

Hawkesdale Wind Farm

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Project Update

The wind farm is **fully operational** and, to many, there would appear to be not much happening. The staff on site are busy with the **scheduled maintenance and monitoring of the turbines**.

A **control centre** is manned around the clock at **head office in Canberra** and supports **all activities at the wind farm**, especially during the hours of 5pm and 6am when the local staff are not on site.

Activities On Site

- The facility is fully operational
- **Brolga surveys** are being conducted fortnightly through to December. Further surveys will be conducted aligned with the endorsed Bat and Avifauna Management Plan
- Post construction **noise monitoring has been completed** in line with Permit and EPA conditions.

Who's Who

Murray Staude

Site Supervisor



Murray has 4 years of **experience in the wind industry** and is passionate about renewable energy and regional development. **Raised on a family farm**, Murray has a strong connection to the land and now **lives in Port Fairy with his young family**. Outside of work, he enjoys both watching and playing sport, keeping an active **connection to his community and interests**.

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Community Engagement & Benefit Sharing

Community Engagement Committee

The **Hawkesdale Wind Farm Community Engagement Committee (CEC)** meets bi-monthly. The last meeting was held in September.

Minutes from CEC meetings are available on the **Moyne Shire web site**, from CEC members or please contact Debra Dumesny on 0428 867 646 or by **email: hawkesdalewindfarm@globalpower-generation.com.au** to request a copy of the minutes.

We encourage you to nominate as a **CEC representative**, the CEC has a constructive position in the life of the project.

Hawkesdale Township Community Grant Program

The 2024 Hawkesdale Township Grant Program projects are mainly completed

- Hawkesdale Memorial Hall – Works on the northern side ramps
- Hawkesdale Recreation Reserve – Refurbish kitchen facilities
- Hawkesdale Racecourse Reserve – Clubroom floor coverings replaced
- Hawkesdale Cricket Club – Portable shade marquee
- HADDAC – Christmas lights and decorations for street display
- Hawkesdale P12 College – Storage shed to be completed in 2026



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GPG's **2025 Community Grant Program** for the Hawkesdale wind farm has two components. One being the **Hawkesdale Township Grant Program** and the other for the **Hawkesdale District Grant Program** extending to a radius of 30km. This is the first year for the district program. The recipients are:

Township Grant program

- Hawkesdale Cricket Club – Freezer
- HADDAC – Historical markers
- HADDAC – Solar lighting for the common
- Hawkesdale Macarthur Football Netball Club – Walk in cool room at Hawkesdale
- Hawkesdale Racecourse Reserve – Shed refurbishment and gardening equipment

District Grant Program

- Macarthur Gun Club – Concrete walkways
- Willatook Fire Brigade – Trailer
- Hawkesdale Macarthur Football Netball Club – Resurface Macarthur netball court
- MADA – exercise equipment in Macarthur town precinct, to be available when project is fully confirmed

Complaints Investigation and Response Plan (CIRP)

The **CIRP** is endorsed and can be found on <https://hawkesdalewindfarm.globalpower-generation.com.au/> following the link **The Project>Relevant documentation**.

The annual **Complaints Report** was submitted to the **Ministers office in August**.

Complaints can be made in the following ways:

- ✓ **Phone:** 1800 457 181 or 0428 867 646
- ✓ **E-mail:** debra.dumesny@globalpower-generation.com.au
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Do you know about

Neighbour Agreements

GPG Australia (GPGA) offers neighbour agreements to residents within a pre determined radius of a wind turbine. The purpose of the neighbour agreement is to share benefits with those who are most likely to be impacted by the construction and operation of the energy facility. The agreements are voluntary and there is no advantage for GPGA if an agreement is taken up by a near neighbour.

Contact is made with each neighbour and a draft agreement is offered, GPGA encourages the neighbour to discuss the draft agreement with a qualified legal representative of their choice, it is important that the neighbour fully understands the obligations and commitments made by both parties before signing. A neighbour can choose to take up the offer at any time and they also can choose to opt out of the agreement.

- Notifying GPGA of a sale or change of ownership of the property is to ensure payments are made to the correct person. A new owner is under no obligation to continue with the agreement.
- The neighbour agreement does not form a covenant over the neighbours land, this could not be done without the neighbour being fully aware and informed of the registration of such a procedure. *“A covenant is an agreement that is registered on the title of a parcel of land”.*

GPGA does not enter into agreements with community, neighbours or landowners eligible for any of their programs unless satisfied that there is understanding by all parties of the content of the agreement.

Further Information

Do you want to know more?

If you would like to know more about the **progress at the wind farm**, check the latest updates on the web page or maybe you are a **member of a club or group** that would like us to **visit and explain** further about the construction and operation of the wind farm, please contact Debra on 0428 867 646

Contact Us

Hawkesdale Office

The office at the Hawkesdale Memorial Hall has closed and moved to the operations offices at the internal substation on the wind farm.

Contact Debra on **0428 867 646** or by email hawkesdalewindfarm@globalpower-generation.com.au

How to be included on the Email List

To be included on the **distribution list for our newsletter and updates via email**, please contact our Community & Stakeholder Engagement Officer Debra on **0428 867 646** or by email hawkesdalewindfarm@globalpower-generation.com.au.

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