



QUEEN'S BATON RELAY ROUTE ANNOUNCED FOR THE REGION

Residents from across the region can begin planning for the Queen's Baton Relay when it reaches the region on 30 January 2018.

Community celebrations are being planned for Wellington and Dubbo to celebrate the arrival of the Baton which will arrive onto Australian soil on 24 December 2017. The Baton will pass the hands of some 3,900 batonbearers including 17 chosen for the LGA.

"Arrangements are being put in place to herald the arrival of the Baton and will include community celebrations in Cameron Park in Wellington and Victoria Park in Dubbo" Mayor of Dubbo Regional Council Ben Shields said.

The Mayor said that the celebrations will align to the essence of the Commonwealth Games, celebrating community pride and creating excitement around sports and culture.

"Cameron Park in Wellington will showcase our Aboriginal heritage, whilst Victoria Park will come alive with exhibitions by local groups and associations, keen to promote and encourage residents to participate in sport and wellbeing activities on offer across the LGA."

"I encourage everyone to come along and witness this momentous occasion, cheer on our local batonbearers and join in one of these community celebrations," Clr Shields said.

The Queen's Baton will arrive on the Gold Coast for the XXI Commonwealth Games Opening Ceremony on 4 April 2018, where His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales will remove Her Majesty's message from the Baton and read it aloud to declare the Games officially open.

Find out when and where the Baton will be in Dubbo and Wellington at gc2018.com/qbr.

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