

# CEO's Corner

#### Flooding Event – February 2017

Over the past week the majority of contractors have had their final briefing and safety induction. Priority works have been identified through small community groups within most of the sectors. The initial works will be looking at significant routes for grain carting and school bus routes. Works will continue until the Christmas break being last day of work Friday 22 December and first day back Monday 8 January.

As this work is being carried out the Shire would like to remind road users to be courteous and slow down within the area crews are working. This will allow them to do their job in a safe manner and complete it sooner.

For current road closures please refer to the Shire's website www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au or Facebook page for a list of roads that are closed within the Shire.

#### **80km Road Restrictions**

With harvest in full swing we would like to remind all road users to exercise extreme caution on our road network. Many useable roads are still subject to damage including shoulder scouring, soft edges with single lane use only.

All vehicles greater than 4.5 tonnes are restricted to a maximum speed of 80 km/hr on all gravel roads within the Shire from 1 November to 31 December 2017 inclusive.

#### **Road Works**

During the past fortnight the construction crew have been on White Dam Road carrying out the final works with extension of culverts and the installation of headwalls. They have put in place the final gravel required to sheet the section of road being upgraded. The crew has now finished installing signs and guide post and general cleanups throughout the construction area.

The construction crew will be starting the drainage works on Magenta Road ready for next year's construction works to seal a further 3km from the existing seal which is expected to start mid to late January.

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader operator has been working with the Construction team over the past weeks and has now returned to maintenance grading as required. The operator has carried out several customer requests, doing signage and the like. In the short time he has completed Holmes and Wallace Roads, and then will be moving to areas not affected by the February 2017 flood event.

The Lake King grading contractor has carried out works on Pickernell Road, Kathleen Road, Broombush Flat Road between straight line kilometres (SLK) 0-10, Paulsen Road, Days Road, Ace Road, Finlay Road between SLK 0–6. They will be looking at doing the following roads in the future; far end of Biddy Camm Road from Brookton Highway to Fence Road, Hogan Road and Ladyman Road.

The Newdegate grading contractor, over the past fortnight has worked on Ardler Road with these roads being looked at in the coming weeks; north end of Old Ravensthorpe Road, Aylmore Road, Tuck Road, Breed Road with various backslopes and spurs.

#### Parks and Gardens

The town maintenance crew have carried out mowing of lawns, whipper snipping and weeding to the public and open space areas within the Lake Grace townsite. The crew have been to the cemetery, Apex Park and entry statements to carry out general garden maintenance. Maintenance at the town oval and medical centre has been carried out. The team has travelled out to Lake King and carried out mowing, weeding and spraying to public spaces, the Lake King Sports Pavilion and general maintenance at the Lake King cemetery.

They have also been helping out in Newdegate doing various jobs that have come in from customer requests.

#### Building and Maintenance Team

This fortnight, works continue on the Lake Grace Sports Pavilion:

- Kitchen cupboards have been installed;
- Roller door for servery is in;
- Range hood has been ducted through the roof and powered up; and,
- Screeds have been completed in the shower areas and floor tiling has commenced.

The Building Maintenance Team has carried out maintenance at:

- Lake King Public Toilets;
- Newdegate Sports Pavilion;
- Shire Administration Building;
- 10b Gumtree Drive, Lake Grace; and,
- 65a Bennett Street, Lake Grace.

CEO Corner Cont.

#### Ordinary Council Meeting Wednesday 22 November 2017

Items of business considered by Council at the meeting included:

- authorised the Chief Executive Officer to use Western Australia Local Government Association's Preferred Supplier panel for the Request for Quotation 2017/02 for the supply of Bitumen and Sprayed Bituminous Surfacing;
- authorised the Chief Executive Officer to seek quotations for the supply of Aggregate and delivery of Aggregate for the 2017/18 Road Sealing Program;
- approval for development application to proposed new single house on Lot 101 (No.16) Wattle Drive, Lake Grace subject to conditions and advice notes;
- approval for the Shire to be the proponent for a grant application to Tourism WA's 2017/18 Regional Events Scheme and allocate \$15,000 towards hosting the event if grant application successful;
- that the present responsibilities of staffing under the November 2016 Agreement for the Lake Grace Library Resource and Community Resource Centre Management Committee remains;

- authorised the purchase of 1 Mocom Classic 17 Litre Dental Autoclave for the use by Dr Bryan Fleming our local dentist;
- appointed community nominations to Committees and External Organisations and adopted the Council Committees and Advisory Group 2017 Guide;
- appointed the Community Emergency Services Manager as a Bushfire Control Officer;
- nominated Cr Marshall for a position on the Wheatbelt Development Commission Board;
- appointed authorised persons to exercise power under the Local Government Act 1995, associated legislation and other Acts, on behalf of the Shire;
- authorised the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate with the Shire of Kondinin to undertake preparation work on Magenta Road; and,
- awarded the contract to Nature Play Solutions to construct the Newdegate Skate Park and All Ages Playground.

The minutes of the November 2017 Ordinary Council Meeting are available on the Shire's website at www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

> Denise Gobbart Chief Executive Officer



# Invitation

The Shire of Lake Grace invites you to the official opening of the

## Lake Grace Independent Living Units

## Members of the Community

Date:	Thursday 14 December 2017
Location:	Cnr Lawson and Bennett Street, Lake Grace, WA
Time:	11.00 am - Morning tea to follow
RSVP By:	Monday 11 December 2017 Tash or Sharon at the Shire office.

Phone: 9890 2500 or Email: shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au





ESTERN AUSTRALIA





The units are part of the 4WDL Regional Well Aged Housing Wheatbelt Project between the Shires of Wagin, West Arthur, Woodanilling, Williams, West Arthur, Dumbleyung and Lake Grace and made possible with funding from Royalties for Regions.

## **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.

## **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 license 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 - 5 January 2018

Friday - February 2018 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.

## **Firearm Licence**

All firearm licensing including the payment of licence renewals is now done at the Lake Grace Post Office.

## **Building Surveyor**

Shire Building Surveyor, Josiah Farrell will be available at the Shire Office on the following dates:

#### Tuesday 12 December 2017

#### Tuesday 2 January 2018

For an appointment contact Josiah on 0438 811 944.



Check out our Facebook page

## **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 Opening 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 & Recycling Pick up

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	
11 December	18 December	
25 December	1 January 2018	

**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.

## **Library Hours**

Lake Grace Public Library School Place Absolon St Monday - Thursday 9am - 5pm

Closed for lunch 12.30 - 1pm

#### School Holidavs

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



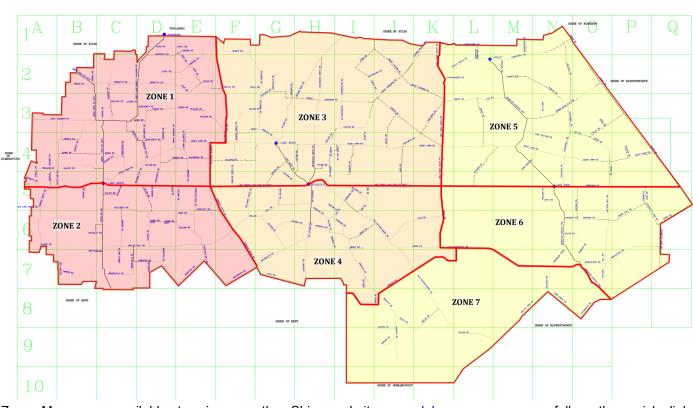
Check out our website

www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au

## **Bushfire Season**

### Shire of Lake Grace Fire Zone Maps

SHIRE OF LAKE GRACE FIRE ZONES



Zone Maps are available to view on the Shire website <u>www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au</u> follow the quick link 'Bushfire & Harvest ban Info'. Please ensure you know which zone your property is located.

## Caltrop in Townsites

Following the recent rainfall the townsites have experienced an outbreak of caltrop.

#### What You Can Do

You can assist by spraying and/or removing any caltrop on your property or verge, please do not put into your rubbish bin as this will contaminate our waste facility and the neighbouring farm lands.

#### **Disposing of Caltrop Plants**

To dispose of any removed caltrop plants please:

 place them into a marked and sealed plastic bag and keep them until winter when they can be safely burnt

or

 take them to the Shire Depot, at Absolon Street Lake Grace, where there is a specially marked caltrop wheelie bin facility located just outside the main depot gate.

### **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: <u>https://</u> westernpower.com.au/power-outages/make-a-claim/

#### Harvest Bans 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.

### **Ordinary Council Meeting**

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

1:00 pm Tuesday 19 December 2017

at 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.



The Shire of Lake Grace Office will be closed from Saturday 23 December 2017 and re-open Tuesday 2 January 2018 at 8:30am.

Monday	25 December 2017Office Closed	Thursday	28 December 2017Office Closed
Tuesday	26 December 2017Office Closed	Friday	29 December 2017Office Closed
Wednesday	27 December 2017Office Closed	Monday	1 January 2018Office 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

0448 089 092 (Works) 0429 404 852 (General)

Shire Operations will close during the festival period from Saturday 23 December 2017 until Tuesday 2 January 2018.

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.

CESM contact : 0436 668 242

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

Monday 25 December 2017 Monday 1 January 2018

#### **Christmas Lake Grace and Newdegate Tip Times**

#### Lake Grace

Monday 25 December 2017......Closed All other days 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



# **Cars on Display**

How many Classic cars are in the district? Is there a car in your back shed that is:

- Antique
- Vintage
- Veteran or
- Classic



Antique - cars made before 1919 Vintage - made between 1919 and 1930s Veteran - built before the First World War Classic - cars 20 years and older

We all enjoy looking at cars from the past, so if you have an "old" car please consider bringing it into town for people to admire.

The Shire in collaboration with the Lake Grace Community Resource Centre are looking for cars to display in a designated area during the Lake Grace Christmas Festival AKA as Late Night Shopping Thursday 14 December 2017.

If you have a car you would like to display and for more information contact Linda or Cheryl on 9890 2500.

## Hazard Perception Test Update

Due to an error with the Hazard Perception Test Update, Hazard Perception Tests are currently not available through the Shire of Lake Grace.

Please contact the Shire of Lake Grace if you have any further queries on this matter.

The Department of Transport Update to Licensing New & Old Vehicles through inspections has recently changed. Please note that the potential owner of the vehicle is to be present at the Shire Office at the time of application and will need to provide primary identification (driver's license) to licensing staff for the application process to be completed.

## **Christmas Trading Hours**

All traders have a right to exercise individual discretion whether to open or not during the proposed Christmas/ New Year trading extension (Monday 4 December 2017 until Monday 1 January 2018 inclusive) as listed below.

8.00 am to 9.00 pm -	Monday to Friday
8.00 am to 5.00 pm -	Saturday
11.00 am to 5.00 pm -	Sundays and public holidays
Christmas Day -	Closed