



2020 OUTSTANDING CITIZEN AWARD

Citation for Ric Ellison

Citizen of the Year

Ric was nominated by the Dandaragan Golf Club

Ric commenced as Principal at the Dandaragan Primary School on 27 January 2011 and has been instrumental in co-ordinating the 60th Reunion for the Dandaragan Primary School in October 2013, and has been an educator and mentor for staff and students from 2011 – 2013. He retired from the Education Department in December 2013.

Ric has been a financial member of the Dandaragan Golf Club since 2011, Men's Captain from 2015 – 2018, a committee member since 2011, and coordinated an update of the Dandaragan Golf Club Constitution in 2018. Ric regularly attends monthly meetings as an active member, supports tournaments held throughout the Central West Coast Golf Association i.e. Badgingarra, Gingin, Jurien Bay, Cervantes, Moora, Greenhead and Lancelin. He also supports Country Week and State Sand Greens. He has been fully supportive of fundraising and catering events, organised Coaching Clinics, encourages new members and makes an outstanding contribution to course maintenance, green sweeping, and course mowing / slashing.

He was a cast member in the Dandaragan Repertory Club production of "Jest at the West" in 2012. Ric is a member of the Dandaragan Tennis Club retiring graciously as Secretary in 2020 after holding the position for 9 years. He is also a member of the Dandaragan Bowling Club since 2011 and a permanent Pennant player since 2018. Ric is also a committee member of the Dandaragan Community Recreation Club and Volunteer bar staff Coordinator since 2018.

Ric commenced being a member of St John's Ambulance Dandaragan Sub Branch in 2011 and has been an Emergency Medical Technician, Sub Centre Driving Instructor, Sub Centre Volunteer Development Officer, takes training when a Paramedic is unavailable, on call 24/7, and held the position of Treasurer since 2019. He has also been a Volunteer Fire Fighter since 2013 and Administrator of Dandaragan Bushfire Brigade since its inception in 2018.

Ric has held positions in 2020 of - Secretary, Dandaragan Tennis Club; Treasurer, Instructor & Driver, St John's Ambulance; Administrator, Dandaragan Bush Fire Brigade; and Committee Member / Course Maintenance Planner, Dandaragan Golf Club.

2020 OUTSTANDING YOUNG CITIZEN AWARD

Citation for Luke Johnson

Young Citizen of the Year

Luke was nominated by Jurien Bay Emergency Services Cadet Corps

Luke is one of two Platoon Leaders within the Jurien Bay Emergency Service Cadets. This means he is in charge of and responsible for half (approximately 18) of the Cadets. Within this role Luke leads our cadets for many of the formal ceremonies and takes a lead role in much of the Fire & Rescue training activities.

He is also an active junior member of the Jurien Bay Volunteer Fire & Rescue Service where he leads some of the younger junior members and is building skills towards being an active fire fighter with the brigade, having already completed some of the formal Department of Fire and Emergency Service Training.

In addition Luke is the 2020 President of the Turquoise Coast Badminton Club, where he responsible for running formal meetings, organising formal training and tournaments as well as the obtaining of equipment.

Within all three of Luke's key community pursuits he serves as an inspiration to many younger members of the community. His involvement has encouraged a number of additional juniors to join the Jurien Bay VFRS and to pursue excellence as a Cadet. He can be relied upon to organise many aspects of the formal ceremonies and run training activities which up-skill many younger cadets.

Luke has also been awarded the Australian Defence Force STEM prize for Jurien Bay District High School for his commitments to the field of Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics.