

**Weymouth Progress  
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***Welcome to the fourth 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 the **AGM** to be held on Saturday, March 12, 2022 in the Weymouth Hall commencing at 10:00 am.
- Following the last General Meeting on October 30, our first Weymouth Main Beach Recreation Area Community Consultation meeting was convened, attended by 39 people. Luke Miller, Chair of the WMBRA Sub Committee, presented the DRAFT Development Plan, and Shane Power, General Manager George Town Council, spoke in support of the work being undertaken by the Sub Committee.

A copy of the plan is available on our website at [www.weymouth.org.au](http://www.weymouth.org.au). Go to the Strategies and Plans section.

Feedback is invited from all interested people through an online survey or written submission.

**The online Survey is available at:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3LST9KP>

If you haven't already done so, please take a few minutes to complete the survey. So far, we have received 60 responses. However more responses are needed to be able to represent the views of the community. This will enable us to re-draft the Development Plan based on your suggestions and feedback. Detailed written submissions can also be emailed to the WPA.

- The 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Weymouth Progress Association was celebrated on Saturday, October 30 with an estimated 180 people attending. The event was an outstanding success, and although not designed primarily to be a fund raiser, over \$2,000 was raised to support the activities of the WPA. The Photo Gallery was of great interest to many people, the cheese platters were sensational, the BBQ was great, and the live music from Greg Howe very entertaining. The auction also was a great success and we thank Lindal Byard and Will Stackhouse for their generous donations. **Thanks also to the George Town Council who provided generous sponsorship of \$500 towards the cost of the event.**

Thanks to all our or Committee members and volunteers who helped to make this night a huge success.

- Recently we were advised by the Office of Guy Barnett that we have been successful in our submission to the Teddy Sheean VC Memorial Grant program for a grant of \$600 towards the installation of a flag pole at the Weymouth Hall. This will allow us to acknowledge important community events such as ANZAC Day. We are now waiting on Crown Land Services to

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finalise permission for the work to be undertaken, but expect to be able to complete this project by the end of this year.

- The second of our working bees to rehabilitate walking tracks near Short Street was conducted on Saturday, November 13. Thanks to Kevin Watkins for organising this, Jason Orr for providing the Wacker Packer, and to the following volunteers:
  - John Zasadny, Sally von Bertrouch, Maggie Ross, Andrew Flood, Scott McKay, Tim and Coral Arnold, Craig Tyeson.

Further working bees are planned to complete this work and to rehabilitate the walking tracks near Hurst Street. Thanks also to Gary Chapman and Boral for their donation of road base.

- 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”.
- The Fire Management and Community Recovery Sub Committee met last month to update our Fire Management Plan. This Plan has been described by Tas Fire Service as being the “Gold Standard” in community plans! A copy of the updated plan is available on our website at [www.weymouth.org.au](http://www.weymouth.org.au). Go to the Strategies and Plans section.
- 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:**

- Australia Day Sand Castle Competition: Wednesday, January 26 commencing at 12:00 pm
- Annual General Meeting: Saturday, March 12 2022 in the Weymouth Hall commencing at 10:00 am
- 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](mailto: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:**

Mark Symes (President)	Kylie Clare
Craig Tyeson (Vice President)	Maureen Berry
Stan van Emmerick (Treasurer)	Mark Johnson
Leanne Purchase (Public Officer)	Brian Roe
Steven Crooks	Peter Jacobson
Graeme Bowkett	Eve Hayden
Sally Sauer	
Luke Miller	

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