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## **TOURISM INDUSTRY'S NIGHT OF NIGHTS IN CQ**

Over 150 key tourism stakeholders from throughout Queensland came together on Saturday night to celebrate the success of the winners of the 2008 Central Queensland and Southern Great Barrier Reef Tourism Awards.

The annual event recognises outstanding tourism industry representatives for their excellent efforts and achievements.

This year winners were recognised from across all sectors of the industry with the Capricorn region proudly announcing winners in 12 of the 26 categories.

Capricorn Tourism's Chairman, Grant Cassidy said "the Tourism Awards evening showcased those among us whose dedication to the tourism industry brings benefits not only to themselves, but to the whole of the Central Queensland and Southern Great Barrier Reef region".

"We are fortunate to have so many members whose commitment to the industry helps position our region as a desirable tourist destination by offering a quality product and high levels of service."

Winners of the Central Queensland and Southern Great Barrier Reef Tourism Awards have the opportunity to progress to state and national award levels.

"It was fantastic to see so many industry members and supporters come together to honor the outstanding success and efforts of such deserving winners", said Mr Alan Chamberlain, General Manager of Capricorn Tourism.

"I congratulate everyone who entered into the awards this year. The impressive range of award submissions made the judges think hard in reaching their decisions", he said.

The 2008 Central Queensland and Southern Great Barrier Reef Tourism Awards was a glittering gala presentation held on World Tourism Day the Saturday 27 September at Capricorn Resort Yeppoon.

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**WINNERS OF 2008 CENTRAL QUEENSLAND &  
SOUTHERN GREAT BARRIER REEF TOURISM AWARDS**

MAJOR TOURIST ATTRACTION	CAPRICORN CAVES
TOURIST ATTRACTION	GECKO VALLEY
MAJOR FESTIVALS & EVENTS	2008 OBSERVER BOYNE TANNUM HOOKUP
FESTIVALS & EVENTS	1770 FESTIVAL
ECOTOURISM	CAPRICORN CAVES
HERITAGE & CULTURAL TOURISM	THE HORSE AND CARRIAGE
VISITOR INFORMATION AND SERVICES	GAPDL – VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRES
TOUR AND/OR TRANSPORT OPERATORS	GAPDL – FREE INDUSTRY TOURS
TOURISM MARKETING	CAPRICORN TOURISM
TOURISM RESTAURANTS AND CATERING SERVICES	RESTAURANT 98
TOURISM WINERIES	GECKO VALLEY
TOURIST & CARAVAN PARKS	BARNEY BEACH CARAVAN PARK
UNIQUE ACCOMMODATION	1770 BEACH ACCOMMODATION – ROCKY POINT ESTATE
STANDARD ACCOMMODATION	KELLYS BEACH RESORT
DELUXE ACCOMMODATION	MANTRA PAVILLIONS MIRAGE ON 1770
LUXURY ACCOMMODATION	MANTA BARGARA
NEW TOURISM DEVELOPMENT	CHAMPIONS BROCK EXPERIENCE



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INDIVIDUAL PROMOTION	CAPRICORN TOURISM
MEDIA ACTIVITY	CAPRICORN TOURISM
OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION BY A VOLUNTEER OR EMPLOYEE	AMANDA JENNINGS Capricorn Caves
THE GRAEME STIELOW MEMORIAL AWARD OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION BY AN INDIVIDUAL	MAUREEN BURNS Central Highlands Tourist Organisation
BEST SUBMISSION FROM THE CAPRICORN RTO	RESTAURANT 98
BEST SUBMISSION FROM THE GLADSTONE RTO	1770 FESTIVAL
BEST SUBMISSION FROM THE BUNDABURG RTO	MANTA BARGARA
HALL OF FAME – TOURISM MARKETING	CAPRICORN TOURISM
HALL OF FAME – TOURIST & CARAVAN PARKS	BARNEY BEACH CARAVAN PARK
HALL OF FAME – FESTIVALS & EVENTS	1770 FESTIVAL
HALL OF FAME – MAJOR FESTIVALS & EVENTS	2008 OBSERVER BOYNE TANNUM HOOKUP
HALL OF FAME – TOURISM WINERIES	GECKO VALLEY