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CEO's Corner

Flooding Event – February 2017

WML Consulting Pty Ltd has been appointed as the Project Manager for this project. Two Tenders for supervision services, plant and labour closed on Tuesday 29 August. The tenders are this week being evaluated by a panel and will make recommendation to Council for their final decision.

For current road closures please refer to the Shire's website www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au or Facebook page for a list of roads that are closed within the Shire.

Local Government Elections – 21 October 2017

Nominations are now open for any interested person wishing to nominate for a vacancy and closes at 4.00pm Thursday 14 September. Carly Smith is our Returning Officer for this election. Any prospective Councillor can contact Carly on 0429 351 375 regarding your eligibility and for the nomination procedure.

Prospective Candidates Local Government Elections – 21 October 2017

Any person interested in nominating on Council and is unsure of what the role entails please contact the Shire office and we can arrange a briefing on the roles and responsibilities of an elected member. There are pre-recorded webinars for "Prospective Elected Members" and "Local Government Act for Elected Members" that can be viewed. I am happy to discuss the process with any prospective elected member.

Newdegate Machinery Field Days

The Newdegate Machinery Field Days was held last Wednesday and Thursday (6 & 7 September) with the Shire's display at Site 35. The display was based on the

Shire's recently endorsed Strategic Community Plan 2017 – 2027. The display provided a focus on tourism, as well as information on the previous year's activities, linked to the Strategic Community Plan.

The Councillors and staff were present, and all enjoyed the interaction from the "visitors" that dropped in.



The weather helped to make for a fantastic two days, and we would like to extend our compliments and congratulations to the Newdegate Machinery Field Days Committee and all its volunteers for making it a great event. The community of Newdegate should be very proud; it is a great achievement for a small community to host such an event. Well done.

Thanks to the Shire staff and contractors who were involved with town site maintenance and preparation of our facilities; ensuing that Newdegate was well presented for the Field Days.



Winner of the iPad Mini

The Shire of Lake Grace had a competition at the Newdegate Machinery Field Days where customers had to complete a three (3) question questionnaire to go into a prize to win an iPad Mini. The draw took place on Monday 11 September. Congratulations to Erica Wiech the winner of the iPad Mini. Much to our surprise, Erica was the winner of the same competition at last year's Field Days.

Art Acquisition Prize

Congratulations to Julie Silvester the winner of the Shire of Lake Grace Art Acquisition Prize 2017. Cr Roz Lloyd and Cr Ross Chappell were the Council representatives selecting the award which took place last Tuesday, prior to the opening of the Newdegate Machinery Field Days. The artwork is now on display at the Shire Office.



Building and Maintenance Team

This fortnight, Wayne Trawinski, the Shire's Building & Maintenance Supervisor reports that works continue on Independent Living units:

- External painting commenced;
- Internal painting complete;
- Plumbing fitout and fixtures complete;
- Electrical work complete and connected to Western Power;
- Air-conditioners installed; and,
- Landscaping complete.

The Building Maintenance Team is still in the process of cleaning out gutters on all Shire owned buildings including Shire managed housing.

The Lake Grace Sports Pavilion upgrade has commenced with disconnection of services, demolition of walls and kitchen.

Maintenance requests completed over the past fortnight:

- Newdegate Recreation Centre;
- Hainsworth Building, Newdegate;
- Lake Grace Hall; and,
- Lake Grace Visitor's Centre.

Road Works

During the past fortnight the Construction Crew have recently completed gravel re-sheeting on Beynon Road and have now moved to Webb Road.

The Maintenance Grader has been working on South Burngup Road, Strevett Road, Geliard Road, Beenong Road, Biddy Camm Road and Burns Road. Backslopes were carried out on South Burngup Road and trees have been trimmed on Beenong Road and Brook Road.

The Newdegate grading contractor has been working on Whurr Road, Orr Road and Newman Road and will then move onto Biddy Camm Road, Haig Road, Tonkin Road and Mt Vernon Road.

The Lake King grading contractor has been working on Muncaster Road and Kathleen Road and will then move onto Hogan Road and Biddy Camm Road.

Parks and Gardens

The town maintenance crew have been working in Lake Grace and have carried out works at the Lake Grace cemetery, Lake Grace airstrip, Lake Grace Hall and spraying of laneways and around the main street. The team carried out slashing in Newdegate and various works at the Newdegate Machinery Field Days.

Denise Gobbart
Chief Executive Officer

Ordinary Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

3:00 pm Wednesday 27 September 2017

at Council Chambers 1 Bishop St Lake Grace

Members of the public welcome

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

Australia Day Nominations 2017

Nominations for the Community Citizen of the Year Awards for Australia Day 2018 will open 1 September 2017 and close on 31 October 2017.

The criteria for the awards remains consistent with previous years and allows you to recognise a wider range of your community champions through the four categories:

- **Citizen of the Year**
- **Senior Citizen of the Year (over 65 years of age)**
- **Youth Citizen of the Year (under 25 years of age)**
- **Active Citizenship Award (to recognise a community group or event)**

For further information visit www.citizenshipawards.com.au



Australia Day WA
Community
Citizen of
the Year

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 license 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 - 6 October 2017

Friday - 3 November 2017 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.

Firearm Licence

All firearm licensing including the payment of licence renewals is now done at the Lake Grace Post Office.

Building Surveyor

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

Tuesday 19 September 2017

Tuesday 10 October 2017

For an appointment contact Josiah on 0438 811 944.

Environmental Health Officer

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

Tip Opening 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 & Recycling Pick up Dates

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
18 September	25 September
2 October	9 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.

Library Hours

Lake Grace Public Library School Place Absolon St

Monday - Thursday 9am - 5pm
Closed for lunch 12.00 - 12.30pm

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



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



Bushfire Bulletin



Having an emergency kit is an important step to prepare and protect your household for an emergency such as a bushfire.

Keep your Emergency Survival Kit in a storage container in a location that is easy to get to and the whole family knows about.

Things to include in your kit are:

- Portable battery-operated AM/FM radio
- Waterproof torch
- Spare batteries
- First aid kit with manual
- Candles with waterproof matches
- Woollen blankets
- Emergency contact numbers



And don't forget to prepare for your pets as well. Make sure your pet is wearing an identification tag.

If you're leaving, take a leash, basket, medication, food and a familiar toy for your animal. It will help reduce stress.

Restricted Burning Period

(Permits Required)

19 September - 31 October

Burning permits will be required from Tuesday across the Shire, this includes burning within townsites.

Firebreaks must be in place from the 1 November to the 30 April.

Harvest Bans 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.

Sale of Non-chipped Dogs and Cats

Members of the public have queried whether it is lawful for a puppy or kitten to be sold if it is not microchipped.

Under the current provisions of the *Dog Act 1976*:

- All dogs must be microchipped once they are three months of age; and
- All dogs, irrespective of age, must be microchipped prior to being sold or transferred to a new owner.

These requirements apply to all dogs, unless the owner obtains a vet certificate which exempts the dog from microchipping on medical grounds.

Similar restrictions apply to the sale of non-microchipped cats. While a cat is not required to be microchipped until it is six months old, it cannot be sold or transferred until microchipping has occurred.

These restrictions also apply to impounded animals held by a local government.

To assist, the department has produced fact sheets which summarise the legal obligations of pet ownership for cat and dog owners. The fact sheets are available on the department's cats and dogs page.

For more information go to:
www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au



www.dsr.wa.gov.au

The Shire of Lake Grace warmly
invites you to attend
A Community Film Night

Newdegate
Tuesday 17 October 2017
6pm - 8pm
Newdegate CRC
Light supper provided

Lake King
Wednesday 18 October 2017
6pm - 8pm
Lake King Hall
Light supper provided

Lake Grace
Thursday 19 October 2017
6pm - 8pm
Lake Grace CRC
Light supper provided

The films* are short documentaries on local Wheatbelt towns who have achieved economic growth. This will be followed by a brainstorming session to identify initiatives that would encourage development and innovation within your community.

Innovation

Ideas

Opinions

Actions

Involvement



To be facilitated by
Anna Dixon of
CreativeIQ

This event is supported by

- Lake King Progress Association
- Varley Progress Association
- Newdegate Community Development Association
- Lake Grace Development Association
- Lake Grace and Newdegate Community Resource Centres

*These may include Nyabing and Kulin initiatives, along with two ABC Landline and two ABC Backroads episodes.

