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## Gawler Australia Day Awards

On 26 January the Town of Gawler, in partnership with the Gawler Apex Club, is excited to invite the entire community along to an 'Australia Day Breakfast'.

This breakfast is being provided by the Gawler Apex Club and other local service clubs and community groups, and will be followed by the prestigious Town of Gawler Australia Day Awards.

Council is pleased to announce that Dr Sandra Marshall is Council's Australia Day Ambassador for 2018. Mayor Redman said, "Dr Marshall is the founder of Dyslexia SA and the Light it Red for Dyslexia initiatives. A local GP, Sandra has been a tireless advocate for raising awareness and understanding of Dyslexia across Australia. A truly worthy Ambassador for 2018."

Dr Marshall will be speaking at the Awards about her work and contribution to the community. Council acknowledges the importance of celebrating those who have been especially involved with going the extra mile for the community as well as welcoming and rejoicing our new Australian Citizens who will be officially presented on the day.

"Council is committed to encouraging involvement in community life and feel honoured that we have so many people in our midst making a positive contribution to Gawler and the wider region", said Mayor Karen Redman.

The five categories of awards and winners that will be presented at this year's Australia Day ceremony are: Citizen of the Year: Ms Helen Sands (with Special Commendation Awards to Mr Richard Holt and Mr Bruce and Mrs Nancy Townsend), Young Citizen of the Year: Ms Franke Agenbag, Corporate Citizen of the Year: Mr Steve Barilla (with a Special Commendation Award to Mr Damian McGee), Community Event of the Year: CHANGE Original Music Festival and Community Group of the Year: Gawler Community House (with a Special Commendation Award to the Graffiti Removal Team).

I am personally looking forward to the event as it is a great opportunity to catch up with friends and neighbours, welcome our new citizens and celebrate yet reflect on all aspects of Australian life." said Mayor Redman.

Celebrations will be held at Apex Park on Julian Terrace Gawler, with breakfast being served from [7am](#). Guests are encouraged to arrive as punctually as possible, to ensure they don't miss out on the awards ceremony which will commence shortly after.

The morning is estimated to conclude at approximately [9:30am](#).

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