Shire of Lake Grace

Community News

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CEO's Corner

Congratulations to the Newdegate Field Day Committee on their successful field days event, held Wednesday and Thursday of last week. By all reports attendances were good and the opening of the relocated and beautifully refurbished Newdegate Railway Station building by the Minister for Agriculture & Food, Hon Ken Baston is a testament to the spirit of the Newdegate community.



Official opening of Newdegate Field Day held in front of the refurbished Railway Station

This year's Field Day Shire Acquisition Art Prize, titled 'Sunset at Gnarabup' was won by artist Pam Teede of Leschenault, and features a beach landscape in pastels. The painting of a beach near Margaret River will be on display in the Shire's Administration Building public foyer area for all to enjoy.



Children enjoy the Shire of Lake Grace stand in the family interest pavilion.

The search for a replacement doctor continues, the Shire has initiated advertising through Rural Health West. At a Special Meeting held during August, Council agreed to engage First Health to provide interim practice management and locum services to ensure continuity of medical services to

our communities.

The August Ordinary Meeting of Council was held in Lake King on Wednesday 26 August 2015. Nine Lake King community members were present at the meeting to update Councillors on community projects. Lake King Progress Association members talked to Council about their plans for an all weather patio extension to the Lake King Sports Pavilion for which they are seeking funding. The Lake King Playgroup expressed their keen interest to progress plans for a nature playground to be established adjacent to the Lake King Hall and a question was asked regarding drainage at the Lake King Netball courts.

The meeting was adjourned to give Councillors the opportunity to go and look at the Lake King Sports Pavilion facility first hand. The pavilion was built in the early 1970's and is in need of maintenance to enable the provision of a suitable sports facility for the coming generation.



Following afternoon tea, well catered for by the Lake King P&C, the meeting was re-convened and the following items of business considered:

Tenders were awarded for the supply and lay of bitumen & aggregate to Fyfe Transport and COLAS

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Pty Ltd; and to GS Hobbs Contracting for the reconstruction of 18.9kms of rural roads.

Conditional planning approval was granted to Ben and Annie Argent for their proposed mobile home welding business to be carried out at Lot 219 Stubbs St Lake Grace and for construction of a new storage shed. The approval, originally granted in December 2014 was subject to additional plans being submitted and the access way being approved by Main Roads WA at that time. These conditions have now been met and Council is pleased to have been able to support this new business through approving a variation through its Local Planning Scheme.

Reserve 29080, Newdegate is the preferred site for the construction of a new doppler weather radar being proposed by the Department of Agriculture and Food WA in association with the Bureau of Meteorology. The proposed site will require cancellation, excision, relinquishing and re-vesting of a relevant portion of Reserve 29080 to the Department of Agriculture and Food WA. Council supported the proposal subject to CBH's written agreement to modify their current licence with the Shire on land currently used for temporary grain storage.

An application for a Traders Permit from Westcoast Seafoods was approved for the sale and delivery of pre-ordered goods to Lake Grace and Newdegate on a monthly basis.

The list of accounts paid by the Shire for the month of July, totalling \$660,068.23 was ratified.

Unbudgeted expenditure was approved being \$22,000 (ex GST) for the purchase of a reel mower for the Newdegate Sports Grounds to be funded through the Newdegate SAR.

Council gave its support to the re-naming of the section of Kent Road, commencing at the northern most intersection on North Burngup Road travelling approximately 8km south to Holme Road to Crook Road. A letter has been forwarded to the Geographic Names Committee for its determination.

Council agreed to support the proposal from the Department of Parks and Wildlife to have Reserve 34213 set aside as a 'Conservation Park' vested in the Conservation Commission of WA for the purpose of tourism, recreation and water. Reserve 34213. Located on the western side of Fence Road Lake Camm is managed by the Department of Water. In mid 2011 the Department of Water identified the reserve as surplus to its requirements.

A report regarding the WALGA Governance Review Paper was acknowledged and received by Council.

Council considered options for the location of the next three over 55's units to be constructed in Lake Grace with Lot 107 Bennett St Lake Grace being endorsed as the preferred site.

Nominations for the 2015 Local Government Elections close at 4.00 pm this Thursday 10th September 2015. The nomination process is being run by Returning Officer, Mr Terry Gladish. We wish those of you who have nominated for the 4 vacant Council positions for the Shire of Lake Grace, all the best for the October elections.

The October meeting of Council is scheduled to be held on 21 October 2015 and includes a swearing in ceremony for those four newly elected Councillors (being one Lake Grace Ward and three Rural Ward) together with a ballot for President and Deputy President for a two year term.

Neville Hale

Chief Executive Officer



Above: Doopa Dog at the Shire stand with Councillor Deb Clarke, Elle Atwell, Payton and Bella Callope

Newdegate Machinery Field Day

Congratulations to the Newdegate Field Day Committee and Newdegate community on the very successful Machinery Field Days.

Ordinary Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

3.00pm Wednesday, 23 September 2015 Location: Council Chambers Lake Grace

Members of the public welcome.

A minimum of 15 minutes is set aside for public questions time, giving members of the public an opportunity to ask questions relating to Shire activities.

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Office Opening Hours

Monday - Tuesday - Thursday - Friday 8.30am - 4.30pm

Wednesday 8.30am- 4.00pm

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

Licensing Opening Hours

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 8.30am - 4.15pm Wednesday and Friday 8.30am - 4.00pm



Tip Opening Hours

Lake Grace

Monday 9am - 2pm Wednesday 9am - 2pm Saturday 9am - 4pm & Sunday 9am - 4pm

Newdegate

Wednesday 9am - 1pm Saturday 9am - 1pm

Lake King & Varley

Open Every Day

Waste & Recycling Pick up Dates

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

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

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

Lake Grace	Newdegate
21 September	14 September
5 October	28 September

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



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

Driving Assessor

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

Friday - 2 October 2015

Friday - 6 November to be confirmed

Please contact the Shire's Customer Service Officer for an appointment.

You can now book your PDA online. 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 22 September 2015

Tuesday 6 October 2015

To make an appointment please contact Josiah on 0438 811 944.

Restricted Burning Period



The Restricted Burning Period commences on the 19 September

2015 Permits are required to burn during this period.

Firebreaks must be in place from the 1 November to the 30 April.

Wanted - Photographs

For people who always have their camera at hand the Shire is looking for photos to promote our area.

If you have any photos of events, infrastructure or landscape please email, with a description, to shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Your photos will be used to promote the area on our website, Facebook page and publications.

Wherever possible you will be acknowledged if your photo is published .

Please ensure you have permission from the people who are captured in the photo.



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Local Government Elections

Important Dates on the Election Timetable

18 Sept 2015	WAEC commences posting out election
	packages to country WA.
28 Sept 2015	Last Statewide public notice advertising the
	election.
Check the 16 September editions of the	
West Australian & local papers.	
17 Oct 2015	Election Day – Shire Office open to receive votes until close of poll at 6pm. Announcement of successful candidates follows.



Saturday 24 October

Everyone can be involved in the Garage Sale Trail in your community, and it's free.

To register fill out the registration form and return to:
Elle Atwell
 9865 2140
Email Igvisitorcentre@westnet.com.au
Lake Grace Visitors Centre
19 Stubbs Street, Lake Grace

Bushfire Meeting

The next meeting of the Shire of Lake Grace Bushfire Advisory Committee

Held at 3:30pm

Thursday 24 September

At the Newdegate Recreation Centre



Paying your Rates

The following due dates for payment in full or by instalments:

Full payment & 1st instalment due date 11 September 2015 2nd half instalment due date 16 January 2016 2nd quarterly instalment due date 13 November 2015 3rd quarterly instalment due date 15 January 2016 4th quarterly & final instalment due date 15 March 2016

♦ IN PERSON - Cash, Cheque, Eftpos or money order 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace WA 6353

■ **BY MAIL** - Cheque, credit card or money order (no cash accepted by mail)

PO Box 80, Lake Grace WA 6353

Cheques are to be made payable to Shire of Lake Grace.

† ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER

Acc: Shire of Lake Grace

BSB: 036-156 Account #: 00-0001

Reference: Assessment number on rates notice

DIRECT DEBIT

To enter into a direct debit agreement please contact the shire office.

■ VIA OUR WEBSITE - www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au
Follow the prompts for BPOINT bill payments.

Financial Hardship Policy

Our policy applies only to the water service portion of your rate notice.

The Shire will assist a resident who cannot pay a water services portion of a rate notice because of financial hardship in accordance with the Shire's "Financial Hardship Policy".

Approval will be considered where the resident can show that if paying the water services portion of their rate notice the residents basic living needs will be affected.

If you are having difficulty paying other charges on your rate notice we encourage you to still talk to us.

For any enquiries please contact the Shire's Senior Finance Officer, Warrick Millar on 9890 2500.

Shire of Lake Grace NEW Rubbish Tips Open Hours



As a consequence of the amended Licence conditions applied to the Shire's waste facilities it has been necessary to man the Lake Grace and Newdegate sites. This requirement should improve site management, ensure appropriate segregation of waste and reduce contamination from inappropriate dumping of oil, tyres, treated timber and other hazardous waste.

The requirement to man the sites comes at a cost to our rate payers and for this reason it has been necessary to reduce the hours that each site is available to the public.

The revised hours are:

Lake Grace

Monday 9am - 2pm Wednesday 9am - 2pm Saturday 9am - 4pm Sunday 9am - 4pm

Newdegate

Wednesday 9am - 1pm Saturday 9am - 1pm

Lake King & Varley

Open Every Day

*The Shire will be seeking feedback from users and is open to any suggested change of hours within its budget capacity.