

Council encourages young achievers

Byron Shire Council wants to encourage the outstanding young achievers of Byron Shire to nominate for the new look Young Australian of the Year Awards.

1995 has seen the merger of the Channel TEN Young Achiever Awards with the Australia Day Council's Young Australian of the Year Awards, thus creating the most comprehensive youth awards program in Australia.

'It is important that we encourage the youth of our community to strive for excellence. The Young Australian of the Year Awards program is a very positive way of fostering enthusiasm and showcasing talented high achievers,' said Mayor Ian Kingston.

Seven categories

Nominations are open in seven categories: Pacific Power Science & Technology Award, Medibank Private Arts Award, Abigroup Sports Award, Mitre 10 Community Service Award, Department of Land & Water Conservation Sustainable Regional Development Award, EPA Environment Award and DEET Career Achievement Award.

Each nominee will receive a commemorative certificate in recognition of their outstanding achievements.

Three finalists will be chosen in each of the seven categories with the winners receiving a \$4,000 Commonwealth Bank Streamline Express Account.

A NSW Young Achiever of the Year will also be chosen and will receive an additional \$4,000 from the Commonwealth Bank plus a fabulous trip for two to

any capital city in Australia flying Ansett Australia staying at a Hilton Hotel. Winners will be announced during the Gala Presentation of the Awards to be held at the Sydney Hilton on October 26, 1995.

'I urge everyone to consider the Young Achievers they know and nominate them. They all

deserve to be recognised,' said Mayor Ian Kingston.

Nominations close on Friday August 25 and entry forms are available from Byron Shire Council, Commonwealth Bank and Medibank Private branches and Mitre 10 stores or by phoning the Awards office on (02) 8997099.

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