

Community Newsletter

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From the CEO

Pool Manager Required for the Lake Grace Memorial Olympic Pool

We are seeking a qualified and experienced Swimming Pool Manager to manage and provide a safe and enjoyable environment for patrons in accordance with the provisions of the Shire's policies, Health (Aquatic Facilities) Regulations 2007 and all other applicable legislation / codes of practice. If anyone knows of someone with the qualification, please let them know.

This position is advertised on all relevant websites and with relevant agencies.

Newdegate Country Club

The Newdegate Country Club Extension and Renovations project is well underway with much planning and ordering of supplies occurring behind the scenes. There have been some delays due to the chronic shortage or unavailability of some trades and materials as a result of unprecedented demand right across Australia, not just our neck of the woods.

Works completed so far include stripping of the kitchen, removal of the old office area, removal of the ceiling, raising of the floor in front of the bar area and removal of the somewhat controversial brick pillar. In addition, the toilets have been stripped in preparation for the new toilets and kids room/meeting room area. The concrete has been poured for the new toilet and kitchen areas and the floors in the old toilet areas. All frameworks for the extensions have been fabricated onsite ready to go up once the concrete has cured. Colour selections have been made for the new carpet area, tiles in the toilets as well as the colorbond sheeting to replace the old asbestos areas in the roof. The planning for the fit-out to the kitchen is underway with stainless benches being sourced and appliances being arranged.



All Abilities Playground

The All Abilities Playground in Lake Grace has seen groundwork preparation commenced over the past few weeks. The suppliers of the equipment have made their site visit and final details are being settled. The shelters and bbq's have been ordered and are on their way. Additional fundraising by the committee is continuing with excellent results so far.

Several other projects are underway across the entire Shire however, as mentioned above the shortage of tradies and materials is proving most difficult. For example, we have ordered several shade shelters and toilet buildings and the lead time for these in some cases is 14 weeks which is most frustrating.

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Coming Events

National Safe Work Month

1 - 31 October

a time to make your commitment to improving safety and health in your workplace.

Quiz Night

Friday 22 October 6pm
Newdegate CRC

Porridge Bikers Community Event

Friday 22 October
Lake Grace Pavilion

Newdegate CRC Christmas Shopping Day

Thursday 25 November
Newdegate CRC

Ordinary Council Meeting

An Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on
Wednesday
27 October 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.

From the CEO Continued

Fitz of Laughter

I have heard from staff and those who attended the evening that it was a great success with lots of laughs and sore faces by the end of the night. I would like to recognise those getting shows like Fitz of Laughter and Matt Hale in July to our towns. IN THE HOUSE, Ravensthorpe Rave About Arts, Geraldton Euphorium and our local Creative Events team are working together to get more events.

The Creative Events team and Shire staff will be attending Circuitwest Showcase WA from Monday 1 to Thursday 4 November and will see over 70 pitches from a range of theatrical companies to secure shows for the towns in the Shires of Ravensthorpe, Jerramungup and Lake Grace.

Lake King Progress Meeting

Councillors Armstrong, Clarke, MIS and myself attended the Progress meeting on Wednesday 13 at Lake King Pavilion.

AN IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS BOTH RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL

A recent drive-by carried out by the Shire of Lake Grace Community Emergency Services Manager has indicated that many properties in the town-sites of Lake Grace, Newdegate, Lake King and Varley currently do not conform to the requirements of Section 33 of the Bush Fire Act 1954 in that the fuel loads on the properties are excessive due to overgrown weeds, trees and in some cases an accumulation of rubbish.

Your attention is brought to the Shire of Lake Grace Fire Management Notice that accompanied your 2021/2022 Shire Rates notices which outlines the requirements of the Act. If you do not have a copy of the Notice you may obtain a copy from the Shire Administration Office on request. The fire mitigation measures must be in place by 1 November 2021 and be maintained up to 30 April 2022.

Your co-operation in tidying up your properties by the due date is sought to not only provide a safeguard to your property but also to your neighbours. It also has the added benefit of making the entire town more presentable.

There will be a further inspection of all town-site properties carried out after the 1 November to check on the compliance to this request. It is worth noting that penalties of up to \$5,000 may apply for breaches of the conditions of the Bush Fire Act 1954.

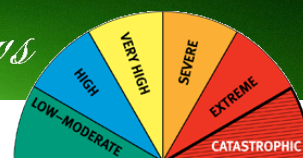
We thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Alan George
Chief Executive Officer

Community Emergency Service News

Have YOU registered to be a Farm Responder to fires yet?

- We are asking that all farm responders and permanent workers register as a member in the Farmer Response 'brigade' where you live.
- You only need to be registered in 1 area, preferably where you live.
- Registration is free and allows the Shire to provide training and PPE as funding allows.



Go to the Shire website www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au/ for the registration form and send to shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au Once registered, you are able to attend training and be eligible for fire PPC. We look forward to having you registered and supporting your community this summer.

As your Shire, we want to ensure we are providing local access to training and safe systems of work at emergency incidents, as is required. We believe that being registered, undertaking training, wearing appropriate clothing and keeping your fire unit(s) well maintained, will demonstrate that you are taking 'reasonable steps' to keep yourself and others safe.

For transient and short-term workers, we encourage you to provide appropriate training and induction materials relevant to your farm or business and seriously consider leaving these workers behind if you respond to fires in neighbouring properties for their safety and our shared liability. We will not have the capability or resources to train and equip transient and short-term workers.

We acknowledge that it is highly unlikely that we will be able to deliver training before the start of harvest and will work with registered members to deliver the courses as soon as practicable.

Matt Castaldini
Community Emergency Services Manager

Community Infrastructure Service

With the weather warming up and harvest just around the corner, we would like to put a friendly reminder out for all heavy vehicle operators to ensure they are up to date with the current RAV rated routes within the shire and are aware of conditions/restrictions on some of these roads. I would also like to remind operators that there is only two shire roads that are AMMS Level 3 rated. Once again, the Shire will be asking everyone if they can please slow down on the roads throughout harvest to try and preserve the roads as long as we can. Grading and maintenance crews will try and keep the roads up to a high standard throughout harvest.

Our staff carried out the following works:

Roadworks

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Cummings Rd
- Elliott Rd
- Slarke St
- O'Neill Rd
- Beetaloo Rd
- Wolseley Rd
- Willcocks Rd
- Hilton Rd
- Witham Rd

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Nil

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

- Pickernell Rd
- Hogan Rd
- Ace Rd
- Rose Rd

Parks & Gardens

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

Lake Grace

- Swimming pool weeding, spring clean and retic repairs
- Side street verges weeding and spraying
- Tree debris tidy up

Newdegate

- Mow sporting ovals
- Mow Pioneer Park and skate park lawns
- Spray weeds around townsite
- Replace sprinklers around oval

Lake King

- Townsite clean-up
- Public toilet gardens
- Mow ovals
- Cemetery—fallen tree clean up

Buildings

The Building Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

- Painting Newdegate public toilets
- Painting LG airstrip building
- Visitors centre
- Newdegate Rec centre door repairs
- Varley Town Hall
- Lake King toilet
- Lake Grace public toilet

Operators

The Machine Operator Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

- Rip up tennis courts for future playground
- Cart gravel to Lake Bidy Rd
- Rural road signs
- Cart water to Witham Rd
- Roll Witham Rd

Craig Elefsen

Manager Infrastructure Services

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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 - 5 November

Friday - 3 December (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

Building Surveyor

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

Town Planning & Building

The Shire's Town Planner consultant Joe Douglas, can be contacted via the Shire 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 26 October	Tuesday 2 November
Tuesday 9 November	Tuesday 16 November

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 contaminators 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 Shire's website www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au.



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