


## COUNCIL POLICY

Australia Day Awards	<b>Adopted By Council:</b>	03/08/03	
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### CONTEXT

In collaboration with the National Australia Day Council, Local Government Authorities administer Australia Day Awards in municipalities across Australia as part of annual Australia Day celebrations.

### POLICY

#### 1. Eligibility

Awards will be available in the following categories:

<b>Citizen of the Year Award:</b>	To be eligible, the person must be a citizen of the Borough of Queenscliffe.
<b>Young Citizen of the Year Award:</b>	To be eligible, the person must be a citizen of the Borough of Queenscliffe under the age of 27 years on January 26.
<b>Community Event of the Year Award:</b>	Presented to the person/group who has staged the most outstanding community event during the year.
<b>Community Service of the Year Award:</b>	Presented to the organisation/group which has made the most outstanding contribution to the community during the year.
<b>Community Environment Project of the Year:</b>	Presented to the person/group who has staged the most outstanding environmental project during the year.

#### 2. Call for Nominations

To ensure widespread knowledge of the awards and high quality nominations, Council will call for nominations via local and regional media and other appropriate means in October each year and will allow at least 6 weeks before the close of nominations.

#### 3. Selection

The Selection Committee will consist of, one Councillor and three community representatives selected by Council, final decisions will be formally endorsed by Council

Awards will be presented to persons, groups and/or organisations that have made the most outstanding achievements and/or the most outstanding contribution to the local community during the year or over a number of years.

No awards will be made if it is considered that nominations are not of a sufficiently high standard.

#### **4. Presentation and Acknowledgement**

Awards will be presented during the Australia Day celebrations each year. Citations outlining the outstanding achievements / contribution will be presented to the award recipients and made public via the local and regional media. The Citizen of the Year and Young Citizen of the Year will be acknowledged on Council's Australia Day Awards Honour Board, located in the Town Hall Foyer

#### **OTHER REFERENCES**

[www.australiaday.org.au](http://www.australiaday.org.au)

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