

Congratulations to Australia Day Awards Recipients

South Gippsland Shire Council would like to congratulate all nominees and recipients recognised at the Australia Day Awards ceremony on Wednesday.

The annual event acknowledges individuals and community groups that make an outstanding contribution to the South Gippsland community.

The successful nominees were:

- South Gippsland Citizen of the Year: Paula Calafiore
- South Gippsland Event of the Year: Meeniyan Garlic Festival 2017

All nominees from the Youth Community Contribution category also received acknowledgement for their contribution to South Gippsland.

The Australia Day Honour Board in Council Chambers has been updated with the Citizen of the Year and Community Event of the Year recipients.

On behalf of all Councillors, South Gippsland Shire Mayor Councillor Lorraine Brunt congratulated all nominees for their contributions.

"It was wonderful to have the volunteers assembled in one place. They should be proud of their efforts and involvement in various organisations across South Gippsland.

"Selecting the recipients for each award is always a difficult task as all the nominees are worthy. The Australia Day Committee takes pride in assessing each nomination and learning of the exceptional work of our community members.

The successful Citizen of the Year, Paula Calafiore was extremely thankful to receive the award.

"I am honored and proud to be part of community groups and organisations that facilitate programs and events that are highly regarded in the community and beyond," said Ms Calafiore.

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