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Updated Opening Hours – John Houston Memorial Swimming Pool

Hay Shire Council wishes to advise the community of updated operating arrangements for the John Houston Memorial Swimming Pool as the season draws to a close.

From 8:00am on Thursday, 2 April 2026, Council will introduce unsupervised access at the facility. This system provides greater flexibility for residents to utilise the pool during the final weeks of the season.

Access will be available via a FOB system, with FOBs available for purchase from Wednesday, 1 April 2026 for a refundable deposit of \$20 per FOB (limit of one per family). FOBs can be obtained from Council's Administration Building or by completing an application form available online: <https://www.hay.nsw.gov.au/Community-Services/Public-Swimming-Pool>

Unsupervised Access Hours: 8:00am – 2:00pm daily

Supervised Access Hours:

- Saturday 4 April to Monday 6 April: 2:00pm – 6:00pm
- From Tuesday 7 April onwards: 3:00pm – 6:00pm

Please be aware that the pool will be closed to all access for the entire day on Friday, 3 April 2026, but will reopen as usual the following day.

The swimming pool will officially close for the season on Sunday, 26 April 2026.

Council is also pleased to confirm that the splash park will remain open until Sunday, 10 May 2026, weather permitting, and will operate daily from 8:00am to 8:00pm.

These changes are designed to maintain safe and practical access to the facility while responding to seasonal demand and operational requirements.

Council thanks the community for its continued support and encourages residents to make the most of the facilities over the remaining weeks of the season.

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