



Shire Community News

From the CEO

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The 2020 Extraordinary Election was held on Friday 11 September. Returning Officer Kerry Hitchins conducted the count with assistance from Shire staff.

I would like to welcome Mr Ben Hyde and Mr Shane Carruthers to Council. They were the successful candidates at our extraordinary election and were duly sworn in at the Council meeting on Wednesday 16 September 2020.

It was good to see six candidates vying for the Councillorship and would like to thank everyone for your efforts.



Back: Craig Elefsen Manger Infrastructure Services, Cr Shane Carruthers, Cr Helen Steike, Cr Peter Stoffberg, Cr Deb Clarke, Cr Alan Marshall, Cr Roz Lloyd, Kevin Wilson Manager Corporate Services and Cr Ben Hyde.
Front : Chris Paget Deputy CEO, Cr Ross Chappell Deputy Shire President, Len Armstrong Shire President, Alan George CEO.

The Lake Grace swimming pool repaint has just about been completed with a few minor items to be finished off. Attention will now be given to the toddlers pool to spruce it up and improve safety requirements. The pools will be ready for the season opening.

The main street gardens in Lake Grace and Newdegate are looking great. Works in Lake Grace has halted for a few weeks due to a shortage in supply of plant stock. This is another side effect of COVID 19 as everyone has been bitten by the gardening bug and stocks are low everywhere.

We are still awaiting the approval of the Drought Communities Fund and Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program Grants from the Federal Government. Once received, it will be full swing into getting our projects underway.

Council

Ordinary Council Meeting

An Ordinary Meeting of Council was held on Wednesday 16 September 2020, during which the following items of business were considered:

- Two (2) new Councillors were sworn in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 s2.29(1). Cr Benjamin Hyde and Cr Shane Carruthers made and signed declarations prior to them joining the Ordinary Council Meeting of 16 September 2020.
- CBH will be constructing the new access road to the Newdegate Field Day site to allow CBH the use of the access way without any restriction for temporary emergency grain handling and storage purposes. The term of the agreement will expire on 8 March 2027.
- The Dingo Rock Dam has been nominated for registration without assessment on the State Register of Heritage Places by the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage. The Council supports the listing pending receipt of satisfactory response from the Minister regarding the implications to the future maintenance requirements and the continued future use as a strategic water supply.
- Water Corporation has 12 AA Dams that it has identified as being surplus to its requirements and have sought Councils desire to take them over. However, after some discussions among Councillors regarding 'cost shift' of obligations from the State on expenses such as firebreaks, fencing, clearing permits which are significant costs, concerns over implications of future Shire rates has been expressed. Six (6) Water Corporation AA dams have been identified for the Shire of Lake Grace to take control and acquire.
- The schedule of Council meetings for the year 2021 has been set to every fourth week of the month, with the month of February to be moved forward because of a bigger gap between December 2020 and March 2021.
- Lease Agreement between Telstra and Shire of Lake Grace regarding the use of facility at 23 Dewar Street, Lake Grace (part of Lot 385 and Deposited Plan 195003) has been approved by Council
- Council approved the closure of the Shire of Lake Grace Administration Centre from mid-day Thursday 24 December 2020 and will re-open on Monday 4 January 2021

Alan George
Chief Executive Officer

Shire Infrastructure News

Road Works

The Lake Grace maintenance grader has carried out grading on:

- Bidy Camm Road

The Newdegate maintenance grader has carried out grading on:

- Mallee Hill Rd
- North Burngup Rd
- Dillon Rd
- Edwards Rd
- North Newdegate Rd

The Lake King and Varley maintenance grader has carried out grading on:

- Bidy Camm Rd
- Norseman Rd
- Stennetts Lake Rd
- Pickernell Rd
- Lake King Airstrip

Buildings

The Building Maintenance crew has carried out the following work:

- 10B Gumtree door repairs
- South Road Dam repairs, new seal installed
- Trench digging at Varley cemetery
- Lighting repairs to Lake King public toilets
- 10A Gumtree exhaust fan repairs
- Trench digging for Lake Grace Railway vehicle charger



New fast car charger installed

Parks & Gardens

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

- Mowing and whipper snipper of Lake Grace Sporting Ovals
- Mowing and general garden clean up at Lake Grace
- Assisting landscapers with Stubbs Street median strip
- Change out of Netball rings to Basketball rings
- Branch clean up around Lake Grace after tree loppers
- Town Hall lawns mowed
- Slashing around Lake Grace town verges



Above: Stubbs St median strip planted

Craig Elefsen

Manager Infrastructure Services

Facility Hire

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:

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

At the end of the event 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 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.

Seen a faulty streetlight?

Western Power has recently 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

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 6 November 2020

Friday 4 December 2020 - 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.

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 can be contacted 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 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 29 Sept 2020	Tuesday 6 Oct 2020
Tuesday 13 Oct 2020	Tuesday 20 Oct 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 contaminants 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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Community Info

Ordinary Council Meeting

An Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 21 October 2020 from 2:00pm at the Council Chambers, Administration Building. The Agenda will be available on www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au

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 Emergency Services

With the days getting longer and the weather warming up, it's time to start thinking about how you can prepare for the coming fire season. No one expects a bushfire to come their way, but the reality is that one can strike anywhere. Getting your family, home, property and animals prepared before a bushfire happens is your best chance of staying safe, and it may save your life.

For information, templates and suggestions for bush fire planning, please visit the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) website at <https://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/bushfire/prepare/>.

We also remind you that the restricted burning time starts on 19 September. This means that if you're planning a burn on or after this date, you must apply for a permit, by contacting your local Fire Control Officer (FCO). A list of FCOs is available on the Shire of Lake Grace website at <https://www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au/our-services/bushfire-and-emergency-management-services/>.

Bush Fire Training Opportunities

There is a great opportunity for experienced bushfire fighters to complete formal Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) training in Kulin in October. The qualifications are necessary for anyone who would like to volunteer for intrastate and interstate deployment and are prerequisite qualifications for higher level Meals and accommodation is provided.

DFES is changing their bushfire courses next year and it is anticipated that the new equivalent qualification will take two days each to complete under the new course structure.

If anyone would like further information, please contact the Shire of Lake Grace Community and Emergency Services Manager, Suzan Lees, on cesm@lakegrace.wa.gov.au or phone 0436 668 242.

WHEN:

Friday 16th October 4pm—9pm and
Saturday 17th October 8am—5pm, 2020

Suzan Lees

Community Emergency Services Manager

NOTICE



INTENTION TO DISPOSE OF PROPERTY

Local Government Act 1995 Section 3.58 (3)(4)

Local Public Notice is hereby given that the Shire of Lake Grace intends to dispose by sale Lot 218 Quondong Court, Lake Grace (on Deposited Plan 75988) at a consideration of \$35,000 to Mr Jack Trevenen. As declared by a resolution of the Shire of Lake Grace council during its meeting held on 16 September 2020, a valuation was carried out more than 6 months before the proposed disposition and Council believes that this valuation remains a true indication of the current market value.

Any person wishing to make a submission must do so in writing by MONDAY 5 OCTOBER 2020.

Submissions should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer and can be hand delivered at 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace or posted to PO Box 50, Lake Grace WA 6353.

For further information regarding the intended sale and disposal of the property, please call the Shire of Lake Grace on 9890-2500 or shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au



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Early Start PROGRAM, 2020 General information can be found at

<https://www.education.wa.edu.au/vacswim> with updates shown on the Programs and Locations page.

Lake Grace and Newdegate:

Friday 18 December 2020 to
Thursday 24 December 2020

7 days x 45 minute lessons