

Community Newsletter

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From the CEO

We say farewell to Suzan Lees who has taken on a new position at WA Local Government Association (WALGA) in Perth. Suzan has been a valued member of the team and we wish her all the best with her future endeavours.

Congratulations on the community groups who organized and held their ANZAC Services on 25 April. All towns held dawn services, and were well attended.

Planning is well underway for the Newdegate town centenary in 2022. Council staff recently met with Stephanie Clarke-Lloyd from Newdegate Historical Society/ Centenary Projects who outlined some of the projects that they had in mind and areas in which they may need shire assistance.

We were pleased to advise that we were already one step ahead of them in some areas in that some of the recently approved grant funds in the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program provided by the Federal government had been allocated to upgrading areas under consideration.

The second Budget meeting was held on Wednesday 28 April, we are well on track to finalising the 2021/2022 budget.

The hazard perception computer is now located at the Shire office. You can practice with the online simulators on the Department of Transport website to ensure you're confident before taking the HPT at the Shire office.

Ordinary Council Meeting April

Resolutions as follows:

- 4WDL Meeting 11 May 2021 - attendance include representatives from neighbouring Shires
- Councillors Training Session 13 May 2021 -will be held in the Shire Chambers with participating neighbouring Shires
- Planning approval for 22 and 24 Mason Street, Lake Grace with notable conditions
- Planning approval for No. 11 Dewar Street, with no notable conditions
- Lord Mayors Distress Relief Fund for the victims of Tropical Cyclone Seroja
- Bush Fire Advisory Committee recommendations to Council
- Shire of Lake Grace Strategic Resource Plan 2021-2036 - adopted by Council
- Newdegate Machinery Field Days 2021 – Sponsorship Agreement - adopted by Council

Coming Events

Mother's Day

Sunday 9 May

Mother's Day Morning Tea
Newdegate CRC Thursday
Thursday 6 May 9.30am

Mother's Day Afternoon Tea
Lake Grace
Regional Artspace
Sunday 9 May 2pm

Yuk Circus Lake Grace
Lake Grace Shire Hall
Monday 24 May



Newdegate CRC
Thursday 27 May 10.30am

Varley Progress Association
Tuesday 29 June 6.30pm

Ordinary Council Meeting

An Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 26 May 2021** from 3:30pm at the Council Chambers, Administration Building. The Agenda will be available on www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au

Everyone 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.

Alan George
Chief Executive Officer

Community Infrastructure Service

Works have been in full swing on Old Ravensthorpe Rd with local contractors gravel re sheeting the first 10km, these works are expected to be ongoing until the end of May so please obey all traffic signs whilst these works are carried out.

Over the next few weeks we will see all the property numbers re painted on all the kerbs throughout all towns within the Shire so please keep an eye out for this.

Work is completed at the Varley Cemetery entry wall and it looks great, a massive thanks to all involved in making this project happen.



This fortnight our works crew have completed the below roadworks and maintenance;

Roadworks

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- North Burngup Rd
- Walker Rd
- Dunham Rd
- West Kuender Rd
- Burns Rd
- Bidy Camm Rd

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Buniche north Rd
- Roger Rd
- Holland's Track Rd
- Dykes Rd
- Old Ravensthorpe Rd

The Lake King and Varley Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Grader was out of action

Parks & Gardens

The Parks and Gardens Crew have carried out the following work:

Lake Grace

- Spraying weeds at Cemetery, air strip and around town site
- Pruning tree branches and tidy up
- Reinstating rural road signs
- Clean up blue metal footpath located at the Roadhouse – Waratah Ave
- Removal of termite infected tree on Stubbs St/ Carruthers St
- Mowing football and pavilion lawns

Newdegate

- Mow hockey and football ovals
- Spray oval for broad leaf
- Mow skate park and Pioneer park
- Prune plants at the gazebo and Maley St
- Change sprinklers out on football oval

Buildings

The Building Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

- Repave uneven footpath pavers on Stubbs Street
- Repairs to Newdegate pavilion benchtop
- Repairs to cistern at Railway Toilets
- Replace flyscreens at Varley pavilion
- Lake King public toilet maintenance
- Painting of town site signs
- Repairs to Lake Grace cemetery gazebo
- Repair water leak in RSL roof
- Lake King jumping pillow power issue repaired
- Range hood install at 54a Bennett St
- Reinstating South Rd dam pump
- Painting at Varley Chicken ranch toilets
- Lake Bidy dam solar pump installation

Craig Elefsen

Manager Infrastructure Services

Seen a faulty streetlight?

Western Power has automated streetlight fault reporting, making it easier to report faulty streetlights.

If a streetlight doesn't turn on, turn off or flickers, let Western Power know using the streetlight reporting tool at: <https://westernpower.com.au/faults-outages/report-a-faulty-streetlight/> or call on 13 10 87

Community Emergency Service News



It's with some sadness that I let you all know that I have resigned as CESM from the Shires of Lake Grace and Kent to take up a role with the WA Local Government Association (WALGA) in Perth.

I have enjoyed my time in the Lake Grace community and I'd like to thank everyone for their support over the last 18 months, with a special thank you to Brad Watson and all the other bush fire brigade members.

In my new role as Senior Policy Advisor Emergency Management I will be working closely with local governments and other stakeholders to try to ensure that the West Australian emergency management framework and systems work effectively and fairly across all levels of government and help keep our communities safe.

Suzan Lees

Community Emergency Services Manager

The following persons have been appointed Fire Control Officers by the Shire of Lake Grace 2021/2022 bush fire season under s.38 of the Bush Fires Act 1954:

Shire of Lake Grace Fire Control Officers		
Lake Grace North	Mt Madden	Newdegate North
Brad Watson (CBFCO) Doug Dunham Evan Wyatt Glen Willcocks Leon Morgan Greg Carruthers Ross Chappell Liam Chesson	David Roberts Lindsay Brownley Anthony Teale Rory Vermeesch	Bill Lloyd Tim Lloyd Ian Lloyd Barry Ness Ron Shalders Craig Shalders Pete Walker Aaron Guelfi Dean Rintoul Gary Guelfi
Lake Grace South	Dunn Rock	Newdegate South
Kevin Naisbitt Scott Strevett	Rhys De Landgraft Bernie Giles Tyson De Landgraft	Matt Cugley Simon Cugley Geoff Richardson Syd Walker Wes Hall (Snr FCO) Peter Kennedy Stephen Davies
Lake King	Varley	
Jason Sugg (Snr FCO) Arthur Sugg Hugh Roberts (DCBFCO)	Jorge Brinkmann Ben Hyde Craig Newman John Zurnamer	
Lake Grace Town	Newdegate Town	Shire of Lake Grace
Reid Stubberfield	David Tonkin	Suzan Lees (CESM)

Dual Fire Control Officers	
Ravensthorpe	Anthony Teale David Roberts
Kondinin	Jorge Brinkmann
Kulin	Evan Wyatt Doug Dunham
Dumbleyung	Kevin Naisbitt Leon Morgan
Kent	Brad Watson Wes Hall
Esperance	Hugh Roberts

Fire Weather Officers
Fire Weather Officer: Brad Watson (Chief Bush Fire Control Officer)
Deputy Fire Weather Officer: Hugh Roberts (Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer)

Community Information

Office Open Hours

Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday - Friday
8.30am - 4.30pm
Thursday 8.30am - 4.00pm

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

Transport and Licensing

All licensing payments are to be made in person at the Shire of Lake Grace Administration office, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace.

Monday, Tuesday & 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. With every transaction we perform, we try to offer the best service possible.

We do ask all licensing customers to be considerate, even though we are aware of people being 'locals' it does not exempt us from following the rules set by the Department of Transport.

Driving Assessor

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

Friday - 4 June 2021

Friday - 2 July - to be confirmed

Bookings are essential for all Practical Driver's Licence Assessments and we advise booking in advance as there is often a waiting list.

All bookings to be made at the Shire office on 9890 2500 until further notice.

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

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

Libraries

Lake Grace Public Library School Place Absolon St
Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm
Closed for 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

Town Planner

Planning Officer, David Johnston and Building Surveyor, Gary Bruhn can be contacted through the Shire Office on 9890 2500 or email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Environmental Health

The Shire's Environmental Health Officer, Brendon Gerrard. Can be contacted via the Shire on 9890 2500 or email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Tip Times

Lake Grace

Monday & Wednesday 9am - 2pm
Saturday & Sunday 9am - 4pm

Newdegate

Wednesday 9am - 1pm
Saturday 9am - 1pm

Lake King and Varley

Open every day

Recycling Services

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

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

Lake Grace	Newdegate
Tuesday 11 May	Tuesday 18 May
Tuesday 25 May	Tuesday 8 June

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

The recycling bins are collected by Warren Blackwood Waste and transported to a recycling facility. If items which are not recyclable are found the content can't be recycled and the load will be directed to the landfill.

If an item is covered in food, it is not recyclable. Food is one of the worst contaminants in the recycling process. By using the yellow top recycling bin correctly you are contributing, in a combined community effort, to reduce the amount of rubbish that is directed to landfill facilities each year.

For more information on Waste Management visit the



Check out www.facebook.com/shireoflakegrace



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

MEDIA RELEASE

Animal Welfare in Emergencies Survey

The Shire of Lake Grace is conducting research for a Plan for Animal Welfare in Emergencies and would like to hear from animal owners. This survey will assist the Shire to develop the Plan which aims to better prepare the community to provide for the welfare of their pets and livestock during and after major emergencies such as flood or bushfire.

The survey will gather information about livestock numbers and locations. It will also identify resources in the community that could help during such an emergency.

The survey should only take 10 minutes, and your responses are confidential. To complete the survey please go to: To complete the survey please go to: <https://s.surveyplanet.com/5shbslyHP>

If you have any questions about the survey, please email us: cesm@lakegrace.wa.gov.au . We really appreciate your input. Survey closes Friday 14 May 2021.