

## **Wesley Bamblett**

Wesley is a 15yr old young man from Narrandera NSW. He is a proud Wiradjuri and Yorta Yorta man, and is currently studying Yr 10 at Narrandera High School. Wesley is on the School Representative council and is a student of the Narrandera Clontarf Academy, a program which helps mentor and support young indigenous boys complete their schooling.

Wesley is currently Deputy Major, of the Narrandera Youth Council. The Narrandera Youth Council was established 2019, Wesley Joined as He is interested in advocating for their concerns and interests. He is also passionate about his Town, Community, Mental Health services and issues regarding our youth. He is interested in advocating for their concerns and interests

Wesley is a Committee Member of Narrandera Bidgee Boxing Inc, a not for profit gym run in Narrandera solely by Volunteers. The Gym aims to make Gym access affordable and accessible to all people from all walks of life.

His culture is something he is very proud of, and loves being able to represent and connect with country and community through various ways, such as holding a spot on the Narrandera NAIDOC Committee, a newly formed committee that have established themselves to run events, workshops and educate the community. He is also a Member of the Wirramurri Aboriginal Dance Group.

Recently Wesley was invited to co-host the 2021 Nanga Mai Awards, a Ceremony that celebrates and recognises Aboriginal Students. Aboriginal and non-aboriginal teachers, other departmental staff. Aboriginal Community members and schools that demonstrate excellence across a diversity of areas. Wesley was also nominated for and received the 2021 NSW Department of Education Nanga Mai Award for Outstanding Student Leadership.

For Wesley's Achievements in the community he was Nominated and Named Narrandera's Junior Youth Citizen of the Year, at the 2022 Australia Day Awards.

For a young man of 15 years old, Wesley had already shown great Community Spirit, Leadership and Passion. He enjoys advocating for people of his Community and helping make a Difference.