

First turbine blade lift - February 2019



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Welcome to edition 23 of the Stockyard Hill Newsletter. This newsletter provides information to the communities involved in the Stockyard Hill Wind Farm project. More copies are available by either contacting us, or downloading from our website - www.stockyardhillwindfarm.com.au

FIRST TURBINE INSTALLED

Goldwind Australia successfully installed the first wind turbine at Stockyard Hill Wind Farm in February 2019.

The wind turbine was the first of 149 Goldwind wind turbines to be installed at the project site, with the remainder to be installed throughout 2019-20.

Goldwind Project Director for Stockyard Hill Wind Farm, Andrew Monahan, said the significant milestone was a collective team effort by many employees and contractors.

"Our civil, electrical and logistics contractors, installation contractor and the global Goldwind team have worked together in the planning stages for around six months to achieve this milestone.

It's been a substantial team effort to ensure the first installation was carried out safely and smoothly. All 149 of the Goldwind wind turbines installed will be up to 180 metres high at the blade tip.

The tower for each turbine is made up of five sections and will be 110 metres high. The three blades positioned at the top of the tower are 68.5 metres long.

Construction at Stockyard Hill Wind Farm is progressing well, and the wind turbine installations are ongoing. Construction is due for completion in 2020," said Mr Monahan.

Construction of Stockyard Hill Wind Farm project commenced in June 2018. Approximately 300 staff are currently working on site.



TRANSMISSION LINE UPDATE

Works on the transmission line are proceeding well, with 217 of the 278 poles now installed. Stringing activities commenced in January 2019 by both traditional and heli-stringing, with approximately 26 km of the 74 km conductor lines now installed.

Final installations of both poles and conductors are expected to occur over the coming months, with remediation and demobilisation expected to be completed late in 2019.

With the vast portion of material now installed or delivered to construction locations, crews will commence demobilising plant and equipment from the Snake Valley storage yard over the coming weeks.

The Haunted Gully Terminal Station construction activity has continued to progress with construction of the 500kV switchyard and its high voltage bus bar, switching and control elements all being installed. The Terminal Station control room was installed in April, allowing the fit out and wiring of the new building to commence across May and June. Works for the 132kV switchyard has also commenced with structures being installed and the new switching and control elements being prepared for installation.

AusNet Services appreciate the patience and support provided during these construction works and will continue to provide construction activity updates to minimise disturbances.



Quick facts

As of June 14, 2019:

- 12 turbines fully installed
- Access tracks completed
 - 92 kilometres of 110 kilometres
- Foundations poured
 - 97 of 149 turbines
- All 132kV Powerline foundations completed with 217 of 278 poles erected



BEAUFORT GOLF BOWLS CLUB



Beaufort Golf Bowls Club benefited from the SHWF Community Investment program by receiving funding which paid for the installation of 30 roof top solar panels. This will assist with increasing electricity bills and significantly reduce costs for watering fairways and bowling greens. Thank you Stockyard Hill Wind Farm.

Community Investment Program delivers to our community

The community benefits of the Stockyard Hill Wind Farm continue to roll out with just over \$315,000 of support approved to local community groups since October 2017.

We are focussed on investing in programs and initiatives that benefit local community groups and the wider community.

Clubs and organisations supported in our recent round of grants in April 2019 total \$65,970 and include:

- **Beaufort Cricket Club** - in-kind donation for new cricket pitch
- **Beaufort Garden Club** - funding to assist erection of two additional bronze sculptures in Memorial Park
- **Beaufort & Skipton Health Services** - Murray to Moyne cycling relay
- **Beaufort 4 Business** - new Christmas decorations
- **Carranballac Cricket Club** - synthetic carpet for new cricket pitch
- **Pyrenees Arts Council** - category sponsorship of the Pyrenees Art Exhibition in June 2019
- **Skipton and District War Memorial Pool** - assisting with the supply of fake turf for a sheltered area
- **Skipton Fire Brigade** - two Tait portable radios
- **Skipton Primary School** - Sustainability Program
- **Snake Valley Campus - Woody Yaloak Primary School** - contributions towards building an outdoor classroom/gazebo
- **Snake Valley Campus - Woody Yaloak Primary School** - Healthy Restaurant Program
- **South West Healthcare - Lismore Campus Social Support Group** – community bus trips
- **Stoneleigh Fire Brigade** - supply of an Engle fridge
- **Trawalla Hall & Recreation Reserve** - refurbishing kitchen
- **Trawalla Primary School** - creation of a Community Sensory Garden and Reading Nook
- **Victorian Endurance Riders Association** - funding towards the State Championship event in October 2019
- **Western Plans Mobile Preschool-Lismore and Derrinallum Kinder** - landscape architectural services for master plan for outdoor play area

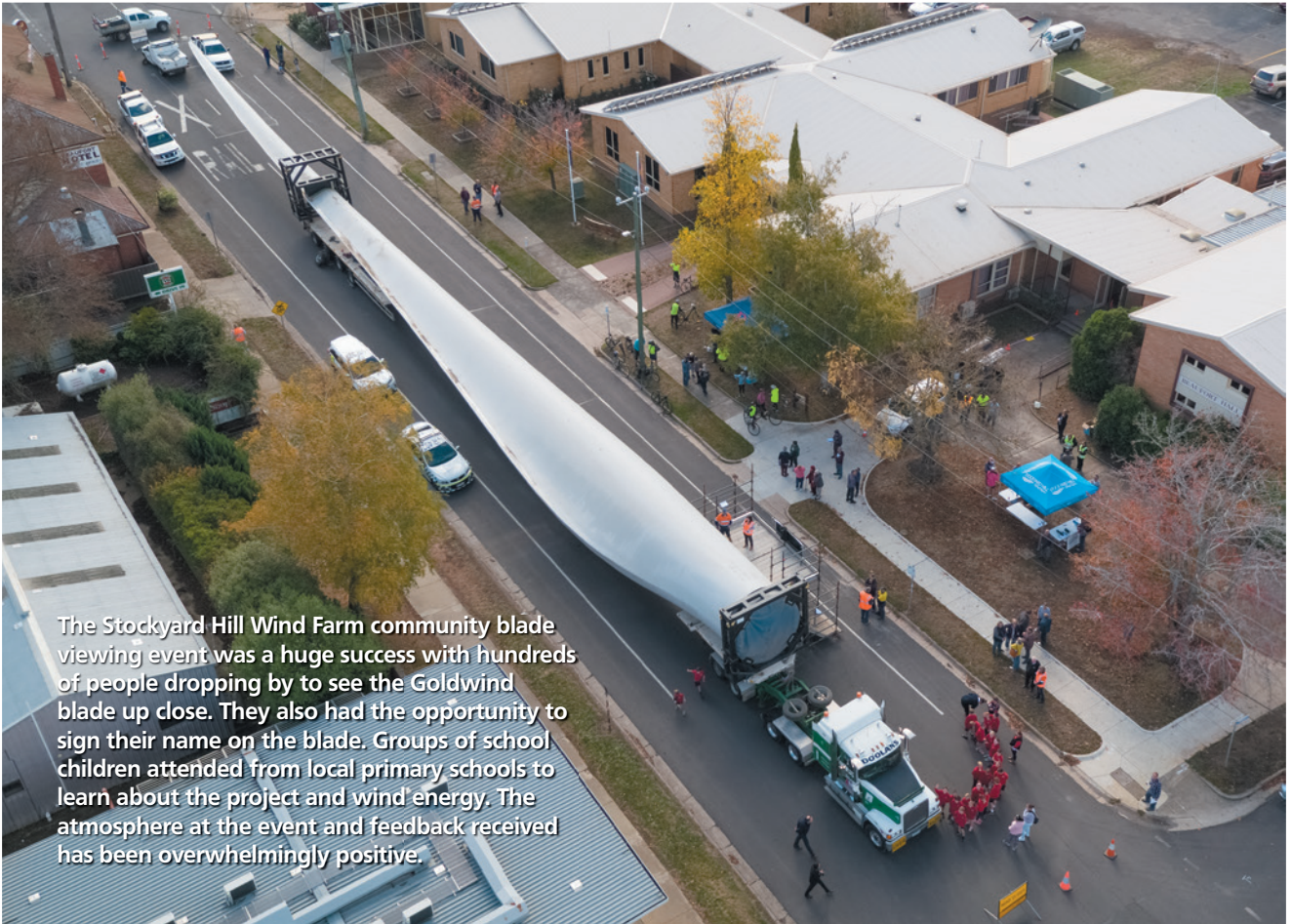


Stockyard Hill attended the recent Lake Goldsmith Steam Preservation Society's 113th Steam Rally.

With a small stall the project provided the community with updated information on the progress of the wind farm. Stockyard Hill Wind Farm's Community Relations Officer Trish Collins said there was a large amount of interest from attendees with countless questions and numerous discussions regarding the construction works in view along Cheeseman's Road and other surrounding areas around the site.

"People of all ages attended the stand with a particular interest in the project maps and the promotional items. It was great to have a presence at the Steam Rally and be involved with a fantastic local event."

COMMUNITY BLADE VIEWING EVENT



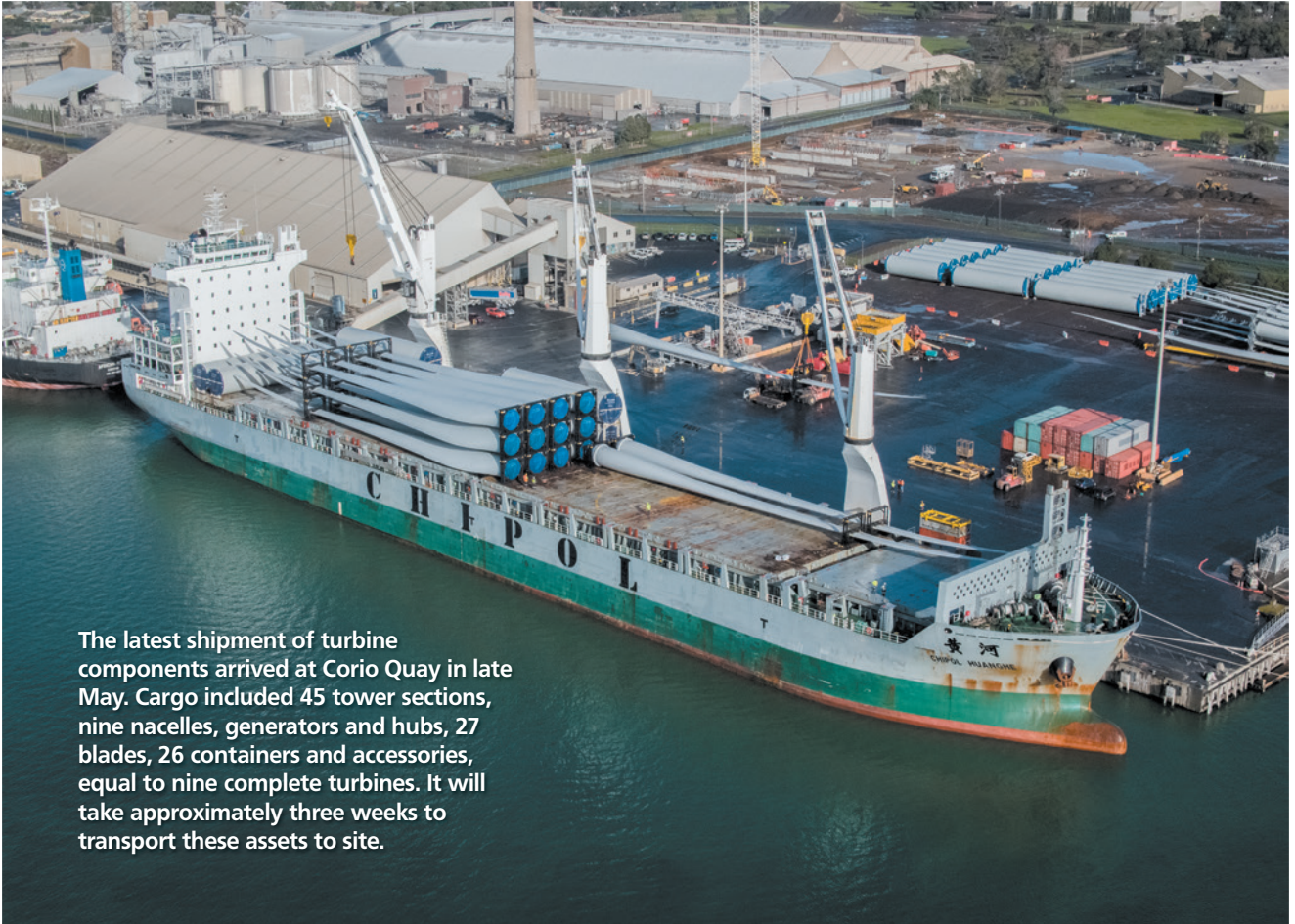
The Stockyard Hill Wind Farm community blade viewing event was a huge success with hundreds of people dropping by to see the Goldwind blade up close. They also had the opportunity to sign their name on the blade. Groups of school children attended from local primary schools to learn about the project and wind energy. The atmosphere at the event and feedback received has been overwhelmingly positive.



SNAPSHOT OF CONSTRUCTION



STOCKYARD HILL WIND TURBINES - CORIO QUAY



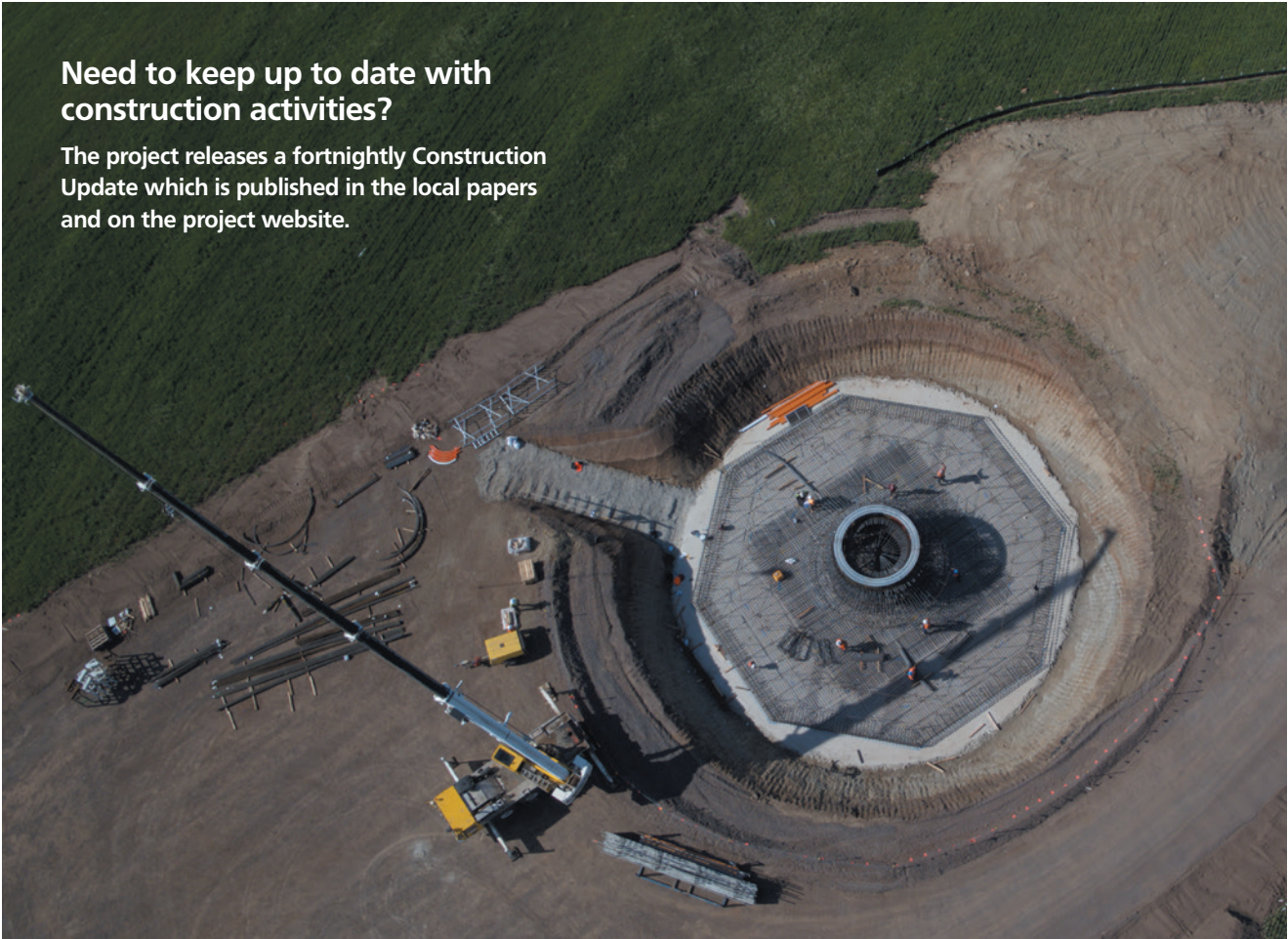
The latest shipment of turbine components arrived at Corio Quay in late May. Cargo included 45 tower sections, nine nacelles, generators and hubs, 27 blades, 26 containers and accessories, equal to nine complete turbines. It will take approximately three weeks to transport these assets to site.





Need to keep up to date with construction activities?

The project releases a fortnightly Construction Update which is published in the local papers and on the project website.



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