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**Strathbogie Shire spreads the Christmas Spirit this December**

Are you waiting with bated breath for the calendar to turn over to December 1 so you can go to town with Christmas decorations, carols and baking?

Well Christmas is about to get even more merry here in the Strathbogie Shire, with the opportunity to win some Christmas spending money.

Council is running a competition for most creative Christmas decorations for households, businesses and community groups across the Shire.

You can enter by taking a photo of your Christmas lights and decorations out the front of your house or building.

Email the photo, along with your name, phone number and the address and division you are entering (residential, community or business) to [info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au](mailto:info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au), with Christmas Competition as the subject line of the email.

Alternatively, you can register with Customer Service at Council Offices in Euroa (109A Binney Street) or Mobile Customer Service in Nagambie (317 High Street).

The competition is open for entries until 5pm Monday 11 December.

Our Councillors will be judging the contenders and will announce winners at the Ordinary Council Meeting at the Ruffy Hall (3 Nolans Road, Ruffy) on Tuesday 19 December at 6pm.

Participants are also encouraged to upload the photo of their Christmas decorations on social media, using the hashtag #MerryChristmasStrathbogie.

Mayor Amanda McClaren encourages anyone who is interested to get involved.

“This is a great opportunity to spread some Christmas Spirit across our Shire,” she said.

The following divisions can be entered:

- ✓ Most creative residential decorations: \$250.00
- ✓ Most creative community building decorations: \$500.00
- ✓ Most creative business decorations: \$500.00

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