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New Yacht Club ready to launch

The Waratah-Wynyard Council's new state-of-the-art Multi-Purpose Facility is now complete, with Big hART and the Wynyard Yacht Club ready to take up residency.

The Multi-Purpose Facility and Wynyard Yacht Club were part of the Wynyard Waterfront & Environs Masterplan, a \$7.4m redevelopment funded by the Australian Government, through the Building Better Regions Fund, the State Government and the Waratah-Wynyard Council, to connect Wynyard's town centre to the waterfront of the Inglis River.

"The project has delivered a new all-ability, multi-purpose building that is now being recognised as a leading facility for sailability, events and meetings. It has increased accessibility and parking at the waterfront, improved the health of Camp Creek, replaced the Inglis River Seawall, constructed a new boardwalk and has developed Wynyard's public open space," General Manager of Waratah-Wynyard Council, Shane Crawford said.

The new multi-use events space, community building and club house were designed to be an event hub for the community with a function space, meeting rooms, club rooms, catering areas and toilet and shower facilities.

The building will be used year-round by the Wynyard Yacht Club, Tasmanian Canoe Club, Marine Rescue and other groups.

"Wynyard's new multi-purpose facility is an exceptional space that will not only benefit our community groups, but also our youth and local businesses," Waratah-Wynyard Mayor Robby Walsh said.

Big hART will also utilise the facility, having a fixed term lease for the café space to run The Watershed program, a decision made by Council as an interim COVID-19 recovery measure.

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The program will provide education, training and events from the new building, partnering with local cafes, chefs, businesses and community organisations to cater for a program of special events.

Scott Rankin, Creative Director and CEO of Big hART, is thrilled to bring The Watershed to Wynyard's new facility.

“Big hART will work in partnership with the Wynyard Yacht Club to curate a program which brings the community together and has a wide range of inclusive activities which are fun, fresh and contemporary.”

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