# Community Newsletter

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#### Did you know?...

Over 90% of WA is bushfire prone and bushfires can start at any time; everyone needs to be prepared. This year's fire season has started earlier than usual, and is expected to be hotter and drier, increasing the risk of bushfires.

#### What is My Bushfire plan?

The My Bushfire Plan website and companion app is a bushfire preparedness tool, providing you with one place to prepare, store, print, share and update your bushfire survival plan anytime, from any device. You create your own plan by considering the unique set of circumstances that relate to you and your household. You can access your bushfire plan anytime—even without an internet connection.





#### Why should I create a plan?

Bushfires are unpredictable and can quickly turn into a life threatening situation. Having a plan and sharing it with your family is the best chance of survival. It is very difficult to make decisions when you are stressed, frightened and confused. Most people will not consider all the risks and options they have when a bushfire is approaching and underestimate the time it takes to evacuate family, pets and gather important items, medicines and support equipment. Thinking through your bushfire risk and the possible impact it may have on your safety and escape routes can save you and your family's life.

\*\*The My Bushfire Plan website and companion app does not provide bushfire warnings and alerts. During a bushfire, emergency services will provide as much information as possible through a number of different methods, including <a href="www.emergency.wa.gov.au">www.emergency.wa.gov.au</a>, DFES Facebook Page, Twitter and Local Government sources. Please visit <a href="www.emergency.wa.gov.au">www.emergency.wa.gov.au</a> for official warnings and current information for bushfires, storms, cyclones and floods.

An Ordinary Council Meeting will be held at 3.30pm 20 December 2023, Shire of Lake Grace Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace WA 6353

## Community Information



## Seniors Week 2023: Beyond the Generations

WA Seniors Week 2023 was celebrated from 12-19 November, with events held within the Shire to recognise the important role that seniors play in our communities.

Lake Grace and Districts Seniors Group, Lake Grace District High School, Newdegate Primary School, Newdegate Community Resource Centre, Lake Grace Hospital, and Lake Grace Men's Shed joined together for 'Beyond the Generations', a series of intergenerational events and activities.

'Beyond the Generations' events were held at Lakes Village Hall, Lake Grace, and Newdegate Community Resource Centre and Library. Senior members of the community had the opportunity to talk, play games, and participate in activities with students from their local school, followed by a shared morning tea and lunch.

Students from Lake Grace DHS also joined members of the Lake Grace Men's Shed for woodworking activities and a sausage sizzle. There were plenty of opportunities to use different tools and techniques to complete a variety of projects.

All events were well attended, and the feedback has been very positive. The consensus from those in attendance is that intergenerational activities should be held more often in the community.

Funding for 'Beyond the Generations' was received from the Seniors Week Community Grants Program; coordinated by the Council on the Ageing (WA) in partnership with the Department of Communities and Lotterywest.





## Competitive salary; Staff housing with subsidised rent available

We are seeking a reliable Plant Operator/General Hand to join our Infrastructure Team to carry out tasks associated with the maintenance and construction of road systems throughout the Shire of Lake Grace. Applicants must hold a HC licence, and a White Card.

The application package, including a position description, can be found at: www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au/employment or call 9890 2500.

Applications should be addressed to; Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Lake Grace, PO Box 50, Lake Grace WA 6353, or email to: shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au

Applications close 4.00pm on Friday 1 December 2023

The Shire of Lake Grace is an equal opportunity employer



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## Community Information

#### Office Open Hours

Monday - Friday 8.30am - 4.00pm Staff can be contacted via phone between 8am—5pm.

#### **Licensing Payments**

All licensing payments are to be made in person at the Shire of Lake Grace, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace, (please phone ahead for availability).

#### Monday to Friday from 8:30am to 4:00pm

As an agency, we process the majority of transactions including: renewals, transfers, number plate orders, boat registration renewals and new licence applications.

## Lake Grace Swimming

Open: Wednesday to Monday 12.00pm—6.00pm

**Closed: Tuesday** 

Early Morning Swimming:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 5.30am—7.00am

## **Driving Assessor**

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

Bookings are essential for all Practical Driver's Licence Assessments as there is often a waiting list. Bookings can be made at the Shire office on 9890 2500 until further notice.

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

#### December (to be confirmed)

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 Planning & Building

Please contact the Shire of Lake Grace on 9890 2500 or email <a href="mailto:shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au">shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au</a> for all Town Planning and Building Surveying enquiries and requests.

## Environmental Health

The Shire's Environmental Health Officer, Brendon Gerrard, can be contacted via 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.

Newdegate	Lake Grace
Tuesday 28 November	Tuesday 5 December
Tuesday 12 December	Tuesday 19 December

**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 contents 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 contaminators 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 <a href="www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au">www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au</a>.