



CEO's Corner



Swearing in of Councillors Elect

Following the Local Government Ordinary Election on 19 October 2019, a Special Meeting of Council was held on Monday 28 October to swear in our new Councillors.

Cr Debrah Clarke, Cr Roz Lloyd and Cr Allan Marshall were re-elected to office, Cr Len Armstrong returns to office after a two year break and Cr Helen Steicke was elected to office for the first time.

Congratulations to Cr Jeanette De Landgraff who was re-elected as Shire President and to Cr Peter Stoffberg who was elected as Shire Deputy President.

I am very much looking forward to working with our new Council, who are excited to provide leadership and guidance to our Shire.



L-R Cr Helen Steicke, Cr Allan Marshall, Cr Deb Clarke, Cr Jeanette De Landgraff (Shire President), Cr Peter Stoffberg (Shire Deputy President), Cr Roz Lloyd and Cr Len Armstrong were all sworn in on Monday 28 October 2019

Newdegate Skate Park Crowned Winner at the 2019 Parks and Leisure Australia National Awards!

Following a nomination from Nature Play Solutions into the Parks and Leisure Australia Awards, the Newdegate Skate Park was successful in winning the WA Playspace Award (<\$0.5m).

The Awards of Excellence showcase the excellent work of parks and leisure professionals who deliver enormous benefit to our communities. Each year the quality and innovation showcased in projects submitted continues to increase, with over 220 being received this year, leading to a highly competitive rivalry to take the top honour as regional winner.

As a regional award winner, the Newdegate Skate Park was progressed to the national awards for the Playspace Award (<\$0.5M) to compete against other regional winners of the same category, the winner of

which will be showcased as the best in Australia for 2019.

This year's awards gala dinner was held on Tuesday 29 October 2019 at the Crown Perth and celebrated the achievements of Australia's parks, sport and leisure industry. Members of the Newdegate Active Precinct Committee, Helen Steicke, Sarah Lloyd and Emily Gilmore all attended the gala dinner, as they all played a pivotal part in bringing the Newdegate Skate Park to life and without their passion and vision, the park would not have been possible.

There were more than 500 guests in attendance and the evening was hosted by presenter and sports commentator Basil Zempilas. From what I hear it was a fantastic event and a real celebration of the sectors brightest minds and most creative and innovative initiatives from across Australia. And to top off the evening the Newdegate Skate Park was crowned winner of the National Award!

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Newdegate Active Precinct Committee, Nature Play Solutions and Skate Sculpture for all of their hard work and efforts throughout this project, you should all be very proud of this excellent achievement!



Helen Steicke, Emily Gilmore and Sarah Lloyd with their well-deserved Playspace Award (<\$0.5M) at the Gala Dinner on 29 October 2019

Lake Grace Swimming Pool

The Shire of Lake Grace wishes to advise patrons of the Lake Grace Swimming Pool that due to public safety reasons the diving board at the pool is being removed and will be unavailable this season.

An inspection has revealed that the integrity of the structure is severely affected by rust and the bolts securing the base are worn.

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Several inspections have been carried out recently by both tradespeople and industry representatives who have advised that it is beyond repair and in the interests of public safety it should be removed.

Official Opening of the Lake King Playground

Saturday 2 November 2019 saw the official opening of the new Lake King Playground. This project was the brainchild of the Lake King Playgroup, who wanted to create a simple, fun, safe and engaging space for the whole family to enjoy.

Located between the Lake King Hall and Pavilion, this new facility has created an all-inclusive social hub that can be used all year round.

Funding for this project came from a Lotterywest grant of \$87,715, alongside contributions from the Shire of Lake Grace, the Lake King Progress Association, Lake King Winter Sports, Lake King Playgroup, Women in Farming Enterprises (WIFE) and Wester Ideas.

I would like to offer my congratulations to all that were involved in bringing this project to life, with a special thanks to the Lake King Playground Committee, Mike and Anna Naisbitt, Forpark Australia, Hyden Sheds, Kate Hetherington, Courtney Toland, Cheryl Chappell, Jason Muir, the West Family and of course, all of our community volunteers.

This is a fantastic effort and the new facility will be a great asset to the community.

Staff Changes

Farewell to Chris Trevenen, Maintenance Grader Operator

On Tuesday 5 November 2019, we farewelled our Maintenance Grader Operator, Chris Trevenen. Chris has worked for the Shire for over 17 years and during his time has made a fantastic contribution, not only in the maintenance work that he has carried out but also in his willingness to pick up other tasks and duties. Chris has been forthcoming in sharing his knowledge with and guiding new crew members and his skills and expertise will be greatly missed.

On behalf of Shire Councillors and Staff, I thank Chris for his contribution during his time with the Shire and I wish him the very best for his future endeavours.

Welcome to our New Infrastructure Administration Officer

I am pleased to confirm that Jodie Jones has been appointed as our new Infrastructure Administration Officer and commenced with us on Friday 1 November 2019.

Jodie relocated to Lake Grace with her family in February 2018 and has spent the last 11 years working for Farmers Centre, in both their Lake Grace and Albany branches, in an administration capacity. Jodie also has

local government experience, having previously worked for the Shire of Kojonup.

We are excited to have Jodie on board and welcome her to the team!

Roadworks

Our Staff have carried out the following works:

- General clean up and maintenance of the Lake Grace & Newdegate tips
- Re-sheeting on Old Lake Grace Road School Bus Route and patching repairs completed
- Re-sheeting on Cook Road and road patching sections
- General clean up and maintenance of the Lake Grace Air Strip
- General clean up and maintenance of Bennett Street, Lake Grace
- General clean up and maintenance of North Lake Grace Road
- Lake Grace Public Toilets - clean up and maintenance
- 14 Blackbutt Way, Lake Grace - clean up and maintenance
- 10A Gumtree Drive, Lake Grace - clean up and maintenance
- 54 Bennett Street, Lake Grace – window blind maintenance
- Lake Grace Town Hall - clean up and maintenance
- General Internal Door maintenance to the Shire Office

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Old Lake Grace Road
- Burngup Road South (shoulder works)
- Cook / Kent Road

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Mallee Hill Road
- Aylmore Road
- Biddy Camm Road (Buniche North to Newdegate North Road)
- Watson Road
- Dragon Rock Road
- Easton Road
- Mission Road
- Vernon Valley Road

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

- Hogan Road
- Kathleen Road
- Magdhaba Track
- Milstead Road
- Tilbrook Road

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Parks & Gardens

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

Lake Grace

- Lake Grace North and East town entries and Biddy Camm Road verges mowed and slashed
- Removal of dead trees at information bay
- Main Street Maintenance - watering, weeding, general maintenance and cleaning
- RSL Gardens - mowing and general maintenance
- Lake Grace Visitor Centre - mowing and general maintenance, including the parking areas
- Lake Grace Recreation Centre - mowing and watering of ovals and repairs to hockey oval sprinklers
- Medical Centre – general garden maintenance
- APEX Areas - paths and garden maintenance
- Lake Grace Playgrounds - mowing and maintenance
- Sewerage Ponds - spraying and maintenance

Newdegate

- Works carried out by sub-contractor

Varley

- General clean up and maintenance carried out at town entrance, hall and pavilion

Lake King

- General Maintenance carried out at Lake King townsite and playgrounds
- Lake King Recreation Centre – general maintenance including mowing, and clean up around the pavilion

and hall.

Building

The Building Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

- 10A Gumtree Drive – removal of existing bath, tiles and kitchen, painting of all doors, skirting and ceilings, and repairs to the roof and exterior leaks
- Lake Grace Public Toilets – repairs to male and female door locks and leaking taps, urinal and disabled toilet and shower
- Footpath in front of the Newdegate School
- Lake Grace Hall – replacement of door and cupboard handles and locks on toilet doors
- Pingaring Recreation Centre – removal of gutters and repairs to the toilets and toilet roof.

Denise Gobbart
Chief Executive Officer

Australia Day Awards Sign Has a Home

It may have taken a little while to decide upon the perfect spot, but the Lake Grace Australia Day Awards sign has now got its forever home - at the leafy garden area near "the Shed" in the centre of town.

The sign has been a joint project between the Shire and Lake Grace Development Association, and it certainly is a symbol of community pride. We would encourage you to come and check it out... it will undoubtedly be a walk down memory lane for many of our community members.

Pictured below is LGDA President, Helen Bennett, with the Shire's Infrastructure Services crew who had a role in getting the sign constructed and installed, and winner plaques affixed. It looks fabulous - well done team!



In good hands...

Above: Helen Bennett, Hugh Choi, John Walter, Jason Franich, Rebecca Roper and George Chircop.

Prohibited Burning Period

Prohibited Burning Period is in Effect

As of 1 November 2019 the Shire of Lake Grace entered its Prohibited Burning Period which will be in effect until 31 January 2020.

Please note that firebreaks must also be maintained from 1 November 2019 until 30 April 2020.

For more information please refer to the Shire's Fire Management Notice 2019-20, on the Shire Website. <https://www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au/our-services/bushfire-and-emergency-management-services/fire-ban-and-zones/>

Shire Messaging Service

To receive an SMS message for any of the following:

- Harvest Ban Notices
- Newdegate Pool or
- Lake Grace Pool

or to stop receiving them, please contact our Customer Service team at the Shire on 9890 2500.

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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.

Driving Assessor

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

Friday - 8 November

Friday - 6 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.

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

For more information visit www.transport.wa.gov.au.

Building Surveyor

Shire Building Surveyor, Elena Bull will be available at the Shire Office on the following dates:

Tuesday 12 November 2019

Tuesday 26 November 2019

Ordinary Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

Date: Wednesday 20 November 2019

Time: 1:30 pm

Location: Council Chambers

1 Bishop St Lake Grace

Members of the public 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.

Environmental Health Officer

For an appointment with the Shire's Environmental Health Officer, Brendon Gerrard. Contact the Shire on 9890 2500 or email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Tip Hours

Lake Grace

Monday & Wednesday 9am - 2pm

Saturday & Sunday 9am - 4pm

Newdegate

Wednesday 9am - 1pm

Saturday 9am - 1pm

Lake King & Varley

Open every day

Waste & Recycle Pickup

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

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

Lake Grace	Newdegate
25 November 2019	18 November 2019
9 December 2019	2 December 2019

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

For more information on Waste Management visit the Shire's website.

Libraries

Lake Grace Public Library School Place Absolon St

Monday - Thursday 9am - 5pm

Closed for lunch 12.30 - 1pm

School Holidays

Tuesday & Thursday 9am - 5pm 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

Everyone welcome



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



Check out our Facebook page
www.facebook.com/shireoflakegrace

The Shire of Lake Grace

invites our Seniors (over 60s) to attend

Free
Event

Seniors Day Trip to Kodja Place

Departing the Lakes Village Hall at 8am Wednesday 13 November 2019

Join us for a wonderful day out as we explore the inside story of

Australian country life through:

The enchanted pathways of the Australian Rose Maze

Bush animal tracks in The Kodj Gallery

Personal stories at the Storyplace

Includes:

Morning Tea on arrival

Lunch at the Black Cockatoo Café

A few places are still available.

For any enquiries and bookings contact
Cheryl Chappell at the Shire office 9890 2500

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