

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
- Young Citizen of the Year/Youth Community Contribution

The 'Citizen of the Year' award celebrates individuals in our community who make a significant contribution to South Gippsland. We all know someone who 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.

The 'Youth Community Contribution Award' 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 and an overall Young Citizen of the Year will be selected from this group.

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

South Gippsland Shire Mayor Councillor Lorraine Brunt is keen to celebrate those who dedicate their time and effort to the community.

"The South Gippsland Australia Day Awards is an opportunity to recognise our hard working community members who go above and beyond.

"While many do not seek recognition for their commitment the awards are just a small way to acknowledge their hard work is noticed and appreciated," said the Mayor.

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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