

## Hold That Note!

**Frankstons Christmas Festival of Lights** begins this year with the inaugural event "I Love Frankston" Parade on **Saturday 24th November 5-10pm**. This is Frankston's biggest community event - a 'feel good' night for all the whole family as we gather to welcome in the festive season, an evening that engenders all that the Christmas spirit encompasses.



There are lots of fun activities for all age groups; the little ones can visit Santa's House or enjoy the free children's craft activities and song and dance workshops, visit the rides and amusements or sit back with the rest of the family and enjoy the entertainment stage including popular kids' stage shows and carols by candlelight.

See the joy and delight on the faces of both children and adults as they light up the 100-year-old Norfolk pine located on Davey Street and light up the sky with a spectacular light and sound show and fireworks display. Ph. 9784 1043 for further details.

### Carols are Certainly a Special Part of Christmas.

**December 16** 'take your voice' to the Red Hill Showgrounds from 5pm to 8pm.  
**December 16** carols will also be heard at Flinders Civic Hall from 5.30pm to 7pm.  
**December 23** Currawong Community Centre Park, Mornington from 7.30pm to 10pm.  
 Enjoy the 'beauty of the moment'. - Dianne

## National Community Service & Achievement Award is a Grand Achievement for Local Landmark



The Grand Hotel, a Mornington landmark, has been recognised for its long-running support of the Mornington Peninsula community as a joint winner of the Outstanding Community Service and Achievement Award in the 2007 AHA Awards for Excellence.

The National Community Service and Achievement Award acknowledges active participation in and support of community groups and community life through the hotel. The National Awards were presented at a special event in Adelaide on October 4 during the 2007 AHA National Conference.

"It is an honour to receive this award and I speak on behalf of the entire team when I say that this award recognises a tireless commitment & effort over many years", said Grand Hotel proprietor Bernie Taylor (pictured).

The Grand Hotel Mornington is joint winner of the award with Conrad Jupiters and was successful ahead of leading hotel venues across Australia. The hotel has also won the Victorian state award in 2003, 2005 and 2006 and was the Victorian finalist in 2007.

"The Grand Hotel is a worthy winner of this significant industry award as it recognises their support of the Peninsula community and The Bays Hospital through the total refurbishment of our patient accommodation which has provided much needed facilities for the Mornington Peninsula", said The Bays CEO, Peter Wilkinson.

The national award also recognises the Grand Hotel's ongoing community support for the Dragons Abreast Breast Cancer survivors' Dragon Boat team with the support for the purchase of a dragon boat and their involvement with Mornington Peninsula based marine festival, Peninsula AquaFest, as presenting partner of the Grand Hotel Dragon Boat Cup.



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