Australia Day

Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.

Nominations 2027 Awards

QUILPIE Shire

On 26 January 2027 Australians, all around the country will celebrate what is great about Australia.

We would like you to help us celebrate what is great about our community by nominating someone you know for an Australia Day Award.

The ***Quilpie Shire Council*** Australia Day Awards will recognise members of our community who have made an outstanding contribution to the community.

The Award categories that you can nominate in are:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Community Group of the Year
- Certificate of Appreciation
- Quilpie Shire Business of the Year

How to nominate:

Nomination forms available from Quilpie Shire Council office or visit www.quilpie.qld.gov.au
Please complete and submit the nomination form to Quilpie Shire Council, using one of the following options by 12.00pm Tuesday 19 January 2027.
Please ensure your nomination is marked "Confidential – Australia Day Awards".
E: admin@quilpie.qld.gov.au
P: PO Box 57 Quilpie Q 4480

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

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

Eligibility in Categories

- All nominees **must** be a resident of ***Quilpie Shire***
- Awards are for achievements and events in **2026 only.**

Citizen of the Year Award

- Nominees must be 16 years of age and over and are required to be residents of Quilpie Shire. Nominations will need to demonstrate the scope of impact the individual's contribution has on the Quilpie Shire community.

Young Citizen of the Year Award

- Nominees must be 16 years of age and under and are required to be residents of Quilpie Shire. Nominations will need to demonstrate the scope of impact the individual's contribution has on the Quilpie Shire community.

Community Group of the Year Award

- The award is designed to encourage, acknowledge and reward the valuable contributions individuals and community groups are making throughout Quilpie Shire.

Certificates of Appreciation

- Certificates of Appreciation are awarded to individuals for specific work they have carried out throughout the year. This can be a great way to thank any volunteers in your organisation who have gone above and beyond the call of duty.

Quilpie Shire Business Award

- Business nominated for the Quilpie Shire Business award must operate within the Quilpie Shire. This award is designed to recognise outstanding business practice, innovation, customer service, and community spirit.

Selection Criteria

Please consider the selection criteria listed when completing your nomination.

- How has the person/group/business or event made an outstanding contribution to the local community?
- How is the person/group/business an inspirational role model for the community?
- Why do you believe that this person/group/business should receive an Australia Day Award?
- Does the nominee work in a volunteer capacity or in a paid position?
- Have these contributions taken place in 2026?

Judging Process

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

Award Recipients

Award recipients will be announced at a ceremony during our Australia Day Celebrations on Friday 22 January 2027.

Enquiries: Please contact Quilpie Shire Council
Phone: Quilpie Shire Council on 4656 0500
Email: admin@quilpie.qld.gov.au

Quilpie Shire Council Australia Day Award Nomination Form 2027

I would like to nominate: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (h) _____ (w) _____ (m) _____

Email: _____

For an Australia Day Award in the following category:

☐ **Citizen of the Year Award**

☐ **Young Citizen of the Year Award**

☐ **Community Group of the Year Award**

☐ **Australia Day Certificates of Appreciation**

☐ **Quilpie Shire Business of the Year Award**

Selection criteria as below needs to be addressed and the nomination form is required to be fully completed. Supporting documentation may also be included.

1. *How has the person or group made an outstanding contribution to the local community?*
2. *How is the person/group an inspirational role model for the community?*
3. *Why do you believe that this person should receive an Australia Day Award?*
4. Does the nominee work in a volunteer capacity or in a paid position?

Your Details:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (h) _____ (w) _____ (m) _____

Email: _____

Referee Details (if available):

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (h) _____ (w) _____ (m) _____

Email: _____

Signature of nominator: _____

Please note: Closing date for nominations is 5:00pm Tuesday 19 January 2027

Please Note: All awards are acknowledgement for achievements & events in **2026.**

The awards are ***not*** for an accumulation of achievements throughout several years.