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VALE JOHN KELLY

It is with sincere regret the Australian Road Train Association forwards our condolences to Jenny, Amanda and Noel Kelly for the tragic loss of their husband and father, John Kelly (JK), who sadly passed away yesterday morning.

JK's ongoing health problems were of no secret to us, and indeed the openness with which he discussed his conditions went a long way to teaching us all to pay greater awareness of our own health.

JK was a familiar friend and confidant to many of our members, from his days on the highways and in his subsequent pivotal roles in the Road Transport Forum (now the Australian Trucking Association), and as one of the original developers of TruckSafe.

His role within National Transport Insurance (NTI) meant he also became affectionately well-known by emerging generations of truck operators, where he was able to promote his passion and determination for safety in the industry.

It was in these roles he approved and risk managed many young and new drivers over the years, allowing them to get into the transport industry much earlier than they may have once been able to. He gave everybody a fair go.

John was also a strong, long time supporter of the Australian Road Train Association. His time and efforts for our association – as well as his penchant for a good time! – will be sorely missed.

The Australian transport and insurance industries are poorer for his passing.

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