

AUSTRALIA

DAY

CELEBRATIONS

2020

BALRANALD

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD – Louise May Murray

Louise excels in networking, community development and artistic activities with the local gallery, school children and other departments in Balranald.

Louise has impacted within the Aboriginal community from her team work on the successful cemetery project and other projects within the community with children.

Louise May Murray has demonstrated selfless commitment, application and dedication to Balranald Shire community through various art activities, work done at the Balranald Aboriginal Cemetery and projects with children and she has been chosen to receive Special Achievement Award for that.

Congratulations Louise May Murray

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD – Clint Jolliffe, Mary Grisdale and Jill Bath

Clint Jolliffe, Mary Grisdale and Jill Bath has rejuvenated The Lawn Cemetery and made this section into a beautiful place to visit your departed loved ones.

They have been organizing rose garden bed, donations of roses and created another garden at Presbyterian and Anglican Section.

Clint Jolliffe, Mary Grisdale and Jill Bath over the years have given freely of their time to many organisations including Balranald Anglers Club, Meals on Wheels, Balranald Murrumbidgee Classic, Vision Australia, helping Balranald Hospital Garden etc and they are also members of the Balranald Beautification Committee.

Clint Jolliffe, Mary Grisdale and Jill Bath have demonstrated selfless commitment, application and dedication to Balranald Shire community through various community activities and they have been chosen to receive Special Achievement Award for that.

Congratulations Clint Jolliffe, Mary Grisdale and Jill Bath



COMMUNITY EVENT OF THE YEAR – Balranald New Year's Eve

**Kylie Jolliffe
Betty Torney
Lorraine Bax**

Balranald New Year's event has been warmly welcomed by residents of Balranald for a many years.

Balranald New Year's Eve has very well organised BBQ, music and entertainment for kids and great fireworks. New Year's Eve organisers always make sure that everyone feels welcome during the event.

Kylie Jolliffe, Betty Torney, Lorraine Bax have done an outstanding job to provide a great New Year's Eve for everyone in Balranald. They have demonstrated selfless commitment, application and dedication to Balranald Shire community and **Balranald New Year's Eve** has been chosen to receive Community Event of The Year award.

Congratulations to the Kylie Jolliffe, Betty Torney and Lorraine Bax



Young Sportsperson of the Year – Alex Calleja **(Presented by Youth Council Mayor Jackson Bialobrzeski)**

Alex has always had an interest in clay target shooting and has shooting competitor since he was 12 years old.

Alex's remarkable achievement for 2019 was competing at the Beretta National Championship in Bairnsdale. This event is considered the Premier Shooting event of Australia and has competitors all over the country. Alex achieved first place in the Sub Junior Boy section of the clay target shooting and second in the English Sporting event with over 500 shooters competing.

Alex have participated over the 15 different competitions during the 2019 and won first place over the 13 times as a shooter. He competes almost every weekend.

Alex has demonstrated commitment, application, dedication and involvement in sporting activities and he has been chosen to receive Young Sportsperson of the year award.

Congratulations Alex Calleja



YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR – Ben Johnstone
(Presented by Youth Council Mayor Jackson Bialobrzeski)

Ben Johnstone has been volunteering at the Balranald Art Gallery since 2015 on a number of times. Ben was Deputy Mayor of the Youth Council in 2019 and has recently been reappointed for 2020.

Ben organised and ran 2019 Youth Week activities. Ben is also been elected on the NSW regional Youth Council out of 300 applicants.

Ben has demonstrated commitment, application, dedication and involvement in community activities and he has been chosen to receive Young Citizen of the year award.

Congratulations Ben Johnstone



CITIZEN OF THE YEAR – Kathleen Anderson

The recipient for Citizen of the Year for outstanding achievements in 2019 is Kathleen Anderson

After arriving in Balranald in the 60's Kathleen has always been a passionate and committed resident of the Balranald shire. She has made an incredible input into the restoration and preservation of Balranald local history by volunteering countless hours of her time to sort and catalogue important documents, photos and artefacts of Balranald to preserve them for the future generation.

Kathleen volunteers at the Southern Cross Museum as the Social Media and Marketing person and helps out at St Vincent De Pauls on a regular basis.

Kathleen has strongly demonstrated her devotion, loyalty and love for Balranald community and she has been chosen to receive Citizen of the Year award.

Congratulations Kathleen Anderson, 2020 Australia Day Balranald Shire Council Citizen of the Year



MAYOR'S SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD – Rural Bushfire fighters from the Balranald Shire

Mark Rowe
Tomas Rowe
Scott Leslie
Johnathon Nathundriwa
Zeb Uebergang
Shanae Uebergang
Tyler Neyland
Brett McNiven
Thomas Cashion
Rick Campbell
Marc O'Halloran
Wade Griffiths
Zack Harris
Dwaine Scott

**Congratulations to our Rural Bushfire fighters and thank you for
your service.**

Rick Campbell and Brett McNiven



Scott Leslie, Zeb Uebergang, Shanae Uebergang,
Tyler Neyland, Mark Rowe and Thomas Rowe

Congratulations also to our new Citizens of Australia.

Ms Sopapak Sopapiyapong;
Mr Josese Waqalevu;
Mr Joaquin Munoz,
Mrs Esperanza Maria Seru Campos; and
Miss Juana Munoz Seru

The abovementioned made their pledge on Saturday in both Balranald and Euston to finalise their steps into becoming an Australian Citizen.

Congratulations.