

Wellington 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 25 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 Wellington area.
- Only one Award is to be presented each year, recipient is to be known as "Wellington Citizen of the Year".
- The Citizen of the Year should be held in high regard in the community. Community work of high calibre will be considered.
- The person should have strong ethical and community values.

SENIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

- The nominee must be 55 years or older as at 25 January 2025.
- Only one Award is to be presented each year, recipient to be known as "Wellington 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 Wellington area.
- Community work of a high calibre will be taken into account.
- The person should have strong ethical and community values.

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YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

- The nominee must be under the age of 25 on 25 January 2025.
- Only one Award is to be presented each year, recipient to be known as "Wellington 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 Wellington area.

SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD

- Nominees must be aged 18 years or over as at 25 January 2025.
- Only one Award is to be presented each year, recipient to be known as "Wellington 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 Wellington 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 25 January 2025.
- Only one Award is to be presented each year, recipient to be known as "Wellington 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 Wellington 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 Wellington.
- Regard will be given to the achievement of the applicant throughout the previous year.
- The person should be either a Wellington resident or show representation of a local sporting.

COMMUNITY SERVICE/ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

- Nominees must be a volunteer.
- Community work of a high calibre undertaken in recent years will be taken into account.
- The nominee should have strong ethical and community values.
- Only five awards are to be presented each year, recipient/s to be known as "Community Service/Achievement Awards".

COMMUNITY EVENT OF THE YEAR AWARD

- Only one Award is to be presented each year, recipient/s to be known as organisers of "Community Event of the Year".
- The event must be held within the Wellington district.
- The nominee/s should be Wellington area residents or show representation of a local committee.

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