# Paynesville NEWS

News, Events & Happenings in Paynesville

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## **PAYNESVILLE MUSIC FESTIVAL:**

The 2019 Paynesville Music Festival was a great success for the town in February. Thousands of people attended to watch over 26 bands perform free to the public on the floating barge stage and at various venues around town, with another 10 bands performing at ticketed events. There was busking on the streets, Music Boat Cruises, a foreshore market, guitar workshops, and bands playing on The Floating Tin Shed which all added to the Festival atmosphere over the weekend.

The PBTA would like to thank our major sponsors for supporting our Music Festival - the Paynesville & District Community Bank Branch and the Paynesville Opportunity Shop. Without our many sponsors, we wouldn't be able to put on this free event for our community. Please support the businesses that support our community (listed on next page)

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## 2018 EAST GIPPSLAND BUSINESS AWARD WINNERS:

HEART OF THE GIPPSLAND LAKES

Paynesville

Congratulations to the following local businesses who had success at the 2018 East Gippsland Business Awards:

Waterfront Retreat at Wattle
Point—Winners of the
Hospitality Award

**Webster Marine**—Finalist in the Marine Awards.

# BIG EVENTS in Paynesville



## **2019 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS:**

The Paynesville Australia Day Awards took place on the foreshore with a free community breakfast provided by the Paynesville Lions Club, raising of the flag by the Paynesville Sea Scouts, and singing of the National Anthem by Noelene Legge and 'Your Shout".

It was a wonderful community event with over 300 people attending.

'Citizen of the Year' was awarded to Rob & Jan Cook who have done so much work establishing the Paynesville Maritime Museum, and 'Community Event of the Year' was presented to the Paynesville Memories Project book launch for publishing a book based on research of the local oral history of Paynesville people. Melina Bath MLC was our guest speaker, and Cr Jackson Roberts represented the EGSC.





Left: Andrew Quirke (Representing our Sponsors, Paynesville & District Community Bank Branch),

"Citizens of the Year' - Jan & Rob Cook, and MC Martin Richardson.

Above: Martin Richardson and Ruth Wilson representing the 'Community Event of the Year', the Paynesville Memories project.

Guest speaker, Melina Bath MLC speaking about Australia Day

## **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!

#### **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.

## **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 MEDISPA & CLINIC:**

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

# THANKS TO THE SPONSORS OF THE 2019 PAYNESVILLE MUSIC FESTIVAL:

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**Jarvis Norwood** 

Ann Waller Marriage Celebrant

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

## **ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS:**

If you're looking at a weekend getaway or to book accommodation for the school holidays, you will find plenty of options available in Paynesville, from caravan parks, cabins, BnB's, apartments, dog-friendly accommodation and self-contained units. Here are a few of our favourites:

## **BEACHSIDE LOFT & EAGLE BAY COTTAGE (Doggo-friendly)**

Cnr Bay & Boatramp Rds, Eagle Point— ph 0409 566 345 www.travelvictoria.com.au/paynesville/beachsideloft www.travelvictoria.com.au/paynesville/eaglebaycottage

### **CAPTAINS COVE—**

119 Mitchell St Paynesville—phone 5156 7223 www.captainscove.com.au

### **EAGLE POINT CARAVAN PARK—**

40 School Road Eagle Point—phone 5156 1183 Email: eaglepointcp@egipps.vic.gov.au

### **GIPPSLAND LAKES ESCAPES—**

87 the Esplanade Paynesville—phone 5156 0432 www.gippslandlakesescapes.com.au

### **MARINERS COVE**—

Cnr the Esplanade & Victoria St Paynesville—phone 5156 7444
www.marinerscoveresort.com

## **ALLAWAH CARAVAN PARK**—

79 Slip Rd Paynesville— phone 5156 7777 www.allawahpark.com.au

## WATERFRONT RETREAT AT WATTLE POINT—

200 Wattle Point Rd, Forge Creek - Phone 5157 7517 www.waterfrontretreat.com.au

THE LAKE GALLERY B&B 2A Backwater Crt Paynesville-Phone 0409 560 448

THE ABBEY at Raymond Island 1-25 First Parade 5156 6580

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Paynesville Food Van Fiesta on the Foreshore —

Easter Sunday, 20th April 9am-8pm

# PAYNESVILLE COMMUNITY CRAFT CENTRE CELEBRATES 40 YEARS IN OUR

## **COMMUNITY:**

The PCCC was first opened on September 15, 1979 as a drop-in centre, where residents and visitors could pop in and have a cuppa and a chat and



perhaps learn different arts and crafts. Membership increased and more items were produced, so it was decided to offer the items for sale and donate the profit back to the local community groups. PCCC have donated in excess of \$100,00.00 to the community.

The building was originally the foreshore caravan park BBQ shelter. Over the years it was walled in and internal work was done to secure the building to make it a suitable place for PCCC members to meet and sell their handmade goods. There are currently over 70 members, and the Centre is staffed by volunteers and is open every day - except Christmas Day.

The PCCC provides support to the community by encouraging their members to develop a sense of belonging and to develop their personal skills. They sell high quality hand crafted gifts and genuine locally made souvenirs. None of the items are available at commercial shops anywhere.

The PCCC has become an icon to Paynesville by bringing tourists to the area and by providing financial assistance to worthy projects to the community.

Pop in and have a look at all the lovely treasures when you're next visiting Paynesville.

