

Nomination Guidelines and Criteria

Each year the Bingara community are invited to nominate fellow citizens for the NSW Local (Bingara) 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

- A) Citizen of the Year
- B) Young Citizen of the Year
- C) Volunteer or Volunteer Team/Group of the Year
- D) Community Event of the Year
- E) Junior Sportsperson of the Year (under 18 years of age)
- F) Senior Sportsperson of the Year
- G) Sports Team of the Year

Criteria and Eligibility

- 1) Nominees must be Australian citizens and reside in Bingara and District at the time of nomination.
- 2) Citizen of the Year Award Nominees must be 26 years old or older on 26 January 2025.
- 3) Young Citizen of the Year Award Nominees must be 16 years to 25 years on 26 January 2025.
- 4) All nominees will be considered for the Citizen of the Year Award in their original nomination category.
- 5) A person cannot receive a second award in the same Award category but can be considered for recognition in a separate category in following years e.g. Young Citizen of the Year, then Citizen of the Year in future years.
- 6) Unsuccessful nominees may be re-nominated in subsequent years.
- 7) Self-nomination will not be accepted.
- 8) Awards will not be accepted posthumously.
- 9) Sitting state and federal politicians and current vice-regal officers are not eligible for nomination.
- 10) Retired politicians and officers will only be considered for work beyond their official duties.

Nomination Process

- 1) To nominate, please complete a nomination form. The nomination form should detail the nature, duration and impact of the nominee's contribution to Bingara and District.
- 2) Nomination forms are available from the Bingara Council Office or the Bingara Library.
- 3) Any supporting documentation should be attached to the nomination form.
- 4) The awards will be presented on Australia Day, 26 January 2025, at the Roxy Theatre, Bingara.
- 5) The selection of recipients will reflect the nominations received and information available to the Judging Panel at the time.
- 6) Gwydir Shire Council and Bingara Special Event Committee reserves the right to withdraw an award if further information or the recipient's conduct could bring the NSW Local Citizen of the Year Awards into disrepute.

**All Nominations MUST be received by close of business (4pm)
Friday 10 January 2025**