



**BOURKE
SHIRE
COUNCIL**

Media Release

10 NEW CITIZENS JOIN IN AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS

Bourke Shire Council will welcome 10 new citizens at an Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony on Tuesday, 26 January 2021.

The conferees from three (3) countries, including Nepal, India and Pakistan, will become Australian citizens as part of a ceremony at Bourke Wharf/Darling Park Amphitheatre.

Acting General Manager, Leonie Brown said the Ceremony was an opportunity for all Australians, whether they are citizens by birth or by choice, to join national celebrations that reflect - respect -and celebrate; we reflect on our history - its highs and lows - we respect the stories of all our people and we celebrate our nation, its achievements and most of all; its people.

"All Australians are encouraged to celebrate our national day and to share what Australian Citizenship means to them.

"There is no greater privilege than our Citizenship. It's a life-long commitment to Australia's shared values, including respect for the freedom and dignity of the individual, the rule of law and democracy, and equality of opportunity for all people." Mrs Brown said.

"Australian Citizenship Ceremonies are an important part of our nation's celebrations and hold special significance for those becoming citizens and the broader Australian community.

"Traditionally, more people become citizens on Australia Day than any other day of the year.

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For more information visit www.Citizenship.gov.au.