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Get your Christmas lights ready to compete

It's time to get the Christmas lights out of that dusty box in storage because Camden Council's annual Christmas Lights Competition is now accepting entries.

There are five different categories for residents to enter with a number of exciting prizes up for grabs, including:

- A \$200 Visa Debit gift card for the winners of the **Best Novelty**, **Best Lit**, and **Best Commercial** categories. The runners up of these categories will receive a certificate and a \$100 Visa Debit gift card;
- A \$200 Visa Debit gift card for the winner of the **People's Choice** category; and
- A street sign for the winner of the **Best Street** category.

Mount Annan resident, Jason Simpson, took out the Best Lit category in last year's competition.

"Last year's win felt great – it was a lot of hard work and I was very excited that it paid off," Mr Simpson said.

"I'll be entering again this year and I've just started working on my Christmas light display. I'm planning on adding more elements and growing it even more than last year!

"The competition is lots of fun. Seeing the excitement and Christmas cheer you bring to the all families visiting the area is amazing. I'd encourage everyone to get involved – it's a great chance to have fun, get creative and enjoy all the excitement and cheer of this great time of year."

Entries will close at midnight on Thursday 28 November, with the judging taking place from Monday 2 to Friday 6 December. Photos of each entry in the People's Choice category will be posted on Facebook on Monday 9 December, to determine the popularly-voted winner.

Mayor of Camden, Cr Theresa Fedeli, said **winners and runners up would be announced at a presentation morning tea on Friday 20 December**.

"I'm really looking forward to seeing what our residents can do this year," Cr Fedeli said.

"The Christmas lights throughout the Camden area have been getting better and better as the years go by so I'm sure this year will be the best we've seen yet.

"We'll also be giving out two encouragement awards, with each recipient receiving a Woolworths gift card."

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