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2024 Australia Day Award Winners Announced – Celebrating Community Excellence

Goulburn Mulwaree Council is pleased to announce the winners of the 2024 Australia Day Awards, recognising individuals and events that have made significant contributions to the community. This year's recipients have demonstrated remarkable dedication, passion, and community spirit.

Jacki Waugh Named Citizen of the Year

Jacki Waugh has been awarded the title of Citizen of the Year for her efforts in enhancing the community. Known as the "everything person" Jacki is always ready to lend a helping hand whether organising events, supporting local initiatives, Jacki embodies the true spirit of community service.

Youth Citizen of the Year – Annalise Denney

Annalise Denney received Youth Citizen of the Year for her dedication to community service. Annalise has been a committed member of St John Ambulance NSW Goulburn Division for over 6 years providing essential event health services.

Community Event of the Year – Australian Okinawan Goju-Ryu Karate-Do Federation National Gasshuku Championships

The Australian Okinawan Goju-Ryu Karate-Do Federation National Gasshuku Championships received the Community Event of the Year. This event was held in November 2023 at the Veolia Arena with record-breaking attendance in Oceania, drawing 275 participants from Australia and abroad.

Junior Sports person of the Year Dylan Downey

Dylan Downey has been named the Junior Sports Person of the Year for his exceptional achievements in Hockey. Dylan's achievements in 2023 include being part of the U18 Futures Squad, NSW U21 Nationals, and Australian U21 Burras Squad. Dylan's accomplishments also extend globally, having toured Europe and Malaysia as a key player in the Australia U21 Burras Team.

Highly Commended Junior Sports Person

Eamon Shiel and Krystal Blackwell have been recognised with a highly commended award for their achievements in their sporting fields.