



**South Gippsland**  
Shire Council

## South Gippsland Shire Council News

### Enter the Australia Day Photo Competition Now

Get snapping for the South Gippsland Australia Day Photo Competition.

The theme this year is *Australia Day: South Gippsland – Our Home*. Entrants can interpret the theme however they choose.

With our verdant hills, rugged coastline, quaint villages, fertile farmland, colourful characters and friendly towns, there's sure to be something to spark your inspiration. A fancy camera isn't essential; you can use your smartphone.

Images must be taken within or very close to South Gippsland Shire. Any resident or ratepayer of South Gippsland is welcome to apply.

There are two prize categories - an open category with a \$500 prize and a junior category (15 and under) with a \$300 prize.

The Australia Day Photography Competition is funded by the National Australia Day Council.

Entries close Sunday 18 January 2026.

Winners will be announced on Monday 26 January 2026.

To find out more about the South Gippsland Australia Day Photography Competition, or to submit an entry, please visit:

**[www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/australiadaycompetition](http://www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/australiadaycompetition)**

### Cr. Gilligan - Award Nomination



The Mary Rogers Award celebrates notable civic leadership by women councillors in Victoria.

Councillor Gilligan earned her nomination for championing the protection of South Gippsland's precious coastline, successfully driving three motions through the Municipal Association of Victoria to urge the Victorian Government to action. Her advocacy has also helped secure \$80,000 to explore an innovative solution to coastal storm surges using the Venus Bay saltmarsh.

While she didn't take home the award this time, being nominated is a fantastic achievement.

#### COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 10 December at 2.00pm.

Details will be available on Council's website:  
**[www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/councilmeetings](http://www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/councilmeetings)**

To watch the meeting live or when it suits you, visit:

**[www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/live](http://www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/live)**

#### FINAL MONTH - GREEN WASTE AMNESTY

Dispose of green waste free of charge at Council's transfer station until 31 December 2025.

Be mindful that some plant species are not accepted in the amnesty.

For more information, visit:

**[www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/greenwasteamnesty](http://www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/greenwasteamnesty)**

#### FREE MEASLES, MUMPS AND RUBELLA (MMR) VACCINATIONS

Council's Immunisation Service is providing free MMR Vaccines to anyone who may not have received two doses.

Measles is a highly infectious disease that can cause serious illness and two doses of MMR vaccine are required for protection.

You are at risk of measles if:

- You were born between 1966 to 1992.
- You were born overseas.
- You are travelling overseas - infants as young as six months old can have the vaccine prior to travel.

If you born after 1966 and are unsure if you have had a second dose, get vaccinated. To book in for a session or for more information, visit:

**[www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/immunisation](http://www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/immunisation)**

#### SUBSCRIBE TO IN THE KNOW

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#### SGSC PETS FACEBOOK PAGE

The South Gippsland Shire Pets page is where we share the photos and stories of animals who have been separated from their owners and those who need to be rehomed.

To follow the page, visit:

**[facebook.com/sgscpets](https://facebook.com/sgscpets)**

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