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## New evening event for Australia Day awards

## January 13, 2020 COOKTOWN

Cook Shire's Australia Day Awards event will be held on Friday, January 24 at 6pm, changing from the usual morning event.

"With Australia Day falling on a Sunday this year, and the public holiday on Monday, we felt holding the event on Friday would allow more people to enjoy both the awards event and their long weekend," Cook Shire Mayor Peter Scott said.

The event, to be held at the Cooktown PCYC Events Centre, will include citizenship ceremonies, presentation of the Cook Shire Australia Day Awards, a free barbecue dinner and will feature Cook Shire's Australia Day Ambassador Gail Ker as guest speaker.

Ms Ker is Chief Executive Officer of Access Community Services Ltd and works to create social, cultural and economic experiences and opportunities, with more than 20 years experience in the multicultural, humanitarian and community sectors.

For more information on the Australia Day Awards event contact Council's Tourism and Events team via email at mail@cook.gld.gov.au or phone on 4082 0500.

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