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CEO's Corner



Flooding Event

The contractors are nearing completion of outstanding works, it is anticipated that we will have the works, with the exception of culvert cleaning finished prior to December. The work outstanding is as follows;

- Western Sector – Compaction behind culvert headwalls on Duckworth and Fourteen Mile Roads and place rock protection at culverts on Beenong North and Kent Roads.
- Southern Sector – Rectification work on Old Ravensthorpe Road, Culverts on Old Ravensthorpe, Nield and Magenta Roads. Sealing of causeway on Magenta Road, this will be undertaken when the Shire's sealing program commences.
- Culvert Cleaning – Western Sector is complete, works commencing on the Northern Sector.
- Audits – Eastern Sector nearing completion.

As this work is being carried out, the Shire would like to remind road users to be courteous and slow down within the areas that crews are working, this will allow them to do their job in a safe manner and complete it sooner. We continue to have reports of vehicles speeding through the road works.

Local Government Container Deposit Scheme Workshop – Wednesday 7 November 2018

On Wednesday 7 November, I participated in a Local Government Container Deposit Scheme Workshop, via video conferencing. The aim of the workshop was to provide an introduction to the Container Deposit Scheme, discuss the opportunities and to explore practical implications presented by the scheme for Local Government in WA. It was a great opportunity for local governments to strengthen their understanding of how the scheme will operate and how local governments may support and participate in the scheme. There were also speakers from the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage, the WA Local Government Association and the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation.

Remembrance Sunday Service – 11 November 2018

Thank you to all of those involved in the organisation and coordination of the Remembrance Sunday Service held at the Lake Grace War Memorial on Sunday 11 November and to those who came along to pay their respects.

The display of figurines in honour of our servicemen and women, located on the lawn next to the Lake Grace Arts Space, is a fantastic tribute.

A special thanks to the staff and students of the Lake Grace District High School, the Lake Grace Community Men's Shed, the Lake Grace Artists Group, the Lake Grace Development Association, and community members for all of your hard work and efforts in putting this together.

Road Works

The Construction Crew and General Maintenance Staff have carried out the following work:

- Griffin Reward Road (SLK 0.80 – 3.80) – loading and carting of gravel, back slopes, rolling and gravel sheeting

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on the following roads:

- Biddy-Camm Road
- Dunham Road
- Burngup North Road
- Crook Road

Additional works:

- Magenta Road (SLK 24.36 – 27.63) – pegging and cleaning around pegs
- Installation of school bus sign on Kathleen Road
- North Lake Grace – Karlgarin Road (SLK 9.6 -11.6) – pegging, erecting of signage and grading

The Lake King and Varley Maintenance Grader has carried out single cut grading on the following roads:

- Mulcahy Road
- Henderson Road
- Broombush Flat Road
- Winchcombe Road
- Holt Rock South Road
- Pickernell Road
- Ace Road

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out single cut grading on Biddy-Camm Road.

Parks and Gardens

The Town Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

- Lake Grace Recreation Ground – mulching, mowing of ovals, whipper snipping, blowing and general clean up around ovals, repairs to retic, spraying of ants and moving and spreading of sand over ovals
- Lake Grace Swimming Pool – pruning, raking, planting in the front garden, mulching and leaf blowing

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- Town Street Maintenance - clean up around town site, mowing of verges, slashing and filling of hole in the verge on Bennett Street
- Lake Grace Cemetery – works request
- Lake Grace Parks & Gardens Maintenance – watering and weeding on Stubbs Street, emptying of bins and general weeding
- RSL Hall, Lake Grace – general garden maintenance and mulching
- Lake Grace Railway Building – general garden maintenance
- Lake Grace Public Hall Garden – general garden maintenance and removal of railway sleepers
- 54A Bennett Street, Lake Grace – repairs to watering system
- 65B Bennett Street, Lake Grace – checking of watering system
- Lake Grace Medical Centre – weeding
- Lake Grace Village Hall – repairs to sprinkler
- Shire of Lake Grace Administration Building - Watering

Building & Maintenance

The Building and Maintenance Team have carried out the following work:

- Varley Hall – external woodwork repairs and painting
- 54a Bennett Street, Lake Grace – minor maintenance
- Newdegate Airstrip – repairs to windsock pole
- Lake King Hall – investigation of faulty cool room
- Varley Pavilion – replace damaged doors, install privacy screen and repairs to leaking toilets
- Lake King Airstrip – replacement of windsock
- Newdegate Medical Centre – investigation of air conditioner malfunction
- Lake Grace Public Toilets – repairs to faulty toilet cistern
- Lake Grace Hall – investigation of air conditioner malfunction
- Newdegate Public Toilets – faulty light switch repairs
- Lake Grace Shire Office – repairs to automatic door and faulty light
- Lake Grace Medical Centre – replacement of faulty external lights

Denise Gobbart
Chief Executive Officer

The Shire of Lake Grace Office will be closed from Tuesday 25 December 2018 and re-open Tuesday 2 January 2019 at 8:30am

Tuesday	25 December 2018Office Closed
Wednesday	26 December 2018Office Closed
Thursday	27 December 2018Office Closed
Friday	28 December 2018Office Closed
Monday	1 January 2019Office Closed



Please Note:

Licensing services will not be available during this time. Licensing renewals and transactions can be made by mail or via the internet at www.transport.wa.gov.au

For help or information call 13 11 56

Emergency Contacts

Shire Operations will close during the festival period from Tuesday 25 December 2018 until Tuesday 2 January 2019. A few staff will be on hand to manage watering of gardens etc and be on call to answer any emergency request.

Any request will be inspected and any major works required will be scheduled to be undertaken in the New Year.

Waste Pickup Days over Christmas and New Year will remain as normal.

Monday 24 December 2018

Monday 31 December 2018

Christmas Lake Grace and Newdegate Tip Times

Lake Grace

Will remain the same:

Monday 9am - 2pm

Wednesday 9am - 2pm

Saturday & Sunday 9am - 4pm

Newdegate

Will be open on the usual days

Wednesday 9am - 1pm

Saturday 9am - 1pm



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Ordinary Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

Date: Wednesday 28 November 2018

Time: 3:00 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.

Shire Messaging Service

To receive:

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

SMS messages, or if you no longer need them please let us know at the Shire on (08) 9890 2500.

Prohibited Burning Times

**NO BURNING ALLOWED
FROM 1 NOVEMBER TO 31
JANUARY**



Harvest Ban Zones

All fire zones in the Shire of Lake Grace will be on Channel 11 in an event of a fire.

- When a fire occurs on a property in a zone a *Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban* will be imposed for the whole zone until the fire is deemed safe, and the *Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban* is lifted.
- When a fire occurs on a property neighbouring a zone boundary both zones will have a *Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban* imposed until the fire is deemed safe, and the *Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban* is lifted.

Power Outages

Customers affected by power outages lasting 12 continuous hours or more, may be eligible for an \$80 service standard payment.

To find out if you are eligible go to: <https://westernpower.com.au/power-outages/make-a-claim/>

Harvest Road Safety

Council has agreed to place a speed restriction on gravel roads again this harvest. The following notice will be distributed.

80km Restrictions - Gravel Roads

All vehicles greater than 4.5 tonnes are restricted to a maximum speed of 80 km/hr on all gravel roads within the Shire of Lake Grace from 1 November to 31 December 2018 inclusive.

This is to assist with road safety and road preservation over the harvest period. Please be alert and considerate of other roads users.

Harvest brings more grain trucks on our gravel roads, take care, be aware of other roads uses and road signs.

Don't drive in the dust from the vehicle in front, slow down, there is no way of knowing what else is in that dust cloud.

All road users be aware of Shire maintenance vehicles on roads in your area throughout harvest.



- Do not speed. Abide by traffic management signs where roadworks are taking place.
- Shire road works locations are subject to change for emergency repairs, be aware at all times.
- Don't drive in dust when travelling behind vehicles. Keep a safe distance and safe road position behind vehicle in front to ensure vehicles travelling in opposite direction can see you.
- Vehicles seen driving without caution will be reported.

Always be aware of what is behind you and ensure that any traffic will not collide with you if you slow down in a dust cloud.

Be cautious, considerate and aware at all times.



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

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Office Opening Hours

Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday - Friday

8.30am - 4.30pm

Thursday 8.30am- 4.00pm

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

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.

Transport & Licensing

All licensing payments are to be made in person at the Shire of Lake Grace Administration building.

Monday, Tuesday and 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, this is because it is necessary for staff to reconcile Department of Transport transactions each day.

Please keep in mind that farm equipment and Learners 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 - 7 December 2018

Friday - 4 January 2019 to be confirmed

Bookings are essential for all Practical Driver's Licence Assessments and we advise that there is a waiting list, so booking in advance is highly recommended.

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 27 November 2018

Tuesday 11 December 2018

For an appointment contact Josiah on 0438 811 944.

Tip Open 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
26 November	3 December
10 December	17 December

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.

Office Opening Hours

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 Facebook page www.facebook.com/ShireofLakeGrace

Seniors Day 2018

Seniors Week 2018 is a special time of celebration for Western Australian seniors. During the week, events and activities are held across Western Australia to acknowledge seniors and show our appreciation for their valued contribution to the community where they live.

The annual Shire of Lake Grace Seniors Day was held at Walkers Hill Vineyard on Wednesday 14 November. Upon arrival, the 37 people attending the day were invited to enjoy a cuppa with scones jam and cream.

Through the decades Australia has had many poets and today they heard two local poets in the P & K Challenge. Pat O'Neill was challenged by Kevin Seaman to reveal who is the better poet in Lake Grace. They each recited three poems, Endless Sleep and Turbulence to name two. The volume of applause from the audience established the poet of the day with the final adjudicator's decision being that Kevin Seaman was the Poet of the Day by a nose.



Left: Poets Pat O'Neill and Kevin Seaman

Joe Trevenen then Donald Wallace took to the front and sang a few songs, Pat recited renowned local poem 'The Dunny' before lunch. The delicious buffet lunch of quiche, pie and salads was enjoyed by all. Sweets are always people's favourite course with a choice of cheesecakes and mud cake with cream.

Joe and Donald surprising everyone sang Happy Birthday to Kevin Seaman and Elsie Bishop whose birthday was the next day. This Seniors Day was



Left: Mary Nasibitt, Phil Dunham, Jean and Kevin Seaman, Lynette and Allan Zweck.

Donald's debut singing to a large audience outside close friends and family. He surprised many who have known him for years with his remarkable deep voice and guitar skills.

Joe an accomplished local musician completed the day with songs from Johnny Cash and an old favourite 'Home Among the Gumtrees'.



Left: Joe Trevenen and Donald Wallace sing Happy Birthday.

Thank you to COTA For older Australians, and the Department of Communities, seniors in the Shire for attending, Tania and Jared Bray at Walker Hill Vineyard for putting on such a fine spread and the Shire of Lake Grace. It was another well attended Seniors Day hosted by the Shire.



Left: Lorna and Ross Murray



Left: Iris Dillon, Kath Garard, Marg Bushby, and Irene McGlenn