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Welcome to the first edition of the WPA Fast News for 2023. This will update you on the progress of current WPA initiatives.

Annual General Meeting

Our AGM will be held on Saturday, March 11 at the Weymouth Hall commencing at 10:00 am. A number of Committee and Executive positions will be vacant so we urge you all to consider nominating either for a position on the Committee or for the Executive. Nomination is open to any financial member. We would remind you that subs of \$5.00 per member are now due and can be paid online by Direct Debit or at the AGM:

BSB 067-600 Acc No. 11109660,

Acc Name: Weymouth Progress Association.

The reference is "Your Surname".

New members are most welcome to apply for membership at the AGM, however will not be eligible to vote. Our Constitution requires that new membership applications must be approved by the Committee. New memberships received between now and the AGM will be considered at the next Committee meeting in April.

The General Meeting will include a Notice of Motion for the June General Meeting to amend the Constitution to allow two years terms for Committee end Executive.

Members who are unable to attend the AGM in person can join by Zoom at the following link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86217299883?pwd=TDFmcGcvOGR5dk5XWGtEdW5Ncnp2dz09

Sandcastles

This year's sandcastles competition was again a great success. We thank the Committee and volunteers for helping to make this such a great community event. We have received and accepted feedback about the event including suggestions on how to make it even better next year.

The theme for the 2024 Weymouth Sandcastles Competition will be "Iconically Australian".

Automated External Defibrillator

We have been advised by Ambulance Tasmania that our submission for an additional AED for the Trevor Street Boat Ramp has been successful. Once we receive the unit, we will arrange installation at the Trevor Street Boat Ramp. This is a fantastic outcome for all recreational fishers and users of the boat ramp.

Budget Submission to George Town Council

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We have submitted our Budget Requests to GTC for the forthcoming financial year which include:

- Installation of a toilet facility at the Trevor St Boat Ramp.
- Redesign of parking at the Trevor St Boat ramp.
- Installation of a 5m gate at the Blamey St entrance to the cricket ground to enable large fire appliances to gain access to the designated Nearer Safe Place.
- Upgrade public toilets at the Weymouth Hall.
- Install new reverse cycle air conditioners in the Weymouth Hall.
- Provide disability access to the river beach and main beach.

We look forward to continuing to work with the Council to improve facilities in and around Weymouth.

Easter Market

Planning is well underway for our Easter Market. To date, we have received requests from 13 stall holders. This year will again include an auction of sensational original artwork. We will also be providing a range of activities for children.

We need more volunteers to help us with the BBQ, Produce and Garden Stall, and raffle sales. If you can help, please let us know by email.

ANZAC Day Service

Our ANZAC Day service will be held on Tuesday, April 25 at the Weymouth Hall commencing at 10:45 am. This year's commemorative address will be presented by senior student leaders from Port Dalrymple School. The prayers will be delivered by representatives from Hilltop Church. The service will include the unveiling of our new commemorative shield and will be followed by a light morning tea.

Christmas in July: Change of Date

As previously advised, we are re-introducing the very popular Christmas In July. This will be held in the Weymouth Hall with a **change of date now Saturday**, **July 8** from 6:00 pm to 10:30 pm. The event will be catered by WE Fine Catering at a cost of \$50 per person which will include two courses. Numbers for this event are capped at 80 with tickets on sale online through Launceston Tickets in early June.

Maintenance Sub Committee

Our Maintenance Sub Committee has now been convened and will attend to minor

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maintenance issues in Weymouth. This will support the work undertaken by GTC and Crown Land Property Services. Volunteers will need to register with the Dept of Natural Resources and Energy to undertake work on Crown Land.

Anyone who wishes to contribute to working bees should register with NRE at: https://nre.tas.gov.au/about-the-department/volunteering/volunteer-registrations
Volunteer registration with NRE allows you to link your registration to the Weymouth Progress Association.

Service Requests to GTC

We have been advised that George Town Council is in the process of implementing a new management system for Service Requests. During the transition phase, it will be necessary to resubmit any Service Requests submitted recently to ensure that they remain on the new system.

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:

- Annual General Meeting: Saturday, March 11, 2023
- Weymouth Easter Market: Saturday April 8, 2023
- General Meeting and Winter Solstice Lantern Walk: Saturday, June 10.
- Christmas in July: Saturday, July 8, 2023 commencing at 6:00 pm
- General Meeting and Anniversary Event: Saturday, November 4, 2023

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.

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