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SEAFOOD FESTIVAL

Paddington, Brisbane's Caxton Street Seafood Festival is on today, with Gambaro's Basement Bar in the car park offering seafood, drinks and live music as well as hosting the official artist VIP after-party. Restaurants in the Petrie Tce Barracks complex nearby also feature special menus.

SANDWICH WINNER

A three-bread offering filled with prawns and mango was the winning entry, from Tallai resident Janet Carswell, in the AAMI Stradbroke competition to create a signature sandwich for hospitality package buffets and selected food outlets at Eagle Farm on Stradbroke Day, June 6.

GIFTS FOR MUM

Looking to spoil Mum next Sunday? The Gold Coast Main Beach Chocolate Shop's Max Brenner has created two Mother's Day gifts: the Luxury Truffles box for \$20 and the Rose Box, complete with six hand-made praline chocolates and a small bouquet of air-dried roses, for \$29.

WELL MADE-UP LUNCH

Also for Mother's Day, Brett's Wharf at Hamilton, Brisbane, will host a four-course lunch with bubbles on arrival and a Napoleon Perdis make-up lesson gift voucher. Lunch is \$95 per adult, \$85 for teens and \$35 for children 2-12. Prepay when booking on 3868 1717.

PORTSIDE SALUTE

Portside Hamilton's Mahjongg Cafe, Manx Restaurant, Wilson's Boathouse and Sono Japanese Restaurant will host special Mother's Day meals, from a three-course feast for \$65 to free chocolates and coffee for mums.

SPECIAL TREATS

Food Fantasy at the Gold Coast's Conrad Jupiters offers a buffet breakfast for mums, with a glass of sparkling, for \$24.50 for adults or buffet lunch with sparkling for \$36.50; and Belle Epoque in Fortitude Valley, Brisbane, offers mothers a free glass of G.H. Mumm Champagne with her three-course lunch for \$80 a head.

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