

Paynesville NEWS

News, Events & Happenings in Paynesville

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Raymond Island Ferry News:

The Raymond Island Ferry is back in service after having annual maintenance and a good clean up completed. Transport to and from the Island is back to its regular timetable, with the local residents happy to be back to normal, and the koalas happy to see tourists back on the Island.

East Gippsland Business Awards finalists & winners:

Five Paynesville member businesses were finalists in the 2019 East Gippsland Business Awards. Well done to Sardine eatery + bar, Paynesville Wine Bar, Hills Marine & Leisure, Peter Medling Complete Boating Services, and Forge Creek Free Range who were all finalists in their categories.

Congratulations to Sardine eatery + bar who took out the major Award in the New Business section and to Peter Medling Complete Boating Services who was awarded the winner in the Marine category.

It's great to see great businesses doing great things in Paynesville!

'PAYNESVILLE PLAN ON A PAGE' Project:

Your Paynesville BTA Committee has been actively promoting the 'Plan on a Page' for Paynesville.

We aim to present the Paynesville business community as a strong united voice for our town, with 5 clear priorities that we are actively chasing for the next 5 years.

We have met with East Gippsland Shire staff and Councillors to present our plan and let them know we want to work with them.

We have outlined the funding required for Paynesville over the next 5 years.

We have explained the importance of making improvements to the Slip Road maritime precinct for locals and visitors.

We are speaking to local Members Tim Bull and Darren Chester about Paynesville improvements.

PBTA Committee members will be involved in the design of the planned upgrade to the foreshore area around the Progress Jetty – we want to make sure that the town gets the best possible advantage from the foreshore upgrade.

We are forming a small working group (including Raymond Island reps) for the Raymond Island Koala Trail to plan for a well-managed koala experience for visitors, locals and koalas!

East Gippsland Marketing is helping to seek funding for a Raymond Island Koala Trail app that will provide information and education to visitors.

We are talking to operators of watercraft hire and looking to add to the on-water activity in the town this summer.

We are working on the planning for the Paynesville Music Festival, with the Paynesville Classic Boat Rally and the Yacht Club and have other ideas to make 2020 a bumper year of events.

We will be exploring some interesting ways to activate the town over summer with "pop-up" activities.

Paynesville BTA is making a difference for our town—thank you for being part of it! Please let us know if you would like to be more involved, and also check out our Facebook page [VisitPaynesville](#).



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.

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 200 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!

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 a gift! Open every day except Christmas Day. Summer 10am-4pm, Winter 10am-3pm.



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

SAVE THE DATE!

Paynesville New Years Eve Fireworks

Paynesville Music Festival—February 21, 22, 23 2020

Paynesville Classic Boat Rally—February 28, 29, &
March 1, 2020

Marlay Point Overnight Yacht Race—7-8 March 2020



MARINE SERVICES:

Do you need some boating information or does your boat need some attention before the Summer boating season? Contact the following local businesses who can help sort out any boat problems you may have before you get out on the water:

Bluewater Marine—Slip Road, Phone 5156 6613

Paynesville Marine Electronics—Slip Road, Ph 5156 0582

Riviera Marine Consultants—Slip Rd, Phone 0427 660 116

Webster Marine (Boat Sales) Phone 0427 566 700

Gippsland Ports (Boatyard, Port management, boat safety, guides, facilities etc) — 5156 6352

Ashworth Maritime Services—Phone 0419 321 225

