



Bundaberg Region's 2026 Australia Day Awards



Bundaberg Regional Council's Australia Day Awards recognise individuals and organisations who have made significant contributions to our region and achieved exceptional results in community service, sporting, creative, environmental and business endeavours.

Community Group of the Year

This award recognises outstanding achievement by a group or organisation fostering community spirit, which has resulted in positive outcomes for the Bundaberg Region.

Nomination criteria for community group:

Contributions can be made in any area that supports the advancement and wellbeing of the community.

Consideration will be given to the nominee's achievements in the year immediately prior to receiving the award, as well as past achievements and ongoing contribution to the community.

The panel will also consider:

- The level of community involvement
- Benefits to the community and local business
- Ability of the event to increase tourism
- Inclusivity

Eligibility criteria:

- Nominated groups or organisations must be located within the Bundaberg Regional Council area
- No weight is given to the number of times a person is nominated

Judging process:

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

Closing date:

4 pm
Friday 28 November 2025

Nomination form

Council is collecting your personal information, including your name, address, date of birth and phone number, for the purposes of processing your Australia Day Award nomination. This information will be disclosed to Council's Australia Day Awards Judging Panel. We will not use your personal information for any other purpose unless we are authorised or required to under an Australian law, court or tribunal order to do so. Personal information is handled in accordance with Council's Privacy Policy, governed by the *Information Privacy Act 2009*, our Privacy policy is located at bundaberg.qld.gov.au/privacy. Contact Council's RTI team if you have questions about how we manage your personal information.

I would like to nominate*

Community group:

Address:

Contact name: Phone number:

for Australia Day Community Group of the Year 2026.

**Nominators should always obtain consent from the nominee to disclose the provided personal information (e.g. name, address, phone number, date of birth/age) to Council.*

Nomination:

- Start with a clear, concise statement about why your nominee should win an Australia Day Award
- Keep your response between 200 and 500 words total
- Support your nomination with facts or evidence and address the nomination criteria

How has the group or organisation contributed to the progression, image or wellbeing of the Bundaberg Region community?

TIP: Highlight any relevant accomplishments, list motivating factors and describe how their efforts have gone above and beyond the standard contribution.

How has the nominee contributed to the enhancement of the Bundaberg Region?

TIP: Detail how the nominee's service, initiative or achievement has changed the region. Who have they impacted and what was the result?

Supporting documentation that you feel will assist the judges in making their decision may also be provided.

I.E. Other individuals or organisations who can support the nomination. Please do not supply originals of supporting documentation as Bundaberg Regional Council will retain nominations.

Your details:

Name: Address:

..... Suburb:

Phone number: (H) (W) (M)

Email:

☐ By ticking this box, I confirm that I have obtained consent from the nominee to disclose the provided personal information to Council.

Signature of nominator:

Please return by mail to:

Bundaberg Regional Council

PO Box 3130, Bundaberg QLD 4670

or email: australiadayawards@bundaberg.qld.gov.au

or drop in to a Council Customer Service Centre:

- 190 Bourbong Street, Bundaberg
- 4 Dear Street, Gin Gin
- 45 Churchill Street, Childers

or fill out the online nomination form: bundaberg.qld.gov.au