

## Googong Township Verges and Front Garden Competition Rules

November 2019

Googong township panel of judges consists of the Googong Landscape Manager, Googong Community Manager and Googong Compliance Officer. The judges will drive through every street in Googong and decide on the ten best front verge/front gardens to prepare a list of finalists. The date of the judges' drive will be Wednesday 27/11/19. The judges' decision is final, and no negotiation will be entered into. Judges will be casting their votes based on the following assessment criteria:

- Compliance with the Googong Design Guidelines (Googong North or Googong Central).
- Maintenance and presentation of both the front verge and the front garden.
- Water saving measures such as plant selection, drought tolerance, cover of mulch, select use
  of irrigation.
- Given the nature of the new development, judges will not be influenced by the maturity of the garden so as to ensure all home are considered fairly.

Entry into the competition is automatic and free. All homes in Googong Township automatically qualify.

The ten finalists will be voted on under a 'People's Choice' competition arrangement, which will count the greatest number of votes received for each finalist during the voting period. Voting is limited and is conducted via a Survey Monkey link where photos of the front garden of the finalist homes will be published. Photos will be taken from the road. No addresses will be published. One vote can be cast from one device. Votes are open to all members of the public.

The voting period will be between Thursday 28/11/19 and 5pm on 12/12/19. The cut-off time for the voting is automated on the Survey Monkey voting platform. In the event that two or more finalists have equal scores, the Judges will make a final decision. The judges' decision is final, and no negotiation will be entered into. The total value of the prize pool is \$1,500.

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The winning homes will be contacted by the judges (via a letter delivered to their letterbox) and the photos of their homes will be published on the Googong Township Facebook page.

Winners will receive a Bunnings voucher as follows:

1st \$500

2nd \$400

3rd \$300

4th \$200

5th \$100

Vouchers will be personally delivered to the winning homes by the Googong Community Manager, on Saturday 14/12/19 between 10am-12 noon. In the event that a person is not home during this time, a separate call will be made during the week following. Recipients of the awards will be asked to sign a form confirming receipt of the prize.

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