

## There's still time to nominate for the 2022 South Gippsland Australia Day Awards

There's still a little time left to nominate someone for a South Gippsland Australia Day Award.

The awards recognise people who go above and beyond for our local communities. It is a great opportunity to say thank you and to let them know their work is appreciated.

There are two award categories in this year's awards – Citizen of the Year and Young Citizen of the Year. Usually there would also be an Event of the Year category, but this will not be held in 2022 as unfortunately so many events had to be cancelled this year due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Hopefully it can make a strong return in 2023.

Lodging a nomination is simple. Simply visit [www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/australiaday](http://www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/australiaday) and download an application form, answer the two questions about the nominee's contribution to our community and attach at least two letters of support – then submit.

Nominations close 8 November 2021 with the awards ceremony to take place on 19 January 2022 at Meeniyan Town Hall.

### **Quote attributable to Kerryn Ellis, Chief Executive Officer South Gippsland Shire Council:**

"These awards are a highlight for us all. It is always so inspiring to see the contributions of our community members, even during the pandemic when it has been difficult to do what they love.

"I am immensely proud of our community for everything they do for each other. When people are in need, someone is there to help with no questions asked or judgment passed. These people that roll up their sleeves to help their fellow South Gippslanders deserve recognition, and that is what is so special about these awards."

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