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## **Ranedo Court shines the brightest**

Homes sparkled this week as residents pulled out all their Christmas trimmings to make sure Tennant Creek was its most festive ever.

Over the weekend cars drove around town to marvel at the incredible displays in front of homes and along streets. A posse of judges were also out and about marvelling in the strings of fairy lights, flashing Christmas trees, nativity scenes, three wise men, ghostly snowmen, twinkling Santa Clauses, colourful reindeers and a glow in the dark palm tree.

The judges had been invited to take up the near impossible task of choosing winners for the Tennant Creek Christmas Lights Competition, sponsored by Hal Ruger, who serves on the Barkly Regional Council.

Lengthy and heated discussions were held over three homes in particular – the cheeky display at 6 Ranedo Court, the flashing nativity scene on Windley Street and the enormous glow in the dark palm tree at 47 Weaber Road. In fact, one judge is still scratching their head as to how the owner got up there in the first place.

Even selecting a runner up for the Best Street put the judges into a tailspin with delightful displays in front of several homes on Ranedo Court and Griggs and Ambrose Streets.

Finally a decision was made with 6 Ranedo Court declared the winner and the Weaber Road entry coming second. First Prize for Best Street went to Ranedo Court with Griggs Street coming second and Tennant Creek Dance School winning Best Shop Front.

Sponsored by Hal Ruger, of Barkly Regional Council, first and second prizes are \$300 and \$200 respectively with the street entry winner to be shared amongst participating homes.

As only one shop entered the competition this year, the judges decided on a Special Mention Prize of \$200 for the larger-than-life nativity scene on Windley Street.

Cr Ruger said the entries this year were of the highest quality and showed the true spirit of Christmas.

“Everyone needs to be congratulated as you could tell people put in a lot of hard work and hours to make their homes and this town shine so brightly,” he said.

First and second place winners can collect their prize money from Barkly Regional Council reception, 41 Peko Road, up until COB from Monday, 18 December to Wednesday, 19 December.

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