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Weymouth Progress Association Inc. Summer 2025 Number 1

Subs Due

Membership subscriptions for the Weymouth Progress Association Inc. for 2025 are due from December 31 and may be paid up until the Annual General Meeting to be held on **Sunday, March 9.**

Payment of \$5.00 per member can be made by Direct Deposit, or by cash at the AGM.

Electronic Fund Transfer: BSB: 067600.

Account Number: 11109660

Account name: Weymouth Progress Association.

Reference is your name.

Please note, only financial members will be entitled to vote at the AGM.

If you have any queries regarding membership, please reply by email to membership@weymouth.org.au.

Members will have recently received a reminder email generated from our membership database with the email address: message@volunteer2mail.com.

Annual General Meeting: **CHANGE OF DAY**

This is a reminder that our next AGM will be held on **SUNDAY**, March 9 commencing at 10:00 am in the Weymouth Hall.

This year's AGM will include consideration of a Life Membership nomination.

We are hoping that the change in day will allow a larger number of members to attend the AGM.

Free Public WiFi

At our January Committee meeting we resolved to provide free public WiFi from our NBN connection in the Weymouth Hall on public holidays. This will mean that residents and visitors will be able to access free internet within WiFi range of the Hall during the following public holiday periods:

- March Long Weekend: Saturday until Monday
- June Long Weekend: Saturday until Monday
- November Long Weekend: Saturday until Monday
- Easter: Good Friday until Easter Monday
- Christmas: Christmas Eve until first Sunday in January

We will provide details of how to access the public WiFi at our AGM.

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Annual Sandcastle Competition

Our annual Sandcastle Competition was held at the Pipers River Beach, Major Street, Weymouth on Sunday, January 26 and was again a great success. Thank you to all volunteers, and to Bridget Archer and Carmen Bowkett for judging.

Following feedback received, we have resolved to include specific age groups for next year's competition to allow more opportunities for children's entries to receive recognition. More details will be available later in the year.

Congratulations to the competition winner, placegetters and our raffle winner. Finally, the kayak has been won! Thanks to Emily Hyde ... again ... for donating back the prize.



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Weymouth Cricket Club Update

Following a meeting held on February 4: we can provide the following update with respect to the Weymouth Cricket Club rooms.

Results of the investigation into the condition of the building.

- *Andrew McCarthy from George Town Council reported that the building has been declared not compliant for access by the public. Council has received high level cost estimates of over \$250k to bring the building into a compliant state. The building and ground have a low level of use and the low priority the Cricket Ground has on the Township Character Plans, accordingly, currently that level of expenditure would not be supported by GTC on the building.*

Use of the building by the WPA

- *Can it be used just for storage accessible only by the WPA.? Cheryl Hyde from George Town Council undertook to look into the insurance and other implications of this.*

Installing a shed for storage

- *Cheryl Hyde advised that pending grant funding, this could be a possibility, however it would be only for storage as such sheds have restricted permitted use.*

User agreements

- *Council is in the process of updating existing user agreements and will add the ground (excluding the building) to the existing agreement with the WPA. Clear responsibilities on the upkeep of the ground to be included.*

Widening of Blamey St gate

- *Andrew McCarthy undertook to discuss with the Tasmania Fire Service.*

Old camping ground lease

- *Cheryl Hyde undertook to follow up with Tamara Burt (GTC) on the current status of the lease on the old camping ground (Weymouth Main Beach Recreation Area).*

Master plan progress and TCP progress for the Weymouth Main Beach Recreation Ground

- *Gary and Craig would like an update on any progress. Cheryl Hyde advised that council was working on the plan and we would provide an update.*

DomesCAPes

- *Craig and Gary requested an update on the current status of the DomesCAPes proposal. Cheryl Hyde undertook to discuss with Shane Power, but advised that, to her, knowledge there was no current change.*

Our next meeting with the Mayor and General Manager will be on Monday March 3.

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Christmas Meet and Greet

The Meet and Greet held in the Weymouth Hall on **Friday the 27th of December** was a great success with very good attendance. We will be continuing this event again this December.

George Town Budget Submissions

Budget Submissions to the George Town Council for 2025/26 Financial Year close on February 14.

This year our submission includes the following:

- Installation of solar panels and battery.
- Disability access to the main beach (linked to TCPs).
- Sweep fans for the Weymouth Hall

George Town Council Summer Concert

On Sunday, February 9 George Town Council presented the first of its free Summer Concerts in the Weymouth Hall featuring Dvrkworld and Scott Haigh Music.



Easter Market Planning

Mark Johnson and Sally Sauer have taken on the role of Market Convenors for this year's Easter Market to be held on Saturday, April 19. So far, we have just over 30 stalls confirmed with more expected.

To ensure that we are able to provide a quality market again this year, we will be seeking donations for the raffle and Chocolate Wheel. We will also be seeking donations of fresh produce for the Produce Stall.

If you or, anyone you know, wish to donate a prize or fresh produce, please let us know by emailing Mark and Sally at our Easter Market email address:

market@weymouth.org.au

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As with previous years, and for all of our annual events, we rely heavily on volunteers to help with our stalls, set up and pack up.
If you would like volunteer some of your time, please complete the attached Volunteer registration Form and return it by email to us.
We will be distributing a Volunteer Registration Form at our next AGM.

Dates to Remember:

- Easter Market: Saturday, April 19
- ANZAC Day: Friday, April 25
- Winter Solstice: Saturday, June 7
- Christmas in July: Saturday July 5, 6:00 pm – 10:30 pm
- Anniversary Event: Saturday, November 1
- Christmas Meet and Greet TBA

If anyone has news, information, or pictures they would like to share with Weymouth residents, please forward them to: admin@weymouth.org.au
We can then either post them to Facebook or include them in the next edition of Fast News.

Please do not hesitate to contact a Committee member if you have any issues you believe we should address.