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Gippsland Business Awards finalists announced

A diverse group of 46 businesses from across Gippsland will be competing for the 2024 Federation University Gippsland Business Awards.

Graeme Sennett, Chairperson of the Gippsland Business Awards committee, expressed his admiration for the owners and operators of the array of entrants that have entered the competition to become this year's finalists.

This week, the finalists were unveiled, with 46 businesses securing their spots across 12 industry and specialist categories.

"The variety of finalists has once again left us in awe," said Mr. Sennett. "Entries from all corners of Gippsland demonstrate that our small to medium-sized businesses continue to establish themselves as industry leaders."

The categories include Accommodation, Beauty and Personal Care, Business and Professional Services, Food and Wine Producers, Health and Well-being, Hospitality, Innovation, Manufacturing, Mechanical Trades and Construction, New Business, Retail, and Tourism Activities and Attractions.

The category winners will be revealed at the grand gala presentation event on Friday, August 30, at Federation University's Gippsland campus in Churchill. The Gippsland Business of the Year, the top honour, will be selected from the category winners and announced at the ceremony.

"The judging process was once again challenging due to the high standard of entries," Mr. Sennett commented.

He also recognised the many excellent entrants who did not make it to the finals. "They embody a robust and expanding business community in Gippsland, and we strongly encourage them to participate again in the future."

Mr. Sennett noted that this year marks the 26th year of the awards. "We take pride in having been able to acknowledge the efforts and hard work of so many, as we have celebrated business excellence in Gippsland for over a quarter of a century," he stated. "We look forward to recognising and honouring all our finalists at our awards evening, Gippsland's premier business event.

For further details of finalists refer to the Federation University Gippsland Business Awards website at www.gba.org.au

For additional media comment please contact GBA Chair, Graeme Sennett 0417 509 149

2024 Finalists

Accommodation

Beachcomber Holiday Units	Lakes Entrance
m. hotel	Sale
Motel 3858	Heyfield

Beauty and Personal Care

Blush Professional Beauty Touch	Sale
Indulge Yourself Beauty Therapy Skin and Laser Clinic	Moe
LCA Traralgon	Traralgon
Many Faces Aesthetics	Warragul

Business and Professional Services

Brinnie T Design	Cowes
Gippsland Cleaning and Maintenance	Trafalgar
Gippsland Finance Solutions	Bairnsdale
Jessica Greaves Graphic Design	Mirboo North
Mortgage Haven	Drouin
Regional Migration Australia	Traralgon

Food & Wine Producers

Banksia Fine Foods	Bairnsdale
Fleming Berries	Korumburra
Maffco Brewery & Distillery	Maffra

Health and Wellbeing

Baw Baw Physio and Fitness	Drouin
Daily Living Disability Services	Traralgon
Imaging Associates	Drouin
Kandoo Therapy	Traralgon

Hospitality

Earth & Soul Pizza	Bairnsdale
Messmates Dining	Warragul
Quick Cuppa	Heyfield
The Vines On Avon	Maffra

Innovation

Native Seed Box	Wonthaggi
Platinum Media	Traralgon
REDfusion Studios	Drouin

Manufacturing

GBG Concrete & Construction	Sale
PavFab Engineering and Fabrication	Yarram
Plasgain	Drouin

Mechanical Trades and Construction

Captain Zap Electricians	Warragul
Foundation Civil & Mining	Traralgon South
Habitat Creations Group Pty Ltd	Yarragon
Hotondo Homes Warragul	Warragul
Leongatha Kitchens & Bathrooms	Leongatha

New Business

Effortless Conveyancing	Shady Creek
The Collective. Cospace	Traralgon
Valley View Food	Warragul

Retail

Electel	Traralgon
Ian Grants Caravans	Traralgon West
Jenkins Home Hardware	Trafalgar
Moe Fresh Poultry	Moe
Traralgon Automotive Group	Traralgon

Tourism Activities and Attractions

Bass Coast Boat & Caravan Storage	Glen Forbes
Inverloch Bike Hire	Inverloch
The Berry Dairy	Maffra