The Mother of all festivals

Showcase awards added to 2021 event

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CENTRAL West Mums' showcase event Mumfest is returning to Orange this year and promises to be even Some amazing bigger than the inaugural feedback edition in 2019, particularly with the exciting addition of its very own awards - event and it the Mummys.

The Central West Mummy Awards are being included my decision in Mumfest this year, on November 6, to pay tribute to the both the amazing mothers in the region and also to support first the outstanding businesses that support them in everyday life.

There will be six Mummys to be won in 2021 - Mum of the Year, Educator of the Year, Business of the Year, Hero of the Year, Angel of the Year and Garden of the Year with nominations set to open on July 7.

Central West Mums founder Amorette Zielinski said the Mummys are another exciting extension of the community resources and support group, and it's not just pride up for grabs.

"We have almost \$3,000 worth of prizes to be won," she beamed.

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Central West Mums founder Amorette Zielinski

ing feedback after the last event and it re-affirmed my decision to build on it even further to include the Central West Mummy Awards.'

West Mums hosted the in- love of motherhood. augural edition of Mumfest with more than 300 women coming together to celebrate friendship,



Two years ago, Central community and a shared

Mrs Zielinski said the group's whole ethos was built on that sense of community foundation.

of the strong community built in a Facebook group established to support first time mums, new mums and welcome women to the Cen-

"Mumfest is an extension tral West," Mrs Zielinski said. ing days.

People will be able to nominate those they know or admire and vote in all six categories on Central West Mums' website in the com-

The 2021 Mumfest event will be at the Greenhouse of Orange this November.

Tickets are available on the Central West Mums website.

upport for family of young crash victim

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A statement on the Go-FundMe page said it was set up after many people had offered assistance to the Keegan family.

"John has contributed to it said. our community throughout ways including local sporting clubs and attending James

Sheahan Catholic High school communities. School," it said.

"John was a respected young man with an infectious personality and love for family, friends and life,"

"The Keegans are a loving his journey in many different and respected family, well known for their contributions to our sporting and

"In response to the many messages and phone calls we have received requesting donations to the family, we thought we would take it upon ourselves to set up this GoFundMe to ease the family's financial and emotional burden with the affordability of two funerals."

James Sheahan CHS offered support to students and parents and opened the school hall to create a space for prayer and support.

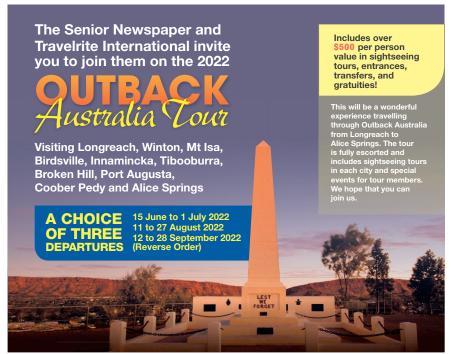
Michael Tilston, the assistant principal teaching and learning, sent a note to the school community on Saturday. "It is with great sadness that we inform you of some

tragic news. Our Year 10 student John Keegan was killed in a car accident last night out on Molong Road," it said.

"Our thoughts and prayers are with the Keegan family at who played in the 16s, John this time, and we know this Keegan," it said. "His famnews will be difficult to bear ily have been a part of our for John's friends and peers."

Orange City's Facebook page said the Keegan family

had a long association with the club. "Yesterday we all woke to some very sad news, with the sudden and tragic passing of one of our own club since his father Jason strapped on the boots for us in the late 80s, 90s."









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