

## 21.2 Confidential Item

## **13 December 2021**

21.2 Australia Day Awards 2022

## **RECOMMENDATION**

#### "that:

- Pursuant to section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that all members of the public, except Chief Executive Officer, General Manger – Governance and Executive Office, General Manager – Development and Community, General Manager – Finance and Business, General Manager – Infrastructure and Environment, Manager Governance and Administration, Manager Library and Community, Administration and Executive Support Officer/Minute Taker and Information Technology Officer be excluded from attendance at the meeting of the Council for Agenda Item 21.2 – Australia Day Awards 2022;
- 2. Council is satisfied that pursuant to section 90(3)(o) of the Local Government Act 1999, Item 21.2 Australia Day Awards 2022 concerns information relating to proposed Australia Day Award recipients before the presentation of the awards; and
- 3. Council is satisfied that the principle that Council meetings should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the information, matter and discussion confidential."

,			21.2	Austra	lia Day Awards 2022			
		Adelaide Plains Council	Departme	ent:	Development and Community			
		Council	Report Au	ıthor:	Manager Library & Community			
Date:	13 De	ecember 2021	Documen	t Ref:	D21/52229			

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- The Australia Day Awards are presented annually to local citizens/community groups that have made outstanding contributions to the community.
- The Australia Day Council offers three awards to recognise persons/community groups that have made a significant difference:
  - <u>Citizen of the Year</u>, awarded to the most outstanding Citizen for the Adelaide Plains
     Council (APC) region
  - Young Citizen of the Year, awarded to the most outstanding Young Citizen (aged 18-30 years) for the APC region
  - Community Event of the Year, awarded to the person or group who has staged the most outstanding community event during the past year in the APC region.
- Local government authorities may also offer their own Awards to reflect other achievements in their community. Adelaide Plains Council offers two additional awards:
  - Community Group of the Year, awarded to the group who have made a significant or beneficial contribution to the APC area and/or the community during the past year
  - Community Project of the Year, awarded for projects held entirely or predominantly in the APC region in the past year and organised with the assistance of one or more community groups/members.
- This year, Council has received nominations for four (4) of the five (5) award categories.
- Council Members need to deliberate and determine the successful recipients of the Australia Day Awards for 2022. These nominees will receive their Award from the Mayor (or his delegate) on 26 January 2022 at the Australia Day Event to be held in Two Wells.

## **RECOMMENDATION 1**

"that Council, having considered Item 21.2 – *Australia Day Awards 2022*, dated 13 December 2021, receives and notes the report."

## **RECOMMENDATION 2**

"that Council, having considered Item 21.2 – *Australia Day Awards 2022*, dated 13 December 2021, determines \_\_\_\_\_ as the recipient of the Citizen of the Year Award."

## **RECOMMENDATION 3**

"that Council, having considered Item 21.2 – *Australia Day Awards 2022*, dated 13 December 2021, determines as the recipient of the Young Citizen of the Year Award."

## **RECOMMENDATION 4**

"that Council, having considered Item 21.2 – *Australia Day Awards 2022*, dated 13 December 2021, determines as the recipient of the Community Group of the Year Award."

## **RECOMMENDATION 5**

"that Council, having considered Item 21.2 – *Australia Day Awards 2022*, dated 13 December 2021, determines \_\_\_\_\_\_ as the recipient of the Community Project of the Year Award."

## **BUDGET IMPACT**

Estimated Cost: Budgeted cost associated with Australia Day celebrations

Future ongoing operating costs: Nil

Is this Budgeted? Not Applicable

## **RISK ASSESSMENT**

Members need to ensure that applications are fairly assessed based on the *Australia Day Council's* selection criteria. This criteria is detailed in the *'Discussion'* section of this report to assist Members.

An Assessment Form and Matrix has been provided as **Attachment 10** to this report to assist Members with their determinations. Please note that the comments and scoring are the Manager Library and Community's interpretation only. The quality of our five nominations for the Citizen of the Year Award were of a very high standard, and it was very difficult to determine a 'clear' winner. Members can also 'score' all applications prior to the December 2021 Ordinary Council meeting.

## **Attachments**

- 1. Nomination Citizen of the Year Marie Tapscott
- 2. Nomination Citizen of the Year Allan Parker
- 3. Nomination Citizen of the Year Maxine Symes
- 4. Nomination Citizen of the Year Norm Dicks
- 5. Nomination Citizen of the Year Anna White
- 6. Nomination Young Citizen of the Year Chloe Sharpe
- 7. Nomination Community Group of the Year Two Wells Regional Action Team
- 8. Nomination Community Project of the Year Two Wells Regional Action Team
- 9. Nomination Community Project of the Year Dublin Cricket Club
- 10. Australia Day Awards Assessment and Matrix Forms

## **DETAILED REPORT**

## **Purpose**

To provide Council Members with the nominations for the various 2022 Australia Day Awards, in order to evaluate and determine the successful recipients.

## **Background/History**

The Australia Day Awards are presented annually to local citizens/groups that have made outstanding contributions to the community. The Awards are provided by the Australia Day Council of South Australia and are administered by Local Government Authorities throughout the State. The successful nominees are notified by the Mayor/Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) and receive their Awards at Council's Australia Day ceremony.

## **Discussion**

The Australia Day Awards are open to both individuals and groups that have:

- made a noteworthy contribution to the Adelaide Plains Council region on a voluntary basis;
   or
- have given an outstanding contribution exceeding their normal employment duties during the current year; and/or
- provided significant service to the local community over a number of years.

The Awards are open to all residents of the Adelaide Plains Council, although contributions made to our community by non-residents will also be considered. Persons or groups who were previously nominated, but were unsuccessful, may also renominate.

Nominations for the 2022 Australia Day Awards opened on Friday 1 October 2021 and closed on Wednesday 24 November 2021 (in line with the Australia Day Council guidelines). Hard copy nomination forms could be collected from the Mallala Principal Office, Two Wells Service Centre and the Two Wells Library. Forms could also be downloaded from the Council website or online nominations were accepted via the Australia Day Council website.

Advertisements were placed in the Plains Producer and Two Wells Echo. Council also emailed local community and recreation/sporting groups advising nominations for the annual Australia Day Awards were being sought, with the nomination form attached. The Adelaide Plains Library Facebook page also promoted the Australia Day Awards.

The Australia Day Council's "Guidance and Criteria for Local Authorities" states:

- in choosing the recipients of the Awards, regard is given to the nominee's achievement in the year immediately prior to receiving the awards, as well as their past achievements and ongoing contribution to the community.
- an individual need only be nominated once to be considered. The number of nominations received per nominee bears no weight in the selection.

This document also provides selection criteria for the Awards.

The selection criteria for Citizen of the Year and Young Citizen of the Year are:

- significant contribution to the community
- an inspirational role model for the Australian community
- the scope of impact the individual's contribution has on the local government area.

This criteria can also apply and extend to Council's additional category of Community Group of the Year.

The selection criteria for Community Event of the Year are:

- quality of the event
- scope of impact the event had on the local government area
- contribution of the event to the community.

The above criteria can also apply and extend to Council's category of Community Project of the Year.

For the 2022 Australia Day Awards Council received:

Citizen of the Year – five nominations

Awarded to the most outstanding Citizen for the Adelaide Plains Council region.

Young Citizen of the Year – one nomination

Awarded to the most outstanding Young Citizen for the Adelaide Plains Council region.

**Community Event of the Year –** no nominations

Awarded to the person or group who has staged the most outstanding community event during the past year in the Adelaide Plains Council region.

The Adelaide Plains Council offers two additional Awards, which received nominations as follows:

Adelaide Plains Council Award Categories

**Community Group of the Year –** one nomination

Awarded to the group who have made a significant or beneficial contribution to the Adelaide Plains Council area and/or the community during the past year.

Community Project of the Year – two nominations

Awarded for projects held entirely or predominantly in the Adelaide Plains Council region in the past year and organised with the assistance of one or more community groups/members.

After Council Members have made their decisions regarding the successful Award winners, the Mayor/Chief Executive Officer (or his delegate) will contact the successful candidates.

## Conclusion

According to the Australia Day Council criteria, all nominations submitted to Council meet the eligibility criteria. A decision can therefore be made to determine the following awards:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Community Group of the Year
- Community Project of the Year

## References

Legislation

Corporations Act 2001

Local Government Act 1999

Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013

Australia Day – Citizen of the Year Awards – Guidance and criteria for Local Government Authorities

**Council Policies/Plans** 

Strategic Plan 2021-2024

## **RECOMMENDATION**

"that Council, having considered the matter of Agenda Item 21.2 – *Australia Day Awards 2022* in confidence under sections 90(2) and 90(3)(o) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, resolves that:

- The staff report and the minutes pertaining to Agenda 21.2 Australia Day Awards 2022
  remain confidential and not available for public inspection until all award recipients have
  been advised of the outcome;
- 2. Attachments 1-10 pertaining to Agenda 21.2 *Australia Day Awards 2022* remain confidential and not available for public inspection until further order of Council;
- 3. Pursuant to section 91(9)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the confidentiality of the matter will be reviewed every 12 months; and
- 4. Pursuant to section 91(9)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, Council delegates the power to revoke this confidentiality order to the Chief Executive Officer."

Sent: Monday, 22 November 2021 2:45 PM

To: Info

Subject: Nomination received - Citizen of the Year Awards

#### Council

Adelaide Plains Council

#### Nominee

#### **Award Category**

Citizen of the Year

#### Name

Marie Tapscott

#### Phone



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#### Age

51

#### Is the person being nominated an Australian citizen?

Yes

#### Address



#### Reason for nomination - How has the person/organisation contributed to the community?

We're sure that Marie was born with a tennis racquet in her hand – Her parents and family were involved in Tennis at Two Wells (ask any Two Wells resident that has participated in Tennis and Diane Meaney is mentioned as a mentor!). Marie was representing Two Wells in Tennis from the age of 4. Fast forward a few years, and Marie stepped into the role of Junior Coordinator in 1999.

As can happen in small clubs, The Two Wells club went through some difficult times - in 2010 the club was in financial crisis with a significant debt outstanding and a decision to close the club was made. Marie was an integral part of the committee that was formed to save the club, and she has been heavily involved in the club since that time. She has filled a number of roles, along with the afore mentioned Junior Coordinator – Treasurer, Secretary, Club Representative in the Gawler & Districts Tennis Association, and now is President. Some of these roles were concurrent.

Along with being involved in the committee, it's fair to say that Marie has been the face of the club also. Being a Junior Coordinator has meant meeting with players and parents, organising teams and ensuring that all involved are aware of dates, times, etc. The logistics of this is relentless, with Marie spending many hours with phone calls, messaging, social media campaigns and the administration of match scores.

Marie established a weekly evening of Junior 'ANZ Hot Shots' coaching for the club. This involved liaising with coaches and again all the required effort of scheduling required. Along the way, it was noticed that there was no real pathway for the Juniors to progress from learning skills, to learning actual competitive play – this resulted in kids not being hesitant to turn their coaching into competitive play. So, Marie was instrumental in implementing an internal Red Ball and Orange Ball match play, to coincide with the Hot Shots coaching. The success has been enormous with parents getting involved and most importantly we created a safe play environment for kids to learn the game of tennis. The results of these efforts are now visible – TWDTC now has the largest team base in our association, with six junior teams competing. The response to Hot Shots has also grown – we now hold this over two nights at the club.

These nights are also arranged, when possible, to have a themed evening, with varying dinners available to assist families to participate on what is a 'school night' for most. Marie is usually there (along with other volunteers), serving some delicious goodies up and again, being the face of the club.

One piece of the club had been missing since the near demise - Senior competitive Tennis. So, with the Junior programs now running smoothly, Marie decided it was time to bring back the adults to the club! Over the past four years she has been involved in organising Seniors teams for competitive play in the Gawler & District Association. 2020 saw two teams in the

association, and one team currently competing this year.

Two Wells District Tennis Club is thriving – thanks to a motivated body of volunteers, contributing in many different ways. But it is fair to say – the heart of this body is Marie Tapscott, who has invested so much time, effort and emotion into this club to turn it from near extinction into a thriving part of our community.

## How has the nominee demonstrated active citizenship and enhancement of community life?

Behind every club is a committee of people, and one important role is fund raising and promotion. Over the past years, Marie has liaised with Tennis SA and has been involved in organising some amazing events:

- 2013 Marie organises a new fundraising idea "The running of the balls", where 500 numbered tennis balls are raffled, then tipped from a truck to cross a finish line. This was an annual event for three years.
- 2016 Promoting a Free Tennis Day, that 'earned' through attendance, which saw the club being 'paired' with Angelique Kerber.
- 2016 The above event also led to the club being visited by Todd Woodbridge, with some Australian Open trophies under his arm. An Open day was held, with Todd giving the Juniors some valued pointers!
- · 2017 The club was awarded 'Community Event of the Year' for the successful open days mentioned previously.
- 2017 The club was awarded "SA's Most Outstanding Tennis Club (Rural)" by Tennis SA, for the achievements over the past years....
- 2018 ... And followed this with the same award for 2018, in recognition of the continued growth of the club.
- 2019 As the club has grown over time, and was sharing a shed with the local Netball club, it was decided to investigate building our very own clubrooms. This dream has just recently been realised, with a transportable being placed beside the courts and further work planned for community access. This project has also involved major fund-raising, with 3 grants being won and various volunteer projects contributing.
- 2020 A successful application for Federal funding saw the installation of new court lighting, which has allowed the club to implement more programs all year round.
- 2021 The club is now offering Social Tennis (thanks to the afore mentioned lights), which is proving to be a big hit Twenty members play for timed intervals, with extra points awarded for costumes and some impromptu dance moves as directed by the coordinator!

#### How has the nominee's contribution been recognised elsewhere?

Marie was one of three finalists in Tennis SA Volunteer Achievement Awards - Rural Tennis Club in 2018/19
Two Wells District Tennis Club won Tennis SA - Most Outstanding Rural Tennis Club of the Year 2016/17
Two Wells Tennis Club was a finalist for Tennis SA - Most Outstanding Major Tournament or Competition for their 2016
Australian Open Celebration Party

For Two Wells, a new invigorated committee harnessing hard work and dedication has seen the club attract new junior players and qualified coaching staff, re-establishing itself in the community. At the start of 2016, Two Wells won the AO Blitz when Angelique Kerber defeated Serena Williams in the women's singles final at Melbourne Park last year. The community won a town party and the opportunity to host the prestigious Australian Open trophies.

"It feels fantastic to win this award. We've gone from strength-to-strength over the last few years," said Two Wells Tennis Club Junior Coordinator Marie Tapscott.

"Winning the AO Blitz town of the year, we created an event around that and it has brought such amazing publicity to our club. It has increased our numbers and growth of juniors, and it's also brought about a lot of vibrancy in our committee and the families involved."

In 2020 Marie was awarded Life Membership of the Two Wells District Tennis Club - the second life membership ever awarded. The first Life Membership had been awarded to her mum, Di Meaney.

#### Please provide the contact details of a referee or attach a written reference



How did you hear about us?
Information in Council office
Attachment
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Referee
Name
Email
Phone
What is the referee's relationship to the nominee?
friend
What can the referee comment on?
Nomination was supported and assisted by
Written Reference
Nominator
Name
Email
Phone
Address
I give permission for the Australia Day Council of South Australia to submit this nomination to other recognition programs such as the Australian of the Year Awards
• Yes

Sent: Monday, 22 November 2021 3:38 PM

To: Info

Subject: Nomination received - Citizen of the Year Awards

#### Council

Adelaide Plains Council

#### Nominee

#### Award Category

Citizen of the Year

#### Name

Allan Parker

#### **Phone**



#### Age

90 (we think)

#### Is the person being nominated an Australian citizen?

Yes

#### **Address**



#### Reason for nomination - How has the person/organisation contributed to the community?

Allan's dedication to the upkeep and preservation of the Long Plains Soldiers memorial Hall span most of his adult years. He has worked consistently to help maintain and upgrade this lovely old building that is the proud possession of the local community. He has been secretary of the Hall committee for the past .....years. Even as a teenager Allan worked at working bees, then in later life, continued after he married Aileen. With the arrival of their family, he became actively involved with the children's school and sporting activities and took an active role on the voluntary organizations. After the death of his wife from brain cancer, Allan took care of his family.

Maintaining the hall involved many projects that Allan initiated and supervised over the years and include the update to the kitchen and toilet facilities. This addition was officially opened in 1982 and it was a great achievement with finance for the extension basically raised locally with some additional donations.

The Hall is owned by the residents of Long Plains, making them responsible for the fund-raising, upkeep and upgrading the building. In later years, Council has assisted with some finance along with money granted through the Community Partnership Program for special projects. The Mallala Lions Club donated \$700 (that was raised through the collection of old batteries from local farmers). Allan spends a lot of time manning a plants stall at markets in the district and has raised several thousand dollars for the hall and the Long Plains Red Cross branch.

Since the Long Plains School closed in 1976, Allan has continued with the former School break up tradition (that was always held in the hall) by co-ordinating the annual children's Christmas party and visit from Father Christmas. For many years Allan was pianist for this happy evening. It is pleasing that the younger families have kept this event going. Sixteen years ago Allan commenced an old time dance three or four times a year on a Sunday afternoon in the hall. These dances are very popular with attendances of 50 or more; some travelling long distances to attend. In addition there is a trading table stocked with all kinds of goodies, including plants of course. Excellent live music and delicious food, cold drinks, tea and coffee readily available. Hall Guild ladies support him in this venture.

Allan's latest project has been to turn the old kitchen behind the stage into a photographic gallery, portraying the history of Long Plains. Being a fourth generation Lawrie family member he has inherited a wonderful collection of family, church, school, hall, Long Plains picnics and many others and makes a most interesting pictorial and historic attraction for visitors to the Hall

Allan is one of the areas great living icons. He is always polite, always pleased to see you, always willing to help with historical information when asked to give a hand. Allan is very honest and reliable and what is more, his word is his bond.

How has the nominee demonstrated active citizenship and enhancement of community life?

Allan repaired and painted the first former Long Plains Memorial Hall kitchen turning the area into a wonderful historical Long Plains picture gallery dating back from the late 1880s covering the pioneer families histories, their farming struggles, the Former Long Plains shop ,the histories of the sporting clubs football, tennis etc. from their beginnings, the school the building of the railway line, etc.

Allan Parker brought 4 men from Vanuatu with him to Church and these 4 men sang – it was so beautiful you could cry with joy. Apparently Allan has taken these men to other churches to sing. What a great worker he is.

#### How has the nominee's contribution been recognised elsewhere?

Allan's involvement with the Church of Christ Church within the area has been very extensive over a long period of time and he has held various positions over the years.

An accomplished pianist/organist Allan willingly shares his playing talents to any group who invites him to play for them.

Organist for the Long Plains Church of Christ church until its closure in 1981,

Treasurer for the Owen and Long Plains Church of Christ

Secretary for the Owen/Long Plains Church of Christ circuit

Key Youth worker for the Long Plains Church of Christ

Pianist for both the Long Plains Christian Endeavour and Sunday school and Avon Youth Group

Superintendent of Long Plains Intermediate Church of Christ church

Sunday school teacher Long Plains Church of Christ

Secretary/Treasurer for the Northern District Church of Christ Student council for 20 years.

During the 1950's and 60's Allan played for the Long Plains Table Tennis Club, holding the position of treasurer during those years

Treasurer for both the Long Plains Primary and Balaklava Primary School Council

Vice President of the Balaklava High School Council

Time keeper for the Long Plains Football Club and helped turf the oval in the 80's

Foundation member, Past President of the Mallala Greening Group attending meetings and plantings over the years. Allan has also planted hundreds of trees on his properties at Long Plains.

Foundation member of the Mallala Development Board and served for the first 8 years

Is a reliable and enthusiastic member of the Adelaide Plains Male Voice Choir, joining in 1977, two years after the formation of the choir.

Allan is one of the areas highly respected living historians, who with his methodical mind is always able to accurately give details to the Mallala Museum and Dublin History Group about numerous events and happenings, spanning over many years, concerning the Long Plains district. Allan also has a fantastic pictorial record of the Parker, Carslake and Lawrie families but also others in the district too.

## Please provide the contact details of a referee or attach a written reference



## How did you hear about us?

Newspaper article

Referee

Name

**Email** 

What is the referee's relationship to the nominee?

Nominator

Name



Sent: Friday, 19 November 2021 1:20 PM

To: Info

Subject: Nomination received - Citizen of the Year Awards

#### Council

Adelaide Plains Council

## Nominee

#### **Award Category**

Citizen of the Year

#### Name

Maxine Symes

#### Phone



## Email



#### Age

70

#### Is the person being nominated an Australian citizen?

Yes

## Address



#### Reason for nomination - How has the person/organisation contributed to the community?

Maxine is a tireless worker in the local community, she drives the local school bus Monday to Fridays. Between the bus runs Maxine as President of the Port Parham Sports and Social Club, shops for the club, cooks and prepares meals for the local community and organizes all of the local events in the community.

Maxine always puts the community first and is a leader in the community, where there is an aging population and an isolated community.

Without Maxine's efforts there would be no community club or community events happening.

## How has the nominee demonstrated active citizenship and enhancement of community life?

Maxine sits on a few different local committee's, the rate payers association, the local action group and the Port Parham sports and social club president.

Maxine has lived in the local council area for most of her life and has volunteered her time and efforts for many of those years, including local netball club president.

Maxine takes all aspects of life into account, being inclusive and making sure all people are thought of when decisions are made.

## How has the nominee's contribution been recognised elsewhere?

I am unaware of any other recognition that Maxine has received. It would surprise me if she hasn't received other recognition.

#### Please provide the contact details of a referee or attach a written reference

Referee details provided.

## How did you hear about us?

Newspaper article

Referee
Name
Email
Phone
What is the referee's relationship to the nominee?
Friend/ Board member
What can the referee comment on?
can comment on the years of dedicated service to the local community and the 30-50 hours per week that Maxine puts into the local community. Being on the board of the community club and as the local district.
Nominator
Name
Email
Phone
Address
I give permission for the Australia Day Council of South Australia to submit this nomination to other recognition programs such as the Australian of the Year Awards
• Yes

**Nomination Form 2022** 

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Do you know someone who makes your community a better place?

**Nominations close** 24 November 2021

## Categories

## Citizen of the Year

This is presented to someone making an extraordinary contribution to the community and may recognise outstanding service over a number of years.

To be eligible, the person must be an Australian Citizen.

## Young Citizen of the Year

This is presented to a young person who is making a real difference in their community, potentially over multiple years.

To be eligible, the person must be an Australian Citizen aged over 16 years and under \* 30 years of age on January 26, 2022.

## **Community Event** of the Year

This is presented to the person or group who hasstaged the most outstanding event for their community.

To be eligible, the person or group must be Australian Citizens.

## **Community Group** of the Year

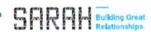
This is presented to the group, based in the Adelaide Plains Council region, who has made a significant or beneficial contribution to the community during the past year.

## Community Project of the Year

This is presented to the person or group for projects staged and/or completed between 1 December 2020 and 30 November 2021, held entirely or predominantly in the Adelaide Plains Council area and organised by, or with the assistance of one or more community groups/members.













## Nomination Form 2022

The Citizen of the Year Awards are proudly presented by the Australia Day Council of South Australia, sponsored by On the Run, Sarah Qonstructions, MGA Insurance, IWS and the Local Government Association of South Australia. The Citizen of the Year Awards are administered by local Councils across SA.

The Awards reward and recognise individuals and organisations that have made a noteworthy contribution during the current year, and/or given outstanding service over a number of years, to a local community over and above normal employment duties.

Outstanding contribution and community service includes areas such as education, health, fundraising, charitable and voluntary services, business, sport, arts, the environment, or any other area that contributes to the advancement and well being of a community.

Nominate someone who makes a real difference in your community and give them the opportunity to be rewarded and recognised for their important contribution.

# Nominee (the person/organisation you would like to nominate)

Please provide as much information as possible. Additional documents may be attached providing further information or testimonials of achievement.

Citizen o	of the Year Award		
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Phone: Email:			Date of Birth: NK
Council:	Adelaide	Plains Coun	cil
	unsure of the Nomine	ee's Council, go to ht	tps://www.lga.sa.gov.au/sa-councils/councils-listing
Is the perso	on being nominated	an Australian citizer	n? VES NO
Reason f	for nomination		
How has th	ne person/organisati	ion contributed to th	e community?
Norm	has been the	driving force	behind the successful MALLALA
			struction and later the operations of
			munity. He was integral to the forming
			n Network - vital after the Piners Fires.
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Nomination Form 2022

Norm has also worked tirelessly as a Member of the Mallala RSL with his skills as atradesman, jack of all trades. The RSL has grown Papidly into a true community place due to his hands on approach to getting things done. He has assisted other community groups and individuals with his time, energy and willingness to help others. I believe he should be recognised. How has the nominee demonstrated active citizenship and enhancement of community life? The results of Norm's efforts can be seen in many places. The very successful men's Shed which he organised and facilitated the building of, has members from every corner of the district attending. Norm has for some years been working quetly but solidly in the areas of solicide prevention and mental health recognition within our District. Always cheerful, ever willing to help any person and being suppostive to others, NORM DICKS is worthy of consideration for our Citizen of the year: How has the nominee's contribution been recognised elsewhere? This is hard to provide. I am aware he is held in high regard by those who have worked along side him, those who have sought his advice, and the many, many people he has Norm is a fine example of a community minded person always helping others.

Additional material may be attached: maximum five A4 pages, minimum font size 10 point.

## Referee

Please provide the contact details of a referee or attach a written reference.



Nomination Form 2022



If give permission for the Australia Day Council of South Australia to submit this nomination to other recognition programs such as the Australian of the Year Awards.

## **Procedure**

Each local Council in South Australia seeks nominations in their local Council area, with the award recipients typically announced at the Council's Australia Day celebrations.

Councils can forward the details of their Award recipients to the Australia Day Council of SA to go in the running for the State Awards, presented by the Governor of South Australia.

Awards are presented at Australia Day events in Councils across South Australia.

Visit the website to nominate online and for more information on the awards, including past winners.

www.citizenoftheyear.com.au

## Please return completed form before Wednesday, 24 November 2021 to:

Australia Day Council of South Australia, Office 18, 240 Currie St, Adelaide SA 5000 or email to adcsa@adcsa.com.au

How did you hear about the Citizen of the Year Award?:	
□ Social media □ Newsletter □ Website □ Newspaper article	
Word of mouth Information in Council office Nominated before	
Other, please specify:	
Find out more about the Australia Day Council of SA:	
☐ Yes I want to hear more about the Australia Day Council of South Australia	



**Nomination Form 2022** 

Sent: Wednesday, 24 November 2021 10:23 PM

To: Info

Subject: Nomination received - Citizen of the Year Awards

#### Council

Adelaide Plains Council

#### Nominee

#### **Award Category**

Citizen of the Year

#### Name

Anna White

#### **Phone**



#### **Email**



#### Age



#### Is the person being nominated an Australian citizen?

Yes

## Address



#### Reason for nomination - How has the person/organisation contributed to the community?

Anna White and her husband Dennis have lived in Two Wells for 30 years. In this time Anna has been a teacher at multiple schools around the district, also being a teacher's aid and librarian. Anna was the main force behind a program she ran for 7 years from 2000 until 2007, when she had a bad car accident in 2007 and couldn't run the program anymore. The program GREET (Gawler Regional Education Employment and Training) helped many high school students to get ready for the work force, by doing work experience at many businesses across SA, Running mock interviews and teaching many skills in which most of the kids gained jobs from. Anna has also welcomed multiple exchange students into her home across the years, allowing a friendly home to live and learn in. Anna is also involved in the Two Wells action team where she came up with the idea "Two Wells Twinkling", a community coming together to enjoy Christmas festivities. Best lights display, the unveiling of the Christmas Tree in the new Village Green. Anna has organized all the donations and finance for this event. Anna has made this event happen even whilst she is fighting cancer. Anna always sees the best in people, wants to help them do their best and when she is around she gives a good cheer

## How has the nominee demonstrated active citizenship and enhancement of community life?

Most recently the Two Wells Twinkling, bringing local families together for Christmas celebrations, she is also wanting to get the white bridge leading into Two Wells painted to make the entrance to Two Wells more appealing.

### How has the nominee's contribution been recognised elsewhere?

Anna has not received recognition in the past for all her tireless work, so this award would be a wonderful gesture for the many years of helping others.

## Please provide the contact details of a referee or attach a written reference

## How did you hear about us?

Word of mouth

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Sent: Monday, 22 November 2021 11:14 AM

To: Info

Subject: Nomination received - Citizen of the Year Awards

#### Council

Adelaide Plains Council

#### Nominee

#### **Award Category**

Young Citizen of the Year

#### Name

Chloe Sharpe

#### **Phone**



## Email



#### Age

18

#### Is the person being nominated an Australian citizen?

Yes

#### **Address**



#### Reason for nomination - How has the person/organisation contributed to the community?

Chloe Sharpe is an outstanding example of the youth of our region demonstrates strong community compassion, drive and leadership.

Chloe has been an outstanding student during her time at Trinity College (refer nominees contribution elsewhere) and during her time as a member of the Two Wells Scout Group. She is currently undertaking training to become a church youth group leader, and is working on setting up a band for young people in the town.

Chloe has been playing musical instruments for most of her life, specializing in saxophone and bass guitar. She has been a member of the Trinity College School band, Port Adelaide City Band, Tanunda Band Academy and is currently working to establish a band in Two Wells - to provide young people with an outlet for their musical talents.

Her 'band' will be playing at the opening of the Two Wells Twinkling.

After completing Year 12, Chloe is currently working part time in Mawson Lakes whilst considering her options for University.

## How has the nominee demonstrated active citizenship and enhancement of community life?

As a part of the Two Wells Scout Group, Chloe completed all highest level badges for the following: Joeys - promise challenge badge; Cubs - Grey Wolf badge; Scouts - Australian Scout Medallion (ASM).

She has advocated for a new hall and meeting place for the Two Wells Scout Group, speaking on behalf of the group at Council meetings on several occasions.

Chloe has helped her mum volunteering at the annual Two Wells Melodrama since she was 8 years old, assisting with food preparation, waitress and is now a part of the orchestra that plays at each show.

#### How has the nominee's contribution been recognised elsewhere?

Chloe won the Trinity College 2019 Citizenship Award - presented for overall contribution to the college through personal dedication, strength of character and good citizenship.

She received Dux of her year level in Years 6, 7, 8, 9 and Dux of her class in Year 10.

She received the School Public Speaking award in 2018 and the 'College Pockets' for Music - acknowledging her

involvement in all musical programs. Chloe was 2016 Christmas Princess for the Two Wells Street Parade.
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#### Council

Adelaide Plains Council

#### Nominee

#### **Award Category**

Other

#### Name

Two Wells Regional Action Team

#### **Email**



#### Is the person being nominated an Australian citizen?

Yes

#### Address



## Reason for nomination - How has the person/organisation contributed to the community?

Community Group of the Year

The Two Wells Regional Action Team (TWRAT) is an amalgamation of the former Two Wells Districts Tourism and Trade Association (TWDTTA) and the Two Wells & Environs Strategic Planning Committee (TWESPC).

Essentially these groups continued the work of the former Two Wells Community Advancement Association after it folded. This group of community minded people formed to draw the community together to foster community spirit and enhance the town and surrounding regions and continue the positive work of their predecessors.

#### How has the nominee demonstrated active citizenship and enhancement of community life?

The TWRAT have successfully undertaken the following projects over the past 30 years (as the former Two Wells & Environs Strategic Planning Committee and Two Wells Tourism and Trade Association):

- · Developed the first Strategic Plan for Two Wells township
- Undertook the first town Streetscape concept plans and successfully sought funding to undergo the transformation 30 years ago
- · Successfully sought funding to employ a Town and Districts Coordinator for 12 months
- Obtained a Federation Grant to re-develop the Wells Heritage area and installed an informational sound systems, sculptures and plantings.
- · Management of the annual Two Wells Christmas Street Parade
- Turkish Remembrance Day event on ANZAC Day in 2005
- · Obtained Arts Funding to develop the Federation Community Tapestry Project
- · Obtained funding to construct the Pt Gawler Floating Pontoon
- Supported an in-depth study of Middle Beach creek including core sampling and remediation of the creek
- · Supported the installation of the Middle Beach Tidal Boat Ramp
- Established the Community Access, Business Resource and Internet Centre (CABRI) in Two Wells at a time when people did not have access to a PC or Internet Services
- · Supported Work for the Dole programmes where clean ups were done in and around the town as well as Port Gawler
- · Participated in the establishment of the 'Heartland Heritage Trail' connecting Two Wells to a self-drive tour
- Established a recognised Visitor Information Outlet at the CABRI centre
- Continued the work of the former Two Wells Community Advancement Association in overseeing the Two Wells Echo monthly newsletter producing 1400 each month for the local community until it was taken over by the Plains Producer. This newsletter was the longest running newsletter in the state, and produced for over 30 years
- Gained funding to establish an interpretive shelter at Pt Gawler and fencing of the reserve and beach dunes to protect
- Gained a lease with DIT for the Two Wells Court House which is rented for a small fee to the Two Wells Craft Shop. Funds derived from the income is used to match grant funding to upgrade the building

- Advocated for, and successfully sought funding to establish the pump track in Hart Reserve
- · Maintained the Historic Wells area, ensuring the wells had water and the surrounding area was kept tidy and maintained
- · Many other small projects around the town

## How has the nominee's contribution been recognised elsewhere?

The TWRAT is a not for profit organisation who do not seek recognition, but continue to undertake small projects around

## the town to make this a better place to live and work How did you hear about us? Information in Council office Referee Name

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#### Council

Adelaide Plains Council

#### Nominee

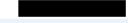
#### **Award Category**

Other

#### Name

Two Wells Regional Action Tem

#### **Email**



#### Age

n/a

#### Is the person being nominated an Australian citizen?

Yes

#### Address



#### Reason for nomination - How has the person/organisation contributed to the community?

Nomination for Community Project of the Year for new path to the Wells (from Village Green).

When Council was planning the new Two Wells Village Green on the former 'Picnic Block' site, the Two Wells Regional Action Team (TWRAT) had foresight to plan a new, more direct path to the wells leading from the re-vamped former Picnic Block (now known as Village Green).

Originally a path from the picnic block to the wells had been constructed by residents and services clubs over the past 30 years. This path had named pavers placed amongst plain rectangle pavers and ran alongside the council depot fence line, where walkers were exposed to the rear of the depot, and transfer station on their way. The existing path had significant root damage and had become a major trip hazard.

Continuing with the crushed gravel theme that had been used in the Historic Wells area, they sought a quote from the local contractor who had construction of that path, to ensure continuation and consistency of the path to align with the village green. The new path design took a slightly different route, leading it into the open and winding its way between the two.

## How has the nominee demonstrated active citizenship and enhancement of community life?

The TWRAT successfully sought Council support, and together with their own funds, applied and were granted funding to undertake the new path, which was completed in time for the official opening of the Village Green. Many who attended the opening took the opportunity to make the journey to the wells on that day.

#### How has the nominee's contribution been recognised elsewhere?

Visitors to the town can easily walk to the historic wells, and local residents have a delightful new walking cycling path. The new path will encourage visitation to the township of Two Wells.

#### How did you hear about us?

Social media

#### Attachment

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#### Council

Adelaide Plains Council

#### Nominee

#### **Award Category**

Other

#### Name

**Dublin Cricket Club** 

#### **Phone**

Email

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#### Age

N/A

#### Is the person being nominated an Australian citizen?

Yes

#### **Address**



#### Reason for nomination - How has the person/organisation contributed to the community?

## Community Project of the Year

Dublin Cricket Club was established around 1873, and would quickly become an important sporting club in the district. In 1880, the District Council of Dublin approved a submission for a recreational ground to be constructed on 10 acres of vacant parklands on South Terrace. It would become the official home ground for the Cricket Club.

Around the same time football was established in the town, with the football club constructing clubrooms at the oval that were used by the Cricket Club during summer seasons. (Dublin Football Club amalgamated with Long Plains Football Club in 1964 to become United Football Club).

The club was a strong participant in the Adelaide Plains Cricket Association until they dissolved in 1948. In 1985 the club re-formed and took residence in the old clubrooms. As the club grew, the facility presented a number of challenges due to its age and size, legislative requirements, OHS and adapting to a range of socio-economic factors.

A Strategic Plan was developed that included a plan to construct a new facility to accommodate this ever expanding club. The club now successfully facilitates Senior Cricket, Junior Cricket and have established a women's team.

## How has the nominee demonstrated active citizenship and enhancement of community life?

After developing a Strategic Plan, the club set about fundraising, sponsorship and submitting funding applications to construct new facilities for this ever growing club. Unfortunately they were unsuccessful primarily due to the view that the clubrooms would only have one use. Despite this, the club continued to fundraise to reach their dream.

After 10 years of planning and fundraising, it was the \$75,000 funding through Round One of the Drought Communities Programme that kicked off the project to make the dream a reality. The Dublin Cricket Club embraced this opportunity with the club more than matching this with cash and in-kind support. Funding was used for site preparation, shed purchase and construction and footings. The site was then handed over to the club, where members of the club and local community readily got on board to help. The building was lined and painted, toilets installed, tiling, new carpets, window furnishings and a kitchen/canteen.

The end result is a community facility, not only a clubroom. It offers the town and surrounding district an appropriate point for all their sporting events, social networks and meetings. The club has since held an outdoor cinema and community workshops

The facility has become the hub of the community providing a gathering space for not only sport and recreation, but

community members as a whole.

During the process, residents who had not been to the former clubrooms were walking over and following the progress, sharing their enthusiasm for the club.

The Dublin Cricket Club members have shown perseverance, strength and a willingness to work together to achieve this amazing goal.

#### How has the nominee's contribution been recognised elsewhere?

The club has been contributing to the local community since its establishment in 1985. Being a small single entity club within a country community district, we have always considered that the club needs to give as much as it receives. These sorts of community values allowed the club to complete many long term strategic plans of rebuilding facilities that the community needed and recently help the club to receive the Runner-up Award at the South Australian Good Sports Club of The Year Awards in 2018.

It has been a place where children have been able to play community sport for free since their inception in 1993. The club was able to raise support through varies programs with help from club sponsorships, lotteries, community fundraising and accessing small government grants over the past 20 years.

They provided the much needed costs involved in upgrades to the facilities at the oval; including resurfacing the oval, laying new popup irrigation systems, town water catchment, large duel water storage tanks, training nets and pitching, playing equipment and playing uniforms for every grade.

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## Citizen of the Year 2022

The following table is a guide to assist you with the final selection for Citizen of the Year. Further information is listed on the nomination form.

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	1	Norm Dicks	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	Driving force behind the Mallala Men's Shed - including the
																		construction and its operation. He was integral in forming the
																		Adelaide Plains Suicide Prevention Network, in light of the
																		after effects of the Pinery Fires, to assist locals struggling
																		with their mental health issues.
																		Other significant achievements
																		He has worked tirelessly for the Malala RSL - is a 'jack of
																		all trades' and has certainly contributed to the RSL becoming
																		a 'true' community place. He is held in high regard by his
																		local community.
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																		How has the person(s) contributed to the Community?
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1	2	Marie Tapscott	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	Long serving Committee member of the TWDTC, filled various
																		roles. Played pivotal role as TWDTC public face & started
																		"Junior AMP Hot Shots" prog & re-established successful
																		Seniors competition 4 years ago.
																		Other significant achievements
																		Liaised with Tennis SA and implemented various fund raising
																		activities since 2013. Recognised by peers - one of runners up
																		In Tennis SA Volunteers Achievement Awards - Rural Tennis
																		in 2018/19. Became Life Member of TWDTC in 2020. Success
														To	otal	13		of Club can be attributed to her eagerness and contribution.
																		How has the person(s) contributed to the Community?
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1	3	Allan Parker	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	Dedicated volunteer upkeeping and preserving the Long Plains



## Citizen of the Year 2022

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No	No. Nominated Person		Contribution to the community				Scope of impact on the local government area							pirat le M			Overall rating and Comments
																	Memorial Hall for most of his life. Initiated upgrade to it's kitchen and toilet facilities and social programs eg regular dancing afternoons.  Other significant achievements  He has been responsible for the preservation of the LP local history in the Hall's kitchen with a comprehensive picture gallery from the 1880's, covering the history of local pioneers.  Well respected by local residents - always willing to help.
													To	otal	13		Best described as a 'living icon'.
4	Maxine Symes	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	How has the person(s) contributed to the Community?  please refer nomination form for additional information  Tireless volunteer working in the Port Parham community.  President of the Parham Social Club but is very 'hands on' - preparing and cooking meals and organising its social functions.  Other significant achievements  Very community focused leader and supportive of Port Parham's isolated and ageing community. Serves on other Committees representing Port Parham's interests.
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5	Anna White	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	How has the person(s) contributed to the Community?  please refer nomination form for additional information  Anna White and her husband Dennis have lived in Two Wells for 30 years. A former teacher she instigated the 'GREET' program to help prepare exiting high students adapt to the rigours of the workforce.  Other significant achievements



## Citizen of the Year 2022

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No	Nominated Person	Contribution to the community	Scope of impact on the local government area	•	Overall rating and Comments
				Total	A TWRAT member, she is behind the concept (and all the planning) of this year's "Two Wells Twinkling" whilst battling her own health issues. With the TWRAT's Xmas Street Parade being cancelled due to COVID-19, she wanted the community to still enjoy the festive season 'safely',

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# **Young Citizen of the Year 2022**

The following table is a guide to assist you with the final selection for Young Citizen of the Year. Further information is listed on the nomination form.

No.	Nominated Person						Scope of impact on the local government area							spira Role N				Overall rating and Comments
1	Chloe Sharpe	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3 Total	4	ţ	5	How has the person(s) contributed to the Community?  please refer nomination form for additional information  Active member of Two Wells Scout Group - awarded many high level' achievement badges. Advocated for new Scout Club building, including speaking at Council meetings.  Other significant achievements  Outstanding student at Trinity College - named "2019 Citizen ship Award". She demonstrates community compassion, drive & leadership. Undertaking training to become a church group leader and working on setting up a band for young people in Two Wells.

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# **Community Group of the Year 2022**

The following table is a guide to assist you with the final selection for the Community Group of the Year. Further information is listed on the nomination form.

No.	Nominated Community Project					Scope of impact on the local government area							Insp Co				Overall rating and Comments			
1	Two Wells Regional Action Team (TWRAT)	1	;	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	1	5	1	2	3	•	4	5	Please refer nomination form for additional information Over 30 years TWRAT has successfully undertaken numerous projects in Two Wells, as well as supporting projects in Pt Gawler and Middle Beach. TWRAT is a not for project organis ation whose community minded members advocate and support various projects that improve and enhance the township's facilities.
																				Other significant achievements
																				Projects include the annual Two Wells Xmas Street Parade, establishment of the CABRI Centre (and Vistor Information Centre), secured funding for the installation of a pump track at Hart Reserve & on-going maintenance of the Historic Wells.
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# **Community Project of the Year 2022**

The following table is a guide to assist you with the final selection for Community Project of the Year. Further information is listed on the nomination form.

No.	Nominated Community Group	Contribution to the community	Scope of impact on the local government area to Community	Overall rating and Comments
1	Dublin Cricket Club - update to Oval and Clubroom	1 2 3 4 5	1 2 3 4 5 1 2 3 4 5	How has the project contributed to the Community?  please refer nomination form for additional information  New Clubrooms - 50% funded by DCP and remainder from  DCC and local community groups and businesses. Work  included resurfacing the oval, pop up irrigation system, water  storage & catchment, training nets & pitch. Water saving  measures have been incorporated in the overall plan.
			Total 13	Other significant achievements  Clubroom is a much improved & needed facility for the broader Dublin community, as well as Dublin sporting groups.  Narrowly misssed out in last year's Australia Day Awards.
2	TWRAT- Village Path	1 2 3 4 5	1 2 3 4 5 1 2 3 4 5	How has the project contributed to the Community?  please refer nomination form for additional information  TWRAT had the foresight to plan a new, more direct path from the "Wells" to the former Picnic Block (now Village Green).  TWRAT successfully applied for financial assistance from the TWCF, as well as using their own funds to engage a local contractor to lay crushed gravel to link the two sites.  Other significant achievements  This pathway will be used and enjoyed by both local
			Total 12	residents and tourists, to explore the township.

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