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CEO's Corner

Flooding Event

The contractors are estimated to have completed 50% of outstanding works, and we are officially at the half way mark of our designated timeframe to complete the works.

There are a number of roads on which the remediation works have now been completed, if you have any concerns with the completed works, please let us know and the quality of work can be inspected and repaired if required.

As this work is being carried out, the Shire would like to remind road users to be courteous and slow down within the areas that crews are working, this will allow them to do their job in a safe manner and complete it sooner. Unfortunately we continue to have a number of reports of vehicles speeding through the road works.

Local Government Professionals CEO Luncheon – Tuesday 31 July 2018

On Tuesday 31 July 2018, I attended the Local Government Professional CEO Luncheon, held at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre. The luncheon was aimed specifically at new WA local government CEOs and included presentations from LG Professionals WA, DLGSC, WALGA and LGIS on the vast array of resources, support and services available to help us achieve our objectives as CEOs. This event was also a great networking opportunity for me to catch up with other WA local government CEOs.

WA Local Government Week - Wednesday 01 August to Friday 3 August 2018

WA Local Government Week was held at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre from 01 – 03 August 2018. The Shire Deputy President Cr Steve Hunt, Cr Roz Lloyd, Cr Ross Chappell, Cr Debrah Clarke, Cr Peter Stoffberg and I were in attendance at this exciting and informative event.

The theme for this year's event was 'Ready and Relevant' and the line-up did not disappoint. Throughout the three days, we received presentations from guest speakers including, Anh Do, Dr Geoff Raby, Mark McCrindle, Billie Jordan and Paul Huschilt, as well as a panel session with Hon. Bob Carr, Natasha Stott Despoja AM, Jacqui Lambie and Liam Bartlett.

We were also given the opportunity to participate in a number of 'concurrent sessions' that covered the following topics:

Leading Local Economies

Too Toxic to Talk

Changing Nature of Communities and Empowering your Community and Creating Great Places

How Prepared Are We?

South West Native Title Settlement and Local Government and

Getting Professional Performance from Non-Professionals.

Overall the event was a great success and provided us with the opportunity to network with local governments from across the state. Particular highlights of the event was the key note speaker Anh Do, his lived experience is truly a story of resilience, grit and optimism and this interesting outlook on politics was shared in a conversation led by Liam Bartlett with Jacqui Lambie, Natasha Stott Despoja AM and the Hon. Bob Carr.

WALGA Breakfast Forum: Beneficial Enterprises – How Local Government Can Meet Market Failure –

On Wednesday 1 August 2018, Shire Deputy President Cr Steve Hunt, Cr Roz Lloyd, Cr Ross Chappell, Cr Debrah Clark and I attended the WALGA Breakfast Forum: Beneficial Enterprises – How Local Government Can Meet Market Failure, held at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre.

This forum was jointly hosted by WALGA and the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries and provided an opportunity for state government, local government and the business sector to hear how local governments in other States have successfully established and operated the equivalent of Beneficial Enterprises.

WA Local Government Annual General Meeting –

On Wednesday 1 August, Shire Deputy President Cr Steve Hunt, Cr Roz Lloyd, Cr Ross Chappell, Cr Debrah Clarke, Cr Peter Stoffberg and I attended the WA Local Government Annual General Meeting, as part of WA Local Government week. Items for business discussed at this meeting included:

- Proposal to Amend the Association Constitution
- Roadside Vegetation – Regulatory Amendments
- GST Revenue Distribution Share for WA
- Rural, Regional and Remote Community State Government Funding Cuts
- Proposed Amendments to Planning and Development Regulations 2015

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CEO Corner *Cont.*

Road Works

The Construction Crew and General Maintenance Staff have carried out the following work:

- Mallee Hill Road, Lake Grace – carting of gravel and rolling

The Lake King Maintenance Grader has carried out grading work on the following roads in Lake King and Varley:

- Long Creek Rd
- Milstead Rd
- Mallee Tree Rd
- Old Newdegate Rd
- Tarco Rd
- Holt Rock South Rd

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out grading work on the following roads:

- Whurr Road
- Biddy Camm Road
- Haig Road

Parks and Gardens

The Town Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

- Tool and Plant Maintenance;
- Lake Grace Recreation Ground – mowing, cleaning up football and hockey ovals, whipper snipping pavilion surrounds and weeding of pavilion garden, clearing a fallen tree, leaf blowing and collection of rubbish;
- Lake Grace Medical Centre – general clean-up of medical centre surrounds and pruning roses;
- Lake Grace BBQ Area – loading and delivery of mulch to BBQ area car park and general garden maintenance;

Ordinary Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

Date: Wednesday 22 August 2018

Time: 3:00 pm

Location: Council Chambers

1 Bishop St Lake Grace

Members of the public welcome

A minimum of 15 minutes is set aside for public questions time, giving members of the public an opportunity to ask questions relating to Shire activities.

Cat Trap Hire

If you are being kept awake at night by singing cats or ones that are fighting please be aware that the Shire has a cat trap available for hire, \$50 bond which will be returned to you upon the return of the cat trap.

- Lake Grace Town Street – rubbish collection, removal of dead trees and large log, checking drains and spraying of town site;
- Lake Grace Swimming Pool – mowing of lawns, whipper snipping and blowing.

Building & Maintenance

The Building and Maintenance Team have carried out the following work:

- Lake Grace AIM Hospital- building movement monitoring;
- Lake Grace Causeway Parking Area – sign installation;
- Lake Grace Hall – repairs to bi-fold door, replace indicator bolt and unblock toilet;
- Lake Grace Village Hall – inspection of air con and lights;
- Lake Grace Sports Pavilion – repairs to door lock;
- Newdegate Golf Club – works request - glass washer;
- Newdegate Hall- sewerage maintenance;
- Newdegate Sports Pavilion - water leak repair;
- Lake Grace Public Toilets – light globes;
- Varley Pavilion - water leak repair;
- Varley Hall - Water leak repair.

Denise Gobbart
Chief Executive Officer

Community Citizen of the Year Awards

The campaign for Community Citizen of the Year Awards 2019 will officially open on 1 September.

There are four categories Citizen of the Year

A person you believe has delivered outstanding service to his or her community.

Citizen of the Year – Youth.

A young person you believe has delivered outstanding service to his or her community. To be eligible, the person must be under 25 years of age on January 26, 2018.

Citizen of the Year – Senior

An older person you believe has delivered outstanding service to his or her community. To be eligible, the person must be over 65 years of age on January 26, 2018.

Award for Active Citizenship

A group doing outstanding work or for an event staged in the community during the past year.

**NOMINATIONS OPEN 1 September 2018
CLOSE 31 October 2018**



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Office Opening Hours

Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday - Friday

8.30am - 4.30pm

Thursday 8.30am - 4.00pm

Staff can be contacted by phone between 8am - 5pm.

Transport & Licensing

All licensing payments are to be made in person at the Shire of Lake Grace Administration building.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 8.30am - 4.15pm

Thursday and Friday 8.30am - 4.00pm

As an agency we process the majority of transactions, including; renewals, transfers, number plate orders, boat registration renewals and new licence applications.

Please ensure you arrive at the counter with sufficient time for your transaction to be completed by closing time, this is because it is necessary for staff to reconcile Department of Transport transactions each day.

Please keep in mind that farm equipment and Learners Permit transactions can take up to 45 minutes or more.

Driving Assessor

The Practical Driving Assessor (PDA) will be at the Shire of Lake Grace Office on:

Friday - 7 September 2018

Friday - 5 October 2018 to be confirmed

Bookings are essential for all Practical Driver's Licence Assessments and we advise that there is a waiting list, so booking in advance is highly recommended.

Lake Grace has one assessment day each month held on the first Friday of the month.

For more information visit www.transport.wa.gov.au.

Building Surveyor

Shire Building Surveyor, Josiah Farrell will be available at the Shire Office on the following dates:

Tuesday 21 August 2018

Tuesday 4 September 2018

For an appointment contact Josiah on 0438 811 944.

Environmental Health Officer

For an appointment with the Shire's Environmental Health Officer, Will Pearce, please contact the Shire on 9890 2500 or email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Tip Open Hours

Lake Grace

Monday & Wednesday 9am - 2pm

Saturday & Sunday 9am - 4pm

Newdegate

Wednesday 9am - 1pm

Saturday 9am - 1pm

Lake King & Varley

Open Every Day

Waste & Recycle Pickup

Household Waste Collection is a weekly service and collected each Monday for Lake Grace, Newdegate, Lake King & Varley.

Recycling is a fortnightly service and alternates between Lake Grace & Newdegate. See below for the upcoming recycling collection dates.

Lake Grace	Newdegate
20 August	27 August
3 September	10 September

Please Note: There is no kerbside recycling collection service in Lake King or Varley.

For more information on Waste Management visit the Shire's website.

Office Opening Hours

Lake Grace Public Library School Place Absolon St

Monday - Thursday 9am - 5pm

Closed for lunch 12.30 - 1pm

School Holidays

Tuesday & Thursday 9am - 5pm Lunch 12.30 - 1pm

Newdegate Public Library Collier St

Monday - Thursday 8.30am - 4.30pm

Closed for lunch 12noon - 1pm

Friday 9am - 2pm

Lake King Library Newdegate/Ravensthorpe Rd

Tuesday and Thursday 8.30am - 3.30pm

Everyone welcome



Check out our Facebook page www.facebook.com/ShireofLakeGrace

Request for Tender

RFT 017/18



Panel of Suppliers for Road Building Contractors, Materials and Related Services

WALGA is seeking Tenders to enhance our Panel of Suppliers for Road Building Contractors, Materials and Related Services for WALGA members.

Request for Tender documents are available from www.tenderlink.com/walga/. Further information in regards to this Request for Tender can be obtained from Craig Hansom (08) 9213 2061.

Tenders must be submitted electronically via the WALGA Provider Portal. Information on portal access is provided within the Request document.

The Deadline for Tenders to be submitted is Tuesday, 11 September 2018, 2:30PM WST.

RICKY BURGESS
Chief Executive Officer

Hirer Responsibility when using Shire Public Buildings

All people, groups, sporting clubs who hire public buildings are responsible for the cleaning of the facility once used.

If tables and chairs are set up by the group they must also be packed away. All rubbish is to be put into bins provided. Hirers are responsible to ensure all stoves are turned off. Hirers are responsible for any damages incurred while hiring facility.

Shire employed cleaners are responsible for the general cleaning of a facility, they are not responsible for cleaning up and putting away tables and chairs after a function by a hirer.

Affiliation fees are set up to help cover some of the costs in maintaining the buildings for the hirers use which includes but not limited to; general cleaning, water and electricity usage.

Pension and Senior Card Advice

Under the Rates and Charges (Rebates and Deferments) Act 1992, the Local Governments are required to periodically review all pensioners.

If any of the details checked do not match, the claim may be rejected and concessions may be amended or cancelled.

Therefore, some things that pensioners and seniors may need to consider and advise the Shire about are:

- Do I hold a Commonwealth Seniors Health Card as well as a Seniors Card and am I only registered at the Shire with my Seniors Card?
- Has my partner also now received a card and we have not completed a joint application yet?
- As I am now not working more than 25 hours per week and am over 60, have I applied for a Seniors Card yet?
- Has the ownership of my property changed recently?
- Have I moved from one property to another and not made a new application for concessions with Water Corporation yet?
- Has my spouse ceased occupation of the property and I have not completed a new application?

If you work more than 25 hours per week, you are no longer eligible to have the Seniors Card and must return the card to Department of Community Services with a note advising them of your situation.

Unfortunately if concessions are cancelled, pensioners/seniors do not get their rebates again until new applications are made.

State Library Online

Did you know that library members have access to a state-wide collection of eBooks, eAudio, eMagazines and video streaming, all for free?

By signing in with their library card, members can enjoy BorrowBox and OverDrive for a wide selection of bestselling eAudiobooks and eBooks, while RB Digital offers current and back issues of popular eMagazines. Kanopy delivers one of the largest collections of indie films, classic cinema, festival and educational documentaries right to your device or compatible TV!

Please visit the Shire website in the library tag at www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au for more details on how to access and enjoy these free resources.

Power Outages

Customers affected by power outages lasting 12 continuous hours or more, may be eligible for an \$80 service standard payment.

To find out if you are eligible go to: <https://westernpower.com.au/power-outages/make-a-claim/>



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