

**Australia Day**

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AUSTRALIA DAY AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Award Categories (Required)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Citizen of the Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability Award | <input type="checkbox"/> Services to Sports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young Citizen of the Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Sports-person | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts and Culture Award | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Sports-person | <input type="checkbox"/> Open Award |

Details of Person/Group being Nominated (Required)

Full Name	
Residential Address	
Residential Address	
Contact Number	
Email	
Approx. Age (Young Citizen only)	

Details of Nominator / Nominators (Required)

Nominator's Full Name	
Nominator's Organisation (If applicable)	
Nominator's Contact Number	
Nominator's Email	
Nominator's Signature	

About the Person/Group being Nominated (Required)

Tell us about your person/group you are nominating. How are they an inspirational role model? How have they demonstrated excellence in their field or to the community? You may also like to include such information as how the person contributes to the community; other significant contributions or achievements and past and present membership of community/sporting/professional bodies etc. Please refer to the Nomination Guidelines, Award Categories and include as much information as possible so the nominee has the best chance of being selected.

Referees for Person/Group being Nominated (Required)

Referee Name	
Referee Contact Number	
Referee Email	

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Australia Day Awards 2023 Nomination Guidelines and Criteria

The Australia Day Awards are open to Muswellbrook Shire community members who are Australian citizens and who have made a noteworthy contribution or achieved something outstanding in their work, studies or community service during the current year, or over several years.

Award Categories

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Open Award
- Sports Team
- Services to Sports
- Senior Sports Person
- Junior Sports Person
- Sustainability Award
- Arts and Culture Award

Citizen of the Year

- Significant contribution to the community.
- An inspirational role model for the Australian community.
- Has demonstrated a commitment to enhancing the welfare and wellbeing of the community, that have short- or long-term benefits for others.
- Impact on the Muswellbrook community.
- Open to people 25 years of age or older as at 26 January 2022

Young Citizen of the Year

- Significant contribution to the community.
- An inspirational role model for other young Australians in our local government area.
- Has shown achievements in community activities, academic, sporting, personal, cultural, environmental and / or social responsibility.
- Impact on the Muswellbrook community.
- Open to people 24 years of age or less as at 26 January 2022

Open Award

- Significant contribution to the community.
- An inspirational role model for other Australians in our local government area.
- Has shown achievements in community activities, academic, sporting, personal, cultural, environmental and / or social responsibility.
- Impact on the Muswellbrook community.
- Open to people 24 years of age or less as at 26 January 2022

Sports Team

- Significant contributions to the nominated sporting field and or met a community need;

- Demonstrated achievements as a sporting group.
- The team displays qualities such as fair play, integrity, respect within the team and or opponents
- Activities and contributions were achieved on a voluntary basis or exceeded the normal requirements
- Open to all sporting groups

Services to Sport

- Impact of their support and services to sport in the community including encouraging membership and participation in their sporting field
- Demonstrated that their service has made a difference in the lives of others and to the sport over a number of years
- Personal effort had made a lasting and significant difference to the sport and club operations and/or met a community need
- Activities and contributions were achieved on a voluntary basis or exceeded the normal requirements
- Open to members and supporters of sporting clubs

Senior Sports Person

- Demonstrated excellence in their field and/or outstanding sporting achievement including representing their sport at local, state, national or international level.
- Displays the qualities and have conducted themselves in the spirit of fair sportspersonship, fair play, respect and integrity
- Displays inspirational leadership, energy and enthusiasm in their sporting role including the ability to motivate and inspire others
- Years of service to the sport and sporting community
- Open to people 17 years of age or more as at 26 January 2022

Junior Sports Person

- Demonstrated excellence in their field and/or outstanding sporting achievement including representing their sport at local, state, national or international level.
- Displays the qualities and have conducted themselves in the spirit of fair sportspersonship, fair play, respect and integrity
- Displays inspirational leadership, energy and enthusiasm in their sporting role including the ability to motivate and inspire others
- Open to people 16 years of age or less as at 26 January 2022

Sustainability Award

- Has made a significant contribution to the short or long-term sustainability of the shire
- Anyone that has shown outstanding performance or has achieved, invented or has shown innovative skill in any agricultural field with the Muswellbrook Shire
- Open to groups and individuals

Arts and Culture Award

- Significant contribution to arts and culture in the community
- Demonstrated excellence or emerging talent in their field including music, dance and the arts
- The impact their contribution and achievements have made to the arts and cultural life in the community and beyond
- Has encouraged community building and participation, is an inspiration to others and has raised awareness about the value of arts in the community
- Has shown achievements in activities which promote cultural inclusion and diversity
- Open to all cultural groups and individuals

Nomination for Australia Day Awards 2023 Eligibility

- ✓ Nominees must be Australian Citizens and must reside within the Muswellbrook Shire Council region.
- ✓ Nominations must be received by midnight Sunday 4 December 2022. Any nominations received after this time will not be accepted.
- ✓ Contribution by an individual or group to the Muswellbrook Shire region to be voluntary and unpaid and may be of general or specific nature.
- ✓ Nominees must have contributed significantly to the community, in any field considered appropriate.
- ✓ Nominees must demonstrate active concern for the rights, welfare, wellbeing and/or advancement of others and be able to display leadership, innovation or creativity in their activities.
- ✓ Unsuccessful nominees may be re-nominated in subsequent years, by filling out a new nomination accepted.
- ✓ A person cannot receive a second award in the same award category but can be considered for recognition in a separate category in following years, e.g. Young Citizen of the Year and then Citizen of the Year.
- ✓ The nominee must not be a Member of Parliament.
- ✓ Nominations could include a photo if appropriate and a 100 word summary of the person or activity and at least two referees from different perspectives of the applicant's achievements. Referees may be contacted by the Australia Day Nominations Committee of Council as part of the decision making process and at least one referee should have a good knowledge of the nominee's key area of activity.
- ✓ The ADN Committee reserves the right to obtain more information about each person from whatever source appropriate.
- ✓ The decisions of the ADN Committee shall be final, and no correspondence will be entered into on the subject of decisions made.

Nomination Process

- ➡ To nominate, please complete the appropriate nomination form.
- ➡ Photos and any supporting documentation should be attached to the nomination form.
- ➡ Any nomination received after the closing date will not be considered.
- ➡ Additional information regarding nominations will not be accepted after the closing date unless it is correcting earlier information supplied.
- ➡ All nominees will be notified after the closing date, advising they have been nominated and inviting them and their nominators to attend the Australia Day Award Ceremony.

The Australia Day Nominations Committee will consist of the Mayor, the General Manager and other community representatives as the Mayor determines.

Nomination forms can be picked up in person from the Muswellbrook Shire Council Administration Building

Campbell's Corner, 60-82 Bridge Street, Muswellbrook NSW 2333 or you can use the online form at www.muswellbrook.nsw.gov.au

Nominations are open now and close midnight Sunday 4 December 2022.

The Awards will be presented at the Australia Day Award Ceremony on Thursday, 26 January 2023

Privacy Statement – Australia Day Awards

Muswellbrook Shire Council (Council) Privacy Statement complies with the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (NSW) (PPIP Act) when requesting, collecting and managing personal information required to administer the Muswellbrook Shire Council Australia Day Awards (Awards). For full details please refer to Council's website www.muswellbrook.nsw.gov.au

Nominations to be forwarded to;

ceremonies@muswellbrook.nsw.gov.au (or) delivered to the Muswellbrook Shire Council Administration Building

Enquiries Please contact Council on (02) 6549 3700 or via email council@muswellbrook.nsw.gov.au