

**Weymouth Progress
Association
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Number 3**



Welcome to the third edition of the WPA Fast News for 2021. This will update you on the progress of current WPA initiatives.

- Our next General Meeting will be held on Saturday, October 30 in the Weymouth Hall commencing at 10:00 am.
- Following the General Meeting, at 12:00 pm we will be convening a meeting to present progress with respect to the maintenance and possible future development of the Weymouth Main Beach Recreation Area, formerly known as the Caravan Park/Camping Ground. This will be the first phase of our Community Consultation.
- We now have an NBN connection in the Weymouth Hall which will allow us to convene online meetings and to access the internet for WPA Committee, Sub Committee and Community meetings where necessary. This will also improve our communication capabilities, particularly with respect to Emergency Management and Community Recovery.
- The 75th Anniversary of the Weymouth Progress Association will be celebrated on Saturday, October 30 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Weymouth Hall and playground area. At this BYO event you will also be able to purchase a cheese platter or food from the BBQ. There will be a Gallery of old photos and memorabilia in the Weymouth Hall. Copies of the original survey maps on display at the Gallery will be available for order. Live Music will be provided by renowned Launceston musician, Greg Howe. There will be an auction including a sensational hand-sewn quilt generously donated by Lindal Byard, and three outstanding pieces of art work donated by local artist, Bill Stackhouse. We will also be selling raffle tickets with some great prizes. We look forward to seeing you all on October 30 to celebrate our birthday!
- You may have seen from the latest MAST newsletter that remediation works are scheduled for the Trevor Street boat ramp. These works will be funded by MAST and managed by the George Town Council. This has occurred as a result of collaboration by the WPA with MAST and the George Town Council, and is another outstanding example of the great work undertaken by the WPA Committee.
- Our website is well and truly up and running and now includes information regarding casual hire of the Weymouth Hall. A Calendar is now available on the website showing current bookings and availability. More detailed information regarding Hall Hire will be uploaded to the website very soon. Visit our website at www.weymouth.org.au
- Under the expert guidance and leadership of Kevin Watkins, we have been able to commence rehabilitation works of the walking tracks near Short

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Street. We are extremely grateful to Gary Chapman who has arranged donation of approximately 13 cubic metres of road base from Boral Quarries for this project. Thanks to all residents who volunteered their time for the recent working bee and to Gavin Barrett from the George Town Council for arranging delivery of the road base. Unfortunately, our latest working bee was postponed due to inclement weather, however we hope to be able to arrange a follow up working bee very soon. Watch your email for details.

- Following a suggestion by a member of the WPA, we are investigating the installation of a flag pole at the Weymouth Hall grounds. We are currently investigating funding options to cover some of the costs. If successful, we hope to be able to conduct ANZAC Day services at Weymouth in the future.
- Our annual Sand Castle competition will be held on Wednesday, January 26 at the Major Street/Pipers River beach commencing at 12:00 pm. This year we have very favourable tidal conditions for a midday day event including BBQ. The theme for this competition will be "Sand Castles: Grand Designs".
- We have started preliminary planning for next year's Easter Market. Please email us if you wish to have a stall at the market or if you are able to volunteer to help in any way on the day. Next year's Easter Market will be on Saturday, April 16.
- If you have any issues regarding safety issues in Weymouth, please email details to us so that our WPA representative can formally raise them at the monthly George Town Council Safety Committee. If you wish the George Town Council to undertake any maintenance work within the Weymouth community, please submit a Service Request online at:
<https://georgetown.tas.gov.au/service-request/>

Dates to Remember:

- General Meeting: Saturday, October 30, commencing at 10:00 am
- Weymouth Main Beach Recreation Area Community Consultation Phase 1: Weymouth Hall, Saturday October 30 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
- 75th Anniversary of the WPA: BBQ and cheese platters, Auction, Photo Gallery Live music and Raffle: Saturday, October 30 commencing at 5:00 pm
- Australia Day Sand Castle Competition: Wednesday, January 26 commencing at 12:00 pm
- Easter Market: Saturday, April 16, 2022.

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If anyone has news, information, or pictures they would like to share with Weymouth residents, please forward them to:

weymouth.progress.association@gmail.com

We can then either post them to Facebook or include them in the next Fast News Update.

Your committee members are:

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| Mark Symes (President) | Kylie Clare |
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| Steven Crooks | Peter Jacobson |
| Graeme Bowkett | Eve Hayden |
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Please do not hesitate to contact a Committee member if you have any issues you believe we should address.