Paynesville NEWS

News, Events & Happenings in Paynesville



NEWS & EVENTS IN PAYNESVILLE:

- The first few months of 2018 has seen people flocking to Paynesville to attend a number of popular events—Australia Day celebrations in January, the Paynesville Bowling Club's "Week of Bowls" in February, the Paynesville Music Festival, the Paynesville Classic Boat Rally, the Marlay Point Overnight Yacht Race, the Paynesville Food Van Fiesta, markets, and weekly live music events at the Wine Bar and the Paynesville Hotel.
- Congratulations to new restaurant in town, Sardine Eatery + Bar who made it onto the Financial Review's list of the 500 Top Restaurants in Australia!
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BIG Events in Paynesville





THE PAYNESVILLE CLASSIC BOAT RALLY:

The Paynesville Classic Boat Rally was again a very popular weekend in March. Huge crowds, great weather and over 200 boats of all shapes and sizes taking part in the biggest sail parade in Paynesville.

A special visit from the tall ship Lady Nelson who sailed over from Tasmania to lead the Parade of Sail and was the star attraction of the weekend.

Well done to the committee for organising such a great event in our community!

The next Classic Boat Rally will be held February 28th to March 1st 2020.

RECOGNITION OF CONTRIBUTION TO MUSIC IN PAYNESVILLE:

Martin Richardson was honoured to present local identity Gerry Ciavarella with an award recognising his outstanding contribution to music in Paynesville, on behalf of the Music Festival committee. Gerry was also recognised this year as East Gippsland "Citizen of the Year", a fitting acknowledgement of the enormous role he has played in nurturing and supporting our young talent in the region. Well done, Gerry!



PAYNESVILLE MUSIC FESTIVAL:

Once again, the PMF was a huge success, with record numbers attending on Friday night and Saturday. Unfortunately we had to close a little early on both Saturday and Sunday due to the weather conditions which posed a risk to musicians and equipment on the stage. Overall, it was another fantastic weekend—dates for the 2019 Music Festival are February 22nd—24th.

AUSTRALIA DAY 2018:

It was a record turnout for the Annual Australia Day Awards this year on the foreshore, sponsored by our local Community Bank Branch.

Australia Day Award recipients were:

Citizen of the Year—Janet McLeod

Young Citizen of the Year—Taj Duff

Community Event of the Year—Paynesville Bowling Club's "Week of Bowls" event.

Congratulations to all Australia Day Award winners!



ACTIVITIES & ATTRACTIONS:

FISHING:

Fishing on the Gippsland Lakes has been a popular activity for years. With access to such a vast area, you can choose from a number of secluded river banks to a relaxing day on the boat on either Lake King, Lake Victoria, Duck Arm, Steamer Landing, Sperm Whale Head and the Grange, just to name a few of the local places to throw in a line.

BOATING:

The Lakes offer excellent year round cruising and yachting conditions with large areas of open water and secluded inlets and rivers to explore. Paynesville has excellent boating facilities, with sheltered waterways, local marine services, boat ramps and many public jetties. Playgrounds, public toilets and BBQs are available along the foreshore and at Newlands Arm, with some facilities also available at Sperm Whale Head and Rotamah Island. Designated watersport zones are at Newlands Arm, Bunga Arm and Eagle Point.

BOAT CRUISES:

Contact the following businesses for up to date information on booking boat cruises and charters on the Gippsland Lakes:

Ashworth Marine Services—phone 0419 321 225

Bulls Cruisers—phone 5156 1200

Peels Seabird Cruises—phone 5155 1246

EXPLORING:

There are also plenty of activities in Paynesville for those who like to stay on the land! Walking and cycling are very popular along the Paynesville-Eagle Point track (look for the sign just before the service station on the main road into Paynesville). You will most likely see kangaroos and a great variety of birdlife in the wetlands along the track. There are many playgrounds for the kids, a skate park, public BBQs, safe swimming areas and plenty of wildlife.

RAYMOND ISLAND:

Just a short ferry ride across the straits will take you to Raymond Island, home to an abundance of wildlife including approximately 300 koalas living in their natural habitat. Wander around on foot, on a bike or hire a Surrey with "Ride the Koalas" and see how many Koalas you can find! ("Ride the Koalas" is currently closed over the winter months, and will re-open in September)

PAYNESVILLE MARITIME MUSEUM:

Learn about the local maritime history at the Museum—open the second Sunday of each month from 8:30am-12:30pm behind the playground near Gilsenan Reserve.

WITHOUT PIER GALLERY:

View modern, contemporary, abstract and traditional works of art. The Gallery is located at 87 The Esplanade, within Gippsland Lakes Escapes—open 9am-4pm Mon-Fri and 9am-12noon on Saturdays.

BAIRNSDALE GOLF CLUB:

Have a hit at our first class, 18 hole, award-winning Golf Course, located on the Paynesville Rd at Eagle Point. The Club is fully licensed and buggy hire is available. Phone 5156 6252.

PAYNESVILLE COMMUNITY CRAFT CENTRE:

Located on the foreshore on Sunset Drive in Paynesville, the Community Craft Centre is a charming cottage filled with locally hand made crafts for sale. Check out their range of woodwork, art, garments, needlework, toys and baby wear—lots of lovely items for yourself or for a gift! Open every day except Christmas Day—Summer 10am-4pm, Winter 10am-3pm.

SKIN SOLUTIONS MEDI SPA & CLINIC:

Treat yourself to luxury pampering while you're in Paynesville— laser treatments, anti-ageing treatments and all types of luxury spa treatments are available to help make your stay absolutely heavenly!

THINGS TO DO, PEOPLE TO SEE, PLACES TO GO:

BOATING & MARINE SERVICES:

Paynesville has a wide range of boating and marine services in town to assist you with all aspects of boating life:

- Gippsland Ports, Slip Rd Ph 5156 6352
- Bluewater Marine Centre, 37 Slip Rd
 Ph 5156 6613
- Frecheville Heaney Boatbuilders, 59 Slip Rd
 Ph 5156 7085
- Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club, 12 The Esplanade
 Ph 5156 6864
- Hills Marine, 77 The Esplanade Ph 5156 0012
- Paynesville Marine Electronics, 61 Slip Rd,
 Ph 5156 0582
- Peels Tourist & Ferry Services, 5155 1246
- Riviera Car & Boat Wash, Paynesville Road
- Ashworth Maritime Services, 0419 321 225
- Unique Sails Pty Ltd, 0411 743 602
- Webster Marine, 5156 6700
- Riviera Marine Consultants, 0427 660 116



SPORTING CLUBS:

- Paynesville Bowls Club—Main Rd Paynesville phone 5156 6278
- Bairnsdale Golf Club—Paynesville Rd, Eagle Point phone 5156 6252
- Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club— 12 The Esplanade Paynesville phone 5156 6864
- Paynesville Football & Netball Club Gilsenan Reserve



PLACES TO EAT & DRINK:

SARDINE BAR + EATERY— 69A The Esplanade, 5156 7135

CAFÉ TOONALOOK— 85B The Esplanade 5156 6977

PAYNESVILLE MOTOR CRUISER CLUB—Slip Rd, 5156 0407

PAYNESVILLE WINE BAR—1/85 The Esplanade, 5156 1395

PIER 70—70 The Esplanade, 5156 1199

THAM DYNASTY—17 The Esplanade, 5156 7188

THE FIG CAFÉ—59 The Esplanade, 5156 6190

THE PAYNESVILLE HOTEL—75 The Esplanade, 5156 6442

WATERVIEW BAKERY—67B The Esplanade, 5156 7811

BOATHOUSE PIZZA BAR & GRILL—11-13 The Esplanade, 5156 0071

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