

AUSTRALIA DAY

Ambassador



Mr. Clyde Campbell AM

Founder, Shake It Up Foundation

Twenty-nine years ago Clyde started out as an industrial electronics apprentice in country NSW. Today Clyde runs his own company, Machinery Automation & Robotics. Clyde's team of 70 staff services leading Australian and international clients from offices in Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne. His vision to provide the latest world-leading technology and turnkey automation and robotics solutions to industrial clients looking for a competitive technology edge was the driving force behind his rapid progression from apprentice to CEO. Clyde is a man who likes to 'get things done'.

Clyde lives now with his wife and three children in Sydney, Australia.

At age 44 Clyde was diagnosed in 2009, after noticing a tremor in his left hand holding notes when presenting at a company meeting. The question Clyde asks himself is one that more than 100,000 Australians with Parkinson's have no doubt asked: "Why me?" After coming to terms with his prognosis, Clyde set out to learn as much as possible about Parkinson's and what was being done worldwide to find a cure.

Clyde has an entrepreneurial spirit and a vision for the future. He decided not to sit back and wait for the rest of the world to find a cure but to join the action. Clyde launched Shake it up Australia Foundation and partnered with The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, to increase awareness in Australia and increase funding towards finding a cure.

Australia has some of the world's leading scientists specialising in Parkinson's. What Australia needs now is financial assistance to get its research up and running. Support, funding and people like Clyde are what will make the difference.

