

Community Newsletter

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From the CEO

At the Council meeting held on 27 July Resolutions were made approving the following:

- Callope Road, Marshall Road and Dolan Road were the names selected by Council to be put forward for the new road on the industrial land. The public will be invited for comments or objections before it is submitted to the Geographic Names Committee for approval.
- Temporary bulkheads for CBH at Varley and Newdegate have been approved given another favourable harvest is predicted.
- Conditional approval was given for additions and upgrades to the Lake Grace Men's Shed.
- Due to no nominations being received for the recent Councillor vacancy Council will seek permission from the Electoral Commissioner to run with 8 Councillors until the October 23 ordinary elections.
- Council adopted the Bushfire Risk Management Plan for the Shire.
- Subject to approval by the Department of Water & Environmental Regulation Council approved the action plan to remove the surface contamination and to fence off part of Reserve 21558 being the land for the proposed Lions Walk Trail Site thus making it unavailable for development. This leaves the door open for discussions regarding an alternative site and plan.

Administration staff and Councillors have been busy working on the Council Budget for 2022/2023. The rise in costs across the board for materials, plant, contactors, fuel and utilities it will be interesting times ahead for all of us.

Landgate have advised of a significant increase of the Unimproved Values (UV) on farmland. These rates are based on sales of land within the shire which have risen in recent years, however, consequently an increase in rates. Shires have no say in the increases of UV rates, however we can make some adjustments to our Shire rates to help reduce the impact.

Foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) is a highly contagious viral disease and is one of the most serious diseases in livestock affecting cloven-hoofed animals, such as cattle, goats, pigs and sheep. With the recent outbreak of FMD reported in Indonesia and Bali Australian farmers are being asked to implement biosecurity measures, including limiting the number of people to enter their properties.

There will also be changes to the import conditions and permits for certain goods that are manufactured or sourced from Indonesia. Biosecurity Response Zones are currently being established at international airports within Australia. These measures will include foot mats; travelers will be required to walk over upon disembarking aircraft arriving from Indonesia. You are still required to declare on the Incoming Passenger Card, if you have spent time in a rural area, if you are carrying food or other risk goods, including footwear in your luggage.

Travelers arriving from Indonesia are being asked to think about some basic measures that will help prevent this devastating disease finding its way into Australia. There are penalties of up to \$2,664 for breaching Australia's biosecurity laws.

Coming Events

National Landcare Week
1 - 7 August

Jeans for Genes Day
Friday 5 August

International Youth Day
Friday 12 August

Red Nose Day
12 - 13 August

Keep Australia Beautiful Week
15 - 21 August

Comedy Gold
Lake Grace Hotel
Wednesday 24 August

Newdegate Machinery Field Days
Wed 7 Thurs 8 September

Local Government week
3 - 7 October

Nationwide Walk for Mental Health
Sunday 16 October

Ordinary Council Meeting

An Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on
Wednesday 24 August 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.

Alan George
Chief Executive Officer

Community Infrastructure Service

As the rain continues the shire and contract maintenance graders have been busy working throughout the shire to try and cover as many roads as possible.

Many floodway's through the shire are now running water so please drive to the condition of the roads and take care at all running water.

Over the last few weeks both Shire and Contractors equipment have been vandalised whilst parked on the job site over night or on weekends. This not only has been an inconvenience to staff but it has also cost the rate payers money in repairs and down time.

If anyone comes across anyone vandalising or suspicious activity involving any shire or contractor equipment whilst parked up overnight or on weekends please notify the local police and the Shire administration office.

It has recently been noted there is an increase of unused bus stops throughout the shire that still have bus stop warning signs up.

If you know of any unused bus stops or your bus stop is no longer used and still has sign up can you please notify the shire via email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au or by phoning 08 9890 2500 to get these signs removed.

Works Completed by shire staff and contractors

- Finished the installation of the new Lake King Toilet Block
- Re sheeting on Magenta Road
- Oval maintenance on all ovals throughout the Shire
- General tidy up around all towns
- Spraying of town verges
- Maintenance to community buildings and staff housing
- Planting of trees on the Lake Grace Industrial land

Lake Grace Maintenance Grading:

- West Kuender Road
- O'Neill Road
- Treloar Road
- Wolseley Road
- Slarke Road

Newdegate Maintenance Grading

- Jensen Road
- Stone Road
- Harris Road
- Mount Sheridan

Lake King Varley Maintenance Grading

- Lake King Norseman Road



Above: We now have new public toilets near the Lake King BP fuel pumps for people travelling North / South who couldn't find the toilets near the Lake King store. No more deposits in the bush.



Above: Trees planted on the eastern side of the new industrial area.



Craig Elefsen

Manager Infrastructure Services



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

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, (please phone ahead to confirm availability)

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 - 9 September

Friday - 7 October (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 16 August	Tuesday 23 August
Tuesday 30 August	Tuesday 6 September

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/>

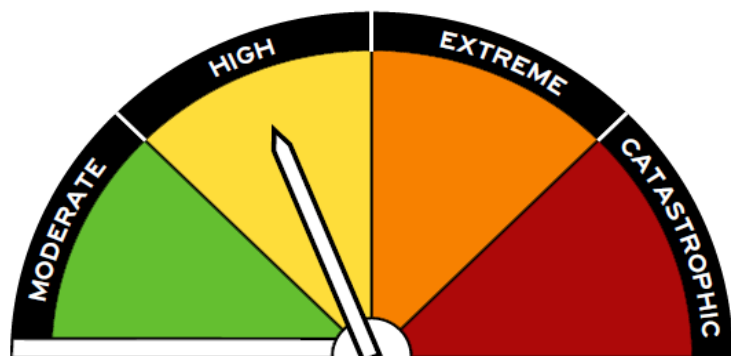


As an outcome of the horrific Black Saturday fires in 2009 a national project was commenced to align and simplify the fire danger ratings throughout Australia. Thirteen years and a significant amount of work later we will be nationally adopting the Australia Fire Danger Rating System as of 1 September this year.

A key change is the simplification of the system down to 4 ratings and a significant improvement in the science that power the calculations behind the scenes.

Locally you will interact with the changes through burning permits now being tied to the "High" rating, where previously it was "Very High" and the process to calculate the trigger for Harvest and Vehicle Movement Bans has also been updated which will take some familiarisation from our FCOs.

The new Australian Fire Danger Ratings (AFDRS) levels are:



MODERATE

Plan and prepare

HIGH

Be ready to act

EXTREME

Take action now to protect life and property

CATASTROPHIC

For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas

Matt Castaldini

Community Emergency Services Manager

Scribblers Festival's 2022 Golden Feather Hunt

Scribblers Festival celebrates creativity, literacy and the special place local libraries hold in the hearts of children and parents.

With the help of our librarian superheroes, each year we hide over 15,000 feather shaped bookmarks in the children's and young adult section of libraries across Western Australia. Feather finders have the opportunity to win a variety of prizes, but most of all, fuel their love of reading and libraries.

Visit Newdegate and Lake King libraries.

- Go the children's or young adult section and select a book you would like to borrow.
- Check out the book with the help of your friendly librarian
- Cross your fingers and open the book...

If there is a feather-shaped bookmark inside do a (quiet) victory dance and bring the feather to your friendly librarian who will know exactly what to do next

If there isn't a feather-shaped bookmark inside, chin up - you still have a great book to read AND you can have another hunt when you borrow your next book!

Golden Feathers - There are only FIVE of this rare feathers hidden in the whole of WA. The lucky finder of one of these, wins the grand prize of a VIP Festival Pass, and iPad and signed book pack

Silver Feathers - There are only 20 of these lucky feathers in the hunt. Find one of these and you win a signed book

Amethyst Feathers - Each participating library has one of these hidden in the shelves, and comes with an instant book prize

White Feathers - Colour these in, post a pic to social media tagging us @scribblersfest and you could win an instant prize!

Newdegate Library Borrow Box 'How To' Guide

Borrow Box is an application for mobile devices that is linked to the Newdegate Public Library. Here you can download eBooks and eAudiobooks that are available in the library rather than coming in for a hard copy. If you are interested in signing up for this please use the 'How To' Guide by going to https://www.newdegate.crc.net.au/Profiles/newdegate_1/Assets/ClientData/Borrow_Box_How_To_Guide.pdf for more information.

Strictly 18+

Lake Grace Hotel

Back Lounge

Ticket Entry Only

COMEDY Gold

Wednesday
August 24th

Doors open 5:30pm
Show starts 7:00pm



Book tickets:

<https://events.humanitix.com/lg-cg>



LAKE GRACE CREATIVE EVENTS

RAVE ABOUT ARTS



Jon Pinder



Ting Lim



The Nelson Twins



Squirly

Lake Grace Creative Kids

Lake Grace Creative Kids would like to thank everyone for their continued support during the last school holidays. We realize that this time of the year is a very busy time, and we hope everyone who attended enjoyed their creative time.

The first activity, Dream Catchers was a hit with the kids, they had a sensational creative time.



Above: Dream Catchers, Aylah Pawsey, Lacey King, Eva Bairstow, Lily Stuberfield, Max Stubberfield and Jed O'Neill

Woolly Canvas was a creative smash! We never know how the art creations will go; half the fun is seeing what the kids will come up with using their imagination.

Things That Go activity, was a clever creative time. Those who attended really used their imagination to come up with creations that flew, rolled and spun around. The creativity and skill to create these projects really show the uniqueness of the kids imaginations.



Above: Things that Go, Hunter Bell, Max Stubberfield, Xavier Pawsey, Aylah Pawsey, Paige Trevenen, Charli Bell. Front: Lily Stubberfield, Elise Carruthers and Isaac Pawsey.

Musical Melodies turned into a bit of a circus juggling street beat rhythm machine today. They got creative and active this time. Musical instruments, juggling and circus skills.

The skills they are learning and the interactions with their peers, really bring together worthwhile and valuable workshops.

We are so happy to be able to continue to offer these to the kids and thank those who give us a chance to bring out Lake Grace children's creativity!

Lake Grace Creative Events