



Eurobodalla Shire NSW Local Citizen of the Year Awards Guidelines and Criteria

Each year the people of the Eurobodalla Shire are invited to nominate fellow citizens for the NSW Local 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

- *Citizen of the Year*: open to persons 26 years or older on 26 January 2012
- *Young Citizen of the Year*: open to persons under 26 years of age on 26 January 2012
- *Community Event of the Year*: open to community groups who have staged the most outstanding community event during the past year
- *Achievement Award*: for achievement in a chosen field or community service
- *Sports Achievement Award*: for achievement in a sporting field or contribution to advancement of sport
- *Jeff Britten Award for the Pursuit of Excellence*: Presented to a person, or organisation, who has made an outstanding contribution to the community**

Criteria and Eligibility

- Nominees must be Australian citizens and reside in the Eurobodalla Shire Council area at the time of nomination.
- Unsuccessful nominees may be re-nominated in subsequent years.
- Self-nominations will not be accepted.
- Awards will not be granted posthumously.
- Members of Parliament and current elected members of Council are not eligible. Retired politicians and officers will only be considered for work beyond their official duties.
- 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 and then Citizen of the Year.
- All nominees will be considered for the Citizen of the Year Award, in addition to their original nomination category.
- Nominees aged 16 to 25 years on 26 January 2012 will also be considered for the Young Citizen of the Year Award, in addition to their original nomination category.



Nomination Process

- To nominate, please complete the nomination form. The nomination should detail the nature, duration and impact of the nominee's contribution to the Eurobodalla Shire Council area.
- Nominations must be received by Monday 21 November 2011.
- Any supporting documentation should be attached to the nomination form.
- Nominations must be submitted to The General Manager, Eurobodalla Shire Council, PO Box 99, Moruya 2537 or council@eurocoast.nsw.gov.au
- The awards will be presented at Council's Australia Day ceremony.
- The selection of recipients will reflect the nominations received and information available to the Judging Panel at the time. Eurobodalla Shire Council reserves the right to withdraw an award if further information or the recipient's conduct draws the NSW Local Citizen of the Year Awards into disrepute.

** *The Jeff Britten Award for the Pursuit of Excellence* was inaugurated by the family of the late Jeff Britten, who served as Eurobodalla Shire President for a number of years. The award includes a cash donation and a perpetual trophy and is presented at Council's Australia Day ceremony.