

# WHAT'S ON

## *East Gippsland*



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PELICAN CHAIR - LAKES ENTRANCE

# FISHING

## Report

*Hook Line And Sinker we have got you covered  
Fishing made easy with our expert tips and fishing spots*

### MAY

**Lakes Entrance** - The fishing around Lakes Entrance has been firing up over the past few days. Trevally are biting on prawn, with anglers also having luck with small soft plastics or lightly weighted prawn imitations. Off the beach it's been all about the salmon, try metal lures, with long casts and a steady retrieve, especially in the early morning and late afternoons.

**Lake Tyers** - Bream are smashing prawns or lightly weighted rigs, mainly around structures and drop offs. Flathead are taking soft plastics and diving minnows, and tailor are chasing pilchards, and metal lures.

**Metung** - For whiting and flathead, try Chinamans Creek, town jetties, and the boardwalk, using local prawns and pipis. The odd tailor is showing up along the back beaches chasing metal lures, while bream are taking crabs, mussels and local prawns.

**Mitchell River** - From The Cut through to the Port of Bairnsdale, flathead are showing up in solid numbers and are actively taking local prawns, live sandworm, and soft plastics. There's also a healthy showing of bream in the system, responding well to cut crab and fresh local prawns.

**Nicholson River** - From the river mouth to the Highway Bridge for bream, taking live sandworm, soft plastics, local prawns, and blue bait. Drifting the flats or slow trolling plastics have also had good results.

**Tambo River** - Mulloway have been on the chew between the two bridges, hitting both lures and blue bait, particularly. Closer to the mouth, bream are active and feeding on live sandworm, local prawns, and hard body lures.

**Paynesville** - The jetties are the standout spots at the moment, producing good-sized bream along with the occasional mulloway with live sandworm being the preferred bait. Estuary perch are also being caught throughout the lake system, soft plastics proving the most effective.

**Hollands Landing** - A mixed bag on offer here, with bream, the odd mulloway, and flathead all in the system, taking local prawn and live sandworm. Prawn activity has been strong right through towards Loch Sport, for that try a night session.

**Marlo** - Bream and luderick are chasing live sandworm, local prawn and soft plastics around the Second Island. The Brodrigg River has perch on the chew, taking live sandworm and hard body plastics in the deeper sections. Offshore, anglers are picking up gummies and flathead, with the main baits being blue bait and fresh fish fillets.

**Bemm River** - The entrance is open, with tailor and salmon being landed off the beach and in the deeper channels. Larger bream are more active in the mornings, try the channel on soft plastics. Nice sized flathead are also around.

**Mallacoota** - Squid, flathead, snapper and gummy have all been landed recently using fresh baits such as squid cubes, and pilchards. Also give jigs a try. Large schools of Yellowtail Kingfish are also in the system, for baits use Bridled yakkas or squid. Flathead and bream are in the system chasing fresh prawn and soft plastics.

**High Country** - Mitta Mitta, Gibbo & Ovens Rivers around Ht Hotham and Omeo have been producing some nice sized trout chasing hard bodys. With the colder weather on its way, please check the forecast before venturing out.



## TOXIC ALGAE

THE FOLLOWING SEAFOOD  
SHOULD NOT BE EATEN




Prawns



Mussels



Crabs

- Any fish harvested from affected waters should have gills and guts removed prior to cooking. 
- The public is advised not to swim in affected waters.
- People who come in contact with contaminated water should wash immediately in fresh water.
- Seek medical advice if experiencing illness after contact.
- Keep pets from coming into contact with affected waters.

Scientific testing identified multiple algae species of concern across parts of the Gippsland Lakes, including elevated levels of Pseudo-nitzschia and a cyanobacteria Nodularia.

A bloom of Karlodinium is suspected to have recently caused fish deaths in Lake Victoria. There is often little surface evidence or discoloured water associated with the blooms.

More information on harmful algal blooms: [www.water.vic.gov.au/waterways/blue-green-algae](http://www.water.vic.gov.au/waterways/blue-green-algae)

<http://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/.../Harmful-algal-blooms>

If you see unexplained fish deaths in other areas, please report to EPA on 1300 372 842 or online: [epa.vic.gov.au/report-water-pollution](http://epa.vic.gov.au/report-water-pollution)

## LICENCE

A Recreational Fishing Licence is required when fishing in Victoria between the ages of 18-70 years (exemptions apply). you can [buy a licence](#) by scanning the QR code below

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# MONTHLY

## Markets

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

### EAST GIPPSLAND FARMERS MARKET


 Date & Time:

**1st Saturday**

8:00AM TO 1:00PM

Howitt Park Bowls Club  
Corner of McEacharn St and  
Princes Hwy, Bairnsdale  
Contact: John 0419 890 139

### MALLACOOTA ARTISAN & PRODUCE MARKET

 Date & Time:

**1st Saturday**

9:00AM TO 1:00PM

Mudbrick Pavilion  
1 Develling Drive, Mallacoota  
Additional dates over  
summer and Easter

### LAKES ENTRANCE SURF CLUB MARKET


 Date & Time:

**1st Sunday**

9:00AM TO 3:00PM

Foreshore Rotunda  
Esplanade, Lakes Entrance  
Contact: Perry 0477014463

### METUNG FARMERS MARKET


 Date & Time:

**2nd Saturday**

8:30AM TO 12:30PM

Village Green  
50 Metung Rd, Metung  
Contact: Peter 0448 976 480

### PAYNESVILLE LIONS CLUB MARKET


 Date & Time:

**2nd Sunday**

8:30AM TO 1:30PM

Gilsenan Reserve  
Raymond St, Paynesville  
Contact: Bill 0438 351 886

### UNITING CHURCH CAR BOOT SALE


 Date & Time:

**3rd Saturday**

8:30AM TO 1:30PM

Bairnsdale Uniting Church  
Great Alpine Rd and Lanes  
Rd, Lucknow  
Contact: John 0419 890 139

### NOWA NOWA CREATORS MARKET


 Date & Time:

**3rd Saturday**

9:00AM

Nowa Nowa Recreation  
Reserve  
Contact: Tracey 0419 565 775

### SWAN REACH CAR BOOT & MAKERS MARKET


 Date & Time:

**3rd Sunday**

9:00AM TO 1:00PM

Twin River & Lions  
Community Shed, Swan  
Reach Recreation Reserve  
Contact: Desma 0432 188 295

### LINDENOW COMMUNITY MARKET


 Date & Time:

**3rd Sunday**

9:00AM TO 12:00PM

Lindenow Hall & car park  
Main St, Lindenow  
Contact: Lynda 0437 778 510

### PAYNESVILLE FARMERS MARKET

 Date & Time:

**4th Saturday**

8:00AM TO 12:00PM

Foreshore Reserve  
Esplanade, Paynesville  
Contact: Michael 0416 048 680

### BAIRNSDALE SUNRISE ROTARY MARKET

 Date & Time:

**4th Sunday**

9:00AM TO 1:00PM

Howitt Park  
Princes Hwy, Bairnsdale  
Elaine: 0432 602 007



# WHAT'S ON - UPCOMING EVENTS

*East Gippsland events page*

PLEASE NOTE, EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT A MOMENTS NOTICE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT THE VISIT EAST GIPPSLAND EVENTS PAGE VIA THE QR CODE.

Markets

Art & Entertainment

Events & Activities

## May

<b>TUES</b> ONGOING	<b>SWAN REACH TWIN RIVERS BOOK EXCHANGE</b> Twin River & Lions Community Shed Swan Reach Recreation Reserve Phone: Desma 0432 188 295 <b>10:00am - 2:00pm</b>
<b>WED</b> ONGOING	<b>MAKE IT, BAKE IT, GROW IT, SEW IT, SELL IT</b> Nowa Nowa General Store 2081 Princes Hwy, Nowa Nowa Phone: Jeremy 5155 7209 <b>10:00am - 12:00pm</b>
<b>WED</b> ONGOING	<b>BOOT SCOOTIN IN BUCHAN</b> Proudly supported by Buchan Neighbourhood House. Buchan Hall Phone: 5155 9216 <b>6:00pm - 8:00pm</b>
<b>SAT</b> ONGOING	<b>LAKES ENTRANCE PARK RUN</b> Lakes Entrance Foreshore Rotunda Esplanade, Lakes Entrance <b>8:00am</b>
<b>SAT</b> ONGOING	<b>BAIRNSDALE PARK RUN</b> Port of Bairnsdale <b>8:00am</b>
<b>SAT</b> ONGOING	<b>OLD TIME DANCING</b> Join in the fun of old-time dancing. Please bring a plate to share for supper at the Picnic Point Hall 114 Drevermann St, Bairnsdale <b>8:00pm - 12:00am</b>
<b>01</b> May 01 - Jun 06	<b>HILARY PETERSON, VELTA FELLOWS &amp; ELISABETH SCOTT</b> East Gippsland Art Gallery 12 Nicholson St, Bairnsdale For more information on the exhibitions visit the East Gippsland Art Gallery website.
<b>01</b> May 01 - May 17	<b>&amp; JULIET</b> Proudly presented by Bairnsdale Production Line Theatre Company & Juliet is a jukebox musical that offers a "what if" scenario from Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet, where Juliet decides not to die but instead embarks on a journey of self-discovery and new beginnings, finding her own path to life and love at the Forge Theatre & Arts Hub - 80 McKean St, Bairnsdale Phone: 5152 1482
<b>02</b> Saturday	<b>EAST GIPPSLAND FARMERS MARKET</b> Howitt Park Bowls Club (corner of McEacharn St and Princes Hwy) Bairnsdale Phone:0419 890 139 <b>8:00am - 1:00pm</b>

<b>02</b> Saturday	<b>MALLACOOTA ARTISAN &amp; PRODUCE MARKET</b> Mudbrick Pavillion - 1 Develling Dr Mallacoota <b>9:00am - 1:00pm</b>
<b>02</b> Saturday	<b>PAYNESVILLE REPAIR CAFÉ</b> Bring small appliances, clothing, or tools —volunteers will help repair them. Paynesville Neighbourhood Centre <b>10:00am</b>
<b>03</b> Sunday	<b>SURF LIFE SAVING LAKES ENTRANCE FORESHORE MARKET</b> Esplanade, Lakes Entrance Phone: 0477 014 463 <b>9:00am</b>
<b>03</b> Sunday	<b>COME &amp; TRY DRAGON BOATING</b> Come along and have a go at Dragon Boating with the Waratahs Dragon Boating Club. Howitt Park boat ramp. <b>9:30am</b>
<b>09</b> Saturday	<b>METUNG FARMERS MARKET</b> Village Green - 50 Metung Rd, Metung Phone: Tracey 0409 233 643 <b>8:30am - 1:00pm</b>
<b>09</b> Saturday	<b>MOTHERS DAY MARKET</b> Crafts, plants, coffee van, raffles, cakes, floral arrangements and more... Raising funds for Learning for Life Students Lucknow Hall,105 Great Alpine Rd <b>8:30am - 2:00pm</b>
<b>10</b> Sunday	<b>MOTHERS DAY CLASSIC</b> Come along and join in the fun of this fundraiser for research into breast and ovarian cancer. Howitt Park, Bairnsdale <b>8:00am</b>
<b>10</b> Sunday	<b>PAYNESVILLE LIONS CLUB MARKET</b> Gilsenan Reserve Raymond St, Paynesville Ph: 0400 327 526 <b>8:00am</b>
<b>10</b> Sunday	<b>PAYNESVILLE MARITIME MUSEUM</b> Discover the town's rich maritime history through photos, artefacts, and local donations - Raymond St, Paynesville <b>9:00am</b>
<b>10</b> Sunday	<b>BAIRNSDALE COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB</b> Bairnsdale RSL 2 Forge Creek Rd, Bairnsdale <b>1:00pm</b>

	<b>16</b> Saturday	<b>UNITING CHURCH CAR BOOT SALE</b> Bairnsdale Uniting Church Cnr Great Alpine Rd & Lanes Rd, Bairnsdale Phone: John 0419 890 139 <b>8:30am – 11:00am</b>		<b>24</b> Sunday	<b>HOWITT PARK MARKET</b> There are plenty of stalls, with indoor and outdoor plants, unique new and up cycled clothing, individual, handmade jewellery items and all sorts of indoor and outdoor décor. Howitt Park, Princes Hwy, Bairnsdale <b>9:00am</b>
	<b>16</b> Saturday	<b>NOWA NOWA MAKERS MARKET</b> Nowa Nowa Recreation Reserve Stott St, Nowa Nowa Phone:0419 565 775 <b>9:30am – 1:30pm</b>			
	<b>16</b> Saturday	<b>BAIRNSDALE REPAIR CAFÉ</b> Community members meet to share skills, and fix items that would otherwise go to landfill. Room 15 The Hub Dalmahoy St, Bairnsdale <b>10:00am</b>		<b>29</b> Friday	<b>CHOIRBOYS – RUN TO PARADISE</b> Part concert, part story, Run to Paradise is a raw, hilarious, and jaw-dropping journey through the golden era of Australian pub rock. Told in their own words, the Choirboys share the stories you were never meant to hear. Forge Theatre & Arts Hub 80 McKean St, Bairnsdale Ph: 5152 1482 <b>8:00pm</b>
	<b>16</b> May 16 - May 17	<b>RIVIERA QUILTERS 15<sup>TH</sup> BIENNIAL QUILT EXHIBITION</b> Come along and check out the fine work of the club members. Nova Hall, Bairnsdale West Primary School - 60 Wallace St, Bairnsdale <b>10:00am</b>		<b>31</b> Sunday	<b>NYERIMILANG HOMESTEAD - DEVONSHIRE TEA &amp; LIVE MUSIC</b> Come along and enjoy Devonshire tea at the homestead while being entertained by 'Moore Fiddlin' Around'. Nyerimilang Heritage Park 20 Cliff Rd, Nyerimilang Phone: 5156 3253 <b>10:00am</b>
	<b>17</b> Sunday	<b>SWAN REACH CAR BOOT &amp; MAKERS MARKET</b> Browse a variety of goods including garden items, shed bric-a-brac, and locally made products. Twin Rivers Lions Community Shed Swan Reach Recreation Reserve <b>9:00am – 12:00pm</b>		<b>31</b> Sunday	<b>LIVE MUSIC – SHAUN KIRK</b> Come along and enjoy an afternoon of soul and blues with the talented Shaun Kirk Nowa Nowa Hall Hall Rd, Nowa Nowa <b>1:00pm</b>
	<b>17</b> Sunday	<b>LINDENOW COMMUNITY MARKET</b> Come along and check out the huge variety of things to see, do and buy. Lindenow Hall and car park. Main St, Lindenow <b>9:00am</b>		<b>June</b>	
	<b>20</b> Wed	<b>HALL STORIES – DAMIAN CALLINAN – LAKE TYERS HALL</b> Hall Stories is Callinan doing what he does best. Using his skills as a comedian, storyteller, he'll pull back the curtain on his own tour stories & examine the quirks, traditions & characters of rural Australian halls and meeting places at the Lake Tyers Hall 1 Mill Point Rd, Toorloo Arm <b>7:00pm</b>		<b>04</b> Thursday	<b>THE BEATLES ANTHOLOGY</b> In this live show you will be taken down the Long and Winding Road – from the "Fab Four" days of matching suits and matching mop hair, to the "experimental" days of Tangerine Trees, Marmalade Skies, and Kaleidoscope Eyes. Forge Theatre & Arts Hub 80 McKean St, Bairnsdale Phone: 5152 1482 <b>7:30pm</b>
	<b>23</b> Saturday	<b>PAYNESVILLE FARMERS MARKET</b> Foreshore Reserve Esplanade, Paynesville Phone: Michael Nelson 0416 048 680 <b>8:00am – 1:00pm</b>		<b>05</b> Friday	<b>FIRE ON BABYLON – ODE TO SINEAD O'CONNOR</b> A beautifully poignant, inspiring and at times tragic ode to the life and music of Sinead O'Connor. Bruthen Mechanics Hall Main St, Bruthen BYO food & drink <b>Visit Nowa Nowa Live Facebook page for booking details.</b>
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# WEEKLY EVENTS

## Bairnsdale Park Run

8:00am Sat

Port of Bairnsdale - Ph:0409 122 766

## Lakes Entrance Park Run

8:00am Sat

Lakes Entrance Foreshore Rotunda

[lakesentrance@parkrun.com](mailto:lakesentrance@parkrun.com)

## Old Time Dancing

8:00pm Sat Picnic Point Hall

114 Dreverman St, Bairnsdale

## Make it, Bake it, Grow it, Sew it, Sell it

10:00am – 2:00pm Wed

2081 Princes Hwy, Nowa Nowa

## East Gippsland Historical Society Museum

10:00am – 3:00pm Mon - Wed

40 Macarthur St, Bairnsdale - Ph: 5152 6363

# MONTHLY EVENTS

## Johnsonville Dance

1st Fri 8:00pm – 12:00am

Johnsonville Hall

1754 Princes Hwy, Johnsonville

## East Gippsland Historical Society Museum

1st Sun 10:00am – 3:00pm

40 Macarthur St, Bairnsdale - Ph: 5152 6363

## Paynesville Maritime Museum

2nd Sun 9:00am – 12:30pm

Raymond St, Paynesville - Ph: 0419 347 845

## Bairnsdale Country Music Club

2nd Sun 1:00pm

Bairnsdale RSL 2 Forge Creek Rd, Bairnsdale

## Johnsonville Hall Dance

2nd Sun 1:00pm

Johnsonville Hall, 1754 Princes Hwy, Johnsonville

## Bairnsdale Repair Café

3rd Sat 10:00am – 2:00pm

Room 15 The Hub Bairnsdale,

27 Dalmahoy St, Bairnsdale

## Nyerimilang Devonshire tea

Last Sun 10:00am – 2:00pm

Nyerimilang Heritage Park, 20 Cliff Rd, Nyerimilang

Ph: 5156 3253

## East Gippsland

# AUSTRALIAN WOOD DESIGN EXHIBITION

Date: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> - Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May

Open 7 days, 10:00am – 3:00pm

The Orbost Exhibition Centre is proud to present one of the most significant Wood Design Prizes in Australia.

This exhibition is open to everyone, and all artwork entered will be displayed. We invite you to immerse yourself in the captivating world of timber artistry at the Australian Wood Design Exhibition. Experience the ingenuity, craftsmanship, and sustainable beauty of Australian wood design as it unfolds in this unique and inspiring exhibition. Join us in celebrating the talent and creativity of woodworkers and artists from near and far

Orbost Exhibition Centre, 8 Clarke St, Orbost

<https://www.orbostartscentre.com/wood-design>



## East Gippsland

# RIVIERA QUILTERS 15<sup>TH</sup> BIENNIAL QUILT EXHIBITION

Date: Saturday 16th - Sunday 17th May 10:00am -3:30pm

Come along and check out the fine work of the club members.

Members trading boutique, Quilt raffle plus much more...

Light lunches and refreshments available

Daily admission \$5.00 **Please cash only**

Nova Hall

Bairnsdale West Primary School

60 Wallace St, Bairnsdale

East Gippsland Days for Girls will benefit from this exhibition

For more information contact Melissa: 0423 808 231

[melissa.rivieraquilters@gmail.com](mailto:melissa.rivieraquilters@gmail.com)



# YEARLY

## Events

### JANUARY

- 📅 Lakes Entrance Summer Festival
- 📅 Australia Day Celebrations
- 📅 Koalas of Raymond Island Fundraiser Markets

### FEBRUARY

#### 2nd weekend

- 📅 Canni Creek Picnic Races
- 📅 Bruthen Blues Festival

#### 3rd weekend

- 📅 Paynesville Music Festival

### MARCH

#### Labour Day Weekend Events

- 📅 Annual Tennis Tournament
- 📅 Hinnomunji Races
- 📅 Marley Point Overnight Yacht Race
- 📅 Echelles Yachting Championships
- 📅 Orbost Show (Monday)

#### First Saturday

- 📅 Orbost Poker Run

#### Third Sunday

- 📅 Opera by the Lakes - 3rd Sunday

### APRIL

#### Easter Weekend

- 📅 Omeo Rodeo on Saturday
- 📅 Buchan Rodeo on Sunday
- 📅 Geebung Polo at Cobungra/Sunday
- 📅 Tambo Valley Picnic Races

#### Easter Sunday

- 📅 Paynesville Book Sale

#### ANZAC Day

- 📅 East Gippsland Agricultural Field Days

### MAY

- 📅 *Mothers Day Celebrations*

### JUNE

- 📅 *Kings Birthday long weekend*
- 📅 East Gippsland Winter Festival

### JULY

- 📅 East Gippsland Winter Festival
- 📅 NAIDOC week

### AUGUST

### SEPTEMBER

- 📅 *Fathers Day Celebrations*
- 📅 Victorian AFL Grand Final

### OCTOBER

- 📅 Omeo RV & Caravan Muster Last weekend.

### NOVEMBER

- 📅 *Melbourne Cup*
- 📅 Bairnsdale Show 1st Saturday
- 📅 Bairnsdale Speedway - Runs until Easter

#### Second Weekend

- 📅 Omeo Show

### DECEMBER

- 📅 Firkin Exhibition
- 📅 Bairnsdale Christmas Parade
- 📅 *Christmas Day*
- 📅 *Boxing Day*
- 📅 *New Years Eve*

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