Tell Us Your Story Winners 2018

Eight compelling stories of neighbourly spirit have today won prizes in the annual Neighbour Day Tell Us Your Story competition.

The competition invites people to share their stories about a great neighbour, an amazing neighbourly act, or something they appreciate about the people in their neighbourhood.

This year we received entries from across Australia full of heart-warming stories of neighbourly support and generosity around this year’s theme of supporting children and young people in our communities.

The 2018 national (and New South Wales) winner is a story written by Victoria whose marvellous tale of her community where kids share skateboards, bikes and scooters, neighbours mind each other’s pets, help out with meals when people are sick and share regular ‘driveway drink’ gatherings captured the essence of Neighbour Day.

A ‘new neighbour’ prize has been awarded for the first time this year for a story about a migrant building connections with his local community by hosting Neighbour Day events from Faiz in Queensland.

Other winning entries for the 2018 Tell Us Your Story competition are:

- A story about how Cyclone Marcus created a new community spirit in a Darwin neighbourhood from the Northern Territory.
- The story of how a neighbour came to the rescue, looking after the baby and making dinner for a family when a child was rushed to hospital from Western Australia.
- A story about the special relationship between a young boy and his neighbour from Queensland.
- The story of how a local community came together to organise their own Neighbour Day event in Victoria.
- The story of a Neighbour Day event that included a pedal-powered smoothie bike and a scavenger hunt in Tasmania.
- A story about the joy of a new family moving into a new neighbourhood to find an active community that hosts Easter Egg hunts, Halloween parties and Christmas fairs in the Australian Capital Territory.

You can read all these stories on the Neighbour Day website.

This year Neighbour Day was held on Sunday 25 March at nearly 700 registered events across the country with thousands of neighbours coming together over barbecues, street parties and community gatherings to enjoy Australia’s national celebration of neighbourliness.

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