

MEDIA RELEASE

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INSPIRING individuals will be celebrated on Australia Day this year, honouring triumphs of human spirit over the challenges of a difficult year.

The Rural City of Murray Bridge Australia Day Celebrations will be held Wednesday 26 January near the Murray Bridge War Memorial, on Wharf Road, at Wharf Precinct.

Mayor Brenton Lewis said that Australia Day Awards are important as we acknowledge the good in the community that gives us cause for celebration.

"This past year has proven that we are a resilient community. Through difficult times we thrived as a community to support and protect each other." he said.

"We acknowledge and celebrate the contributions of our First Nations people, the Ngarrindjeri, who have been here for more than 65,000 years, and those who have come from all corners of the globe to call this place home."

"The Australia Day Awards are a great opportunity for us to come together and learn from each other and celebrate the people in our communities who go above and beyond to help make our communities thrive."

"We welcome new citizens who share our ideals and contribute to the diverse fabric that makes Murray Bridge such a wonderful place to live. The common ideals of friendship, community and innovation unites us all as Australians."

Breakfast by the river will be provided by local service clubs for a gold coin donation. Barista coffee will also be available to purchase for coffee connoisseurs.

Formal proceedings will begin at 7.45am including Welcome to Country, speeches, award presentations and a citizenship ceremony.

Australia Day Award categories include Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Award for Active Citizenship, and Community Event of the Year.