

MEDIA RELEASE



Northern Midlands Australia Day Awards

The Northern Midlands Council celebrated Australia Day with its annual community event, this year being held at Valentine Park, Campbell Town. The event included the presentation of the following Northern Midlands Council Australia Day awards:

- Northern Midlands Council Citizen of the Year – Gregory Knight
Gregory is involved with a variety of community groups and has volunteered with Ambulance Tasmania. He was also president of the Rotary Club of Longford.
- Northern Midlands Council Young Citizen of the Year – Curtis McGee
Curtis lost his brother to Cystic Fibrosis in 2010 and has since then tirelessly dedicated himself to increasing awareness and raising funds for Tasmanian families affected by the incurable genetic disease. Curtis inspired his fellow students to raise funds and together they raised over \$25,000 for Cystic Fibrosis Tasmania.
- Northern Midlands Council Community Event of the Year — CMCA Solos Network Rally, Campbell Town
The CMCA Solo Campers event was held in Campbell Town in February 2017. The event was extremely successful and brought a lot of people into Campbell Town and local businesses and the community benefited from it.

The Northern Midlands Council also recognises volunteers at its Australia Day ceremony. This year the following people were recognised:

- Fae Cox
Fae was a member of the Cressy Local District Committee since its formation, and held the position of Chair for several years, prior to resigning late last year. Fae is also the Treasurer of the Anglican Church in Cressy.
- Peter Evans
Peter is the current chairman of the Campbell Town ANZAC Group and has been a long-time volunteer within the community.

Australia Day Ambassador John Zeckendorf, the first Tasmanian to reach the summit of Mt Everest addressed guests on the day and assisted with the ceremony.

The community enjoyed the free breakfast BBQ and activities provided by the Council.

For further information, please contact Mayor Downie on 0418 132 041

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