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## **Cloncurry Celebrates Business Excellence at 2025 Cloncurry Commerce Business Awards**

Last Saturday, 25 October, the Cloncurry Shire Council hosted the 2025 Cloncurry Commerce Business Awards Gala, celebrating the outstanding achievements of local businesses across the region. The event brought together over 100 guests for an evening recognising innovation, resilience, and community spirit.

Mayor Greg Campbell commended the vibrant business landscape across the Shire, saying:

"The awards were a wonderful evening celebrating the breadth and strength of businesses across the Cloncurry Shire. The number of nominees in each category was a testament to the diversity and vitality of our local economy. It's inspiring to see both established businesses continuing to grow and invest, alongside new and emerging enterprises, proof that Cloncurry is a great place to do business."

Chair of Cloncurry Commerce, Susan Curly, also praised the event's success and the spirit of collaboration among the local business community:

"The Cloncurry Business Awards are a true celebration of our business community, as it highlights the innovation and resilience that drive our local businesses, big and small and across many sectors. It was inspiring to see so many businesses and individuals recognised for their hard work and commitment to making Cloncurry thrive. This year's awards showcased the incredible diversity and strength of our local economy, and I'm proud of the way our community continues to support and celebrate each other's success."

This year's awards saw an impressive 68 nominations across 10 categories, with winners announced as follows:

Start-Up Superstar Award: Ashton Diesel Services

Movers & Shakers Award: Cloncurry Vet Services

Workforce Warrior Award: Oz E Cool Services Pty Ltd

**Community Champions Award:** Evolution Mining Ernest Henry Operations

**Construction & Trade Titan Award:** Cloncurry Constructions

Radical Retail Award: Brodie Rural and Hardware

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Tourism & Events Award for Excellence: Cloncurry and District Show Society

Stellar Small Business Award: Rosebud Station Flower Farm

**Hospitality Highflyer Award:** Central Hotel

Mining Master Award: Evolution Mining Ernest Henry Operations

The evening was proudly supported by 18 local sponsors, whose generosity made the event possible:

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An expert guest panel featuring Samantha Campbell (Rosebud Station Flower Farm), Vince Wall (Dessert Ice and Water & Cloncurry Stockmans Challenge), and Lorene Chandler (Central Hotel) took to the stage, while the night's energy and laughter were kept alive by MC Todd Donaldson.

The 2025 Cloncurry Commerce Business Awards once again highlighted the strength, adaptability, and community pride that define the local business landscape, reinforcing that Cloncurry is not just surviving, but thriving.

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