

CEO's Message



Hello South Gippsland.

It was fantastic to see the Honourable Gayle Tierney, Minister for Regional Development back in Mirboo North last Saturday morning to see how the town is recovering from the 13 February storm event. Minister Tierney has previously visited the town since the storm and has been a wonderful partner in getting financial support from the Victorian Government.

Thank you to Ruth Rogan, Jess Graffe and Kelly McCarthy for all taking time out of their weekend to meet with the Minister and share your perspectives.

Australia Day Award Nominations

Looking for a way to recognise an outstanding person from South Gippsland? The Australia Day Awards are the perfect opportunity to shine a light on the people that make our region tick, that get events happening, and so much more.

The 2025 South Gippsland Australia Day Award nominations close on Wednesday 6 November, so make sure you get a nomination in for at least one of the following categories:

- Citizen of the Year.
- Young Citizen of the Year.
- Community Event of the Year.

All nominees will be recognised at a ceremony on Wednesday 15 January 2025 (6.30pm) at the Meeniyah Mechanics Institute (Hall).

For more information and to submit your nomination, please visit:

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/australiaday

Green Waste Amnesty

The Green Waste Amnesty is run by Council every year from the Saturday before Melbourne Cup until 31 December. The Amnesty aims to encourage residents to prepare their properties for the upcoming fire season by removing potential fire hazards.

To check what species are not included in the Amnesty, and tip locations and opening hours, please visit: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/greenwasteamnesty

Congratulations Coal Creek!

The spookiest day of the year made for another amazing sold-out Halloween event at Coal Creek. The Park saw 1,500 ghouls from far-and-wide descend to enjoy a night of scary fun.

Congratulations to all the volunteers and staff that worked so hard to make this event a success, despite some damp weather during the day.

Election Update

We are getting closer to knowing who our new Councillor group will be, with vote counting now taking place. The final count is taking place on Thursday 7 November 3.00pm at the Victorian Electoral Commission Office at 6-12 Smith Street Leongatha. Members of the public are welcome to attend this event, or the official Declaration of the Polls on Friday 8 November 3.00pm at Memorial Hall, Leongatha.

Thank you,

Kerryn Ellis – Chief Executive Officer