



CEO's Corner

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2019 Local Government Ordinary Elections

On Saturday 19 October 2019, the Local Government Ordinary Election took place at the Shire of Lake Grace Administration Building. Our Returning Officer Kerry Hitchins, conducted the count with assistance from Kelly Callope and declared:

For the term ending 21 October 2023 the following candidates to be elected as Councillors for the Shire of Lake Grace:

- Rosalind Lloyd (re-elected)
- Len Armstrong
- Helen Steicke
- Debrah Clarke (re-elected)

For the term ending 16 October 2021 the following candidate to be elected as Councillor for the Shire of Lake Grace:

- Allan Marshall (re-elected)

The results of the voting for all Local Governments conducting postal votes can be found online via the following link: <https://www.elections.wa.gov.au>

We would like to offer our sincere appreciation to outgoing Councillor and Shire Deputy President Steve Hunt for his contribution and commitment to our community during his time on Council.

Thank you also to Shashi Balekudru for stepping up and putting himself forward for Election.

Congratulations to the Councillor's Elect. We look forward to working with our new team providing leadership and guidance for our district. Our Councillor's Elect will be sworn in on Monday 28 October 2019; from this they will then be considered a Councillor.

Dry Season Survey for Livestock Water Supply

In preparation for this year's dry season, livestock farmers are encouraged to complete a short survey about your livestock water supplies by **31 October 2019**. This will help the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) to manage emergency livestock water and community water supplies for the coming summer and autumn.

To complete the survey, please visit:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Stock_Water_Dry_Season_Survey

If you would like more information, please contact DWER, Rural Planning on 08 9841 0100 or email: dryseasonsurvey@dwer.wa.gov.au

Condolences

On behalf of our Shire Councillors and Staff, I would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Allan Holmes, our thoughts are with you all at this sad time. Allan served as a Shire of Lake Grace Councillor for 12 years from May 1977 to May 1989, which is a wonderful contribution to the Shire and our Community.

MRWA Alternative Arrangements to Monitor RAV Access

As a result of complaints received from the transport industry and legal advice obtained by Main Roads, the Restricted Access Vehicle (RAV) access condition CA07, requiring the transport operator to obtain a letter of support from the relevant local government, will be removed from all permits and orders.

An alternative arrangement has been developed in consultation with the WA Local Government Association (WALGA), the Ministerial Heavy Vehicle Advisory Panel and the State Solicitor's Office, which will allow local governments to monitor RAV access on their roads and enter into discussions relating to road maintenance agreements with freight generators.

Prior to removing the CA07 condition and introducing the new Road Managers' Guides, we are seeking feedback from local governments, the transport industry and freight generators. The documents and link to the feedback survey can be found using the following link: <https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/UsingRoads/HVS/Pages/ca07condition.aspx>

Please take the time to review the documents and submit your comments.

Welcome to our New Customer Service Officer

I am pleased to confirm that Mariska Engelbrecht has been appointed as our new Customer Service Officer and commenced with us on Monday 21 October 2019.

Mariska has recently relocated to Lake Grace with her husband, having emigrated from South Africa and has a variety of customer service and administration experience. We are excited to have Mariska on board and are sure that she will make a great addition to the team.

Ordinary Council Meeting

An Ordinary Meeting of Council was held on Wednesday 16 October 2019, during which the following items of business were considered:

- Lake Grace Medical Centre – Additional Computer
- Specified Area Rating – Legal Opinion

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- Landgate Electronic Network (PEXA)
- Accounts for Payment – September 2019
- Financial Report
- Christmas and New Year 2019/20 Trading Hours
- Bankwest Facility Terms and Agreements
- Organisation Structure Review

The date of the next Ordinary Council Meeting is Wednesday 20 November 2019. Members of the Public are welcome to attend.

Wheatbelt South Regional Road Group Meeting

On Thursday 3 October, Shire President Cr Jeanette De Landgraff and I attended a Wheatbelt South Regional Road Group meeting, hosted by the Shire of Wickpin.

During this meeting a recommendation was put forward to approve and endorse the Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Network Program Governance Plan, Program Delivery Plan, Multi Criteria Analysis Methodology and to endorse the Steering Committee to commence the development of an agreement that will formalise the commitment of the 42 Local Governments to the Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Network Program, enabling them to be eligible for future funding and project consideration.

In addition this formal agreement will set out future prioritisation routes, forward capital works plans and long term financial planning, thus enabling all Local Governments in the out years to adequately plan for works.

4WDL Meeting

On Tuesday 8 October, the Shire of Lake Grace hosted a 4WDL meeting in our Council Chambers. During this meeting, CEOs and Elected Members in attendance received a presentation from guest speaker, Glenice Batchelor from the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development.

The topic of Glenice's presentation was 'Recognised Biosecurity Groups (RBG) Update' and covered:

- RBGs,
- Established Pests,
- New Biosecurity Group Considerations,
- Update on Existing Recognised Biosecurity Groups and Activities in our Area,
- the Draft WA Feral Pig Strategy Map,
- the Process for RBG and Raising Rates, and
- the Role of the Wider Community.

Narembeen Community Precinct Opening Ceremony

On Friday 11 October 2019, Cr De Landgraff and I attended the official opening of the Narembeen Community Precinct - there were approximately 100 people at the opening. The Narembeen community can be very proud of the precinct and now have a great facility for their medical services and the local CRC.

Roadworks

Our Staff have carried out the following works:

- Weekly maintenance of Lake Grace and Newdegate landfills
- Re-sheeting of Old Lake Grace Road and school bus route
- Culverts installed on Jarring South Road, Big Lake Road, intersection of Maiola Road and Harvey Road, additional 2 culverts on Harvey Road and a new twin culvert on Norseman Road
- Footpath currently being constructed on Mather Street and Clark Avenue

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on Jarring South Road and re-sheeting of a section on Old Lake Grace Road located on the boundary with the Shire of Dumbleyung bus route.

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Aylmore Road
- North Newdegate Road
- Biddy Camm Road

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

- Old Newdegate Road
- Milstead Road

Parks & Gardens

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

Lake Grace

- Main Street – general garden maintenance
- Air Strip - general garden maintenance
- Lake Grace Cemetery – general garden maintenance
- Sport Ovals - mowing, fertilising, spraying and repairs to the Hockey oval reticulation
- Medical Centre Gardens – general garden maintenance
- Installation of the new Australia Day feature
- AIM - reticulation maintenance and general garden maintenance

Varley

- Chicken Ranch – general garden maintenance
- Spraying all areas, verges, pavilion and hall.

Newdegate

- Works carried out by subcontractor

Lake King

- Sports Ovals – repairs to the reticulation, mowing and watering of the ovals
- Playground behind the tavern – mowing and watering
- Cemetery – general garden maintenance

Building

The Building Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

- Lake Grace Medical Centre – fly screen maintenance
- Shire Administration Building – installation of new

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- overhead projector, painting of council chambers wall, new door handle on records room door
- Lake Grace Public Toilets - repairs to the men's section
- 10A Gumtree Drive - repairs to ceiling prior to painting, painting of walls, doors and skirting, repairs to leaking roof and removal of carpets
- Gutter cleaning at Lake Grace Town Hall, Village Hall, Railway Shed and Toilets
- Lake Grace Airstrip – general building maintenance

Denise Gobbart
Chief Executive Officer

CWA Drought Appeal Funds for WA Farmers

The CWA of WA Drought Relief program has over \$450,000 in funding to assist drought-affected WA farmers with household expenses and maintaining a basic standard of living.

A simple application form can be submitted online at CWA WA's website and applications are strictly confidential.

This grant round will be ongoing until such time as funds run out. For more information see link below :

<https://www.cwaofwa.asn.au/projects/education-and-welfare/>



Recycling Services

Recycling bins are collected by Warren Blackwood Waste and transported to a recycling facility.

If non-recyclable items are found within the contents of a recycling bin, it can't be recycled and the load will be directed to landfill.

If a recyclable item is covered in food, it is no longer considered recyclable. Food is one of the worst contaminants in the recycling process so please remember to rinse out cups, cans, jars etc before throwing them in the recycling bin.

By using the yellow top recycling bin correctly you are making a positive contribution to the reduction of rubbish that is directed to landfill facilities each year.

Australia Day Citizen Awards 2020

Call for Nominations

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR
YOUTH CITIZEN OF THE YEAR
SENIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR
ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP (group or event)

Nominations close 31 October 2019.

Visit: <https://www.citizenshipawards.com.au/nominate/>

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Citizen of the
year Awards



Save the Dates VacSwim 2019/20

January Program 1, 2020

General information & online enrolments are at:
<https://www.education.wa.edu.au/vacswim> with updates on the Programs and Locations.

Lake Grace: Tuesday 31 December 2019 to
Friday 10 January 2020

Newdegate: Tuesday 31 December, 2019 to
Friday 10 January 2020

8 days x 45 minute lessons (no lessons New Years
Day Wednesday 1 January 2020)

Shire Messaging Service

To receive an SMS message for any of the following:

- Harvest Ban Notices
- Newdegate Pool or
- Lake Grace Pool

or to stop receiving them, please contact our
Customer Service team at the Shire on 9890 2500.

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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 - 8 November

Friday - 6 December - 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 dates:

Tuesday 11 November 2019

Tuesday 25 November 2019

Ordinary Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

Date: Wednesday 20 November 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, Barry Smith, please 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
28 October 2019	4 November 2019
11 November 2019	18 November 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



Check out our website
www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au



Check out our Facebook page
www.facebook.com/shireoflakegrace

The Shire of Lake Grace

invites our Seniors (over 60s) to attend

**Free
Event**

Seniors Day Trip to Kodja Place

Departing the Lakes Village Hall
at 8am Wednesday 13 November 2019

*Join us for a wonderful day out as we explore the inside story of
Australian country life through:*

The enchanted pathways of the Australian Rose Maze

Bush animal tracks in The Kodj Gallery

Personal stories at the Storyplace

Includes:

Morning Tea on arrival

Lunch at the Black Cockatoo Café

Seats are limited so please RSVP by:

Friday 1 November to reserve your place.

*For any enquiries and bookings contact
Cheryl Chappell at the Shire office 9890 2500*

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Government of Western Australia
Department of Communities

WA Seniors Week
10 - 17 November 2019

