

# Cattle Hill Wind Farm

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## Project update

"It was fantastic to be able to participate in the Open Day where we could showcase our project to our local community and answer any questions visitors had about wind power".

Simon Williams  
Operations and Maintenance Manager, Powerchina



### A Successful Clean Energy Council Open Day At Cattle Hill Wind Farm

Cattle Hill Wind Farm hosted more than 80 guests at the recent Clean Energy Council (CEC) Open Day. The CEC Open Day is a chance for the Australian public to get up close and personal with renewable energy and this year, saw five projects across four states opening their gates to the public for a day of fun and informative activities.

"We all enjoyed a marvelous day out and were astounded at the size of your investment in such a wonderful renewable energy project, it was fantastic to see up close. Your team on site were excellent and answered the many questions thrown at them with all honesty and with obvious great knowledge and pride," said Peter Shelley of Channel Men's Shed.



# IdentiFlight®

"After spending 25 days observing the IdentiFlight system at work on the Cattle hill wind farm, I could not be more impressed. It is simply astounding! Given the high number of eagles utilising the Cattle Hill wind farm and the high population of eagles in the surrounding landscape there would undoubtedly have been a significant number of deaths without this system".

Simon Plowright, Wildspot Consulting Pty Ltd

Clean Energy  
Council Awards,  
Innovation Award  
Winner 2021



The innovative IdentiFlight® avian detection system is operating at the project as one of the key initiatives to mitigate Tasmanian Wedge-tailed Eagle impacts.

IdentiFlight's® tower-mounted optical units use artificial intelligence to identify birds as eagles, the IDF system then tracks the eagle and performs calculations in real time to calculate risk of an eagle colliding with a turbine based on its flight path and trajectory relative to the position of the turbines rotor swept area. If required, an alert is generated to shut down the specific wind turbine. Sixteen IdentiFlight® units are installed at the CHWF. The location of the towers is designed so they will be able to detect eagles and shut down any of the 48 turbines as necessary.

## Spotlight on



**Helen Kennedy**  
Community Engagement Manager, Cattle Hill Wind Farm

I am the Community Engagement Manager for Cattle Hill Wind Farm. I am based in Melbourne, but work closely with the site team to keep the community updated on activities on site, enable visits to the project and manage the community fund.

I have worked in the wind industry since 1996, beginning as a project developer in the UK for Renewable Energy Systems, before moving to Australia in 2002 to work for Pacific Hydro. I have worked on numerous projects in their development phase, through construction and now into operations. It is fantastic to see the growth in community engagement in the industry over those years. and especially Goldwind's commitment to local communities.

Cattle Hill Wind Farm is the first project I have worked on in Tasmania. I am looking forward to finally being able to visit the project and meet with community groups to talk about the community fund and the project generally.

I live in south east Melbourne with my husband, three children and a crazy Cocker Spaniel, Sadie.



# Community news



## Community Fund

CHWF is excited to announce the successful recipients of the first round of the community fund. The CHWF community fund aims to share the benefits of CHWF by investing in the communities around the wind farm.

The Funds are intended to provide financial support for community-based initiatives, projects and events that produce lasting community benefit and reflect local priorities.

Five community projects are being supported through the Community Fund in Round One:

Steppes Hall - Maintenance  
Bothwell Golf Club - Storage facility  
Bothwell Golf Club - Youth training  
Great Lakes Community Centre, Greenhouse & Men's Shed  
Bothwell Wellness Group - Weekly exercise class



## Steppes Hall

The Hall Committee were successful in securing funding from Cattle Hill Wind Farm for external repairs and painting of the Hall and sanding and polishing of internal floorboards.



## Great Lakes Community Centre

The Committee were successful in securing funding from Cattle Hill Wind Farm towards the Greenhouse Garden and Men's Shed project.



## Bothwell Wellness Group

The Group were successful in securing funding from Cattle Hill Wind Farm towards their weekly exercise classes in Bothwell.

Cattle Hill wind farm would like to thank the members of the assessment panel for their valued input and collaboration during the process.

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## Contact us

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