

2020 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS GUIDELINES

CATEGORIES: *Citizen of the Year* *Young Citizen of the Year*

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. The *Citizen of the Year* and *Young Citizen of the Year* Awards are to recognise those who have made a significant contribution to the community of Wingecarribee Shire.
2. Nominations may be proposed by an individual, club or other organisation.
3. The “*Young Citizen of the Year*” nominees should be no more than 25 years of age at 26 January 2021.
4. Nominees must reside in the Wingecarribee Shire Council area.
5. Consideration will be given to the nominee's achievements in the year immediately prior to the receipt of the award, as well as to their past achievements and ongoing contribution the Community or to their school.
 - Nominations should cover the following essential criteria:
 - Demonstrated excellence in their field
 - Significant contribution to the community
 - An inspirational role model for others
6. Consideration will also be given to the following in assessing and comparing nominations against the above criteria.
 - Personal, academic and professional achievements
 - Contribution in their relevant field (how has the nominee 'put back' into their field to benefit others)
 - Demonstrated leadership qualities
 - Community involvement
 - Contribution to the Shire
 - Any voluntary work undertaken
 - Achievements as an individual or as part of a group or organisation
 - Details of any individual acts of compassion, generosity or courage
7. The nomination form should contain full details of the service the nominee has performed or contribution they have made and the reasons that qualify them for nomination. **Please note** that a summary of the information provided will be read on Australia Day and not necessarily the full contents of this application.
8. Information on nomination forms is required to be signed both by the nominator and a person seconding the nomination form
9. The nominee will be contacted by the Australia Day Coordinator to confirm acceptance of the nomination received.
10. Council conducts the selection process for the awards and reserves the right to refuse a nomination if it believes the candidate does not meet the eligibility criteria. The decision of Council is final.
11. Citizens who have previously been nominated for an Australia Day “**CITIZEN OF THE YEAR**” or “**YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR**” Award are eligible to be re-nominated but previous award **winners** are not.

Nominations returned via post, should be marked “**Confidential**” and submitted to:
The General Manager, Attention: Australia Day Coordinator,
Wingecarribee Shire Council, PO Box 141 MOSS VALE NSW 2577
Or via email: mail@wsc.nsw.gov.au

Nominations close on Friday, 4 December 2020

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