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SP AusNet Baw Baw Business Excellence Awards

Some of West Gippsland's finest businesses have been recognised at the 2010 SP AusNet Baw Baw Business Excellence Awards at a gala presentation held at Lardner Park Exhibition Centre.

SP AusNet's Eastern Region Manager Jim Haylock, said it was the fourth time the company had provided its support to help celebrate Baw Baw local business excellence, innovation, development and success.

"As the local electricity distributor, and a local business ourselves, we are proud to be involved in recognising businesses for their contribution to the lifestyle and economy of Baw Baw Shire," he said.

Mount Baw Baw Alpine Resort was a big winner on the night, taking out the Innovation Award for their inventive approach to business activities in addition to receiving the coveted honour of 2010 Business of the Year.

The awards were open to all businesses currently based in Baw Baw Shire, other than clubs, co-operatives, not-for-profit organisations, government supported businesses and agencies (not applicable to pARTnership category).

Category Winners included:

- Business of the Year Category – **Mount Baw Baw Alpine Resort**
- New Business Category – **C4 C L O T H E S**
- Young Achiever Category – **Chris Walker**
- Environmental Sustainability Category – **Viatek**
- Innovation Category – **Mount Baw Baw Alpine Resort**
- Retail Category – **Viatek**
- People's Choice – **Cobaarz Eco Salon**
- Judges' Encouragement Category – **Plant Performance Group**
- Personal and Other Services Category – **Best Match Recruitment**
- Agribusiness Category – **Dream-time Wholesale Nursery**
- Hospitality Category – **Gypsy Creek Winery Restaurant**
- Business & Professional Services Category – **Hazcon**
- Trades and Construction Category – **Kubale Constructions**
- Tourism Category – **Lillico Glass / Clearly Delicious**
- Manufacturing Category – **Longwarry Food Park**
- VECCI Business Assistance Package Category – **Mangowood Gluten Free Fine Foods**
- pARTnership Category – **Eclectic Arts Group and Warragul Mitsubishi/Nissan**

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