

## WHAT'S ON

Thurs 30 Nov – Wed 6 December 2023

### ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Ongoing	<p><b>PHOENIX ART TRAIL</b>  <i>From the High Country to the Lakes, to Mallacoota and everywhere in between, artists from across the region are featured in this trail of galleries.</i>  <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/thephoenixtrail">https://www.facebook.com/groups/thephoenixtrail</a></p>
Sun 12 Nov – Sun 3 Dec 2:00pm	<p><b>A MOMENT IN TIME - JAN MARTIN</b>  <i>A Moment in Time depicts certain times and events in East Gippsland, conveying Jan's feelings and emotional responses in a series of watercolour books. She invites the viewers to share her enthusiasm and be inspired by the ephemeral attributes of the world in which we live. And some of the grand moments too!</i>            Lemon Hill Gallery            158 Lemon Hill Rd, Wairewa</p>
Fri 17 Nov – Fri 8 Dec	<p><b>BITS &amp; BOBS – ART EXHIBITION</b>  <i>Local Lakes Entrance artist Jesse Kidd, an extraordinary illustrator whose vivid imagination knows no bounds, presents a collection of "bits and bobs" including artworks, illustrations and general oddities which makes the exhibition dynamic and varied.</i>            Orbost Exhibition Centre            8 Clarke St, Orbost Thurs, Sat, Sun 10:00am – 3:00pm</p>
Fri 1 Dec – Sat 20 Jan	<p><b>EGAG WRAP</b>  <i>EGAG WRAP 2023 is a small artwork exhibition with an \$8000 first prize. This competition is open to every living artist anywhere.</i>  <a href="https://www.eastgippslandartgallery.org.au/exhibitions">https://www.eastgippslandartgallery.org.au/exhibitions</a>            East Gippsland Art Gallery            2 Nicholson St, Bairnsdale            Ph: 5153 1988            Gallery Hours: Tue to Fri 10:00am – 4:00pm, Sat 10:00am – 2:00pm            Closed public holidays</p>
Sat 2 Dec 12:00pm & 5:30pm	<p><b>EXIT STAGE RIGHT</b>  <i>For the past 12 years MAADAZ has proudly presented its' entertaining variety shows, but the time has come for MAADAZ to 'Exit Stage Right' after proudly presenting its 13th and final variety concert.</i>            Forge Theatre &amp; Arts Hub            80 McKean St, Bairnsdale            Ph: 5152 1482</p>
Sat & Sun 2 – 3 Dec From 2:00pm Sat	<p><b>MARLO MUSIC FESTIVAL</b>  <i>A weekend of music in Marlo township performed by local and near local musicians at popular locations such as the Marlo Hotel Deck and the Marlo Bait and Tackle Cafe. Music with a view of the Snowy River with food, drinks and local arts and crafts, that will cover many tastes including. pop, rock, funk, and classical.</i>            Marlo Hotel            Argyle Pde, Marlo</p>
Sat 2 Dec 9:00pm	<p><b>SOS – THE AUSTRALIAN ABBA TRIBUTE SHOW</b>            Bairnsdale RSL            2 Forge Creek Rd, Bairnsdale  <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1099940">https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1099940</a></p>

Wed 6 Dec  
7:30pm

### **PACE LIVE - A CELTIC CHRISTMAS BY A TASTE OF IRELAND**

*Watch two star-crossed lovers twirl beneath the mistletoe as award-winning Irish musicians complement the world's best Irish Dancers to deliver a heart-warming performance that will leave your feet tapping, eyes shining and your soul wanting more! Immerse yourself in the magnificence of the traditional Celtic landscape and let the magic of Christmas in Ireland transport you to a world full of excitement and wonder - a world where energetic music and dance embody the beating heart of the festive season. Featuring a powerful mix of traditional tunes, heartfelt ballads and all your favourite carols*

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## **MARKETS**

Sat 2 Dec  
8:00am - 1:00pm

### **EAST GIPPSLAND FARMERS MARKET**

Howitt Park Bowls Club (corner of McEacharn St and Princes Hwy)  
Bairnsdale  
Ph: 0419 890 139

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Sun 3 Dec  
From 8:00am

### **SURF LIFE SAVING LAKES ENTRANCE FORESHORE MARKET**

Esplanade, Lakes Entrance  
Ph: 0407 098 805

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Wed 6 Dec  
10:00am – 2:00pm

### **MAKE IT, BAKE IT, GROW IT, SEW IT, SELL IT**

Nowa Nowa General Store  
2081 Princes Hwy, Nowa Nowa  
Ph: Jeremy 5155 7209

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## **EVENTS/ACTIVITIES**

Fri 1 Dec  
8:00pm – 12:00am

### **JOHNSONVILLE DANCE**

*Come along and enjoy the fun of old-time dancing. Please bring a plate to share for supper.*

Johnsonville Hall  
1754 Princes Hwy, Johnsonville

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Sat 2 Dec  
8:00am

### **BAIRNSDALE PARK RUN**

Port of Bairnsdale  
Ph: 0409 122 766

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Sat 2 Dec  
8:00am

### **LAKES ENTRANCE PARK RUN**

Lakes Entrance Foreshore Rotunda  
Esplanade, Lakes Entrance  
[lakesentrance@parkrun.com](mailto:lakesentrance@parkrun.com)

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Sat 2 Dec  
3:00pm

### **CANN RIVER COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY**

*Come along and join in the fun with Wacky Wombat, face painting, jumping castle, BBQ and Santa.*

Monaro Centre  
25 Monaro Hwy, Cann River

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Sat 2 Dec 8:00pm – 12:00am	<b>OLD TIME DANCING</b> <i>Come along and join in the fun of old-time dancing. Please bring a plate to share for supper.</i> Picnic Point Hall 114 Drevermann St, Bairnsdale
Sun 3 Dec 1:00pm	<b>JOHNSONVILLE HALL DANCE</b> <i>Come along and join the fun of old-time dancing. Bring a plate for afternoon tea.</i> Johnsonville Hall 1754 Princes Hwy, Johnsonville
<b>MARK YOUR CALENDAR</b>	
Fri 8 Dec 5:30pm	<b>BAIRNSDALE MOTOR EXPO – SUMMER THEME CAR SHOW</b> <i>Teardrop vans, boats, kombi's, hot rods, bikes, cars - all makes. BBQ, coffee, cold drinks and more.</i> Bunnings Car Park Princes Hwy, Bairnsdale
Sat 9 Dec 11:00am	<b>BAIRNSDALE CHRISTMAS PARADE</b> <i>There will be floats galore as this event gets bigger and bigger every year.</i> Main St, Bairnsdale
Sat 9 Dec 11:00am – 5:00pm	<b>BAIRNSDALE CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL @ LANEWAY3875</b> <i>Christmas market stalls, free family entertainment, face painting, live music, food trucks, street art and more.</i> Nicholson St Mall and Laneway. Bairnsdale
Sat 9 Dec 2:30pm	<b>EMOTIONAL RESCUE</b> <i>Feelings are what make dancers artists and not athletes. Our dancers shall express a specific feeling on stage, representing the song title they are performing to - for dance is essentially emotion in motion.</i> Forge Theatre & Arts Hub 80 McKean St, Bairnsdale Ph: 5152 1482
Sat 9 Dec 5:00pm	<b>BRUTHEN CHRISTMAS CAROLS &amp; COMMUNITY CELEBRATION</b> <i>Come along and join the wonderful Bruthen community as it celebrates the coming Christmas season. There will be heaps of fun activities for the kids as well as food for all to enjoy.</i> Main St, Bruthen
Sun 10 Dec	<b>BAIRNSDALE TOY RUN</b> <i>Assembling from 9:00am – 10:30am for briefing at 10:45am. Depart at 11:00am. Travel to Bruthen, Nowa Nowa and Lakes Entrance before returning to Bairnsdale at 1:45pm</i> Bairnsdale Riverside Holiday Park Main St, Bairnsdale
Sun 10 Dec 12:00pm – 7:00pm	<b>JOY TO THE WORLD CHRISTMAS CAROLS</b> <i>There will be food trucks, rides, jumping castles, market/gift stalls, a petting zoo, face painting and more. Both the festival and carols sessions are free to come along to, for rides/attractions you can purchase a \$5 wrist band for the day.</i> Bairnsdale Christian Centre 103 Bairnsdale – Dargo Rd, Bairnsdale

Sun 10 Dec 2:00pm	<b>METUNG HOTEL – CHRISTMAS PARTY</b> <i>Come along and join the pub to celebrate Christmas with the guys from The Uncles. As usual there will be lots of fun and it is anticipated that Santa will be there as well!!!!</i> Metung Hotel Main Rd, Metung
Sat 16 Dec 4:00pm	<b>MALLACOOTA CHRISTMAS CAROLS</b> <i>Come along and join the community carols and entertainment.</i> Mudbrick Pavilion Lions Park Develling Dve, Mallacoota
Sat 16 Dec 4:30pm	<b>BEMM RIVER CAROLS</b> <i>Come along and enjoy the family fun in the lead up to Christmas in the gardens of the hotel.</i> Bemm River Hotel
Sat 16 Dec 7:00pm	<b>BAIRNSDALE CHRISTMAS CAROLS</b> <i>Bairnsdale Citizens Band are hosting Christmas Carols at the park adjacent to the All-Abilities Playground.</i> McLeod St, Bairnsdale
Sun 17 Dec 6:00pm	<b>CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT</b> <i>Come along and join the Metung Lions Club Carols by candlelight. Be sure to bring your chairs or blanket and soak up the atmosphere.</i> Village Green Metung Rd, Metung
Fri 22 Dec 5:00pm	<b>TWILIGHT MARKET</b> <i>Great food trucks &amp; local market stalls and non-stop entertainment.</i> Lakes Entrance Foreshore Reserve Esplanade, Lakes Entrance
Sat 23 Dec	<b>PAYNESVILLE CHRISTMAS CAROLS</b> <i>Bairnsdale Citizens Band are hosting Christmas Carols on the foreshore.</i> Foreshore Reserve Esplanade, Paynesville
Sun 24 Dec 6:00pm	<b>ORBOST CHRISTMAS EVE FESTIVAL &amp; CAROLS</b> <i>Come along and join in the community festival where there will be kids' entertainment, market stalls, Santa, fireworks and carols by candlelight.</i> Nicholson St, Orbost

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