

# CAMDEN COUNCIL

## Media Release

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### CAMDEN AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS ANNOUNCED

Camden's community heroes were honoured at the recent Australia Day celebrations, with the announcement of the 2016 Camden Australia Day Awards.

Mayor of Camden, Cr Lara Symkowiak said she was delighted to present these awards to such inspirational community members who give so much to make our community a better place to live.

"Council received many nominations this year, highlighting that our community has a variety of worthy contenders for the Australia Day Awards.

"These prestigious awards provide an opportunity for us to recognise those residents who continue to give tirelessly to the community. The winners not only inspire us through their achievements, they also challenge us to make our own contribution to create a better community.

"I would like to congratulate all of the award winners and also pay tribute to those that were nominated. Through their combined efforts, they have all made the Camden region a special place to live and their wonderful contributions are sincerely appreciated."

"I warmly congratulate the 2016 Citizen of the Year, Keith Maddock who was recognised for his extensive work in our community and thank our outgoing Citizen of the Year, Ted Gillroy for his contributions as he 2015 Citizen of the Year."

"I would like to thank the wonderful members of the Special Olympics Dance Performance Group, our 2016 Australia Day Ambassadors; it was a privilege and a pleasure to share this day with them." Cr Symkowiak said.

### 2016 Australia Day Winners

- **Citizen of the Year**, Keith Maddock
- **Young Citizen of the Year**, Kirilly White
- **Sportsperson of the Year**, dual winners Mark Szalajko and Janine Mladin
- **Young Sportsperson of the Year**, Gabrielle Plain
- **Community Event of the Year**, Mother Hubbard's Cupboard

For more information on the winners, visit Council's website or phone 4654 7777.

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