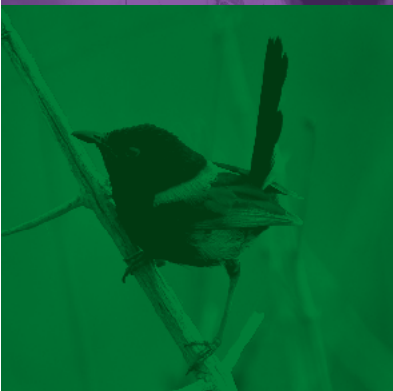
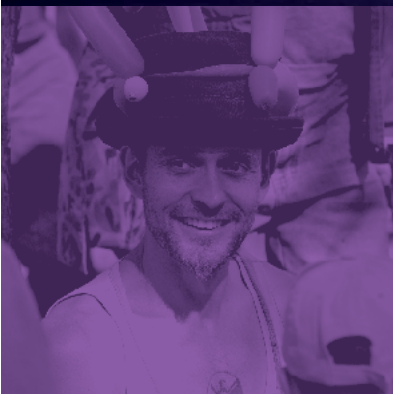
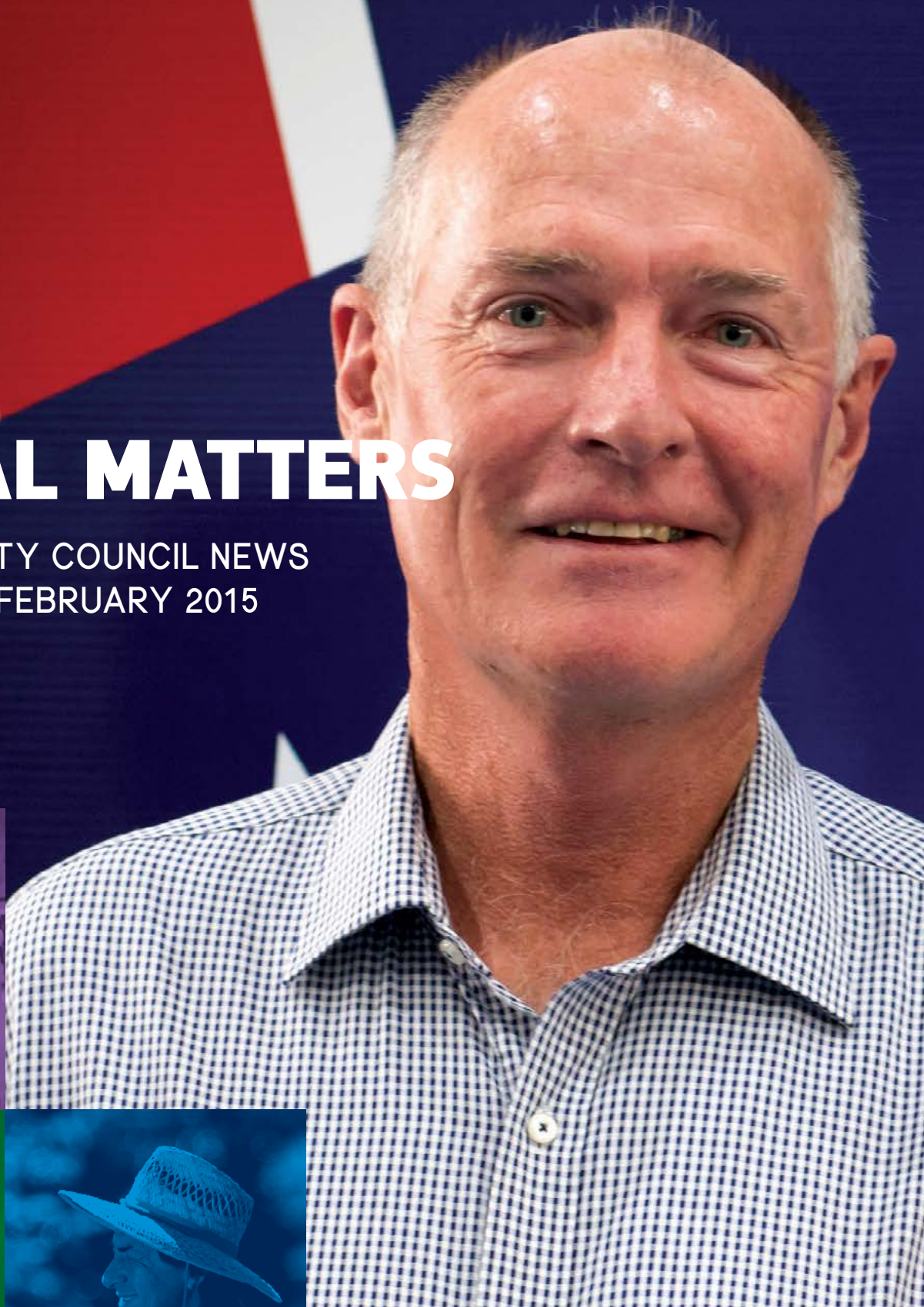


LOCAL MATTERS

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DO YOUR POSTIE A FAVOUR... AND WIN!

Australia Post delivers *Local Matters* every fortnight to almost 23,000 homes in the Lismore Local Government Area. Our local posties are out there rain, hail or shine delivering mail to all and sundry, and it is sometimes a hazardous task.

We have decided to provide some tips on how to make life safer and easier for your local postie – plus we're giving kids aged 12 and under the chance to win an iPad mini! All you have to do is design a postie bike of the future and your entries will be judged by your local posties.

Here are some handy hints that can help keep your mail secure and your local postie safe.

Security: Guard against identity and other theft by having a mailbox that is secure so mail cannot be taken. Make sure no one can fit their hand through the opening. Padlocks are also a great idea.

Maintenance: Clean out your letterbox daily so tomorrow's mail can fit, and make sure there are no rusty sharp edges where you or a postie can get hurt.

Placement: Make sure your letterbox and your street/road number is at your property boundary and is easily accessed. Make sure greenery is not obscuring your letterbox and keep it clear of hazards such as rocks and sharp drops, which could cause your postie to fall off their bike.

Access: Make sure your vehicles and/or your wheelie bins are not blocking access to your letterbox. Also make sure you have 1.2m clearance on your nature strip and don't block the thoroughfare with cars or trailers. Posties need to be able to ride up to the letterbox and place mail in there easily.

Dogs: Please make sure your dog is secured so they cannot chase posties or bite hands that are delivering letters.

There are a few other things to keep in mind including:

Unaddressed mail: Junk mail (or unaddressed mail) is advertising by businesses and organisations that pay for it to be delivered to your letterbox. Items such as *Local Matters* or other government/community information are deemed to be of community interest (according to standards developed by the Australian Catalogue Association) and are therefore placed in all letterboxes even if there is a 'No junk mail' sticker. If you do not wish to read these, please recycle them in your yellow recycling bin.

Reversing cars: Please be careful when reversing from your driveway. Make sure you back out slowly and always carefully check for pedestrians and posties.

Neighbourhood watch: Posties often notice changes in the household habits of occupants, and often keep an eye on elderly residents or those who live alone to make sure they are okay.

Missing pets: Posties often find and bring home or report missing pets.

Postie bike competition

To enter the postie bike competition and be in the running to win an iPad mini, simply draw the ultimate postie bike of the future! Please include your name, address, age and contact number.

Send your entries to Postie Competition, **PO Box 23A, Lismore NSW 2480**. You can also drop entries off at our Corporate Centre at **43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah**.

Entries must be received no later than 4pm on Monday, 2 March. We will print the winning futuristic postie bike in our edition published 18 March.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2015 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARD WINNERS

Local surgeon Dr Austin Curtin was named Lismore's 2015 Citizen of the Year at the annual Australia Day Awards ceremony held at the Goonellabah Sports and Aquatic Centre on 26 January.

Dr Curtin has been a surgeon for more than 22 years and works at Lismore Base, Casino District and St Vincents Private Hospitals. He is a Major in the Australian Defence Force Active Reserve and in 2005 he was appointed the inaugural chair of the NSW Institute of Rural Clinical Services. Dr Curtin is a member of the Rural Health Task Force, an Adjunct Professor at Southern Cross University and is acknowledged as an extremely empathetic and gifted medico.

At the ceremony, Australia Day Ambassador Clyde Campbell presented awards to Dr Curtin and 10 other Australia Day Award winners as well as welcoming 26 new Australians in a Citizenship Ceremony.

And the winners are...

Young Citizen of the Year

Jacob Botha

Jacob is a Trinity Catholic College student who is musically talented and assists younger students with performances and rehearsals. He is a high academic achiever, member of the Lismore Symphony Orchestra, recipient of community service awards and local surf club member.

Debra Rhodes Aboriginal Citizen of the Year

Rev. Dorothy Harris-Gordon

Dorothy is a pastor with the Uniting Church, a chaplain at both Lismore Base and St Vincents Private Hospitals and volunteer at the Lismore Soup Kitchen. She also served as the ground-breaking first Indigenous female chaplain at Grafton Gaol for over a decade.

Services in Community (Individual)

Margaret Lord

Margaret has provided 25 years of love and care to the underprivileged and marginalised in our community. After moving to Nimbin and initially working at the village hospital, she found her calling in caring for others and has since volunteered tirelessly at the Lismore Soup Kitchen.

Services in Community (Group)

U3A Northern Rivers (Lismore) Inc.

U3A Northern Rivers (Lismore) Inc. celebrated 20 years of service last year. The organisation offers over 40 education classes and activities each term and provides social inclusion and mental stimulation to retirees in and around Lismore. U3A has won innumerable awards and currently has a membership of 630.

Sportsperson (Senior)

Paul Leadbetter

Paul began playing for the Northern Star Hockey Club in 1970 at the age of 13, and has since represented both NSW and Australia. Last year he travelled to the 2014 World Masters Hockey Tournament in Holland – the largest international competition of its kind – where he and his team won a bronze medal. Paul works tirelessly for hockey in Lismore and the region as a coach, administrator, volunteer, maintenance worker and mentor.

Sportsperson (Junior)

Samantha McKenna

Samantha is an outstanding swimmer and role model. She has been an Australian age swimming champion, finalist at the Commonwealth Games swim trials, NSW state age champion, and represented the Northern Rivers many times.

Sports Team

Lismore Storm U18 Women's Basketball

Among the many recent successes of this nine-person squad was winning first place in the 2013 Gold Coast Basketball competition and then winning the South East Queensland State Championships five-day tournament. The team also topped the 'Hoops Downunder' international meet and NSW Northern League in a jam-packed season extending throughout 2014.

Sustainable Environment

Lorraine Vass

Lorraine has been an active member of the Friends of the Koala group since 2000 and president since 2002. Lorraine is an exceptional leader and supports the many volunteers while forging productive relationships with local and national bodies, developing policies, lobbying decision makers and spreading the 'Save the Koalas' message.

Art/Cultural

Karen Traise and Ian Bowles

Karen and Ian founded the Lismore Symphony Orchestra 10 years ago and have performed in key positions such as conductor and concert leader with the orchestra and its various ensembles. They actively involve hundreds of musicians from around the region, providing opportunity for students to attend an orchestral concert at minimal cost.



Our 2015 winners. Australia Day photos by Paul Tuthill Photography.



BRIEFS

Rates Reminder

All Lismore ratepayers are reminded that the third rates instalment for the 2014/15 rateable year is due for payment on **Saturday, 28 February 2015**.

Positions Vacant

Position	Salary	Closing date at 4pm
Revolve Retail Shop Officer	\$25.45 to \$29.27 per hour + super	Monday, 9 February 2014

For further information and to apply, visit www.lismore.nsw.gov.au or phone us on 1300 87 83 87.

2015 ClubGRANTS opening soon

Community groups are invited to seek financial support through the ClubGRANTS Category 1 Funding Program, which is funded through the NSW Registered Clubs Gaming Tax.

Community groups in the Lismore Local Government Area that fit within the guidelines for Category 1 applications (as outlined in ClubGRANTS Guidelines) are eligible to apply. The maximum amount of funding per project is \$5000.

Guidelines are available from our website www.lismore.nsw.gov.au and an online application form will go live when the funding round opens on Monday, 2 March.

The local committee assessing the applications consists of representatives from the Lismore Workers Club, Lismore City Council, the NSW Council of Social Service and Family & Community Services.

Submissions open on Monday, 2 March and close on Monday, 30 March at 5pm.

For more information phone Casie Hughes on 1300 87 83 87.



DRAFT GROWTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGY PUBLIC EXHIBITION PERIOD EXTENDED

The deadline for public feedback on Council's draft Growth Management Strategy (GMS) has been extended until 22 February 2015.

Council decided to extend the deadline due to the summer holiday period and the fact it is a major guiding document that will benefit from community input.

The final GMS will define the pattern and density of growth in the Lismore Local Government Area over the next 20 years, covering everything from new land releases to infill development, incentives for affordable housing, rural dual occupancy and multiple occupancy living.

This is the first time Council has integrated city and rural growth issues into one document, combining the separate Lismore Urban, Village and Rural Housing Strategies.

The GMS was developed in close consultation with the community, with 106 people attending six place-based forums throughout the LGA to discuss what they love about their 'place' and how they envisage it evolving in the future.

The strategy aims to provide for development and projected local growth of 5900 people in the next two decades, while also protecting what people love about this part of the world, such as rural outlooks and village character.

The draft GMS is now on exhibition until 22 February 2015.

It can be viewed at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au or in hardcopy at Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, during normal business hours Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 4.30pm.

Submissions can be made online, posted to the **General Manager, Lismore City Council, PO Box 23A, Lismore NSW 2480** or emailed to council@lismore.nsw.gov.au. Submissions should state reasons for objection or support.

For more information phone our Strategic Planning Coordinator Paula Newman on 1300 87 83 87.



DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS ISSUED

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

In accordance with the provisions of Section 101 of the Act and Clause 124 of the EP&A Regulation, notification is given that the undermentioned developments have recently been granted consent.

DA No.

14/26 4 Sunshine Place, East Lismore

Demolition of an existing dwelling and associated structures.

14/181-2 73 Fig Tree Drive, Goonellabah

Subdivision (to create 2 lots).

14/204 49 Terania Street, North Lismore

Change of use – retail premise (shop with ancillary storage and packaging area), outdoor dining and demolition of existing dwelling.

14/323 5 Minshul Crescent, North Lismore

Dwelling and shed.

14/351 1286 Dunoon Road, Dunoon

Shed.

14/359 1 Blue Wren Place, Goonellabah

Subdivision (to create 2 strata lots).

14/376 50 May Street, Dunoon

Shed.

14/378 92 Mountain View Drive, Goonellabah

Carport with building line variation.

14/379 168 Lindendale Road, Lindendale

Shed – replacement of existing shed.

Details of applications and consents, together with conditions attached, may be inspected at Council's Corporate Centre during business hours or via DA Tracking at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

As the consenting authority, Council has received the following development applications (and/or applications for modifications to existing consents) for consideration.

DA No. 15/005

DP AND LOT: Lot 45 (DP 847893).

LOCATION 313 Wyrallah Road, Monaltrie

APPLICANT: Lismore City Council.

DESCRIPTION: A new four-bay shed as extension to revolve building, revolve internal alterations, portico and installation of shipping containers.

The above development applications and Statement of Environmental Effects may be inspected at Council's Corporate Centre or via DA Tracking at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.

Further information relating to written submissions is available on Council's website. There are laws regarding the mandatory disclosure of political donations in relation to planning matters. Political donations disclosure reporting forms are available from the Department of Planning website at www.planning.nsw.gov.au.





MEETINGS, BRIEFINGS AND INTERVIEWS

We encourage people to attend our meetings and briefings to stay up-to-date with the many issues affecting our Local Government Area. You can also book in for a Councillor interview to speak directly with your elected representatives.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The first ordinary Council meeting for 2015 will be held on Tuesday, 10 February.

Reports include:

- Review of Market and Temporary Events Policies.
- South Lismore Sewage Treatment Plant proposed upgrade.
- Sale of land at Lismore Airport.
- 4 Year Plan update 2013-2017.

Held in the Council Chambers from 6pm. All welcome.

COUNCILLOR BRIEFINGS

Councillor briefings are held most Tuesday evenings so staff can provide background on issues or projects and Councillors have a chance to brainstorm and discuss.

On Tuesday, 17 February Councillors will be briefed on:

- Progress report on Sport & Recreation Plan and review of priorities.
- Hospital precinct.

Briefings are held in the Council Chambers from 6pm. All welcome.

AFTER HOURS COUNCILLOR INTERVIEWS

Councillors are available for interviews on the first and third Monday of each month from 5.30pm at the Goonellabah Sports and Aquatic Centre.

Residents are invited to book in to discuss community issues with their elected representatives. Two Councillors attend the night on a roster.

On Monday, 16 February interviews will be conducted by Councillors Simon Clough and Graham Meineke.

Interviews must be booked no later than 4pm on Friday, 13 February.

LUNCHTIME COUNCILLOR INTERVIEWS

Councillors are available for 15-minute interviews on the third Thursday of each month between 12.30pm and 1.30pm at Lismore City Library.

On Thursday, 19 February interviews will be conducted by Councillors Gianpiero Battista and Vanessa Ekins. Interviews must be booked no later than Tuesday, 17 February.

LISMORE BUSINESS PANEL

The Lismore Business Panel will meet on Friday, 20 February at the Gordon Pavilion, Oakes Oval, from 12-2pm.

For more information about meetings and briefings or to book a Councillor interview, phone Graeme Wilson on 1300 87 83 87.

LAND ACQUISITION

THIS IS A FORMAL NOTICE OF LAND ACQUISITION AS REQUIRED BY THE NSW GOVERNMENT:

Local Government Act 1993

Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991

Notice of Compulsory Acquisition of Land

Lismore City Council declares with the approval of Her Excellency the Governor that the easements described in Schedule 1 below, excluding the interest described in Schedule 2 below and excluding any mines or deposits of minerals in the easements, are acquired by compulsory process in accordance with the provisions of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 for drainage of sewage and provision for services.

Dated at Lismore on 14 January 2015.

Schedule 1

(C) proposed easement to drain sewage 6 wide as shown in DP 1192995.

(D) proposed easement for services 6 wide as shown in DP 192995
Schedule 2 Enclosure Permit No. 39838.

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Enclosure Permit No. 39838.



PROPOSED CHANGES TO ROAD LEVELS FOR UPCOMING ROADWORKS: PARTS OF WALKER, COLLEGE AND DIBBS STREETS

In accordance with the Roads Act 1993, design plans are being prepared for roadworks in Walker, College and Dibbs Streets including road level changes detailed below. People are invited to make public comment during the next 30 days.

Location	Section of road affected	Change in road centre line level
Walker Street, East Lismore	Between College Street and Military Road intersections	+150mm
Dibbs Street, Lismore	Between Pound Street and Clyde Street intersections	+150mm

The proposed roadworks include raising road levels in some areas due to overlay of existing road pavement material. Adjoining driveway access will be modified to match the new road where required.

Road pavement rehabilitation work will improve road structure, traffic safety and vehicle ride for these sections of road. Work is programmed in the 2014/15 financial year and adjoining landowners will be notified upon scheduling of the works.

The public are entitled to make written submissions, which should state reasons for objection or support and the section of road it relates to. Submissions are due by 4pm on 5 March.

For more information phone our Design Engineer Barry Goodwin on 1300 87 83 87.



YOUR COVER

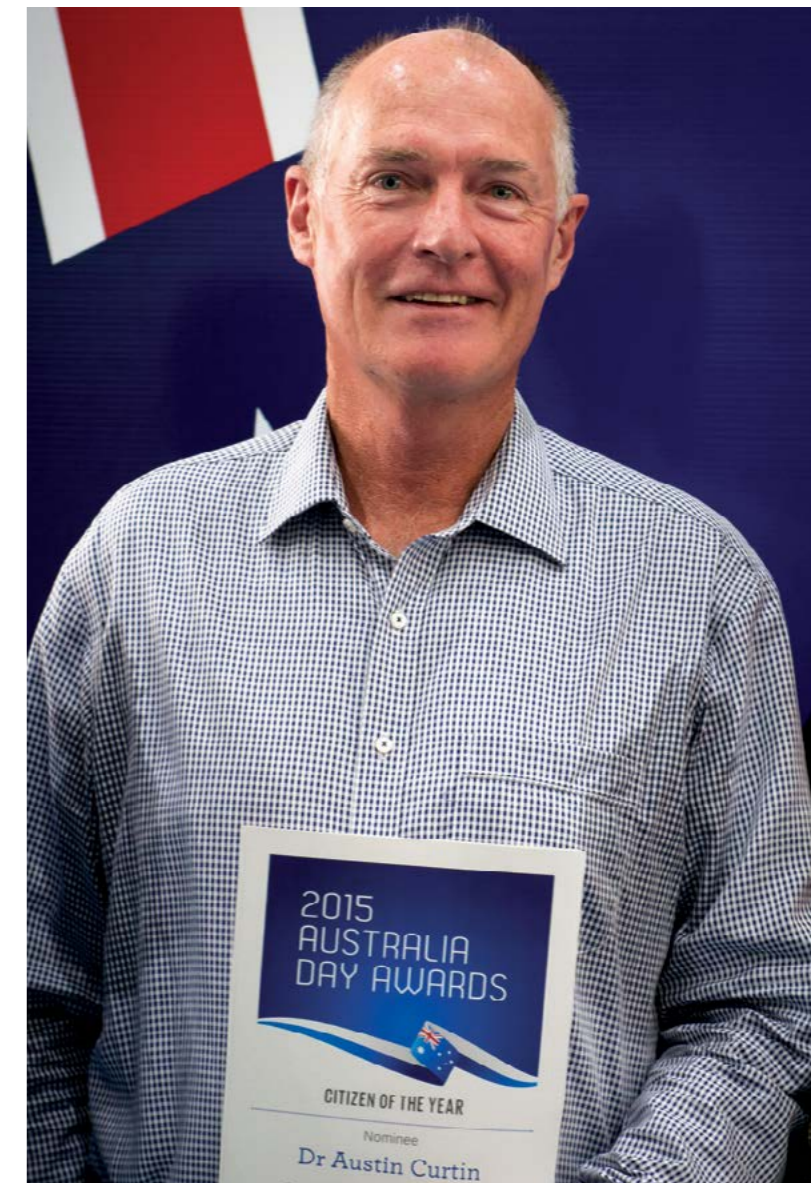
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A rural doctor for more than 22 years, Dr Curtin has also been instrumental in developing a clinical trials group in northern NSW and has many accolades, including being named an Honorary Fellow at Southern Cross University.

Dr Curtin's nominator was effusive in his praise for Dr Curtin's work, and talked about how in recent years he enlisted in the Australian Defence Force (Army Reserve) Royal Australian Medical Corps. Dr Curtin volunteered to take time out of his Lismore practice so he could work with soldiers suffering battlefield trauma while on active service.

His nominator wrote the following: *"As people say, it's not only Dr Curtin's ability to make good our broken bodies but it's his extreme empathic devotion and compassion to duty as he dispenses love and his God-given gift. Dr Curtin is one of life's special people who just continue giving and it's time now that this city acknowledges his contribution to all of us."*

Congratulations to Dr Curtin and the other award winners as well as all this year's nominee.





CONTACT US:
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is located at 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah.

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