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### Hepburn Wind bus tours prove a winner

Hepburn Wind has recommenced conducting free bus tours to the wind farm at Challicum Hills near Ararat. The idea of the bus tours is to give people a chance to get a feel for how a wind farm works and interacts with the environment before the construction of the Hepburn Community Wind Park.

Similar bus tours proved popular in the planning stages of the Hepburn Community Wind Park and the Chairman of Hepburn Wind, Simon Holmes à Court is delighted that they are proving so again. "The best thing about the bus tours is that negative preconceptions about wind turbines are quickly put to rest".

One popular preconception is that wind turbines are extremely noisy – even like low-flying aircraft according to some opponents. Recent passengers on the bus tour were pleased to discover that the noise is really not an issue. "What is all the fuss about?" asked one. "Until the bus stopped idling, I could not even hear the turbines," said another.

The next bus tour to Challicum Hills will be held on Sunday 12 October. It will depart from the Daylesford Neighbourhood Centre at 10:00 am and return to Daylesford at 3.00 pm. Participants are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch which will be eaten close to the turbine. There is no charge for the tour.

Bookings for the bus tour can be made by contacting David Wait via e-mail at [david.wait@hepburnwind.com.au](mailto:david.wait@hepburnwind.com.au) or by calling David at (03) 8804 3138.

The Hepburn Community Wind Park is currently in its capital raising stage and anyone interested in the Offer Document can find it at [www.hepburnwind.com.au](http://www.hepburnwind.com.au).

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