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## WINNERS ANNOUNCED FOR 2022 SOUTH32 COLLIE SMALL BUSINESS AWARDS

The South32 Collie Small Business Awards are the only awards dedicated exclusively to the achievements of small businesses and not for profit organisations in the Collie region. The winners were announced at the Gala Presentation Night on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2022.

Winners, finalists and guests celebrated exceptional regional businesses which have made an extraordinary impact in the community and demonstrated excellence in their business or organisation. The Awards are the highest acknowledgement of outstanding achievement and commitment to the Collie business community.

General Awards Categories			Industry Award Categories			Special Award Categories		
START-UP/NEW BUSINESS			ACCOMODATION, HOSPITALITY & TOURISM			REGIONAL BUSINESS		
Runner up	Little Blue Door		Runner up	Crank n Cycles	ļ ļ	Runner up	Crank n Cycles	
Winner	Outback Horse Trails		Winner	Collie River Valley Tourist Park	,	Winner	Iridescent Studio	
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COMMUNITY ORGANISATION			AGRIBUSINESS			INNOVATION & SUSTAINABILITY		
Runner up	Collie Visitor Centre		Runner up	Focus Document Record Solutions		Runner up	Little Blue Door	
Winner	Collie & Districts Community Financial Services Limited		Winner	Harris River Estate Pty Ltd	,	Winner	Collie River Tourist Park	
BUSINESS WITH 0-4 EMPLOYEES			HEALTH, COMMUNITY, SPORT & RECREATION			YOUNG ACHIEVER IN BUSINESS		
Runner up	Crank'n Cycles		Runner up	Chiropractic First	'	Winner	Crank n Cycles - Devan Radomiljac	
Winner	Iridescent Studio		Winner	Crank n Cycles	,	Winner	Dominos Collie - Saadi Mughal	
					ı	Runner up	Outback Horse Trails - Georgie Urkko	
BUSINESS WITH 5-15 EMPLOYEES			PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE		1	Runner up	Collie Visitor Centre - Ebony Whitney	
Runner up	⊔ Hookers Collie		Runner up	Iridescent Studio	l	Runner up	Crank n Cycles - Nickolas Gibson	
Winner	Collie River Valley Tourist Park		Winner	Collie & Districts Community Financial Services Limited				
							JUDGES CHOICE	
BUSINESS WITH 16+ EMPLOYEES			RETAIL				Collie Tutoring	
Runner up	Ian Guppy and Co		Runner up	Mystical Presents				
Winner	Dominos Collie		Winner	Crank n Cycles		OUTSTANDING BUSINESS		
							Iridescent studio	

Collie is home to a diverse community populated by unique businesses. The Collie Chamber believes that a healthy business community results in a thriving community. It is our mission to be a catalyst for business growth and development. The Chamber recognises and thanks to everyone for the significant effort they have put into entering these awards. It means our amazing local businesses can get the recognition they deserve.

Opened by the Shire of Collie President, Sarah Stanley, winners were announced by MC Angie Ayers from Triple M and presented with their respective certificates and trophies. A sumptuous meal was served by The Colliefields, assisted by staff from Harris River Estate Winery, using some of the finest regional produce available.

This year, the award presentations were capped off with two special awards. An Outstanding Business Award went to the business that achieved outstanding results, and the Judges Choice Award was based on the calibre of the application and the business in general.

Executive Officer of the Collie Chamber, Tara van Beuningen said, "The awards are recognition for all the businesses who were nominated. These awards were created to celebrate and inspire businesses in the Collie region who through their continued efforts make a positive difference to the broader community."

"The 2022 South32 Collie Small Business Awards on the 21/05 was a fantastic night. The food was delicious, and the atmosphere was great," said Collie Chamber President, Peter Harms. "On a whole the night went seamlessly; all the businesses did an amazing job. Even with a tough year, it was great to see so many still enter. We even had some arrive by a stretch hummer! Well done and congratulations to all the finalists. The whole event really showed us what Collie Small Business is capable of and we look forward to 2024!"

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South32 Worsley Alumina supports more than 1,500 direct employees, 500 contractors and spends more than A\$150 million annually with local businesses across Boddington, Collie and the Greater Bunbury regions.

A spokesperson for South32 Worsley Alumina said they were pleased to once again support the South32 Collie Small Business Awards in 2022, that showcase the achievements of local Collie businesses and their contribution to the community.

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The next Collie Small Business Awards will be held in 2024. Interested sponsors can contact the Collie Chamber of Commerce for more details.

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