Community Mewsletter

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From the Acting CEO

Our thoughts go out to the many people whom have lost their homes and those that have had to put down significant numbers of livestock. We also give our thanks to those who volunteered their time to fight those fires in most cases over many hours.

For future information regarding fires please refer to the Emergency WA website emergency.wa.gov.au for local road closures, they can also be obtained by calling the relevant local government shire. **PLEASE REMEMBER** - that if there is a fire call **000** first, do not ring the Shire Office. All 000 calls will activate the local brigades quicker than ringing the Shire.

You will have read or heard that there will be no permits issued until further notice, please see this as a safety measure until the weather situation eases.

It's good to see that the jumping pillow in Newdegate has finally been installed and I am sure it will get a lot of use in the coming months.

The Newdegate Country Club renovations are continuing albeit slowly due to the high demand for tradesmen right across the state. The tiling is all but completed in the toilets and kitchen, air conditioning installation is nearing completion, kitchen cupboards and benches have been installed, gyprocking of the internal walls commenced and ceilings soon to be installed. The rendering of the outside of the building has been completed and looks very good.

People are reminded of the requirement to wear face masks within indoor areas including within the Shire office. An exemption from a medical practitioner is required if you are unable to wear a mask.

For regular updates on Covid-19 please refer to the WA Government website www.wa.gov.au/government/covid-19-coronavirus and www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/A E/Coronavirus, please stay safe.

Chris Paget
Acting Chief Executive Officer

Dinner and Show Friday 25 February Walkers Hill Winery

Coming Events

Lake King Progress Ass Wednesday 23 February Lake King Hall 7pm

Varley Progress Association
Thursday 24 February
Sports Pavilion 6pm

Varley Social Nights
Friday 25 February
Friday 11 March
Saturday 26 March
Sunday 3 April
Friday 10 June
Friday 24 June

Labour Day Holiday
7 March

*Movie Night*Lake Grace Visitor Centre
25th March

Ordinary Council Meeting

An Ordinary Council
Meeting will be held on
Wednesday
23 March 2022
from 2.30pm at the
Council Chambers,
Administration Building.

The Agenda will be available on www.lakegracesa

Everyone 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.



Community Infrastructure Service

The Shire crew have been busy installing new toilets at Lake King and the Jam Patch. They have installed the jumping pillow in Newdegate.

Our staff carried out the following works:

Roadworks

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Elliott Rd
- Slarke Street



Above and below: Slarke St road works

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Mission Road
- Biddy Camm Road
- North Newdegate Road
- Watson Road
- Hollands Track Road
- Alymore Road
- Wield Road

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

- Drust Road
- Holt Rock South Road
- Strawbridge Road
- Dempster Rock Road
- Winchcombe Road
- Fence Road

Parks & Gardens

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

Lake Grace

- Visitor Centre lawn
- Fertilize lawns
- Retic maintenance at ovals
- Calthrop
- Clean vacant block
- Lions Park Gumtree Dr
- Pool garden, mow and fertilize lawn
- Medical Centre garden
- Street verge weeding
- Railway Station lawn and garden

Newdegate

- Water un-reticulated gardens and pot
- Mow gazebo lawn
- Town bins
- Maintenance of oval, spray black beetle and wetter check retic
- Clean Cemetery

Lake King

- Oval maintenance
- Garden maintenance
- Fertilize ovals

Varley

• General maintenance around Chicken Ranch

Buildings

The Building Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work on the following facilities:

- Pad and septic preparations for the new toilet block Lake King
- Newdegate Jumping Pillow



Above: Installation of Jumping Pillow at Newdegate Sporting Precinct.

- Toilet at Jam Patch
- Lake Grace Medical Centre
- Lake King town hall maintenance
- Swimming pool fence maintenance

Operations

- Cart gravel to Slarke Street
- Cart gravel to Elliott Road
- Cart gravel to Burngup South Rd
- Work on Newdegate Jumping Pillow
- Cleanup after Newdegate fire

Craig Elefsen

Manager Infrastructure Services

Community Information

Office Open Hours

Monday - Friday 8.30am - 4.00pm

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

Licensing Payments

All licensing payments are to be made in person at the Shire of Lake Grace Administration office, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace.

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

Driving Assessor

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

Friday - 4 March

Friday - 8 April (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.

All bookings to be made at the Shire office on 9890 2500 until further notice.

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

For more information go to: www.transport.wa.gov.au.

Lake Grace Swimming Pool

Opens: 12noon - 6pm daily

Early morning swimming:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 5.30am - 7.00am

Please note: when there are any changes in the pool open hours it will be advertised on the Pool Facebook, Shire Facebook pages and on the front door at the pool.

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

Building Surveyor

Building Surveyor, can be contacted through the Shire Office on 9890 2500

or email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Town Planning & Building

The Shire's Town Planner consultant Joe Douglas, can be contacted via the Shire on 9890 2500 or email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

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.

Lake Grace	Newdegate
Tuesday 1 March	Tuesday 8 March
Tuesday 15 March	Tuesday 22 March

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 content 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 www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Cammunity Emergency Service News

On Behalf of Brad Watson, Chief Bush Fire Control Officer Lake Grace and DFES, we would like to extend our thanks and gratitude to the all of the Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade members and Farm Responders who attended the Narrogin East Bush fire. Your help was greatly appreciated both by the locals impacted and the Shire, who you represented well.

We also sent over our CESM, Matt Castaldini, who assisted for 3 days with the Incident Management Team, in the coordination and control of the resources being applied.

Do we call 000?

Yes! Although you go through to the national call centre when you call 000, after requesting FIRE or FIRE BRIGADE, your call is passed to a team in Perth who collect the details, then contact our designated local contact, being Brad Watson our Chief.

To make things easier for Brad and the FCO's we are

registering farm responders across the Shire to receive an SMS message that can be triggered when authorised by Brad. The message will note the date and time, the type of fire, and where it is located, with a google maps link to help you get there.

If you would like to register as a Farm Responder, please email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au and we will send you the application form to complete.

Matt Castaldini

Community Emergency Services Manager

Reminder!

Permits to burn are not being issued until further notice.

Facility Hire

Please contact the Shire to book Shire facilities.

You are required to read the COVID Safety Plan before using the facility.

People, groups, clubs who hire public buildings are still required to:

- Complete the WA Government Safety Plan
- Register users of the facility
- Monitor entry and exits
- Disinfect surfaces, doors handles, table chairs, showers, toilets regularly.

At the end of the event the requirements are:

- · Return tables and chairs to designated storage area
- Put all rubbish into the outside sulo bins provided, including rubbish in toilets
- Ensure all stoves and lights are turned off
- Report any damages incurred while hiring facility
- Facility to be left in the same condition as found upon arrival including the floors
- All external doors are closed and locked;

This is most important as often doors are not locked when cleaners arrive.

Shire cleaners are responsible for the general cleaning of a facility, however they are not responsible for cleaning up and putting away tables and chairs after a function.

Double the fun.

Additional voucher available now.









Seen a faulty streetlight?

Western Power has automated streetlight fault reporting, making it easier to report faulty streetlights.

If a streetlight doesn't turn on, turn off or flickers, let Western Power know using the streetlight reporting tool at:

https://westernpower.com.au/faults-outages/report-a-faulty-streetlight/ or call on 13 10 87