



Congratulations to South Gippsland's Australia Day Award Recipients

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

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

The successful nominees were:

- South Gippsland Citizen of the Year: Bev Hanley
- South Gippsland Event of the Year: Mirboo North Italian Festa
- South Gippsland Achievement Award for a person with a Disability: Darren Bone
- South Gippsland Youth Community Contribution: Jasmin Mackie

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

South Gippsland Shire Mayor Councillor Ray Argento congratulated all nominees for their contribution.

“It was wonderful to have all those volunteers assembled in one place. They should be extremely proud of their involvement in various organisations across South Gippsland. Our communities are richer for their efforts.

“It was such a difficult task to select the recipients for each award as all the nominees were worthy. The Australia Day Awards Committee takes pride in assessing each nomination and learning of the exceptional work of our community members.

As part of her acceptance speech 2017 Citizen of the Year Bev Hanley acknowledged the hard work undertaken by all the volunteers in our community and paid a special tribute to her husband, Ed: “Everything I have done, I have done with you.”

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