications: *Innovation in Content Delivery and Services through Partnership Award*

Communications Alliance CEO Anne Hurley said the high calibre of entries reflected the increasing maturity of the industry. "Digital confidence has been a key theme for 2009 and the communications industry has a significant role to play in building digital skills and encouraging greater use of communications technologies. The record number of entries for the 2009 ACOMM Awards reflects the maturity and professionalism of this industry, both of which are integral to inspiring digital confidence among our users.

"On behalf of the industry, I congratulate all of the award winners, finalists and our 2009 Telecommunications Ambassadors, Hugh Bradlow and Bevan Slattery, on their commitment to achieving new standards of industry excellence," Hurley commented.

Commenting on the Ambassador award, ACOMM organisers CommsDay and CommsAlliance said



Hugh Bradlow (left) & Bevan Slattery

CommsDay turns 15: share your recollections and thoughts with us

The 15th anniversary of Communications Day's first issue falls on Sunday. That first 9 August 1994 issue contained such morsels as ADC's bid to win Optus HFC business (it did) and plans by Telecom Australia, Optus and others to form their own internet to rival that of AARNet's (they never succeeded in such a combination). Both CommsDay and the telecommunications industry have come a long way in 15 years and to celebrate we'd like to share your recollections, thoughts and observations as well as your bouquets and brickbats for CommsDay. Preferably 100 words—submissions to Grahame Lynch at grahamelynch@commsdaymail.com by Sunday 12pm AEST for publication (they may be edited for spelling, grammar and editorial style).