

# Shire of Lake Grace Community News

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## CEO's Corner

### Local Government Elections

Local Government elections will be held on the 17th October 2015 with 4 vacancies to be filled for the Shire of Lake Grace, 1 in Lake Grace Ward and 3 in the Rural Ward.

Please refer to the notice in this publication from Returning Officer Terry Gladish on behalf of the WA Electoral Commission.

Key points: Nominations open Thursday 3rd September and close at 4.00 pm sharp on Thursday 10th September 2015. Further details can be found in the notice.

### Newdegate Field Days

The countdown is on for this year's Field Day event. The Newdegate Committee has been busy over the last few weeks finalising arrangements for the exhibitors. Come along and have a look at the restored and relocated Newdegate Railway Station. Councillors will be in attendance at the Shire display. Best wishes to the Field Day Committee and the Newdegate community for a successful event.

### Lake Grace and Newdegate Medical Practice

Councillors and staff continue their efforts in the recruitment of a suitable medical practitioner for this important community service. The Shire is working in cooperation with Rural Health West in advertising the position. We are hopeful of finding a replacement for

## Shire Display at Field Day

Come along to the Shire site in the Family Interest Pavilion

**Wednesday 2 &  
Thursday 3 September**

Chat with Councillors  
and staff.



**NEWDEGATE  
MACHINERY  
FIELD DAYS**



Dr Jacobs in the not too distant future. It may be necessary to put in place an interim arrangement should the need arise.

### Roadworks

The Shire's Roads Construction crew have made significant in rolling out this year's re-sheeting program with excellent results achieved on Willcocks Rd, Fourteen Mile Rd and their current project along Mallee Hill Road. These works are of a high standard and are on budget notwithstanding some rain interruptions.

### 4WDL Housing Project

I am pleased to advise that the Shire of Lake Grace has, through the 4WDL Housing Project, secured funding from the Royalties for Regions 2015 Southern Inland Initiative for three additional over 55 housing units to be located in the townsite of Lake Grace. If you have an interest in aged housing at Newdegate or Lake Grace please register your interest by contacting the Shire Office. Registration of interest is an essential element for both current and future housing initiatives.

*Neville Hale*

**Chief Executive Officer**

## Ordinary Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

**3.00pm Wednesday, 23 September 2015**  
**Location: Council Chambers 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.



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## Office Opening Hours

Monday - Tuesday - Thursday - Friday  
8.30am - 4.30pm

Wednesday 8.30am- 4.00pm

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

## Licensing Opening Hours

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 8.30am - 4.15pm  
Wednesday and Friday 8.30am - 4.00pm

## Tip Opening Hours

### Lake Grace

Monday, Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday  
7am - 6pm

### Newdegate

Wednesday 9am - 3pm  
Saturday 8am - 12pm

### Lake King & Varley

Open Every Day

## Waste & Recycling Pick up Dates

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

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

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

Lake Grace	Newdegate
7 Sept	8 September
21 September	22 September

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



Check out our website  
[www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au](http://www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au)

## Driving Assessor

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

**Friday - 4 September 2015**

**Friday - 2 October to be confirmed**

Please contact the Shire's Customer Service Officer for an appointment.

You can now book your PDA online. For more information visit [www.transport.wa.gov.au](http://www.transport.wa.gov.au)

## Building Surveyor

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

**Tuesday 8 September 2015**

**Tuesday 22 September 2015**

To make an appointment please contact Josiah on 0438 811 944.

## Rates Due

Full payment and 1<sup>st</sup> instalments are due on the

**Friday 11 September 2015.**

For any enquiries please contact the Shire's Senior Finance Officer, Warrick Millar on 9890 2500.

## Wanted - Photographs

For people who always have their camera at hand the Shire is looking for photos to promote our area.

If you have any photos of events, infrastructure or landscape please email, with a description, to [shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au](mailto:shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au).

Your photos will be used to promote the area on our website, Facebook page and publications.

Wherever possible you will be acknowledged if your photo is published .

Please ensure you have permission from the people who are captured in the photo.



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## Local Government Elections

### Important Dates on the Election Timetable

22 Aug - 02 Sept 2015	Advertising of the call for nominations for Councillor.
<i>Check the 26 August editions of the West Australian &amp; local papers.</i>	
<b>28 Aug 2015</b>	<b>Close of electoral roll at 5.00pm.</b>
03 Sept 2015	Nominations open for candidates to lodge completed nomination paper.
<b>10 Sept 2015</b>	<b>Nominations for Council close at 4.00pm.</b>
<i>Note: Terry Gladish at the Lake Grace Post Office is the Returning Officer.</i>	
09 Sept 2015	Last day for the CEO to prepare an Owners and occupiers roll.
18 Sept 2015	WAEC commences posting out election packages to country WA.
28 Sept 2015	Last Statewide public notice advertising the election.
<i>Check the 16 September editions of the West Australian &amp; local papers.</i>	
17 Oct 2015	Election Day – Shire Office open to receive votes until close of poll at 6pm. Announcement of successful candidates follows.

## Library Exchange System

In Western Australia there are more than 240 public libraries. The main collection of materials belongs to the State Library of WA. To ensure the collection remains interesting an exchange program is maintained.

New and exchange books, audio books and DVD's are delivered each month to ensure that the smaller libraries have a constantly changing collection with different items. So a book may start its life in Lake Grace or Lake King can be exchanged to Halls Creek, Albany, Newdegate and end up in Claremont.

Individual libraries may also have their own donated or purchased collections.

Libraries have their exchange items selected for them and sent by courier from the State Library.



## Unauthorised Fires – Lake Grace

The Shire wishes to remind residents that lighting fires at Shire landfills is illegal and dangerous.

Lake Grace rubbish tip has experienced an increase in the incidence of unauthorised fires and this is concerning to the Shire and Councillors.

Lighting fires at the tip can cause serious environmental damage and pollution, as well as pose a bush fire threat to surrounding land and properties.

Please be aware that lighting fires in an offence, and penalties do apply.

Anyone suspected of arson on Shire property will be reported to police.



## Paying your Rates

Pursuant to section 6.45 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulation 64(2) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, Council nominated the following due dates for payment in full or by instalments:

Full payment & 1 <sup>st</sup> instalment due date	11 September 2015
2 <sup>nd</sup> half instalment due date	16 January 2016
2 <sup>nd</sup> quarterly instalment due date	13 November 2015
3 <sup>rd</sup> quarterly instalment due date	15 January 2016
4 <sup>th</sup> quarterly & final instalment due date	15 March 2016

The cost Associated with instalment options are

Admin Fee : 4 Instalment option - \$33

2 Instalment Option - \$22

Instalment Interest— 5.5% per annum

### Penalty Interest Charges on Overdue Rates

Under the *Local Government Act* interest charged on overdue amounts. Council has set the charge at 11% per annum which will be applied to all amounts outstanding after 35 days from the issue date of the Rate notice. Penalty interest accrues daily until all overdue rates and charges are paid in full.

Eligible pensioners are exempt from interest charges.

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## Event Risk Management Workshop

### Event Approvals, Compliance and Risk Management for Events Organisers & Community Groups

#### 1. Events Overview

Introduction to events, key stakeholders, common objectives and what can go wrong.

#### 2. Event Approvals and Compliance

An introduction to legislative and approval requirements associated with events, including roles and responsibilities for event organisers.

#### 3. Event Risk Management Planning

Practical guidance on understanding requirements, developing and implementing an event risk management plan aligned to AS/NZS ISO 31000:2009 Risk Management.

#### 4. Q&A Discussion

**RSVP:** by Friday 4th September 2015 to Lauren Pitman, Environmental Health Officer

Phone: 0427 137 431or

Email: eho@corrigin.wa.gov.au



## Saturday 24 October

Everyone can be involved in the Garage Sale Trail in your community, and it's free.

Registrations have started:

Lake Grace - 3

Newdegate - 1

Lake King 1 - combined boot sale

Time to start having that spring clean and think about how you want to sell your treasures. Whether it be a boot sale, load up the car boot and head to a combined sale in your area. Remember that groups that sell together attract the biggest crowds. Hold a sale in your own backyard.

Register to get your sale on the map. When registrations close there will be maps to pin point all the locations of sales so no one is missed.

To register fill out the registration form and return to:

Elle Atwell ☎ 9865 2140

Email lgvisitorcentre@westnet.com.au

Lake Grace Visitors Centre

19 Stubbs Street, Lake Grace

## OVER 55's ACCOMMODATION

### Register Your Interest

To enable further funding applications for Over 55's Units the Shire is required to establish a list of people interested in renting (*both now and into the future*) one of the Shires' new Over 55's Community Housing Units in Lake Grace and Newdegate.

The list will be an indication of your interest only and is not binding.

Contact Lee Holben, Manager Community Services at the Shire on ☎9890 2500 for more information and to register your name.



*To Tahryn and Damian Trevenen on the birth of their son Corbyn Tain on 19 August 2015 weighting 8lb 12oz a little brother to Taj and Beau.*





## LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINARY ELECTION CALL FOR NOMINATIONS Shire of Lake Grace

An Ordinary Postal Election will be held on 17 October 2015 in the Shire of Lake Grace to fill the following vacancies:

Lake Grace	1 Councillor	4 year term
Rural	3 Councillors	4 year term

**NOMINATIONS OPEN** on Thursday, 3 September 2015.

**NOMINATIONS CLOSE** at 4.00pm on Thursday, 10 September 2015.

Nominations must be lodged with the Returning Officer

- at any time during the above period by arrangement; or
- between 2:00pm and 4:00pm Thursday, 10 September 2015 (close of nominations) at the Shire of Lake Grace, 1 Bishop Street LAKE GRACE WA 6353.

### NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS

Candidates are required to lodge with the Returning Officer:

- a completed nomination in the prescribed form, signed and witnessed. (This form is available from the Returning Officer, the Western Australian Electoral Commission or the Shire of Lake Grace;
- a single A4 page profile containing not more than 150 words of information about the candidate;
- a nomination deposit of \$80 (cash, bank cheque or postal order); and
- a recent passport-sized photograph (optional).

The Commission has developed an online system called Nomination Builder to assist candidates to complete their nomination form which includes the candidate profile. This is the preferred method of completing the nomination form and profile for elections conducted by the Commission. Candidates complete their nomination details and profile, print the completed form which has a reference number allocated and lodge it with the Returning Officer. The nomination builder can be accessed at [elections.wa.gov.au](http://elections.wa.gov.au)

Where an agent lodges a nomination on a candidate's behalf, it must be in the prescribed form with a written authorisation signed by the candidate.

The documents may be hand delivered, posted or faxed to the Returning Officer and must be received by the close of nominations.

### INFORMATION

Full details about eligibility and nomination procedures for prospective candidates can be obtained by contacting the Returning Officer on Mobile 0427 651 022 or the Western Australian Electoral Commission on 13 63 06.

**Terry GLADISH**  
**RETURNING OFFICER**



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## Community Consultation

Keeping of Roosters in  
Lake Grace Town Site



The Shire of Lake Grace has received two written requests to keep roosters within the town site of Lake Grace. The keeping of roosters is not permitted within the town site under the Shire of Lake Grace's Health Local Law, unless permission has been granted by Council.

The roosters will be kept at the following premises:

3 Absolon Street, Lake Grace

6 Bennett Street, Lake Grace

In order to assist Council in making an informed and fair decision on these applications, the Shire is seeking feedback from the community through this public advertisement. In particular the Shire would like to hear from those who may be aggrieved by the keeping of roosters on these particular properties, as roosters can cause a noise nuisance to surrounding residents.

Please submit your comments in writing to the Shire of Lake Grace administration office. The best way to do this would be by sending a message on the Shire's website, on the "Contact Us" webpage.