

ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR

Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are young and free;
We've golden soil and wealth for toil;
Our home is girt by sea;
Our land abounds in nature's gifts
Of beauty rich and rare;
In history's page, let every stage
Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair.

Beneath our radiant Southern Cross
We'll toil with hearts and hands;
To make this Commonwealth of ours
Renowned of all the lands;
For those who've come across the seas
We've boundless plains to share;
With courage let us all combine
To Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair.



Program of Events

Thursday, 26th January 2012

Bain Park, Wauchope

from 8.30am

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

- 8.30am** Competitions, demonstrations and displays commence. Face painting, jumping castles, Big Red Bus, Pinnacle of Terror Activity Station (closed in shoes required).
- 9.00am** • Tug of War and other competitive games.
- 9.30am** Public entertainment begins:
- Sing Australia Choir
 - Local singers
 - Food, drinks, Australian flags and tattoos distributed
- 10.30am** Hastings Pipers lead official guests to the stage
- 10.35am** • Official Ceremony commences
- Flag Raising Ceremony
 - Welcome to Country
 - Neil Porter, Port Macquarie-Hastings Council Administrator
 - Message from Andrew Stoner, Member for Oxley
 - Wauchope High School Captain's address
 - Iva Davies, Australia Day Ambassador
 - Paula Duncan, Australia Day Ambassador
 - Lions/Rotary Citizenship Awards Ceremony
 - National Anthem to conclude this Ceremony
 - Cutting of the Australia Day Cake cut by Australia Day Ambassador
- 12 noon** Competition winners are announced and prizes are presented before the Australia Day Activities on Bain Park conclude.



IVA DAVIES
Musician

2012 Australia Day Ambassador to the Hastings

Trained as an oboist, pianist & composer at Australia's premier music institution, the New South Wales State Conservatorium of Music, Iva performed with numerous orchestras and ensembles, including the Sydney Symphony. His parallel interest in popular music led to the formation of the band Icehouse, which achieved international success, numerous hits and has performed widely throughout the world.

Iva has accumulated an impressive collection of ASCAP, APRA and ARIA awards for a variety of projects. His very first film score, *Razorback*, achieved an APRA Award and an AFI nomination. Recognised as a pioneer of music technology he has created a diverse body of work, which includes the scores to the internationally acclaimed Sydney Dance Company's two most successful ballets *Boxes* and *Berlin*. His song *Circles in the Sky* was chosen as an official Sydney 2000 Olympic theme and the iconic *Great Southern Land* is now recognised as an imposing alternate Australian National anthem.

Iva has been chosen as an Australia Day Ambassador, an honour that is only conferred on Australia's highest achievers. In 2004 he received an ASCAP award for the filmscore of the Peter Weir directed *Master & Commander*. This project emanated from his piece *The Ghost of Time* which was commissioned as the centrepiece of the Sydney Millennium Celebrations.



PAULA DUNCAN
ACTRESS

2012 Australia Day Ambassador to the Hastings

Paula Duncan AM has worked extensively on stage, film and television, and has been a household name throughout Australia for over half of her life, not only as an actress but as one of Australia's most loved personalities.

She has appeared in TV dramas including *The Young Doctors*, *Prisoner*, *Neighbours*, *Richmond Hill*, *Home & Away* and *Mother & Son*, lifestyle programmes, current affairs shows and commercials (most notably for *Spray & Wipe*, *Caltrate* and *Jenny Craig*). She has been honoured by Channel 9's,

This is Your Life, and during the five years she starred in the TV series *Cop Shop*, she was awarded no less than 7 Logies, including Best Actress and Most Popular Actress and Personality. Her stage work includes *The Importance of Being Earnest*, by Oscar Wilde, Noel Coward's *Blithe Spirit* and *Bedroom Farce* by Alan Ayckbourn.

Paula most recently co-starred in the feature film *Strange Bedfellows*, with Paul Hogan and Michael Caton and the ABC mini-series *East Of Everything* with Gia Carides. For her work with charity, Paula was nominated for the Australia Day Award for work with people with disability, and in 1997 was awarded the Executive Woman of the Year for Contribution to the Arts and the Community.

Paula was also presented with an Australian Achievement Award for work with people with disability, and most notably was awarded an Order of Australia for Outstanding Contribution to the Entertainment Industry and the Australian Community.

Paula has sponsored and produced a wide range of Charity Events including 'The Make A Wish Ball', 'Spirit Of Mission' Awards and 'Secret Women's Business' Luncheons for the Royal Hospital For Women Foundation. Paula has raised in the vicinity of \$9 million for charity.



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