

Berrybank 1 & 2 Wind Farms

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Berrybank 1 Wind Farm: Operations update

- Currently the service team is completing the 2 yearly service of the towers.
- Availability continues to be above 99%.
- Noise monitoring has started again with units being deployed around the wind farm. This is a 6-week data collection process per unit.
- Nature Advisory has just finished another round of crop and fauna inspections as per the planning permit.

Berrybank 2 Wind Farm: Construction update

- 22 of the 26 turbines have completed their five-day reliability test.
- Turbine 62 has been dismantled and is the process of being rebuilt.

The Story of Turbine 62

Turbine 62 is the closest wind turbine to the Hamilton Highway on the south side.

Last year, after an abnormal wind episode during the assembly of the tower sections, the foundation was tested and it was decided to dismantle those sections and replace the foundation in order to ensure a high-performance standard for the whole life of the turbine.



After the new reinforcing was in place (pictured), the new foundation was poured on the 11th of February and needed nearly seventy concrete trucks coming from Geelong and Colac to deliver the nearly five hundred cubic metres of concrete needed for the foundation.

The turbine is now fully re-assembled with the crew working on completing the internal fit out. We are hoping that Berrybank 2 will be operational in the coming weeks,



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Community Engagement & Benefit Sharing

Neighbour Benefit Program

Voluntary deeds for neighbours whose household is located within a maximum radius of 2 km of the wind farm are available at any time during the construction and operational periods of the wind farms. These deeds offer the opportunity to share the benefits generated by the Wind Farms over many years. For more information contact Phil Beattie using any of the contacts below.

Residents of Smythesdale and surrounds once again have access to dedicated health services at “The Well”

As part of a Golden Plains Shire Council’s initiative, two medical practitioners are now operating on site, with \$50,000 of support from the State Government, and another \$50,000 from Global Power Generation Australia operators of the Berrybank 1 and 2 wind farms. Member for Buninyong Michaela Settle said local health services are integral to regional communities.



The facility had been without a medical practitioner following the departure of Ballarat Community Health earlier last year.

The Well’s clinic rooms have been fitted out with new equipment and amenities, with plans to incorporate allied health and podiatry alongside general practice. An independent clinic group have taken on the lease and are operational now.

Community Engagement Committee

The Berrybank Community Engagement Committee is a body established by GPG to provide a forum for open discussion between representatives of the Company, the community, the local councils and other key stakeholders on issues directly relating to the project.

The Berrybank CEC meeting was held at the Wallinduc CFA Station on Monday 3rd of April. Minutes of this meeting will be available on the project websites.

BMD Royal Children’s Hospital Fundraiser

BMD Constructions (BMD Group), civil contractor for the Hawkesdale wind farm, held a fundraiser on site for the Royal Children Hospital’s Good Friday Appeal, including a barbecue lunch for the workers. Two members of the BMD team on the Hawkesdale site volunteered to have their head shaved following an auction to raise money for the appeal. We were also fortunate to hear from Dave Farrell from Veterans in Construction. Dave is a veteran with 17 years in the Special Air Service Regiment and undertook ten operational deployments. He spoke about the importance of communication and respect for others when working in a team.

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GPG were able to combine the contributions from each of its 4 Victorian wind farm projects (Hawkesdale, Ryan Corner, Berrybank 1 and 2) to make a total donation of \$7,500 and taking the total amount raised for the day to \$10,350.



Who's who?

Luke Hatherell – GPG Operations Site Manager



The most recent addition to the GPG team is Luke Hatherell. As Operations Site Manager, Luke's role manages the day-to-day operations of the wind farm including environmental and technical aspects.

Luke grew up in Hamilton Victoria, and currently resides thirty minutes from Berrybank. He is a qualified professional with a wealth of experience in construction, mining and renewable's working in Western Australia and Victoria.

Luke joins us from close project partner Vestas, where he held the position of Berrybank Site Supervisor. His local

experience and pleasant demeanour make him a great fit into the GPG team.

Luke and his young family enjoy hooking on the caravan every chance they get and getting away to enjoy northern Victoria.

Contact Us

If you are looking to contact GPG about the Berrybank 1 or 2 Wind Farms, you can use the specific project email address to send though any feedback or complaints: berrybank1and2windfarms@globalpower-generation.com.au.

You can still also contact our community engagement officer Phil Beattie by phone: 0400 403 282 or email: philip.beattie@globalpower-generation.com.au

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