

Community Newsletter

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From the CEO

The rain was welcomed last week freshening things up and putting some water into the tanks around the place. If this keeps up we should have a good start to the season for farmers. Our sporting grounds are looking great and are ready for the coming sports season.

The Federal Budget was announced last week and there will be another round of the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program coming next financial year to help stimulate the economy. How much our allocation will be is not known and we wait eagerly with bated breath to the announcement. If they could come through with more tradesmen and materials to get the current projects finished it would be even better.

A public meeting was held at the Newdegate Recreation Centre on Tuesday 29 March to discuss the War Memorial/Commemorative Wall. There was a good turnout of interested residents from Newdegate and surrounds and some robust discussion was held. A show of hands was called regarding the location and design and it was the consensus of those in attendance that the current design and location remain.

A feasibility study to determine current and future short term tourist accommodation needs throughout the Shires of Lake Grace, Dumbleyung, Wagin and West Arthur was commenced on 1 April with the appointment of Markettrade to undertake the project. Tourism has been identified as an industry sector offering potential economic expansion benefits and opportunities for the communities and businesses within each participating shire.

Over coming weeks accommodation providers may be contacted by Markettrade for information to aid the project.

New Australian Citizen

Before the Ordinary Council meeting local, Hope Newman (Nee Hope Sandford) made her pledge and final step in becoming an Australian citizen.

Hope proudly stood before the Shire President Cr Len Armstrong and her family to become the newest Australian Citizen.

Ordinary Council Meeting 23 March 2022

- Speed Limit Reduction Collie Lake King Road (Stubbs Street)
 1. Support the reduction of the current 50km per hour posted speed limit to 40km per hour between SLK 274.26 and SLK 274.71 Collie Lake King Road.
 2. Authorise administration to provide Council's comment/s to Main Roads WA regarding this issue.
- The development application submitted to place a second-hand 20-foot-long sea container on Lot 5 (No.26) Stubbs Street, Lake Grace for incidental storage purposes was approved subject to conditions.
- Council confirmed its agreeance to the change of term of the General Practice Agreement with Doctors Olowu and Omoniyi (Olowu and Omoniyi Pty Ltd) to a two (2) year term.



Above: Kim and Hope Newman with Lucy after becoming an Australian citizen.

Coming Events

Varley Social Nights

Friday 10 June
Friday 24 June

Ordinary Council Meeting

An Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 27 April 2022** 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*

- Council to review and comment on the Draft Shire of Lake Grace Bushfire Risk Management Plan 2022-2027.
- Council approved the fixing of the Shire of Lake Grace Common Seal to the Access Agreement between M L and V N Smith and the Shire of Lake Grace for portion of Williams Location 10224.

Alan George
Chief Executive Officer

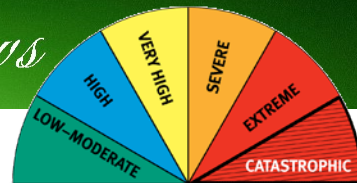
Seen a faulty streetlight?

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



Thursday 31 March 2022 saw the commencement of the new *Work Health and Safety Act 2020*, which has replaced the *Occupational Safety and Health Act 1984*. This heralds a new era in volunteer firefighting with expectations clearly set as to the obligations of the Shire and also volunteer responders, registered or spontaneous.

We are planning to host training for farm responders ahead of the fire season at the end of the year. The training is currently scheduled to take 6 hours per class.

Please keep an eye out for training sessions near you to make sure you book your seat. Please contact your local FCO to register your interest.

Matt Castaldini
Community Emergency Services Manager



Community Funding Request 2022 / 2023

This program provides the community with the opportunity to apply for funding for projects and events.

Applications will be considered in conjunction with the Shire's 2022/23 Annual Budget.

Closes 29 April 2022

Funding guidelines and application forms are available on the Shire Website

shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au

SHIRE OF LAKE
GRACE

PUBLIC NOTICE

ANNUAL MEETING
OF ELECTORS

JOIN US

Wednesday 13 April 2022
at 6:30 pm
Lake King Hall.



Community Infrastructure Service

Infrastructure team are working hard to complete projects before the end of the financial year.

Our staff carried out the following works:

Roadworks

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Bidy Camm Rd
- Solomko Rd
- South Burngup Rd
- Gelard Rd
- McNamara Rd
- Argent Rd
- Trevenen Rd
- Gordon Rd
- Fourteen Mile Rd
- Mordetta Rd

Parks & Gardens

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

Lake Grace

- Metre readings
- Mowing ovals
- Check townsite and cemetery
- Clean Cemetery
- Clean along Absolon St
- Shire office weeding
- Retic repairs
- Weeding main st
- Visitor Centre, Railway station lawns and weeding
- Vacant staff house gardens
- Lakes Village maintenance
- Griffin St tree maintenance
- Clark Ave

Newdegate

- Water un-reticulated gardens and pots
- Weeding main st
- Spray weeds around town
- Mark hockey oval
- Weeding at skate park
- Clean bottles and can from verge Rasmussen Rd
- Debug geraniums and roses at Pioneer Park

Lake King

- Mowing sports ovals
- Gardens maintenance
- Spraying

Varley

- General townsite maintenance

Buildings

The Building Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work on the following facilities:

- Lake King public toilets
- Lake King oval
- RSL
- Newdegate Pavilion

- Lake King Memorial Hall
- Lake King Pavilion
- Airstrip maintenance
- Street verge drains
- Varley Town Hall

Operations

- Lake King Septic's
- Service roller
- Cart sand
- Jugos Rd
- Tacos Rd trees
- Old Ravey Rd
- Newdegate History Walk Trail
- Lake Grace sewerage maintenance
- Gimble Rd
- Road sign renewals

Craig Elefsen

Manager Infrastructure Services

Facility Hire

Please contact the Shire to book Shire facilities.

You are required to read the COVID Safety Plan before using the facility.

People, groups, clubs who hire public buildings are still required to:

- Complete the WA Government Safety Plan
- Register users of the facility
- Monitor entry and exits
- Disinfect surfaces, doors handles, table chairs, showers, toilets regularly.

At the end of the event the requirements are:

- Return tables and chairs to designated storage area
- Put all rubbish into the outside sulo bins provided, including rubbish in toilets
- Ensure all stoves and lights are turned off
- Report any damages incurred while hiring facility
- Facility to be left in the same condition as found upon arrival including the floors
- All external doors are closed and locked;

This is most important as often doors are not locked when cleaners arrive.

Shire cleaners are responsible for the general cleaning of a facility, however they are not responsible for cleaning up and putting away tables and chairs after a function.

Community Information

Office Open Hours

Monday - Friday
8.30am - 4.00pm

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

Licensing Payments

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

Monday to Friday from 8:30am to 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 - Friday 8 April

Friday - Friday 6 May (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, 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 12 April	Tuesday 19 April
Tuesday 26 April	Tuesday 3 May

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

Check our Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/ShireofLakeGrace/>

