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CEO's Corner

Potential Issues on Farm and Emergency Water Supplies

I have been contacted by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) to see what concerns we have within the Shire regarding on farm stock watering issues, low emergency supplies and a high need for carting for livestock watering over summer months. Could farmers please contact the Shire office to register your concerns, to enable relevant information to be submitted to DWER.

Review of Part 13 - Towed Agricultural Implements

Agricultural implements are machines without independent means of propulsion that are built to perform agricultural tasks. While not designed for road use, they may require limited road access when being towed to an operating site.

The legislative requirements for the on-road use of towed agricultural implements are found in the Road Traffic (Vehicles) Regulations 2014 ('the Regulations'), in particular Part 13. These provisions generally mirror the contents of the now repealed Road Traffic (Towed Agricultural Implements) Regulations 1995.

In response to matters raised by the agricultural sector, the Minister for Transport has directed the Department of Transport (DoT) to carry out a review of the legislation governing towed agricultural implements. This will provide recommendations to Government regarding how legislation can be modernised to meet the needs of the WA agricultural industry, support road safety and provide fair road network access.

The regulations concern towing combinations and are in addition to other legal requirements. In particular, vehicles that exceed statutory mass and dimension limits will require authorisation before they can be used on the road. Authorisation could include a notice or permit from the Commissioner Main Roads or the Commissioner of Police, or where there are no defined mass and dimension limits for that type of vehicle, an exemption from the CEO Transport.

The regulations govern matters such as lighting, safety equipment, speed restrictions, movement requirements and permits. Interested parties are invited to provide advice about how the current regulations can be improved to better reflect industry practices and agricultural machine standards.

To facilitate the review and public consultation, the Department has developed an electronic pdf survey,

which can be saved to a hand-held device enabling the user to undertake the survey in increments as time permits. The survey can be found using the below link:

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/deaf6c84b27d6ba4ab394cdf0/files/789584fa-94fb-47ad-9d47-a228df1f8da3/Public_consult_TAI_Regulations_FINAL.pdf

Submissions to this review must be sent to the Agricultural Vehicle Advisory Committee (avac@transport.wa.gov.au) by COB, Monday 19 November.

80km Restrictions – Gravel Roads

All vehicles greater than 4.5 tonnes are restricted to a maximum speed of 80 km/hr on all gravel roads within the Shire of Lake Grace from 1 November to 31 December 2018 inclusive. This will assist with road safety and road preservation over the harvest period. Please be alert and considerate of other roads users.

Container Deposit Scheme (CDS)

DWER has released draft customer service standards for consultation. They can be found on the following site <https://www.der.wa.gov.au/our-work/consultation/513-draft-customer-service-standards-for-collection-network>. This document proposes locations where the community will be able to return eligible beverage containers, of which Lake Grace is one. Once finalised, the CDS customer service standards will inform negotiations between Government and the Preferred Scheme Coordinator on specific criteria, targets and reporting of the Scheme Coordinator, and detail the establishment and implementation of the CDS.

Flooding Event

The contractors are nearing completion of outstanding works, it is anticipated that we will have the works, with the exception of culvert cleaning finished prior to December. The work outstanding is as follows;

- Western Sector – Compaction behind culvert headwalls on Duckworth and Fourteen Mile Roads and place rock protection at culverts on Beenong North and Kent Roads.
- Southern Sector – Rectification work on Old Ravensthorpe Road, Culverts on Old Ravensthorpe, Nield and Magenta Roads. Sealing of causeway on Magenta Road, this will be undertaken when the Shire's sealing program commences.
- Culvert Cleaning – Western Sector is complete, works commencing on the Northern Sector.

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- Audits – Eastern Sector nearing completion.

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. We continue to have reports of vehicles speeding through the road works.

Information Bay – Lions Park Lake Grace

Our thanks to the Lions Club of Lake Grace for the fantastic job they have done with the upgrade of the Information Bay signage. It has certainly brightened the area up. Well done to all involved.

Salute to Service Grant Successful!

On Friday 19 October 2018, we received confirmation that our application for the Salute to Service Grant has been successful. This grant will be used for the purchase of four plaques to be placed in each town within the Shire and will honour our service men and women. Thank you to all that were involved in putting this application together.

Unfortunately due to the timing of the Grant being awarded, although we will not have the plaques available for Remembrance Day, they will be installed once they are received.

Prohibited Burning Times

We are officially into bushfire season and prohibited burning time is now in place as of 1 November 2018 until 31 January 2019. **Strictly no burning is allowed.** Please keep safe and be vigilant during the season.

If in Doubt, Leave it out

At the Meeting of Environment Ministers in April 2018, during which there was a strong focus on packaging waste and the impact that China's National Sword initiative is having on recycling in Australia, the Ministers agreed to reduce the amount of waste generated and make it easier for products to be recycled. With this has come some confusion from the public as to what can and can't be placed in recycle bins for kerbside collection. As a result contamination of recycling is still a significant issue, with 15-20% of recycling collected being contaminated. This contaminated material is also effectively being paid for twice – once when it is collected and sorted through the recycling system, then again when it is landfilled.

The following items should NOT be put in your yellow lid recycling bin:

- Materials in bags (any recyclable material should be placed loose in the bin)
- Plastic bags and light plastic film
- Nappies
- Clothes or other textiles
- Garden and food wastes
- Gas bottles, batteries or aerosols

- Ropes, cables and garden hose pipes
- Shredded paper

You should ensure that all glass bottles/jars, plastic bottles/containers, aluminium/steel cans are empty, clean and that any bottle tops have been removed.

If in doubt, leave it out!

Road Works

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

- Magenta Road – clearing back slopes, carting of gravel, surveying and pegging
- Ardler Road - drainage off shoots
- Griffin Reward and O'Neill Roads – clearing back slopes
- North Lake Grace – Karlgarin Road – clearing back slopes, patching pot holes
- Plant Maintenance
- Lake Grace Landfill - landfill push up
- Road Sign Maintenance – Newdegate Townsite and 'Wave' sign at Tarin Rock

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grading has carried on the following roads:

- Biddy-Camm Road, McGlenn Road, Trevenen Road

The Lake King and Varley Maintenance Grading has carried out on the following roads:

- Drust Road
- Purnta Road

Parks and Gardens

The Town Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

- Lake Grace Administration - repairs to reticulation
- Lake Grace Pavilion Precinct Maintenance – mowing and edging of ovals, watering, weeding, spraying of ants and sand spreading
- Lake Grace Hall – weeding and mowing
- Lake Grace Swimming Pool – mowing, removal of debris and sand spreading
- Lake Grace RSL Building – weeding and spraying of aphids
- Lake Grace Railway Building – checking and testing of watering system and spraying of aphids
- Lake Grace Main Street Maintenance – watering, weeding and spraying of aphids, slashing of verges, clean-up of BBQ area, picking up loose branches and median strip garden maintenance
- Lake Grace Op-Shop Spare Block – pruning of trees
- Lake Grace East Townsite – slashing, mowing and delivery of new bins
- Lake Grace Cemetery – general garden maintenance and spraying of weeds
- Lake Grace Airstrip and Sewage Pond – spraying of weeds
- 36 Bennett Street – garden and reticulation maintenance
- 54A Bennett Street – garden and

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- reticulation maintenance
- 3 Clark Avenue – checking and fixing of reticulation system
- Varley Cemetery, Sports Complex and Townsite – general garden maintenance
- Lake King Sports Oval – installation of filter for sports oval watering system

Building & Maintenance

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

- 54a Bennett Street, Lake Grace – toilets replaced, door repairs, repair to cracked tile, replacing of shower head and repairs to towel rail
- 36 Bennett Street, Lake Grace – repairs to external area and door closer
- Lake Grace Swimming Pool – re-laying of carpet after drainage works
- Varley Hall – repairs to external woodwork and tile splashback for oven
- Lake King Public Toilets - repairs to toilet cistern
- Lake King Tractor Museum – make safe damaged shade structure

Denise Gobbart
Chief Executive Officer

Prohibited Burning Times

**NO BURNING ALLOWED
FROM 1 NOVEMBER TO 31
JANUARY**



Harvest Ban Zones

All fire zones in the Shire of Lake Grace will be on Channel 11 in an event of a fire.

- When a fire occurs on a property in a zone a *Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban* will be imposed for the whole zone until the fire is deemed safe, and the *Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban* is lifted.
- When a fire occurs on a property neighbouring a zone boundary both zones will have a *Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban* imposed until the fire is deemed safe, and the *Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban* is lifted.

Is the Shire of Lake Grace Digitally Ready?

Help plan for the future

The Shire of Lake Grace is undertaking the region's first digital census, to help it to understand what is required, to assist all homes, business and community groups, to benefit in the digital age.

Your support in completing a short online survey will help the Shire to develop future strategies, plans and actions, to position the region competitively for the digital future.

Copy the web link into your browser and this should take you directly to the online survey. Click Start and follow the instructions.

Web Link: <https://optimi.typeform.com/to/X0Rj2T>

Your participation in the survey is completely anonymous.

You can access the survey from the Shire website: www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au or ring the Shire on 9890 2500 for a hard copy to be posted to you with a return address envelope.

*The Shire of Lake Grace
invites all Seniors to*

Seniors Week Celebrations 2018 at Walkers Hill Winery Wednesday 14 November Starting 10am

Come along share a laugh and a cuppa with the P&K Challenge.

Poetry

Followed by lunch.

Enjoy the afternoon listening or singing-along with Local Musicians.

RSVP Essential: Bookings at the Shire office: 9890 2500

Government of Western Australia
Department of Communities

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COTA
For older Australians

WA Seniors Week
11-12 November 2018



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

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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 December 2018

Friday - 4 January 2019 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 13 November 2018

Tuesday 27 November 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
12 November	19 November
26 November	30 November

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

'If in Doubt Leave it Out'



What's Recyclable What's Not!

Acceptable Items



Plastic bottles- without lids, newspaper, cardboard (clean), paper grocery bags, egg cartons, magazines, junk mail, stationery and envelopes, glass bottles and jars, milk & juice cartons, aluminium/tin cans, foil, trays, all plastic food containers, empty aluminium cans

Unacceptable Items



Plastic wrap, plastic bags, coffee cups, fast food wrappers, paper plates, soiled paper, paper towels, napkins, light bulbs, food waste, cups, plates, wine and drinking glasses, batteries, green waste, shredded paper

Specific materials which may have questions about them include 'If in doubt leave it out':

Aerosols – although the instructions on current education materials say that aerosols should be put in the recycling bins empty, many aren't. Aerosols have caused 5 small explosions in the compactor of one of the MRF Operators over the last year. There is also the concern that people are putting all types of aerosol into the recycling bin, including butane canisters which are potentially extremely hazardous. Therefore it is recommended that people do not put their aerosols in the recycling bin, instead they take them to one of the 13 Household Hazardous Waste facilities throughout WA.

Coffee cups – although a similar material to milk cartons, coffee cups are not recyclable through kerbside because of their shape (they would not be sorted by the sorting screen) also these materials would represent a contaminate in the cardboard stream.

UHT Milk containers – if silver lined, are not recyclable through the kerbside system. These materials are composite packaging. Normal milk cartons which do not have a silver lining are acceptable in the kerbside recycling bin.

Take away food containers – yes if they're clean.

Meat trays – no, currently it is too confusing to know what the material is therefore if it is or is not recyclable.

Tops on or off containers – ensure they are empty, need to be the same type of plastic if going to put them inside the bottle, just end up as contamination if they are in the recycling bin as too small to be collected.

Plastic containers 1 – 7, all are recyclable. What isn't recyclable is flexible plastic or polystyrene.

Shredded paper – should not be in the recycling bin, the shredded paper is too small to be captured and it contaminates the glass stream.