



TENTERFIELD AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS 2027

GUIDELINES & CRITERIA

Each year the people of Tenterfield Shire are invited to nominate fellow citizens for the NSW Local Australia Day Awards.

Nominations for Awards are now open and must be completed using the appropriate Council Nomination Form which is available on-line or by hard copy which can be downloaded from the website or is available from Council's Administration Office.

AWARD CATEGORIES

Citizen of the Year

Aims to recognise outstanding achievement during the past year and/or contribution to the local community over a number of years. *To be eligible, the person must be 26 years or older on 26 January 2027.*

Young Citizen Award

Aims to recognise outstanding achievement during the past year and/or contribution to the local community over a number of years. *To be eligible, the person must be under 26 years of age on 26 January 2027.*

Sports Person of the Year Award (any age)

For contribution to Sport in the local area. The nominee's approach and efforts to advance in their chosen activity and their performance over the past year are considered. *Sports persons of all ages are eligible.*

Emergency Services Volunteer Award or Group

Aims to recognise outstanding services of volunteers in emergency service organisations. *Voluntary members of emergency service organisations of all ages are eligible.*

Community Event of the Year Award

Presented to the person/group who has staged the most outstanding community event during the past year. *Community groups who raise funds are eligible.*

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Nominees must be Australian citizens at the time of nomination;
- Nominees may be residents in Tenterfield Shire Local Government Area or non-residents involved with a Tenterfield Shire based organisation, or individual endeavour within Tenterfield Shire, at the time of nomination;
- Unsuccessful nominees may be re-nominated in subsequent years;

- Self nominations will not be accepted;
- Awards will not be granted retrospectively; and
- 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.

HOW TO NOMINATE

Nominations for Awards are now open and must be completed using the appropriate Council Nomination Form which is available on-line or by hard copy which can be downloaded from the website or is available from Council's Administration Office.

The nomination should detail the nature, duration, and impact of the nominee's contribution to Tenterfield Shire.

In assessing a nomination, the Judging Panel may consider:

- 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.

NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY

All entries should be addressed for the attention of the General Manager and should reach Council's Office (247 Rouse Street/PO Box 214, Tenterfield NSW 2372) COB on Friday, 11 December 2026.

PRESENTATION

The Awards will be presented on Australia Day, Tuesday, 26 January 2027.

The selection of recipients will reflect the nominations received and information available to the Judging Panel at the time. Tenterfield 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.

For more information, contact

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CITIZEN / YOUNG CITIZEN / SPORTSPERSON / EMERGENCY SERVICES
VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR OR GROUP

PAST PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT (Include here details of previous involvement in organisations - including positions held - also past achievements and contributions directly attributable to the candidate - alone or with others).

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PRESENT PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT (Include here details of current involvement in organisations - including positions held as well as any activities or initiatives currently being undertaken by the candidate either alone or with others).

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OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS DURING 2026 (Note here those activities during the last twelve (12) months for which you feel the candidate deserves special recognition).

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Please use this space for any additional information you feel might assist in the judging of your candidate e.g. difficulties of a personal or family kind which candidate has surmounted).

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Please note, that Council will contact the Nominator of the awardee in mid-January 2027 to arrange for the attendance of the awardee at the celebrations on 26 January 2027. *Please ensure that the contact details for the nominator will be current during the month of January 2027 (e.g., taking into account school holidays).*

Invitations will be issued to all nominees and nominators prior to Australia Day.

The Candidate is nominated by:

Name(s):

Organisation:

(If relevant)

Address:

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Telephone:

I hereby declare that the information contained in this nomination regarding the Candidate is to my knowledge true and accurate.

Signed: Date:

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