



CEO's Corner

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Drought Taskforce Meeting – 28 May 2019

On Tuesday 28 May 2019 representatives from the Joint Agency Drought Taskforce – Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet visited the Shire of Lake Grace office to meet with a selection of local farmers, councillors, agricultural businesses and support agencies from across the Shire to discuss the topic of drought.

The meeting enabled the Taskforce to listen and learn from those in our Shire who have survived drought in the past and hear their stories, as well as issues being faced with the current water shortages. The forum was followed by a visit to a local farmer's property to give the Taskforce a first-hand visual of the impact the shortages are having on his land and livelihood.

The information provided will be collated for a report to the Prime Minister and will help the Government determine what support is needed for the future.

The Joint Agency Drought Taskforce is a national initiative that was established by the Prime Minister in August 2018 for the purpose of engaging with drought affected communities and assisting the Government in the coordination and delivery of drought support.

National Volunteer Week

20-26 May 2019 marked National Volunteer Week. Now in its 30th Year, this event is the largest celebration of volunteers and volunteerism in Australia and provides an opportunity to highlight the role of volunteers in our community and to say thank you.

And on behalf of the Shire Councillors and Staff, I would like to express our gratitude to the army of volunteers that we are very lucky to have across our Shire for your hard work and commitment - our community wouldn't be what it is today without you.

Central Country Zone Meeting

On Friday 24 May 2019, Shire President Cr De Landgraft and I attended a Central Country Zone Meeting, hosted by the Shire of Brookton. The following topics were presented at this meeting:

- A presentation by WA Local Government Association (WALGA) Chief Executive Officer, Mr Nick Sloan, who presented his 'vision' for WALGA and the local government sector.
- A presentation by Ms Caren McLaren, Business Development and Sales Executive Power Ledger and Mr Mark Imrie, Managing Director of BSC on the

development of more reliable and affordable energy solutions in Regional WA.

- Managing Public Health Risks at Events in WA.
- Management of Public Health Risks Related to Offensive Trades in Western Australia.
- Future Wheatbelt Conference.

Road Works

Our Construction Crew have carried out the following works:

- Grading and maintenance of access roads around the Lake Grace Oval
- An audit of Shire gravel pits
- Maintenance and clearing of standpipes at Dingo Rock, Mordetta Road, Mallee Hill Road, Gimbel Road and Jarring South Road

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Fisher Road
- North Burngup Road
- Mallee Hill Road
- Mordetta Road
- Kennedy Road
- Thornton Road
- Gimbel Road
- Green Road
- Brookfield Road
- Bairstow Road
- Slarke Road
- Bishop Street (including back slopes)

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Haig Road
- Bidy Cam Road
- Magenta Road
- Ardler Road
- Grant Road
- Breed Road
- Mission Road
- Shalders Road

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

- Pickernell Road
- Kathleen Road
- Ladyman Road
- Smerdon Road
- Finlay Road

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- Rose Road
- Lake Newton Road
- Purnta Road
- Frenchs Road
- Malcahy Road

Parks and Gardens

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

Lake Grace

- Town Street maintenance - cleaning of the BBQ area, and watering and maintenance of Main Street verge
- Lake Grace Parks & Gardens Maintenance - mowing at the Lake Grace Visitor Centre, RSL Hall and the Lake Grace Hall
- Lake Grace Playground maintenance
- Lake Grace Recreation Ground - turning on and off of the water pumps, checking of the water tanks and digging out of drains
- Lake Grace Shire Administration Office - clean-up of area behind the Shire Office
- Lake Grace Saleyards - slashing and general clean up
- Lake Grace Airstrip - spraying
- Lake Grace Depot - clean up and maintenance

Lake King

- Mowing of oval
- Pothole patching at truck stop
- Sign installation

Varley

- Retaining wall at the Chicken Ranch
- Retaining wall public toilets

Newdegate

Works carried out by Newdegate Parks and Garden Contractor:

- Newdegate Sports Pavilion maintenance
- Newdegate Main Street maintenance
- Newdegate Skate Park maintenance
- Newdegate Medical Centre gardens maintenance

Ordinary Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

Date: Wednesday 19 June 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.

Building Maintenance

The Building Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

Lake Grace

- RSL Hall – repainting of bench
- 10B Gumtree Drive – bathroom re-vamp including, new tiles, shower screens and vanity
- AIM building – measuring of cracks and reporting
- Lake Grace Public Toilets – new toilet system installed
- Lake Grace Sports Ground – assessment and measurements taken for the new lid for Telstra pit located on the outside corner of the tennis courts
- Lake Grace Cemetery - installation of new notice board

Newdegate

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Varley

- Public Toilets – retaining wall

Denise Gobbart
Chief Executive Officer

Save the Dates

Newdegate Skate Park

Free Skate Lessons
Saturday June 8 2019
2pm - 5pm
Sunday June 9
9am - 12pm



Great Southern Colts Carnival

Lake Grace Sporting Precinct
Saturday 15 June
Sunday - 16 June 2019



Market Day

Lake Grace Visitor Centre
Saturday 29 June 2019
10am - 2pm



Cat Trap

If you are being kept awake at night by singing cats or ones that are fighting please be aware that the Shire has a cat trap available for hire, \$50 bond which will be returned to you upon the return of the cat trap.





'If in Doubt Leave it Out'

What's Recyclable What's Not!

Acceptable Items



Plastic bottles- without lids, newspaper, cardboard (clean), paper grocery bags, egg cartons, magazines, junk mail, stationery and envelopes, glass bottles and jars, milk & juice cartons, aluminium/tin cans, foil, trays, all plastic food containers, empty aluminium cans.

Unacceptable Items



Plastic wrap, plastic bags, coffee cups, fast food wrappers, paper plates, soiled paper, paper towels, napkins, light bulbs, food waste, cups, plates, wine and drinking glasses, batteries, green waste, shredded paper.

Specific materials which may have questions about them include 'If in doubt leave it out':

Aerosols – although the instructions on current education materials say that empty aerosols are permissible for recycling bins, many aren't. Aerosols have caused 5 small explosions in the compactor of one of the MRF Operators over the last year. There is also the concern that people are putting all types of aerosol into the recycling bin, including butane canisters which are potentially extremely hazardous. Therefore it is recommended that people do not put their aerosols in the recycling bin, instead they take them to one of the 13 Household Hazardous Waste facilities throughout WA.

Coffee cups – although a similar material to milk cartons, coffee cups are not recyclable through kerbside collections because of their shape (they would not be sorted by the sorting screen). Also these materials would represent a contaminate in the cardboard stream.

UHT Milk containers – if silver lined, are not recyclable through the kerbside system. These materials are composite packaging. Normal milk cartons which do not have a silver lining are acceptable in the kerbside recycling bin.

Take away food containers – yes if they're clean.

Meat trays – no, currently it is too confusing to know what the material is therefore if it is or is not recyclable.

Plastic containers 1 – 7, all are recyclable. What isn't recyclable is flexible plastic or polystyrene.

Shredded paper – should not be in the recycling bin as shredded paper is too small to be captured and it contaminates the glass stream.

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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.

Please ensure you arrive at the counter with sufficient time for your transaction to be completed by closing time, as it is necessary for staff to reconcile Department of Transport transactions each day. Please keep in mind that farm equipment and Learner's Permit transactions can take up to 45 minutes or more.

Driving Assessor

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

Friday - 5 July

Friday - 2 August - 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, Josiah Farrell will be available at the Shire Office on the following dates:

Tuesday 11 June 2019

Tuesday 25 June 2019

For an appointment contact Josiah on 0438 811 944.

Environmental Health Officer

For an appointment with the Shire's Environmental Health Officer, Will Pearce, please 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
10 June 2019	17 June 2019
24 June 2019	1 July 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



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Check out our Facebook page