



Shire Community News

From the CEO

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You would have received your ballot papers in the mail for the upcoming elections. Participate and make your vote count. Polling closes at 6:00pm on Friday 11 September 2020.

Lake Grace Winter Sports teams should be congratulated for their work and achievement on the BIG FREEZE on Saturday 15 August, raising approximately \$60,000 to fight MND. Best of luck to all the teams playing in the Ongerup Association finals.

Welcome

I am pleased to announce that Mr Chris Paget has accepted the position of Deputy Chief Executive Officer and will be commencing in the next few weeks.

Chris has had over 17 years local government experience most recently as CEO of the Shire of Ngaanyatjaraku, Warburton WA. For the past 2 years he has had a break from local government and is keen to get back into the local government community.

He has a wealth of experience in many fields and I am sure that he will be of great benefit to the Shire of Lake Grace.

Farewell

A fond farewell and thank you to Rhione Foster the Lake Grace Maintenance Grader Operator. She has worked as part of the works crew since the beginning of 2020.

Thank you Rhione for all you have done in your role during your time at the Shire. We wish you all the best for the future.

Congratulations

John Gambuti has recently been promoted to works supervisor for the next three months, John will look after the day to day running of the depot and works crews.

Craig will now have the ability to focus more on the forward planning and managing the infrastructure side of the shire. Congratulations John, we wish him well on his new responsibilities.

Swimming Pool Revamp

Some other things happening around the traps include the swimming pool repaint has started at long last and should be finished in about 2 weeks.

The Shire became an overnight sensation a few weeks back when the media got hold of our intention to empty the Lake Grace swimming pool and give away the water to farmers. Our story appeared on the front page of 2 newspapers and an inside story in another.

I was interviewed twice on ABC radio and once on Triple M in Narrogin. The Dept. of Water and

Environmental Regulation congratulated us on our initiative and even put it up on Twitter.

Let's continue to work well together to ensure that we complete all our projects and maintenance programmes for this year.

Stubbs Street Upgrade

The Lake Grace Stubbs Street garden upgrade project will finally start on Monday 31 August. This project has been a long time coming, please be mindful there will be some disruptions along Stubbs St during this time.

We will see new plants, landscaping and reticulation going into the centre islands along Stubbs Street. The garden on the corner of the roadhouse will also be getting an upgrade.

Alan George
Chief Executive Officer

Ordinary Council Meeting

A Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 16 September 2020 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.

Vacswim

Early Start PROGRAM, 2020

General information can be found at <https://www.education.wa.edu.au/vacswim> with updates shown on the Programs and Locations page.

Lake Grace and Newdegate:

Friday 18 December 2020 to
Thursday 24 December 2020

7 days x 45 minute lessons

Shire Infrastructure News

Welcome to the new financial year, with the budget adopted things are off to a flying start. With a large capital works program this year many projects are well under way with a couple already completed.

The construction of the CEO's house has commenced with site works due to start in the next few weeks and the house is expected to arrive first week of November.

The landscaping will be done after the house has been installed to site with the final inspection date set to be 21st December 2020.

The first of the slabs for the 2 staff houses has arrived and been put in place with the trusses, and with the wall frames arrived construction has now commenced and it will progress to lock up stage very quickly.

I would like to thank the entire team for their ongoing dedication and hard work over the last couple of months especially through budget time as things were hectic at times.

Our Shire office received a positive phone call complimenting how good the Newdegate main street gardens are.

Well done and thank you to Warren Shalders for his continuous dedication in the gardens around Newdegate.



Road Works

The shire road construction team have:

- Completed gravel re-sheeting 1.82km on Morton Road
- Completed gravel re sheeting 700m on Bidy Camm Road, Lake Bidy

- Started preparation for gravel re sheeting on Rodger Road and Bidy Camm Road (near Geliarrd Road)

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Crook Road
- Holmes Road
- Morton Road
- Haddin Road
- Burngup North Road
- Elliot Road
- Beetaloo Road
- Wolseley Road

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Bidy Camm Road
- Dragon Rocks Road
- Magenta Road
- Mount Sheridan Road
- Mount Vernon Road

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

- Not available this fortnight

Buildings

The Building Maintenance Crew has carried out the following work:

- 10A Gumtree garden maintenance
- 10B Gumtree shed pad installation
- 3 Clark Ave maintenance
- Install gutter guards to Newdegate public toilet
- Repairs to Lake Grace Swimming Pool fence
- Repairs to Newdegate Pavilion gate
- Spread blue metal around Lake Grace Day-care to carpark
- Newdegate Medical Centre building maintenance & install gutter guard

Parks & Gardens

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

- Lake Grace Cemetery branch & leave tidy
- Lake Grace East end slashing of verges
- Lake King oval maintenance
- Mowing & marking of Lake Grace football & hockey ovals
- Lake Grace Playground leaves & branches tidy
- Shire Admin office lawns mowed
- Pruning of roses on Stubbs Street

Craig Elefsen

Manager Infrastructure Services

Community Info

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 & 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 here, 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 7 August

Friday 4 September- 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 Officer

The Shire's Environmental Health Officer, Brendon Gerrard. Contact 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 1 Sept 2020	Tuesday 8 Sept 2020
Tuesday 15 Sept 2020	Tuesday 22 Sept 2020

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.



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LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXTRAORDINARY POSTAL ELECTION ELECTION NOTICE

(Local Government Act 1995, s4.64)

An election is being held by postal vote on Friday 11 September 2020 in the Shire of Lake Grace to fill the following vacancies:

District 2 Councillors Terms to expire: 16 October 2021

CANDIDATES

HYDE, Benjamin

BELEKUDRU, Shashi

LEE, Greyham (Rusty)

NEWMAN, Walter (Wally)

HUNT, Stephen

CARRUTHERS, Shane

ELECTION PACKAGES will be sent to the electors on the Shire of Lake Grace local government electoral roll.

REPLACEMENT PACKAGES can be obtained from the Shire of Lake Grace, 1 Bishop Street, LAKE GRACE during business hours prior to election day and between 8.00am and 6.00pm on election day if the package is not received or should any papers be missing.

POST YOUR VOTE EARLY completed postal voting packages must reach the Returning Officer by 6.00pm on election day, Friday 11 September 2020.

YOU MAY HAND DELIVER YOUR PACKAGE to an electoral officer at the Shire of Lake Grace, 1 Bishop Street, LAKE GRACE during business hours before election day or at the polling place between 8.00am and 6.00pm on election day.

CHIEF POLLING PLACE: Shire of Lake Grace, 1 Bishop Street, LAKE GRACE 6353
THE COUNT OF VOTES will commence at 6.00pm at the chief polling place listed above.

Kerry Hitchens
RETURNING OFFICER
Mob: 0408 955 280



Community
Citizen of the
year Awards

We're all part of the story

KNOW SOMEONE GREAT?

Nominate an individual or a group for a
2021 Australia Day Award.

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Closing Date: 31 October 2020

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Bush Fire Training Opportunities

There is a great opportunity for experienced bushfire fighters to complete some formal Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) training in the district over the next two months. The qualifications are necessary for anyone who would like to volunteer for intrastate and interstate deployment and are prerequisite qualifications for higher level DFES training courses.

DFES will be running the following courses in Kulin in September and October:

Introduction Firefighting - This training is designed to provide participants with the base knowledge and skills required to assist at firefighting incidents under direct supervision and is a combination of theory and practical drills. The course covers:

- Teamwork and safety
- Use and maintain equipment.
- Basic fire theory
- Radio Communication

WHEN: 6:00pm – 9:00 pm Friday 11th September 2020
or 6:00pm – 9:00 pm Friday 16th October 2020

Bushfire Firefighting - This training provides participants with the required knowledge and skills to undertake bush fire firefighting operations safely, efficiently and confidently under direct supervision. The course is a combination of theory and practical drills and covers:

- Rural Urban Interface (RUI) strategies and theory
- Burnover blanket theory and practical
- Bush fire behaviour
- Bush fire safety awareness
- Bush fire suppression
- Maps and map reading
- Hand tools

WHEN: Saturday and Sunday 12 & 13 September 2020
or Saturday and Sunday 17 & 18 October 2020

The two qualifications can be completed in one weekend (including a Friday evening). DFES is changing their bushfire courses next year and it is anticipated that each new equivalent qualification will take two days each to complete under the new course structure. If anyone would like further information, please contact the Shire of Lake Grace Community & Emergency Services Manager, Suzan Lees, on cesm@lakegrace.wa.gov.au or phone 0436 668 242.

