

GUIDELINES FOR COMPLETING ALL GILGANDRA SHIRE COUNCIL

AUSTRALIA DAY AWARD NOMINATIONS

Many people in our community spend time volunteering or helping others. From past experience, this volunteering assistance ranges from:

- people who are involved in organisations and take on a leadership role to individuals who will always put up their hand to assist in any capacity when help is required
- people who quietly go about helping others in the community by way of assisting with transports, shopping, paying accounts or other tasks
- those who assist with setting up and packing up our sporting activities, work in canteens, coach teams and undertake refereeing duties
- small groups of people who come together to organise a one-off function or event

When nominating a person, event or group worthy of recognition for the Australia Day Awards, please consider the following “thought starters”:

CITIZEN AND YOUNG CITIZEN AWARDS

- How much time does the nominee spend per week/month in volunteering/preparing or setting up the activity/activities?
- Is the nominee involved in one or more organisations or groups? If so, please list details of their involvement such as whether they hold an executive position or whether they provide input on selected or important projects/functions.
- Individual members of our community are often quiet achievers but spend much of their time assisting others with transport, shopping or tasks.
- What is the significance of the nominee’s efforts and how does it impact on others?
- Does the nominee’s activity/ies involve a broad section of the community?
- Does the nominee’s effort contribute to the aims of the Council’s Community Strategic Plan themes or relevant organisation – as a leader, volunteer or quiet achiever?

COMMUNITY EVENT

In judging this section, the selection committee would be looking for a Community Event that involves a large cross section of the community and has a significant impact. It may be a one off event or a series of events. You might state how many people attended the event and, if it was a fundraising event, how much money was raised.

COMMUNITY GROUP/ORGANISATION

This can be any group who has worked within our community, for example service club, sporting body, school, church, youth group, etc. Their objectives may be as simple as to increase their numbers or as complicated as constructing a new building. In judging this section the selection committee would be looking for an indication of how important this group/organisation is to the community, the amount of participation it generates and the reach of the group/organisation.

SPORTS ACHIEVEMENT

This can be any person who has achieved success in any one or several sports or an official, supporter or volunteer providing assistance to a sporting body or team/s. Team nominations are also eligible. Consider addressing the following aspects:

- The level of success
- Sportsmanship
- Activities that have helped promote and develop the sport/s locally or regionally
- Any other relevant criteria listed in these guidelines

FOR ALL NOMINATIONS

- If you are uncertain of any information you are providing, please check with the relevant organisations or indicate where you are uncertain.
- You may attach documents such as articles from newspapers, to support the nomination.
- Include details of any relevant awards or recognitions, life memberships, regional awards, peak body awards, etc.