

Australia Day Awards 2022 Nomination

Please read the guidelines including the eligibility and selection criteria (pages 5 and 6) before completing the nomination form.

I have read and understand the eligibility criteria.

NOMINATION FOR

Citizen of the Year

Young Citizen of the Year

Community Group of the Year

Community Event or Project of the Year

NOMINEE DETAILS

Title	First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Address	Town	Postcode
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Phone	Email	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	

In which local area is the nominee predominantly active?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Baddaginnie | <input type="checkbox"/> Benalla | <input type="checkbox"/> Devenish | <input type="checkbox"/> Goomalibee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Goorambat | <input type="checkbox"/> Molyullah | <input type="checkbox"/> Swanpool/Lima | <input type="checkbox"/> Tatong |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thoona | <input type="checkbox"/> Warrenbayne | <input type="checkbox"/> Winton | |

Is the nominee aware of the nomination? (*Consent should be sought from the nominee prior to making a nomination.*)

Yes No Unsure

NOMINATED COMMUNITY EVENT/OR PROJECT DETAILS

Event/project name		
<input type="text"/>		
Community group / organisation involved	Date of event / project launch	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Key contact person		
<input type="text"/>		
Address	Town	Postcode
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Phone	Email	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	

REFEREE(S)

Provide details of at least one person who may be contacted by members of the Australia Day Awards Selection Panel.

Name of referee 1 *(required)*

Organisation *(if applicable)*

Phone

Email

Name of referee 2 *(optional)*

Organisation *(if applicable)*

Phone

Email

YOUR DETAILS

Title

First Name

Last Name

Address

Town

Postcode

Phone

Email

SUBMITTING YOUR NOMINATION

Nominations close end of business, Wednesday 1 December 2021.

Nomination forms can be completed online, downloaded as a PDF from benalla.vic.gov.au or collected from the Council's Customer Service Centre.

If completing a PDF form please return completed form and supporting documentation to Council:

In person:

Customer Service Centre
1 Bridge Street East, Benalla

Email:

council@benalla.vic.gov.au

Mail:

The Chair
Benalla Australia Day Advisory Committee
P O Box 227
Benalla VIC 3671

Thank you for your nomination.

Australia Day Awards 2022

Guidelines

The Benalla Australia Day awards are a great way to acknowledge, honour and celebrate the outstanding achievements and voluntary service of individuals, groups, events and projects in our community.

Categories for awards are:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Community Group of the Year
- Community Event or Project of the Year
- District Achiever of the Year

It is encouraged that when submitting a nomination that a clear detailed summary of between 100 – 500 words is used to outline why your nominee is worthy of an Australia Day Award. This enables the judging panel to make an informed decision.

Support your nomination with facts and reliable statistics. Attach copies of newspaper or magazine articles or other supporting documentation. Aim for quality, not necessarily quantity. A long nomination isn't always a better nomination. Try to keep your sentences short and concise, and avoid repetition.

District Achiever awards are awarded by the selection panel from the list of remaining nominees after the Citizen of the Year and Young Citizen of the Year has been selected.

The Advisory Committee has the discretion to nominate an additional merit award in the categories of Citizen and Young Citizen.

Eligibility criteria

Citizen of the Year

To be eligible, the nominee must

- be an Australian Citizen, 26 years or over on 26 January 2022
- be a current or past resident of Benalla Rural City or
- if residing in an adjoining municipality, have done the majority of their community work within Benalla Rural City
- have made a noteworthy contribution during the current year or
- have given outstanding service to the local or wider community over a number of years or
- be outstanding achievers in the field of sports, arts, education, science or medicine
- not be a member of the Australia Day Award Selection Panel
- not be a current elected member of Benalla Rural City Council, a Council employee or a member of state or federal parliament.

Young Citizen of the Year

To be eligible, the nominee must

- be an Australian Citizen, 12-25 years on 26 January 2022
- be a current or past resident of Benalla Rural City or
- if residing in an adjoining municipality, have done most of their community work within Benalla Rural City
- have made a noteworthy contribution during the current year or
- have given outstanding service to the local or wider community over a number of years or
- be outstanding achievers in the field of sports, arts, education, science or medicine
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Community Group of the Year

To be eligible, the Community Group must

- be a not-for-profit organisation operating within Benalla Rural City
- have four members or more
- have made a significant contribution to the local community during 2021.

Community Event or Project of the Year

To be eligible, the event or project

- has been undertaken/held in the Benalla Rural City
- has demonstrated community social/economic benefits, values of unity and community spirit
- made a significant difference to making Benalla Rural City a better place to live

Nominations

- Consent should be sought from the nominee prior to making a nomination.
- Nominations must be made on Council's nomination form.
- Reasons for the nomination must be provided in 100-500 words. Additional information (photos, press clippings, awards, written references) can be attached but must not exceed 5 pages (or 5 files of max. 2MB each).
- Nominations must include the name and contact number of at least one referee who can provide supporting evidence for the nomination.
- Previous unsuccessful nominations can be resubmitted, providing they are updated and submitted on the required form.
- Nomination forms can be completed online, downloaded as a PDF from benalla.vic.gov.au or collected from the Council's Customer Service Centre.
- Nominations must be received by **1 December 2021**.

Selection process

The selection panel comprises the Mayor, representatives of the Benalla Rural City Australia Day Advisory Committee and immediate past winners of the Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year awards. The panel is chaired by the Chair, Benalla Rural City Australia Day Advisory Committee. Each panel member is given a copy of each nomination. They score the individual nominations based on the selection criteria. When the selection panel meets, the individual scores are added up and the award winners are chosen based on the total score received.

District achievement award winners are chosen after the Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year have been determined. The highest scoring nominees in each locality are awarded Achiever of the Year.

Notification of awards

Nominees will be advised that they have been nominated. Nominators will receive an acknowledgement that their nomination has been received.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions the way the awards will be presented is uncertain at this stage. We will advise both nominees and nominators when the format of the 2022 Benalla Rural City Australia Day celebration is known.