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Emma George Junior Sporting Scholarship - \$800 to be awarded

Indigo Shire Council is looking for a young sports star to be the recipient of the Emma George Junior Sporting Scholarship. Eight hundred dollars will be awarded as part of the scholarship at Council's 2012 Australia Day Awards.

Last year's Scholarship winner, 17 year old Beechworth local Michael Menzie, put the money towards a trip to South Africa to play hockey for Australia in the 16 year olds Australian Schoolboys Team.

"The money I got for the Emma George Junior Sporting Scholarship made a big difference when I went to South Africa in June this year, and we beat them too." said Michael Menzie.

Other awards being granted as part of the Australia Day ceremony include Indigo Shire Citizen of the Year amongst others, so if you know somebody who is an outstanding achiever in the community, and whose hard work is deserving of recognition, nominate them for Council's 2012 Australia Day Awards.

Indigo Shire Mayor Cr Ali Pockley said that Council's Australia Day Awards pay tribute to local heroes. "There are so many individuals, community organisations and businesses in Indigo Shire who work tirelessly just because they love to help others, and this is an opportunity to recognise and appreciate their contributions," Cr Pockley said.

"We are looking for people do wonderful things for the community to reward and thank them for everything that they do. The Awards are a great opportunity for you to nominate a friend, family member, community leader or colleague to have their extraordinary contributions to our society recognised," Cr Pockley said.

The Awards are:

- Indigo Shire Citizen of the Year
- Indigo Shire Young Citizen of the Year
- Indigo Shire Community Organisation of the Year
- Beechworth & District Certificate of Achievement
- Rutherglen & District Certificate of Appreciation
- Chiltern & District Certificate of Appreciation
- Yackandandah & District Certificate of Appreciation
- Barnawartha & District Certificate of Appreciation
- Kiewa-Tangambalanga & District Certificate of Appreciation
- Emma George Junior Sporting Scholarship

The awards will be presented at celebrations around Indigo Shire on Thursday 26 January 2012. All residents of Indigo Shire can be nominated, and anyone can nominate by completing the Nomination Form and returning it to Council. Nominations must be accompanied by suitable details to assist the judging panel. **Nominations close 30 November 2011.**

Nomination and application forms are available from Council's Beechworth and Yackandandah offices, Chiltern and Rutherglen Customer Service Centres, and in the 'Council Updates' section on the home page of Council's website www.indigoshire.vic.gov.au . For further information please contact Noni Hemann on 02 6028 1154 or 1300 365 003.



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