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# CEO's Corner

**Dry Season Survey for Livestock Water Supply**This year's winter rainfall has been low, farm dam levels are rapidly reducing and there is potential for livestock water supply shortages over summer.

Livestock farmers are encouraged to complete a short survey about your livestock water supplies ASAP. The survey has 10 questions and should take less than 10 minutes to complete.

This survey will help the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) to manage emergency livestock water and community water supplies during the dry season.

The survey will remain open throughout the summer, but DWER are asking farmers to complete the survey as soon as possible.

To complete the survey please visit: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/</a>
Stock Water Dry Season Survey

Alternatively, a hard copy of the survey can been obtained from the Shire Office or Lake Grace and Newdegate CRCs.

A downloadable PDF version can also be accessed via the Shire website at: <a href="https://www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au/council/community-information/dry-season-survey-for-livestock-water-supply/">https://www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au/council/community-information/dry-season-survey-for-livestock-water-supply/</a>

Please spread the word to your family, friends and neighbours as it is extremely important that DWER receive as many completed surveys as possible to ensure they manage our water supplies appropriately.

For more information, please contact DWER, Rural Planning on 08 9841 0100 or email:

#### **Christmas and New Year Office Closure**

Christmas is fast approaching and I would like to advise the community that the Shire Administration Office will be closed from 1.00pm on Tuesday 24 December 2019 and will re-open on Thursday 2 January 2020 at 8.30am.

There will be a small number of staff on call to respond to any emergency requests and to manage the watering of gardens.

Please note that Department of Transport Licencing Services will not be available during this time. Should you require these services, please contact the Department of Transport on 13 11 56 or visit: <a href="https://www.transport.wa.gov.au">www.transport.wa.gov.au</a>

#### **Staff Changes**

On Friday 29 November 2019, we said farewell to our Marketing and Engagement Coordinator, Meredith Taylor.

During her time with the Shire, Meredith has been involved a variety of different community, marketing and engagement projects, including: getting our 'Shire Rebranding' project up and running, the coordination and promotion of a number of community events and increasing traffic to our Shire website and Facebook page.

On behalf of the Shire Councillors and Staff, I would like to thank Meredith for her contribution and I wish her the very best in her future endeavours.

National Local Roads and Transport Congress From the 18 – 20 November 2019, I attended the 2019 ALGA National Local Roads and Transport Congress, held at the Adelaide Hills Convention Centre, SA.

The theme of this year's congress was 'Breaking Through for Modern Transport' and was attended by more than 150 delegates from Shires across the country. It was a great opportunity for swapping and sharing expertise on local roads and bridges, traffic management and road safety, and how technology and innovation will help us to maintain our local government roads, which form 75% of Australia's road network across the nation.

Throughout the event we heard from a variety of keynote speakers, including Federal Minister for Regional Services, Decentralisation and Local Government, the Hon. Mark Coulton MP, who spoke on the Commonwealth's position on a range of matters effecting local government. The Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development, Hon. Catherine King MP was also in attendance to share the opposition's perspective.

Attendees also took part in a number of sessions, which opened up the floor for us to discuss challenges and opportunities facing our Councils. Topics covered in these sessions included; The State of Australia's Infrastructure, UK Perspective on Funding Local Roads, ARRB and its work with Local Government, The Future of Transport – How Local Government Can Benefit, What Funding are We Asking For and Why?, and Turning the Technology Big Wheels.

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#### **Central Country Zone Meeting**

On Friday 29 November, Shire President Cr Jeanette De Landgrafft, Shire Deputy President Cr Peter Stoffberg and I attend a WALGA Central Country Zone meeting, hosted by the Shire of Cuballing, in Popanyinning.

The items of business considered at this meeting included:

- A presentation and update on Local Government Auditing from Mr Jordan Langford-Smith A/Assistant Auditor General, Office of the Auditor General;
- An update from CBH with regards to its Network Strategy progress and the process for closure of non-Network Strategy Sites;
- A Presentation from the Public Health Advocacy Institute of WA on accessing funding to assist member Councils in developing and implementing their respective Public Health Plans;
- Partnering Agreement for the provision of mutual aid for recovery during emergencies;
- Proposed alternative to the CA07 Restricted Access Vehicle Operating Condition; and
- Wildflower Friendliness Rating System.

#### **Ordinary Council Meeting**

An Ordinary Meeting of Council was held on Wednesday 20 November 2019, during which the following items of business were considered:

- Bush Fire Advisory Committee Adoption of Recommendations
- Proposed Water Pipeline Easement on Lot 1 Pingrup Lake Grace Road
- Request for Concessional Loading to Road Network
- Application to Amend Development Approval Proposed Amenities Building and Common Room at Lot 66 Hyden-Lake King Road, Varley
- Authorisation of Affixing Common Seal to Section 70A Notices - Lots 50 & 51 (No. 565) Dawson Road, South Newdegate
- Appointment of Acting Chief Executive Officer
- Appointment of Authorised Persons
- Scheduling of Council Meeting Dates 2020
- Proposed Re-Naming of the Shire of Lake Grace
- WALGA Third Party Appeal Rights
- Accounts for Payment October 2019
- Financial Reports
- Newdegate Medical Centre Lease of Consulting Room
- Lake King and Varley Parks and Gardens
- Lot 47 Bennett Street, Lake Grace (Old Uniting Church) - Proposed Extension of Lease
- 2020 Australia Day Citizenship Awards

The date of the next Ordinary Council Meeting will be Wednesday 18 December 2020 at 1.30pm. Please note that there is no Ordinary Council Meeting in January 2020.

#### Roadworks

Our staff have carried out the following works:

- Installation of new road name signs and sign maintenance throughout Shire, starting from the west and working towards the east
- · Drainage works at the following locations:
  - O North Burngup Road, SLK 10.22 New headwalls
  - Lake King-Norseman Road, SLK 18.00 New 300mm concrete culvert
- Painting of blue line on School Place

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Argent Road
- Bairstow Road
- Beenong North Road
- Beenong South Road
- Biddy Camm Road
- **Brookfield Road**
- **Brooks Road**
- **Burns Road**
- **Duckworth Road**
- Dunham Road
- Fisher Road

- Fourteen Mile Road
- Geliard Road
- Greg Road
- Mallee Hill Road
- North Burngup Road
- Pelham Road
- Robertson Road
- Thornton Road
- Tommys Dam Road
- West Kuender Road

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out aradina on:

- Ardler Road
- Newdegate North Road
- Old Ravensthorpe Road
- Taylor Road

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

- Fitzgerald Road
- Hatters Hill Road
- Kathleen Road
- Norseman Road

#### Parks & Gardens

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

Lake Grace

- Transfer of water from Lake Grace silt dam to footy dams:
- Spraying of ants at Lake Grace Cemetery, Lake Grace Swimming Pool, Recreation Centre/Sports Pavilion, and Uniting Church/Op-Shop
- General Garden Maintenance at: 10a Gumtree Drive, 36 Bennett Street, 54b Bennett Street, Shire Administration Building, Doctor's house, Lake Grace Medical Centre, Railway Building/BBQ area, RSL Hall, Stubbs Street median strips and Visitor Centre
- Clean up of the BBQ area, playground next to CWA building on McMahon Street and Gumtree Drive plavaround
- Plotting and marking of trees for pruning
- Clean up, watering and raking AIM building
- Mowing of lawns at Lake Grace Hall, Lakes Village Hall verge, Lake Grace Continued over

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Swimming Pool and Boulton Street

- · Dosing of waterways with mosquito tablets
- Clean up of Lake Grace verges
- Spraying of Stubbs Street gardens and median strips Lake King
- Mowing and whipper snipper of the Lake King ovals and spraying for weeds
- Mowing and checking of the reticulation at the Bicentennial Park (park and playground behind Lake King Tavern)
- Tidy up around the Goods Shed and the Lake King Public Toilets
- Checking of the reticulation and pump for the Lake King Ovals

#### Varley

 Clean up of Varley Public Toilets, Chicken Ranch, Varley Hall grounds, Varley entry statements and verges

#### **Building**

The Building Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

- · Refurbishment work at 10a Gumtree Drive
- Preparation work to replace fly screens, ceiling in change rooms, paint all doors, replace handles and measure floor for new vinyl sheet replacement at Newdegate Pavilion
- Preparation works to replace lattice and repair of seats and table at Lakes Village Hall
- Replaced light fittings at the Lake Grace Medical Centre

- Preparation for external painting at 3 Clark Avenue
- Oil the tables and chairs at the Lake Grace Hall

Denise Gobbart
Chief Executive Officer

#### **Shire of Lake Grace**

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### PROPOSAL TO DISPOSE OF SHIRE PROPERTY

The Shire of Lake Grace proposes to dispose of approximately 1,000 m2 of synthetic turf, comprising two (2) old unused tennis court surfaces, located immediately west of the Shire Administration building, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace.

The synthetic turf is considered to be in poor condition with little commercial value and has not been used for some time.

It is proposed to sell the synthetic turf to Mr Wade Longmuir, PO Box 340, Wagin for the sum of \$3,250.00 inc. GST. The sale is on an 'as is, where is basis'.

Members of the public are invited to make submissions in relation to this proposal for consideration by Council.

Submissions should be made to the Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Lake Grace, PO Box 50, Lake Grace WA 6353 or <a href="mailto:shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au">shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au</a> by 4.00pm on Monday 16 December 2019.

# The Shire of Lake Grace Office will be closed from Tuesday 1pm 24 December 2019 and re-open Thursday 2 January 2020 at 8:30am

Wednesday 25 December 2019 Office Closed Monday 30 December 2019 Office Closed Thursday 26 December 2019 Office Closed Tuesday 31 December 2019 Office Closed Friday 27 December 2019 Office Closed Wednesday 1 January 2019 Office 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 <a href="https://www.transport.wa.gov.au">www.transport.wa.gov.au</a>
For help or information call 13 11 56

# **Emergency Contacts**

Shire Operations will close during the festival period from Wednesday 25 December 2019 until Thursday 2 January 2020 A few staff will be on hand to manage watering of gardens etc and be

on call to answer any emergency request. **0460 416 959 or 0448 089 092** 

Any request will be inspected and any major works required will be scheduled to be undertaken in the New Year.

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

Monday 30 December 2019

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

#### **Lake Grace**

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



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## 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.

### Driving Assessor

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

Friday - 6 December 2019

Friday - 3 January 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. 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.

## **Building Surveyor**

Shire Building Surveyor, Elena Bull will be available at the Shire Office on the following Wednesday 15 January 2020 dates:

# **Ordinary Council Meeting**

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

Date: Wednesday 18 December 2019

Time: 1:30 pm

Location: 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.

#### Environmental Health Officer

For an appointment with the Shire's Environmental Health Officer, Brendon Gerrard. Contact the Shire on 9890 2500 or email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au .

## Tip 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 & Recycle Pickup

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
9 December 2019	16 December 2019
23 December 2019	30 December 2019

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.

#### Libraries

Lake Grace Public Library School Place Absolon St Monday - Thursday 9am - 5pm Closed for lunch 12.30 - 1pm

#### **School Holidays**

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





