

Shire Community News

From the Acting CEO

Monday morning was a little different in the office last week. There were nine chocolate cakes lined up for me to taste test. Staff participated in a friendly competition who had the tastiest chocolate cake. Next month we will be making something with pineapple in it.

The lifting of travel restrictions in most of WA has seen an increase of traffic on the roads and hopefully will lead to an increase in business for our hard hit businesses within our towns. With other restrictions being eased from midnight 5th June let's hope that things soon start returning to a semblance of normality.

New Leader for Council

New leaders were elected by Council at the 20 May Ordinary Council Meeting. Cr Len Armstrong was elected President and Cr Ross Chappell Deputy President. The team will be representing the interests of all electors and residents for the next 18 months until the 2021elections.

Cr Jeanette De Landrafft resigned from Council effective Wednesday 20 May. Jeanette was elected to Council in 2007 and became Shire President in 2016. We thank Jeanette for over twelve years service to the Shire of Lake Grace and wish her well in her future endeavours.

Cr Peter Stoffberg stepped down from Deputy President at the 20 May meeting. Cr Stoffberg has remained as councillor and we look forward to his contribution to the team. We wish to thank him for his commitment during his time as Deputy.

Cr Murray Stanton resigned from Council on Thursday 21 May. We wish to thank you for your service to the Shire during your time on Council.

Council

Ordinary Council Meeting

An Ordinary Meeting of Council was held face to face on Wednesday 20 May 2020, during which the following items of business were considered:

- Presentation Lake Grace Community Garden Group
- Presentation Lake Grace All Ages Community Playground Group
- National Redress Scheme

 Participation of WA Local Governments.
- Bullying and Harassment Policy and Grievance Policy and Procedure.
- Review of Policy 3.7 Purchasing
- Budget Considerations COVID-19 Financial Hardship Policy Template

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New CEO

Time is running out for applicants to apply for the Shire of Lake Grace CEO position, if you have what it takes, send in your application by Friday 5 June.

Federal funding boost to support Councils

The Shire is asking the Development Associations and Progress Associations for suggestions for projects that they may have been looking at starting in the next two to three years that fit the criteria. Eligible community infrastructure projects could include works involving:

- Bicycle and walking paths
- Painting or improvements to community facilities
- Repairing and replacing fencing
- Improved accessibility of community facilities and areas
- Landscaping improvements, such as tree planting and beautification
- Picnic shelters or barbeque facilities at community parks
- Playgrounds and skateparks (including all ability playgrounds)
- Noise and vibration mitigation measures
- Off-road car parks (such as those at sporting grounds or parks).

Women & Leadership Australia scholarship

I am pleased to announce that Rebecca Clark has been successful in receiving a Women & Leadership Australia Scholarship from LG Professionals WA.

This initiative is to give up and coming women in the workforce scholarships to support their growth and development. Areas covered are Elements of a Successful Team, Team Dynamics, Empowering Teams and Evolving Strategic Change. Well done Rebecca.

Shire Facilities from Saturday 6 June

All Shire facilities will increase their capacity up to 100 patrons and up to 300 per outside venue The sports facilities will offer the normal range of activities including contact sport and training from Saturday 6 June.

Shire playgrounds, skate parks and outdoor gyms will reopen to the public. Physical distancing, good hygiene and the 2 square metre rule will apply to all activities permitted in Phase 3.

The Shire reminds people that they must complete a COVID Safety Plan, prior to using the facility, to ensure they will mitigate the risk of COVID-19, in line with health advice.

Shire Infrastructure News

A contractor will be attending to carry out CCTV sewer access chambers inspections commencing the fortnight of 15 June. All those involved have been notified.

Contractors and our staff have carried out the following works:

- Excavation of Newdegate Sports Dam
- Gumtree playground shed installation
- During the Ordinary Council Meeting 20 May, Council have selected 2 Suppliers to construct 3 houses within the Shire

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out maintenance on:

- Duckworth Road
- Burngup Road
- Mallee Hill Road
- Bairstow Road
- Beenong North Road
- Thornton Road

Contract maintenance Grading in the Newdegate area has been carried out on:

- Parsons Road
- Morton Road
- Mallee Hill Road
- Hollands Track
- Dykes Road

Contract Maintenance Grading in the Lake King-Varley area has been carried out on:

- Tarco Road
- Drust Road
- Long Creek Road
- Allen Road

Parks & Gardens

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

- Lake Grace Medical Centre Gardens
- Reticulation repairs to Railway Gardens
- Lake Grace Stubbs St whipper snipping
- Lake King Garden Maintenance
- Tidying up the fallen branches in Lake Grace townsite

Ordinary Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held: **Date:** Wednesday 17 June 2020

Time: 1:30 pm

Location: Council Chambers, 1 Bishop St Lake

Grace

Restrictions will apply to the number of people in the Chambers.

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.

Building

The Building Maintenance Crew has carried out the following work:

- 14 Blackbutt Way, maintenance
- Lakes Village Hall internal lights
- 5 Banksia Place, maintenance
- · Lake Grace Pavilion roof repairs
- Varley Emergency Services Buildings Maintenance
- Preparation for Lake Grace jumping pillow shed erection
- Gumtree Playground shed erection



Lake King Town Hall & playground Baixtona Steefsen
 Manager Infrastructure Services

Facility Hire

Shire facilities will return to capacity from Saturday 6 June.

Please contact the Shire and rebook the facility, to confirm you have read the COVID Safety Plan before you resume using the facility.

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

- 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 unlocked 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. Affiliation fees are set up to help cover some of the costs in maintaining the buildings for the hirer's use which include, but are not limited to, general cleaning, water and electricity usage.

Community Info

Office Open 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 office, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace.

Monday, Tuesday & 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 licence applications. With every transaction we perform here, we try to offer the best service possible.

We do ask all licensing customers to be considerate, even though we are aware of people being 'locals' it does not exempt us from following the rules set by the Department of Transport.

Driving Assessor

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

Friday 5 June

Friday 3 July - 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.

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 Planner

Planning Officer, David Johnston and Building Surveyor, Gary Bruhn will be in Lake Grace Wednesday 17 June, contact through the Shire Office on 9890 2500 or email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Environmental Health Officer

The Shire's Environmental Health Officer, Brendon Gerrard. Contact 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 & 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 & Newdegate. See below for the upcoming recycling collection dates.

Lake Grace	Newdegate
Tuesday 9 June 2020	Tuesday 16 June 2020
Tuesday 23 June 2020	Tuesday 30 June 2020

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.



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