



Australia Day Nominations

Let us recognize our everyday Australian community members and nominate someone who is giving their time and services to the community, going the extra mile or a quiet achiever who is truly making a difference. Tell us who impresses you and who you would like to see honoured and acknowledged on Australia Day 2026.

NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2026 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS ARE DUE BY Monday 01st December 2025.

Eligibility in categories

All nominees must be a resident of the Paroo Shire at the time of nomination. Nominations cannot be made by an immediate family member of the nominee.

- **Citizen of the year:** Nominees must be 26 years of age or older as of 26th January 2026.
- **Young Citizen of the year:** nominees must be aged between 16 - 25 years of age as of 26 January 2026.
- **Sports Award (Athlete of Sports Administrator):** Nominees are to be recognised for achievements and service throughout the calendar year of 2025.
- **Community or Cultural Event of the Year:** Nominated events must have been held in the Paroo Shire, during the calendar year of 2025.

Selection Criteria

Please consider the selection criteria listed below when completing your nomination and **attach a response that is no longer than 2 x A4 pages** (supporting documentation may be additional).

- How has the person/event made an outstanding contribution to the local community?
- How is the person an inspirational role model for the community?
- Why do you believe that this person should receive an Australia Day Award?

Supporting Documentation

Supporting documentation may also be provided with your nomination form that you feel will assist the judges in making this decision, supporting documentation can include items such as personal references, letters, photographs, samples of work, portfolios, articles etc.

Please do not supply originals of supporting documentation, as all documentation will be retained by the Paroo Shire Council.

Judging Process

Nominations will be reviewed by the appointed judging panel. The Judge's decision is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.

Award Recipients

Award recipients will be announced at a ceremony during the Australia Day Celebrations on Sunday 26th January 2026.

Please return the form to and/or for more information contact:

Paroo Shire Council

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By Post: Australia Day Awards
Paroo Shire Council
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Cunnamulla QLD 4490

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49 Stockyard St
Cunnamulla QLD 4490



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NOMINEE DETAILS				
Full name:				
Occupation:				
Address:				
Locality/suburb:		State:		Postcode:
Phone:		Mobile:		
Email:				
Date of Birth:				
Referee Contact Details:				
Nomination Category:	<input type="checkbox"/> Citizen of the Year <input type="checkbox"/> Young Citizen of the Year <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Award (Athlete or Sports Administrator) <input type="checkbox"/> Community or Cultural Event of the Year			

DETAILS OF PERSON SUBMITTING THE NOMINATION				
Full Name:				
Address:				
Locality/suburb:				
Phone:				
Email:				

☐ I have attached my response to the selection criteria (maximum of 2 x A4 pages).

☐ I have informed the above nominee, and they accept the nomination.

Signature

Date

The information collected in this form will be used by Council for a lawful purpose directly related to the functions and activities of the Council. Your personal details will not be disclosed to a third party outside the process of dealing with your nomination, except where required by legislation (including Right to Information Act 2009) or as required by the Public Records Act 2002.



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