



2022 Australia Day Awards and Ceremony

Australia Day Awards

Each year, communities across South Australia celebrate the achievements and contributions of outstanding members of their communities, through the Australia Day Citizen of the Year Awards.

Council received many worthy nominations for citizens who have made outstanding contributions to the Adelaide Plains community. At the Ordinary Council Meeting on Monday 13 December 2021, Elected Members considered all nominations and determined the 2022 Australia Day Award recipients as follows:

- Australia Day Citizen of the Year – Allan Parker

Allan has been a dedicated volunteer, upkeeping the Long Plains Memorial Hall for most of his adult life. He has been responsible for the preservation of the Long Plains local history collection, with the comprehensive picture gallery in the “Hall’s” kitchen covering local pioneers from the 1880s.

- Australia Day Young Citizen of the Year – Chloe Sharpe

An active and passionate member of the Two Wells Scout Group, Chloe has successfully obtained and been awarded numerous ‘high level’ achievement badges. She is currently undertaking training in becoming a church group leader.

In addition to the above Australia Day Award categories, Adelaide Plains Council has two further award categories. Elected Members determined these award recipients as follows:

- Community Group of the Year – Two Wells Regional Action Team (TWRAT)

Over 30 years, TWRAT has successfully undertaken numerous projects in Two Wells. TWRAT is a not for profit organisation whose community minded members advocate and support various projects that improve and enhance the township’s facilities. Projects range from securing funding for the installation of a pump track at Hart Reserve to the co-ordination of the very popular Two Wells Xmas Street Parades.

- Community Project of the Year – Dublin Cricket Club – update to Oval and Clubroom

Members have volunteered many hundreds of hours in their fundraising endeavours that more than matched the money they received from the Drought Community Programme funding. In addition to a much improved and needed clubroom facility, the volunteers worked tirelessly to resurface the oval, install a pop-up irrigation system and a water storage and catchment system.

Award recipients will be presented with their certificates at Council's Australia Day Ceremony (details below).

Australia Day Ceremony

Council's official Australia Day Ceremony will be held on **Wednesday 26 January 2022** at the **Two Wells Community Centre, Old Port Wakefield Road, Two Wells**. Breakfast, catered by the Two Wells Cricket Club, will be served from 8am and the Ceremony will commence at 9am. The Ceremony, and breakfast, will be held in accordance with SA Health COVID-19 Guidelines.

Mayor Wasley will host the Ceremony, with Council's Australia Day Ambassador, Mr Barry Lewis, appearing as the special guest speaker. Barry is a retired SA Superintendent who has dutifully served the police force for over 50 years, as well as being a keen umpire attending over 2,000 football matches.

In addition to presenting the Australia Day Awards to recipients, three Adelaide Plains Council residents will be conferred as Australian citizens. After the formalities, a friendly rival CFS cricket match will be played.

For more information in relation to Council's Australia Day Awards and Celebrations, please contact Council on (08) 8527 0200 or info@apc.sa.gov.au.

Mark Wasley
Mayor

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