

Dubbo Australia Day Awards

Australia Day 2025

The Australia Day Awards are proudly presented by the Australia Day Council of NSW and administered by local Councils. The Awards promote and recognise outstanding examples of citizenship and achievement during the current year, and/or outstanding service over a number of years to a local community or over and above normal employment duties.

Council provides awards for outstanding citizens, sports persons and cultural person in the Local Government Area, as part of the national Australia Day Awards.

CRITERIA AND ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

- Nominations can be made by an individual or organisation.
- Nominees must be Australian citizens.
- The Award cannot be made to a Councillor, State or Federal politician.
- The Award cannot be made to a current employee of Dubbo Regional Council. Nominee must reside within Dubbo Regional Council's boundaries.
- A person cannot receive a second Award in the same category.
- The name of at least one referee must be supplied with the nomination.
- Regard will be given to a person's community activities in the year immediately prior to receipt of the Award, as well as their past community services.
- The nomination should explain the achievements and background of the nominee, the reasons for nomination and must only be for volunteer work.
- The decision of the judging committee is final, no correspondence will be entered into relating to decision.
- All nomination forms and material submitted remains the property of Council.
- A selection committee made up of past winners of Australia Day Awards and community members assess all nominations in strict confidence.
- Australia Day and Community achievement awards are presented to members of our community who volunteer their time for the benefit of our Local Government Area.
- Winner/s will be announced on 26 January 2025 as part of Council's official Australia Day program.

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

- The Award must be for work performed principally within the Dubbo area.
- Only one Award is to be presented each year, recipient is to be known as "Dubbo Citizen of the Year".
- The Citizen of the Year should be held in high regard in the community. Community work of a high calibre will be taken into account.
- The person should have strong ethical and community values.

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SENIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

- The nominee must be 55 years or older as at 26 January 2025.
- Only one Award is to be presented each year, recipient is to be known as "Dubbo Senior Citizen of the Year".
- Consideration will be given to community involvement and charitable work, as well as work done to improve community life within the Dubbo area.
- Community work of a high calibre will be taken into account.
- The person should have strong ethical and community values.

YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

- The nominee must be under the age of 25 on 26 January 2025.
- Only one Award is to be presented each year, recipient to be known as "Dubbo Young Citizen of the Year".
- Consideration will be given to participation in school activities, community involvement and charitable work, as well as work done to improve community life within the Dubbo area.

SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD

- Nominees must be aged 18 years or over as at 26 January 2025.
- Only one Award is to be presented each year, recipient to be known as "Dubbo Sportsperson of the Year".
- The person should show team participation and leadership qualities if a team player.
- Regard will be given to the achievements of the applicant throughout the previous year.
- The person should be either a Dubbo resident or show representation of a local sporting organisation.

YOUNG SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD

- The nominee must be under the age of 18 on 26 January 2025.
- Only one Award is to be presented each year, recipient to be known as "Dubbo Young Sportsperson of the Year".
- The young person should show team participation and leadership qualities if a team player.
- The person should be either a Dubbo resident or show representation of a local sporting organisation.

SERVICES TO SPORT AWARD

- Only one Award is to be presented each year, recipient to be known as "Service to Sport Award".
- The person should show outstanding contribution to Sport in Dubbo.
- Regard will be given to the achievement of the applicant throughout the previous year.
- The person should be either a Dubbo resident or show representation of a local sporting.

CULTURAL PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD

- Nominees must be individuals.
- Only one Award is to be presented each year, recipient to be known as "Cultural Person of the Year".
- Regard will be given to a person's cultural achievements/activities in the year immediately prior to the Award, as well as their past cultural achievements/activities.
- Cultural can include involvement in Music, the Arts and/or Multicultural events and organisations.

**To be completed and returned to council@dubbo.nsw.gov.au
or a Council Administration Building by Friday 10 January 2025.**