

## Support the Queen's Baton Relay

The Queen's Baton will arrive on Sunday 28 January 2018 and everyone is invited to participate!

More than 20 batonbearers have been honoured to carry the Queen's Baton in Griffith, bringing the excitement of the Commonwealth Games to our community.

Residents and visitors are encouraged to line the streets and support our local batonbearers, and to attend the community celebration from 5pm – 7pm at the Burley Griffin Community Gardens.

"Hosting this event is not only an exciting opportunity, it's a way to highlight and promote Griffith to people in Australia and internationally," said Griffith Mayor, Councillor John Dal Broi.

"It is also the perfect way to pay tribute to the people who make our community great – batonbearers have been nominated by their peers for achievements and contributions to this great community, and selected by the Commonwealth Games Queen's Baton Relay Selection Committee." The Queen's Baton will arrive in Griffith this Sunday with the relay departing the Griffith Exies Sports Oval in Spiers Street at 4.30pm. Locals and visitors are welcome to come along and witness this historic event, and follow the Baton as it

travels to the Community Gardens via Wakaden Street, Blumer Avenue, Banna Avenue and finally into Kookora Street.

"The final batonbearer, stalwart Dr John Binks will conclude the relay at the Community Gardens, to a waiting crowd of supporters – come along to not only the beginning and end of the relay, but I would encourage you to line the streets and cheer on the locals as they take part in the Queen's Baton Relay," said Councillor Dal Broi.

All members of the community, batonbearers, their families and friends are invited to attend the celebrations following the relay.

### Batonbearers

- Jenny Beer
- John Binks
- Domenic Calabria
- Laura Crockett
- Veronica Cudmore
- Kellie Dissegna
- Elizabeth Graham
- Carmel La Rocca
- Jodie Landy
- Claire Murray
- Anne Napoli
- Patrick Napoli
- Alex Niven
- Gavin Raccanello
- Dale Paul
- Francesco Scarfone
- Grant Semmler
- Leon Thorpe
- Heather White



Above: The Australia Day Colouring-In Competition winners for 2017 (not in order) John Paul Dal Broi, Lilla Menegazzo, Shia Timoti, Isabella Ceccato, Madisyn Sarkis, Ashton Menegazzo, Aryellah Dal Broi, Gabriella Cirillo and Ruby Snow.

## Australia Day 2018

Griffith City Council is pleased to announce the nominations for the 2018 Australia Day Awards across eight categories.

Chairperson of the Australia Day Working Party, Councillor Christine Stead said nominations were down from previous years; however the nominations received were of the highest caliber.

"Griffith is extremely fortunate to have so many people who offer up their services and donate their time to help with others. Likewise, we have a tremendous pool of sporting talent and dedicated club persons and it is extremely fitting to acknowledge these people on Australia Day", said Councillor Stead.

"The Australia Day Awards are a fantastic way to pay tribute to and acknowledge the

hard work and dedication of our volunteers and sporting stars. The nominees should be extremely proud of their achievements", she said.

The winner of each category will be announced at the official ceremony which commences at 9.30am on Friday January 26, 2017 at the Griffith Regional Theatre.

The Griffith City Band and Sing Australia Griffith will provide entertainment while the Griffith Branch of Soroptimist International will serve a morning tea to welcome Griffith's newest Australian Citizens and Award Nominees and Winners.

If you are looking for something to do prior to the official proceedings, come along to Griffith Pioneer Park Museum for a fair dinkum, cheap as chips, Aussie celebration is going to be had on Friday Jan-

uary 26 2018 - the bushland setting and historic buildings of Griffith Pioneer Park Museum is the ideal location for a community Aussie breakfast and the best way to kick off Australia Day.

There is no need to book and breakfast will be served from 7.30 am until 10.30 am. The cost is only \$5 for a light (continental) breakfast or \$10 for a full breakfast of cereal, fruit, bacon, sausages, tomatoes, eggs and toast; bring the family and enjoy the full breakfast for only \$30 (2 adults 2 children).

Come along, bring your family and friends and enjoy the lifestyle, friendship and picturesque setting that makes Griffith Pioneer Park Museum such a great place to visit.

For further information relating to the Australia Day Breakfast call 6962 4196.



**Every Sunday, 7am**

Griffith Rotary Markets  
15 Collier Street

**Every Tuesday, 10am**

Baby Bounce, Griffith City Library

**Third Thursday of Each Month**

Movie Club, Griffith City Library

**Every Friday, 11am**

Toddler Time, Griffith City Library

**Every weekday through the school holidays**

Lego Club

Griffith City Library

**Friday January 26, 7.30am**

Australia Day Breakfast at Griffith Pioneer Park Museum

**Friday January 26, 9.30am**

Australia Day Ceremony

Griffith Regional Theatre

**Sunday January 28, 4pm**

The Queen's Baton Relay

Queen's Baton Relay: Starting at the Exies Sports Club at 4.30pm, the baton will travel along Banna Avenue and conclude in Community Garden for a celebration from 5pm.

**Friday February 23, 11am**

Don't Shoot Me, I'm STILL Only the Piano Player

Griffith Regional Theatre

**Sunday February 25, 8pm**

Elvis: An American Trilogy

Griffith Regional Theatre

**Saturday March 10**

**Sunday March 11**

Australian Formula Powerboat

Grand Prix

Lake Wyangan

**See the latest event listings online at [visitgriffith.com.au](http://visitgriffith.com.au)**



**Cheer on our  
#QBR2018  
batonbearers**

**4pm Baton Relay  
start, Griffith  
Exies Sports Club**

**5-7pm Celebration  
at the Burley Griffin  
Community Gardens**



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DAYS  
TO GO**  
**28 January 2018**