



South Gippsland
Shire Council

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Is your property ready for the summer season?

Summer is here and for most, it is a busy time of year. However, it is important to have your property prepared for the ongoing season.

Summer brings with it potential danger and risk to your property.

Sometimes we let the grass get a bit long or the hedges overgrow, but if we remember to **RUSTLE**, it makes the cleaning job a breeze!

R - Remove dead plants. They can become a hazard.

U - Use protective gear like gloves, earmuffs, hats, long sleeved clothes and glasses.

S - Short lawns are good lawns. Get the whipper snipper and lawn mower out regularly to stay on top of the grass growth.

T - Trim your hedges, bushes and overhanging trees.

L - Learn what is and is not a weed - some make you think they are pretty flowers, but they can overrun your property.

E - Enjoy the fruits of your labour now you've got your property cleaned up!

To help, South Gippsland Shire Council is offering free green waste disposal at any Transfer Station in the Shire until 31 December 2024. Most of your green waste should be accepted, however there are a number of plant species excluded from the Green Waste Amnesty as they require a different mulching process. Check the list out at www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/greenwasteamnesty. Happy summer!

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE COUNCIL

Australia Day Photography Competition



South Gippsland Shire Council is once again running the Australia Day Photography Competition.

The theme of the competition is Australia Day. South Gippsland – Our Home.

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

Entries close Wednesday 15 January 2025.

Winners will be announced 26 January 2025.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council will be in recess for January 2025, there will be no Meetings conducted.

The first meeting of the year is scheduled for Wednesday 19 February 2025 at 2.00pm.

CHRISTMAS CLOSURES

South Gippsland Shire Council offices will be closed from 3.00pm Tuesday 24 December 2024 and will reopen Thursday 2 January 2025 at 10.00am. Council staff will be available on the phone and online from Thursday 2 January 2025 at 8.30am.

Bin Collections: Properties scheduled to have their kerbside bins emptied on Christmas Day will be serviced on Thursday 26 December instead. This affects Bena, Loch, Mirboo North, Poowong, Dumbalk, Koowarra, Meeniyan, Nyora and Tarwin.

Visitor Information Centre, Foster: 7 days a week, 10.00am to 4.00pm. Closed Christmas Day. Phone 1800 630 704.

Coal Creek: 7 days a week, 10.00am to 4.00pm. Last entry 3.30pm. Closed Christmas Day.

South Gippsland Citizen's Advice Bureau and Visitor Information, Leongatha: Closed 24 to 26 December, 31 December and New Year's Day. Closed Sundays. Open 10.00am to 2.00pm outside those days. Phone 5662 2111.

Maternal and Child Health: Centres are open (except for public holidays) but limited to Key Ages and Stages (KAS) checks. Please call 5662 9294 to make an appointment. For general support please call the Maternal and Child Health support line on 13 22 29. Council and community

playgroups do not run during school holidays. Go to www.playgroup.org.au to find contact details for your local playgroup. **Public Immunisation:** Sessions will not be held in the first week of January but will recommence on 13 January. Go to: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/immunisation

Waste Management: All transfer stations and the Koonwarra landfill are also closed on Christmas Day. Operate as scheduled all other times. Opening hours are displayed at sites and on: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au

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