



CEO CHAT



The weather has warmed up, and once again the pool is being very well attended and it looks a treat; well done Aaron. We have pool covers on order, which will help keep the pool warm, reduce evaporation, and the use of chemicals. Work has also started at the All Abilities Playground. Please be aware that it is a work site; you are welcome to look at what is happening, but please stay outside the fenced perimeter.

On Friday 1 December several councillors and staff, along with members of the community, attended a morning tea and information session at the Lake Grace Hospital with the board of the WA Country Health Service. We listened to the Chairman, Neale Fong, talk about support for country hospitals however it still left a lot of questions around upgrades to the hospital, and staff housing. We have forwarded them some further information.

Our Expression of Interest for funding for the Lake King Pavilion has been reviewed and we have been invited to submit a formal application through the Growing Regions Program. This is well underway and will be submitted shortly. We are still awaiting funding approval to allow us to develop further land for housing to the east of Wattyl Drive and Blackbutt Way in Lake Grace.

The Shire's Strategic Community Plan is nearing completion and will be submitted to council at the 20 December meeting.

We have been advised of some damage done to signage and vegetation at the Kwongon Walk Trail near the old speedway track. If you **absolutely must** use the track; please note that the area will be monitored and any further damage to signs or vegetation will result in the track being ripped up and the area revegetated.

This will be the last full report prior to Christmas. On behalf of myself, the staff, and councillors at the Shire of Lake Grace, I would like to wish everyone a safe and merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We are all looking forward to another exciting year ahead.

Alan George
Chief Executive Officer

— From the Shire of Lake Grace —
MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Shire of Lake Grace Administration Office will be closed from
12 noon Friday 22 December 2023 until
8.30am Tuesday 2 January 2024

Please note: Licensing services will not be available during this time. Licensing transactions can be made via mail, or the internet at:

www.transport.wa.gov.au
For help or information call 13 11 56

Emergency Contacts
CEO 0460 416 959 or Infrastructure
Manager 0448 089 092

Highlights from the 22 November Council Meeting

We were a little light on for councillors this meeting due to other commitments, however those that were able to attend contributed to some healthy discussions.

Local governments are now required to record on their minutes the names of the councillors who vote for or against a recommendation. If you are curious the minutes of each meeting appear on the shire website a few days after the meeting.

- Council endorsed a new list of prioritised jobs, tasks and functions for the jointly shared Community Emergency Services Manager for the Shires of Lake Grace, Kent and Dumbleyung. Carried 4/1
- Council approved the issue of a Shire of Lake Grace Credit Card with a \$2,000 limit to the Shire of Lake Grace Community Emergency Services Manager for use only in relation to incident response, deployments and training. Carried 5/0
- Council approved a request from the Lake Grace Lions Club to assist with the purchase and distribution of Containers for Change recycle bins around the town. Carried 5/0
- A sponsorship request from the Lake Grace Bowling Club for the sum of \$500 was approved by Council to assist with the staging of a 2 day Bowls carnival, the first for over 5 years. Carried 5/0
- The Council Administration office will be closed from 12 noon on 22 December and will re-open on 2 January 2024. A skeleton crew will be available to maintain watering regimes and in case of emergencies.
- Council met “Behind Closed Doors” to consider the nominees for the 2024 Australia Day Citizen of the Year Awards, which will be announced at our Australia Day BBQ Breakfast.

Recent pictures from the Men’s Shed
Youth Mentoring Program



An **Ordinary Council Meeting** will be held at 3.00pm 20 December 2023, Shire of Lake Grace Council Chambers,
1 Bishop St, Lake Grace WA 6353

The Agenda will be available on: www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au

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



Lake Grace
All Abilities Playground
Progress



Current Employment Opportunities

Community Engagement Coordinator

The Shire of Lake Grace is currently seeking a proactive Community Engagement Coordinator to join our Administration Team on a full-time basis.

As the Community Engagement Coordinator you will assist and support the Community Economic Development Officer with:

- determining community needs
- coordinating, promoting, delivering and monitoring community programs, events and activities
- engage with and support local youth, seniors, and the wider community; including administration, program and event planning, and stakeholder engagement.
- engage with local young people, ensuring they have an active voice in the Shire of Lake Grace through organising and participating in the Youth Advisory Committee, Youth Mentoring Program, WA Youth Week celebrations; along with peer-to-peer, and intergenerational contact at various community events.

Our progressive community is going through an exciting period of expansion. Join our team and be a vital part of 'The Growing Centre.'

For further information, or to obtain an application package, please contact: Aimee Egan-Reid, Community Economic Development Officer at the Shire of Lake Grace.

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



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Community Information

Office Open Hours

Monday to Friday 8.30am - 4.00pm
Telephone between 8.00am - 5.00pm

Lake Grace Swimming Pool Hours

Wednesday to Monday: 12 noon - 6.00pm
CLOSED TUESDAY
Early Morning Swimming:
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 5.30am - 7.00am

Department of Transport

All licensing payments can be made in person at the Shire of Lake Grace Administration Building.

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

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

Driving Assessor

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

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

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

Town Planning & Building

Please contact the Shire of Lake Grace for all Town Planning and Building Surveying enquiries and requests. Ph: 9890 2500 or Email: shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au

Library Services

Lake Grace Public Library School Place

Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm
Closed for lunch 12.30 - 1pm

Newdegate Public Library Collier Street

Monday - Thursday 8.30am - 4.30pm
Closed for lunch 12noon - 1pm
Friday 9am - 2pm

Lake King Library Newdegate/Ravensthorpe Road

Tuesday and Thursday 8.30am - 3.30pm

Environmental Health

Please contact the Shire of Lake Grace for all Environmental Health enquiries. Ph: 9890 2500 or Email: shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Waste Facilities Open Hours

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 is collected each Tuesday in Lake Grace, Newdegate, Lake King & Varley.

Recycling is a fortnightly service, alternating between Lake Grace and Newdegate:

Newdegate

Tuesday 12 December
Tuesday 26 December

Lake Grace

Tuesday 19 December
Tuesday 2 January

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

For more information on Waste Management; visit: <https://www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au/services/work-and-infrastructure/Waste-Management.aspx>



SHIRE OF LAKE GRACE

PUBLIC NOTICE

2024 COUNCIL MEETINGS

In accordance with section 5.25(g) of the Local Government Act 1995, residents of the Shire of Lake Grace are advised of the following Council Meeting arrangements for 2024:

DATE	TIME	PLACE
January	N/A	No meeting (annual break)
Wednesday 21 February	3.30pm	Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace
Wednesday 27 March	3.30pm	Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace
Wednesday 24 April	3.30pm	Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace
Wednesday 22 May	3.30pm	Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace
Wednesday 26 June	3.30pm	Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace
Wednesday 24 July	3.30pm	Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace
Wednesday 28 August	3.30pm	Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace
Wednesday 25 September	3.30pm	Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace
Wednesday 23 October	3.30pm	Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace
Wednesday 27 November	3.30pm	Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace
Wednesday 18 December	3.30pm	Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace

Council meetings are open to the public and members of the community are encouraged to attend and ask questions and make comments relating to Shire activities.

A minimum of fifteen (15) minutes is allowed at the beginning of each meeting for questions from the public.

The Council Agenda is available prior to the meeting and can be viewed on the Shire website at www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au

Minutes of Council meetings are available on the Shire website at www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au

For more information contact the Executive Assistant on 9890 2500 or email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au

ALAN GEORGE
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER