

Shire of Lake Grace

Community News



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CEO's Corner

Ongerup Winter Sports Association – Newdegate

Big congratulations to the Newdegate Community who hosted the Grand Finals on Saturday 1 September, there was a huge crowd and the facilities were well presented. A great effort for all involved.

Congratulations also to the local teams that came out winners on the day, a great finish to your season.

Newdegate Machinery Field Days - 5 & 6 September 2018

The annual Newdegate Machinery Field Days event was held on Wednesday 5 and Thursday 6 September.

The theme of this year's Shire display hosted by our Councillors and Shire staff was centered on our Community Strategic Plan and our Economic, Environment, Social and Leadership Objectives. It was a great opportunity for our community members to get some 'face time' with our Councillors and staff and we certainly enjoyed meeting and interacting with you all.

Although the weather wasn't great (I still can't get over how cold Newdegate can be) it was a fantastic two days. We would like to extend our compliments and thanks to the Newdegate Machinery Field Days Committee and to all of the volunteers for the hard work and effort that goes into making this such an enjoyable and successful event every year.

Thank you also to all of the Shire staff and contractors involved with the town site maintenance and preparation of our facilities, ensuring that Newdegate was well presented to all of our visitors.

Art Acquisition Prize... and The Winner is.....

Congratulations to Judy Stewart who is the winner of the 2018 Shire of Lake Grace Art Acquisition Prize. Cr Peter Stoffberg and Cr Roz Lloyd were our Shire representatives and took charge of selecting our winner on Tuesday 04 September. The winning artwork is now on display at the Shire Office.

Council

Special Council Meeting – Friday 31 August 2018

Items of business considered by Council at this meeting included:

- Supply of Bitumen and Sprayed Bituminous Surfacing – Request for Quotation (RFQ 2018-01)
- Supply of Cement Stabilisation and Wet Mixing Services – Request for Tender (RFT 2018-01)

- Maintenance Grading – Request for Tender (RFT 2018-02)
- Gravel Pushing & Stockpiling – Request for Tender (RFT 2018-03)
- Waste Collection Services – Request for Quotation (RFQ 2018-02)
- Supply and Delivery of Aggregate – Request for Tender (RFT 2018-04)

Special Council Meeting – Wednesday 05 September 2018

The item of business considered by Council at this meeting was:

- Supply of Preparation Repairs Prior to Road Sealing Services – Request for Tender (RFT 2018-05)

WALGA Central Country Zone Meeting – Friday 31 August 2018

On Friday 31 August, Shire President Cr De Landgrafft, Shire Deputy President Cr Hunt and I attended a WALGA Central Country Zone Meeting, hosted by the Shire of Wickiepin. The items of business considered at this meeting included:

- Policy for Restricted Access Vehicles on Roads Not on an Approved Network during Harvest
- Local Government Act Review Phase 2
- Road Safety Audit Requirement for Black Spot Submissions
- Australian Local Government Association Election Initiative Summary
- Department of Water and Environmental Regulation Discussion Paper on a Cost Recovery Approach
- Election Caretaker Period
- Approval Conditions for Roads on the RAV and AMMS Networks

Road Works

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

- Lake Grace Tip – tip clean up
- Slarke Road - carting of culverts and plant, cleaning of Slarke Road Pit, back slopes, tree removal, grading and rolling
- Newdegate Recreation Ground Maintenance – tank pad
- Rural Road Signs and Guideposts

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- Biddy Camm Road – cleaning of back slopes
- Carting of gravel to Slarke Street

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

- Biddy-Camm Road
- Slarke Road

Road inspections have also been carried out on the following roads:

- Burns Road
- Green Road

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out grading work on Shalders Road

Parks and Gardens

The Town Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

- Lake Grace Swimming Pool – tree branch removal, mowing and blowing
- 3 Clark Avenue, Lake Grace – final clean of yard, mowing of lawns and general garden maintenance
- Town Street Maintenance – tree branch removal, general tidying up of town, mowing, whipper snipping, spraying of laneways and verges and slashing of Stubbs Street verges
- Lake Grace Recreation Ground – whipper snipping, mowing of hockey oval, removal of fallen tree branches from around the ovals and moving of blue metal
- Lake Grace Playgrounds – removal of playground at Morrison Avenue
- Lake Grace RSL Hall Garden – mulching at the back of the Hall
- Lake Grace Railway Building – general garden maintenance and weeding
- Varley Pavilion – general garden maintenance
- Varley Townsite – spraying

Ordinary Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

Date: Wednesday 26 September 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.

- Newdegate Field Days – clean and drop off bins and bin collection

Building & Maintenance

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

- 6 Banksia Place, Lake Grace – kitchen upgrade
- Lake Grace Swimming Pool – preparation for drainage works, including removal of carpets and paving
- Newdegate Pavilion – maintenance and inspection ahead of Field Day event
- 3 Clarke Avenue, Lake Grace – air conditioner fault and maintenance to tile fire
- Lake Grace Public Toilets – water leak
- Lake Grace AIM – continuation of building movement monitoring

Denise Gobbart
Chief Executive Officer

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.

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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 - 5 October 2018

Friday - 2 November 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 18 September 2018

Tuesday 2 October 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
17 September	24 September
1 October	8 October

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

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VACSWIM Enrolments

VacSwim classes in Newdegate and Lake Grace will be held from:

Saturday 15 December 2018
until Friday 21 December 2018

Your children can join in the fun of learning to swim for just:

- \$7.00 per child for a five day short program
- \$13.00 per child for all other programs.

It's even cheaper if you have three or more children:

- \$18.00 a family for a five day short program
- \$35.00 a family for all other programs.

The family enrolment discount only applies to three or more immediate family members or a blended family living permanently at the same address (proof may be requested).

Separate entry fees may be required at pool centres for participants and accompanying family members.

Enrolments Close: Sunday 4 November 2018

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**



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.

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.

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/>



Check out our website www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au