



NSW LOCAL CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS PROGRAM

GUIDELINES & CRITERIA

Each year the people of Macleay Valley are invited to nominate fellow citizens for the NSW Local Citizen of the Year Awards. The awards aim to recognise outstanding achievement during the past year and/or contribution to the local community over a number of years.

AWARD CATEGORIES:

Citizen of the Year

To be eligible, the person must be 26 years or older on 26 January 2011

Young Citizen Award

To be eligible, the person must be under 26 years of age on 26 January 2011

Sports Award

Presented to an individual or groups of four or more people who have been involved in any area of the sporting community from active sports participation through to volunteers in sporting.

Community Services Award

Presented to an individual or groups of four or more people who have been involved in any area of voluntary community endeavour and will have demonstrated a special concern and commitment to the community through their efforts and support of local community activities in the Macleay Valley.

Community Entertainment, Arts and Music Award

Presented to an individual or groups of four or more people who have been involved in any area of voluntary community endeavour in the areas of entertainment, music and arts activities in the Macleay Valley.

Environmental Award

Presented to an individual or groups of four or more people who have been involved in a voluntary environmental endeavour and will have demonstrated a special concern and commitment to the community through their efforts and support of local environmental activities in the Macleay Valley.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Nominees must be Australian citizens and residing in Macleay Valley at the time of nomination
- Unsuccessful nominees may be re-nominated in subsequent years
- Self nominations will not be accepted.
- Sitting state and federal politicians and current vice-regal officers are not eligible. Consideration of retired politicians and officers would be for work in addition to their official duties.
- A person cannot receive a second award in the same Awards category, but can be considered for recognition in a separate category in following years eg. Young Citizen of the Year and then Citizen of the Year
- The minimum age for the Local Citizen of the Year Awards is 12 years on 26 January 2011.
- Nominees aged 12 to 26 years on 26 January 2011 will also be considered for the Young Citizen of the Year Award

HOW TO NOMINATE

To nominate, please complete the attached nomination form. The nomination should detail the nature, duration and impact of the nominee's contribution to Macleay Valley.

In assessing a nomination, the judging panel may consider:

- the number of hours of work over and above normal employment duties
- the benefit to the community from the nominee's service or contribution
- other outstanding achievements by the nominee
- other recognition of the nominee's contribution or work, including publicity
- whether the nominee worked as part of a team and their role within the team
- whether the nominee has had assistance from council, government or other grants.
- whether the nominee has had to overcome any particular difficulties or hurdles
- who has benefited most from the work of the nominee

For more information, contact Mrs Melanie Booth, Team Leader Community Development on telephone 6566 3221

Nominations must be received by close of business on Friday, 19 November 2010.

Nominations are to be forward to :

Kempsey Shire Council
P O Box 3078
WEST KEMPSEY NSW 2440

PRESENTATION

The awards will be presented on Australia Day 2011.

The selection of recipients will reflect the nominations received and information available to the Judging Panel at the time. **Kempsey Shire Council** reserves the right to withdraw an award if further information or the recipient's conduct draws the Local Citizen of the Year Awards into disrepute.