I think Cliff is a hero because he is an amazing man. Although I never got to meet him, I’ve been told amazing stories about my great uncle from my Pa who is now 84. I think Cliff is a hero because he won the Sydney to Melbourne Ultra Marathon at the age of 61. Everyone thinks that I run a lot like cliff and I think that is pretty special, although it isn’t the prettiest run in the world!

Cliff tried running around Australia to raise money for Homeless Children but had to pull out because his crew member got very ill and couldn’t continue. I think if that didn’t happen then cliff would have completed his goal and would have raised a lot of money. I think he is generous because he gave his winnings from the marathon to the other runners and his crew. Ten thousand dollars would have been a lot of money back then because Cliff only made about two thousand dollars every year.

When I tell people that I am related to Cliff, people don’t know who he is, and I think everyone should know about Cliff and the amazing things he did, because Cliff is very inspiring, he inspired me to keep running. That’s why I think that Albert Earnest Clifford Young is a hero and his life story deserves to be shared.

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