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A PACKED ORROROO LIONS PARK FOR AUSTRALIA DAY 2019 BREAKFAST

The traditional community breakfast attracted more than 150 people to celebrate Australia Day on January 26th at the Orroroo Lions Park.

A beautiful sunny morning welcomed the crowd to the park, which was shaded by the many red gums - providing cool relief following a fortnight of extreme heat throughout the area.



Lions Club volunteers cook up a storm

Image credit A Frick

With stomachs filled, it was time for master of ceremonies Dylan Strong to commence with the program.

In the official Australia Day address, Councillor Chairman Kathie Bowman reflected on resilience and the importance of recognition of community members.

“Today here in Orroroo, we celebrate all that is good about this place and its people, even after a tough year”,

“We celebrate what people, individuals and groups, have given this community over so very many years, and how fortunate we are to have benefited from their endeavours,” she said.

Guest speaker and Australia Day Ambassador Peter Goers joined the festivities and entertained the crowd by recollecting his own experiences in the area. Mr Goers also assisted Chairman Bowman in presenting the Australian Day awards to this year’s winners.

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Mr Malcolm Byerlee, flanked by his family, accepted the award for Citizen of the Year. Kate Case was the recipient of the Young Citizen of the Year, while the Paint Orroroo Pink event was awarded the Community Event of the Year.

A special presentation to close the official proceedings included a Light horse display, by Mick Batchelor.

Orroroo Carrieton Council CEO Dylan Strong cited the success of the event, which attracted a large crowd from across the district.

“As a new-comer to this community I was most pleased with the attendance, and the support of volunteers to make it happen was fantastic”,

“I look forward to continuing our support for the breakfast, and building on the program to ensure we cater for all ages”, he said.



Citizen of the year Malcolm Byerlee (pictured with Chairman Bowman and Australia Day Ambassador Peter Goers). Image credit A Frick



Young Citizen of the year Kate Case (pictured with her family Peter & Trish Case). Image credit A Frick



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