



Australia Day Award Nominations – Now Open

Nominations are now open for the South Gippsland Australia Day Awards. The awards provide an opportunity to recognise people in our community who go above and beyond.

Awards are now open in the following categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Event of the Year
- Youth Community Contribution

The 'Citizen of the Year' award celebrates individuals in our community that make a significant contribution to South Gippsland. We all know someone that works tirelessly for their town, group or committee - this is an opportunity to recognise them and their achievements.

The 'Event of the Year' helps to recognise events that are held within our community. Events provide cultural and economic benefits to a region and often wouldn't be possible without the hard work of community organisations.

Winners in each of these categories will appear on the Australia Day Honour Board in the Leongatha Memorial Hall.

The 'Youth Community Contribution Award' is a non-competitive category which aims to acknowledge the community contributions of young people (12 – 25 years) in the Shire. All nominees in this category will be presented with a Community Contribution Certificate.

Mayor of South Gippsland, Ray Argento, is a keen supporter of the awards and the people they celebrate.

"There are so many people that contribute significantly in our communities. They do what they do because they have a genuine desire to help and make a difference for their community.

"While these humble, hard-working folk may not be seeking accolades submitting an Australia Day Award nomination is a small way to acknowledge that their hard work is noticed and appreciated."

You can nominate someone for an Australia Day award online via www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/australiaday or a printed version can be mailed to you. Nominations must be received no later than 31 October.

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