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## President's Report February 2026

Well we start another year. I was hoping that it would be a great year but the start doesn't look very positive. Very hot weather, no rain and the Algae Bloom looks like it will hit us. Over all of these we have no control.

I had an invitation to attend an Algae meeting in Warooka on 29 January to be briefed by the government and have discussions with locals re the situation and the possible impacts. They did run a meeting at Corny Point on 22 January. However, I received a text on the 23rd to advise me that the Warooka meeting was cancelled. I responded asking why and the response was lack of resources.

Not sure how bad this event will be, but I don't think any numbers of meetings will fix it and it will be up to Mother Nature to deal with it

What a great take away dinner we had on 10 January with over 100 people attending. Well done to all the volunteers especially Mary and Jim who took control with Janet being on holidays.

Our Australia day BBQ was on a 42 degree day and we changed the venue from the beach BBQ to the hall so people could get some respite from the heat. We had a great rollup (estimated about 100) and the day was enjoyed by all. Thanks again to Noel Neitz and an anonymous person who donated \$500 each for the day.

The submission for the upgrade of the beach car park has been submitted to council and we will wait and see what the result is.

Fishing reports have been mixed with some big catches of gar and most people getting a feed of whiting. Squid seen was a bit scarce and crabs were hard to find. Let's hope for the best given the Algae situation.

Sad to see that someone broke off one of the rings at the basketball court. We are arranging for it to be replaced

There have been reports that people have been seen late at night with lights off the reef along the shacks. I hope these people are not engaging in any activities that may be illegal with regards to fishing regulations. If anyone witnesses any such behaviour please contact the Fisheries immediately. Their contact number is 1800 065 522

Geoff Hampel

## YP Waste and Recycling Calendar

Hardwicke Bay is **area two** in the waste schedule (represented by the aqua dates for rubbish and yellow for recycling) and collection is on **Wednesdays**. Garden organics are scheduled **monthly** (represented by the dark green dates) and collected on **Thursdays**. Also, don't forget to keep your bottles and cans out of your recycling bin and place them in the blue bins available around the area (let us know if you don't have access to one) so the money raised from returns can go towards improving our town. Every 10c counts and **we thank our volunteers** for collecting and managing the recycling! We couldn't do it without you. Volunteers are a bit short at the moment so if you can spare an hour or two to help out with jobs like this it would be appreciated a lot!

WEEKLY WASTE COLLECTION	<b>NOVEMBER 2025</b>	<b>DECEMBER 2025</b>	<b>JANUARY 2026</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 2026</b>
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### At The Hall

**Bingo** every **Wednesday night** with the hall open from **7.00pm** and 'Eyes Down' from **7.30pm**. Bar open (or BYO drinks and nibbles). Tea and coffee served during the interval. Plenty of prizes up for grabs and everyone is welcome!

**Morning Tea 10 am every Monday** except public holidays. Come along for a chat!

**Community Dinner** every **2nd**

**Saturday of the month**. Join us for a meal for just \$17 Menu changes every month. Arrive at **6.30pm for a 7.00pm** start to dinner. Bar open (or BYO drinks).

The December Saturday dinner is reserved as a Christmas Dinner with an extended menu and higher cost.

At all dinners raffle tickets are sold and a members draw held.

Bookings are essential for catering, please indicate numbers attending on the Facebook event, email [progress@hardwickebay.org](mailto:progress@hardwickebay.org)

or add your details to the list located on the noticeboard outside the hall.

**Friday Night Drinks from**

**5pm**, weekly raffle drawn, play pool or darts or just have a chat. Bar open (or BYO drinks) and bring nibbles to share.

**Lucky number draws.**

Members only draw, member must be present (jackpots \$10 each week if member drawn not present to maximum of \$200)

**Membership** This is not only available to residents and property holders.

Anyone who would like to become a member of our Association and participate in the above-mentioned activities plus others arranged during each year, can do so by paying \$20 to our Treasurer

([progress@hardwickebay.org](mailto:progress@hardwickebay.org))

If you are a current Financial Member of the Progress Ass, you can request to have the Hardwicke Bay Times emailed



to you on a regular basis by contacting [progress@hardwickebay.org](mailto:progress@hardwickebay.org) State your full name & Member/Invoice Number &/or the date you paid your membership, & the email address for delivery.

Please enter **NEWSLETTER REQUEST** in the Subject line so it is passed onto the relevant person.

**Hall for hire** Do you have a function coming up? You can book the hall as your venue. Cost \$250 + \$100 cleaning fee. A \$250 bond is required. This bond is refundable if there are no additional cleaning costs or damage to the facilities.

Financial members will receive a discount .

See the webpage for details and booking form.

## BEACH TRAKKA WHEELCHAIR



The Progress Association has a Beach Trakka off road wheelchair. This can be used by anyone in the community (Hardwicke Bay and Yorke Peninsula and visitors) to give the disabled or the elderly access to the sea for a dip. This is designed to be pushed easily across the soft sand and seaweed, straight into the water and allows people with mobility challenges to enjoy the beach environment and to access the water and have a paddle without having to leave the chair.

To gain access to the shed where the device is stored, contact Ashley on 0429 398 848 for the access code. There is a sign out book with an indemnity that must be filled in and upon return the wheelchair must be washed down with a hose that is provided from the nearby tap.



## AED (Automated External Defibrillator)

There are two AEDs in Hardwicke Bay. They are located in front of Community Hall, 5 Progress Road, Hardwicke Bay and at the Beach Shelter near Boat Ramp, South Shore Road.



## Support The RFDS

The shed at 65 Esplanade Hardwicke Bay is an honesty donation for produce to support the RFDS. The FLYING DOCTOR averages 2 calls per day to Yorke Peninsula, and this increases in busy holiday periods. None of us knows when we may need this service, so please use the Honesty Box when taking our local mostly organic produce.

There is an ever changing range of preserves: chutneys, pickles, jams and sauces, as well as fresh vegetables and fruits. All made or grown by local residents.



**HARDWICKE BAY & DISTRICT PROGRESS  
ASSOCIATION @ the hall**



**VALENTINE'S  
DAY DINNER**



**14<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

**Bar open 5.00pm–Meal served at 7pm**

Menu

**SURF & TURF (steak topped with garlic prawns)  
Or CHICKEN SCHNITZEL**

**Both served with Chips and Salad & bread roll and butter**

Dessert

**CHOCOLATE CHEESECAKE with WHIPPED CREAM**

**Adults \$20**

**Children 12 years and under \$8.50**

**NUGGETS, CHIPS & SALAD  
CHEESECAKE or DRUMSTICK (ice cream)**

**Bookings are essential for Catering Purposes**

**Please phone Janet on 0409 415 999  
Or put name on list on Noticeboard at Hall**



## January Take Away

Only one Take Away over the Christmas break this year and this was well supported with 120 meals sold all either dining in and catching up friends or taking meals home. A very BIG THANK YOU to MARY and JIM OLIVER for taking charge and managing this event while I was away. None of this would happen without the VERY hard-working volunteers that helped Mary and Jim, ensuring the night was a success. As we only had one Take Away these holidays it would be great to get some feedback if this was enough.

CHEERS JANET



Mark Anderson was the happy winner of the meat raffle.



## AUSTRALIA DAY FREE BBQ LUNCH

Our annual Australia Day BBQ was once again well attended. Due to the extreme heat, the decision was made to transfer this event to the HALL where we had the air conditioners going all day. Thanks to two Hardwicke Bay families who each donated \$500 to fund this event. We were able to have lamb chops, sausages, hamburgers with the trimmings, followed with cool soft drinks, fruit boxes, zooper doopers, lamingtons and nice cool watermelon. Thanks for the donation.

Once again a very special thank you to all the volunteers: Geoff Thomas, Colin, Jim, Kingsley and Willy who cooked the BBQ outside in the heat while the rest of the volunteers served inside the hall for everyone to enjoy the cool.

Hope to see you all at the Valentine's Day Dinner on the 14 February.

Cheers Janet





## ***PROGRESS ASSOCIATION SUBSCRIPTIONS DUE***

The annual subscriptions for membership to the Hardwicke Bay Progress Association are now due. All property owners should have received an invoice in the mail.

Membership is not only available to residents and property holders, anyone who would like to become a member of our Association and participate in the many activities and events we arrange is warmly welcomed.

The \$20 fee forms a major part of our annual income, so please join up ASAP. If you have not yet received your invoice, or are new to town, please contact [progress@hardwickebay.org](mailto:progress@hardwickebay.org) to arrange payment.

Many thanks to all!

## Thank You to ....

A big thanks to Roger O'Brien who has painted all the blue outer parts of the hall including gutters, fascias and the additions at the back of the hall. Looks great Roger. Thanks for donating your time.



Another big thanks to Maria and David Marcoinni from Acacia Farms for donating the potatoes for our Christmas Dinner. Fantastic gesture and much appreciated.



KR Castlemaine, again have donated all the pork for our Christmas Dinner. Moisture infused pork loins which were again rated by our guests as the best pork they have ever tasted. Thanks KRC for your continued support.



How about the painted pots for our Christmas trees? Christina and Graham Ball supplied these and they put the trees up as well. And what about the Christmas display on their property next door? Thanks for making sure people know it's Christmas. Thanks for your support



## *HARDWICKE BAY PHOTO COMPETITION*

Janine Curtis runs an annual competition to provide a photo on the Facebook page **Hardwicke Bay & Surrounds Community Forum** and the winning photo is then displayed in the Hall. The competition creates a lot of interest. This year the winner was Tiffany Scadden. What a great photo. Congratulations Tiffany



### *Hardwicke Bay Facebook Page Request a Post*

Hardwicke Bay Progress Association's Facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/HardwickeBay>. If you want to request a post on this page, please follow these instructions.

**1. Email your content to :**

progress@hardwickebay.org

**Subject: Facebook Page Post**

**2. Include:**

- The text you would like posted
- Any images, flyers, or graphics
- Dates, times, locations, and any other essential details
- Your name and the group or project you're representing (if relevant)

**3. The content will be:**

- Reviewed for clarity, accuracy, and alignment with Progress Association messaging
- Formatted for Instagram and Facebook if needed
- Scheduled and posted on the official Page

This process ensures the Page remains professional, consistent, and reliable.

## A Few Jokes to Amuse You

Four old retirees are walking down a street in Hardwicke Bay, when they see a sign that reads,

“Old Timers Club: ALL DRINKS 20 cents.”

The men look at each other in disbelief, thinking that there's got to be a catch somewhere, but it's less than a buck for the four of them, so they decide, what the hell and go inside.

The elderly bartender greets them:

“Welcome, gentlemen to the Old Timers Club. What'll it be?”

The men check out the fully stocked bar and orders 4 beers, the bartender serves up four beers.

“That’s 20 cents each, please.”

The four men stare at the bartender for a moment, then at each other. They pay the 80 cents. One of the men tentatively tastes his beer. It's perfect! The men finish their beers, and order another round.

Again, the bartender serves them another 4 beers

“That’s 80 cents, please.”

They pay the 80 cents, and they're thinking, how does this guy do it?  
After all, each of them has had 2 beers and hasn't even spent a dollar yet.

Finally one of them says to the bartender, “Excuse my curiosity, but how in the world can you afford to sell these beers for 20 cents each?”

“I’m a retired farmer from Brentwood”, says the bartender, “and it’s always been my dream to own a bar. Last year I hit the Powerball Jackpot for \$250 million and decided to open this place. Every drink costs 20 cents. Beer, wine, whiskey, gin....all the same.”

One of the men says, “Wow! That’s a helluva story.”

The four men are sipping their beers, but they can't help noticing 7 other people down at the end of the bar who don't have any drinks in front of them, and haven't ordered anything the whole time they've been there.

Nodding his head towards the 7 at the end of the bar, one of the men asks the bartender,  
“What’s up with them?”

"Oh them? They're people from Adelaide. (looks at his watch).

They're waiting for Happy Hour when drinks are half-price."

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A pastor announced, "If you know your wife is controlling you, move to the left."

All the men in the church moved to left, except one man.

The pastor was happy there was at least one strong man, and asked,

"How come your wife can't control you?"

The man quietly replied, "It's my wife who told me not to move."

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Studies have shown that women who gain three or four kilos over the holidays have a longer life expectancy...  
than the men who point it out.

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## REMINDER – STOBIE POLE ART

Let's keep this going Hardwicke Bay! About 30 poles have now been painted, with several others about to be. Well done! Let's all join in and brighten up the town. It's a great activity for the kids.

Progress will fund \$50 towards painting a pole outside your premises. The process is as follows:

Log into SA Power Networks and enter "Stobie Pole Art" in the search criteria.

Read the conditions and apply for permission online. Once permission is received, buy your paint etc and get artistic!

Contact Progress once completed and receive your \$50 payment.



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Minlaton Medical Centre	08 7808 4111
Yorke town Police Station	08 8852 1100
Yorke town Hospital and Health Service	08 8552 1200
Yorke town Medical Centre	08 8852 1002
YP Visitor Information Centre	1800 202 445
SYP Community Hub	08 8852 1820
YP Council	08 8832 0000
YP Council (Emergency After Hours)	08 8832 2999

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# TIDE TIMES

Point Turton

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## FEBRUARY

Time	m	Time	m
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2055	0.43	2122	0.31
<b>2</b> 0423	1.50	<b>17</b> 0408	1.43
1227	0.18	1127	0.23
MO 1721	0.81	TU 1844	0.79
2143	0.37	2201	0.24
<b>3</b> 0449	1.51	<b>18</b> 0437	1.47
1221	0.31	1130	0.27
TU 1720	0.77	WE 1700	0.94
2219	0.35	2238	0.22
<b>4</b> 0510	1.50	<b>19</b> 0503	1.48
1209	0.43	1135	0.31
WE 1729	0.95	TH 1721	1.09
2252	0.38	2313	0.28
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1159	0.48	1141	0.33
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2324	0.48	2345	0.36
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