



COUNCIL SUPPORTS EVENTS TO BRING ECONOMIC GROWTH FOR 2022

Dubbo Regional Council (DRC) has provided just over \$47,000 to assist in the running of 14 events in 2022 which will deliver in excess of \$3.8million across the local economy.

The funding is being delivered through the Community Events Fund which supports events that deliver cultural and social benefits to the region, and the Destination Events Fund which supports those delivering significant economic benefits.

“We are thrilled to be able to provide these funds to support the running of events which help strengthen the cultural and social identity of our region, not to mention the important economic impacts they have,” said Manager Regional Events Kim Hague.

“Providing \$35,000 to major events, including two brand new events for the Dubbo region, is estimated to have \$ow-on effects of up to \$3.6 million for our region.

“The impact of COVID-19 on the events and live entertainment industry has been significant. Mass participation events have been hit hard and to have their return in 2022 will not only deliver tourism outcomes for the region, but also provide residents with much needed social and community interaction.

“Events contribute greatly to the well-being and social cohesion of communities, and our region can look forward to a dynamic and diverse range of offerings in 2022.”

The two new events in 2022 are the Dubbo Festival of Athletics in January and the Winter Whiskey Festival to be held in June.

All events to receive funding are:

Round 1: Community Events Fund:

- Wellington Vintage Fair and Swap Meet – March 2022 – \$3,000
- Under Western Skies Festival – March 2022 – \$3,000
- Man from Ironbark Festival – April 2022 – \$3,000
- Wellington Show – May 2022 – \$3,000
- Central West Interclub Triathlon Series – March 2022 – \$100

Destination Events Fund:

- Dubbo Festival of Athletics – January 2022 – \$4,000
- NSW RSL Youth Club State Swimming Championships – March 2022 – \$1,590
- Dubbo Bike Rally – May 2022 – \$8,000

- Newcastle Fringe Festival – May 2022 – \$3,410
- Dubbo Eisteddfod – May to June 2022 – \$5,000
- Dubbo Winter Whiskey Festival – June 2022 – \$2,000
- Wellington Eisteddfod – July 2022 – \$5,000
- Model T Ford National Rally 20T2 – September to October 2022 – \$3,000
- Group XI Grand Final – September 2022 – \$3,000

Applications for Round 2 of the Community Events Fund open in March 2022.

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