



CEO's Corner

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Recreation & Culture SARS

Further to some correspondence which has been circulating within the Shire regarding changes to the Specified Area Rates, I would like to clarify a point of concern relating to the impact SARS may have on recreation and culture funding within our Shire.

It is Council's intent, through current and future budget processes, to maintain the existing community consultation methods for project expenditure relative to Recreation and Culture. We will continue to gather information from the community along with our Asset Management and Risk Management Plans to determine the appropriate level of expenditure.

There has been no change to how the money is being spent - it is the method for collection of revenue that has changed. I would encourage anyone who has any queries or concerns regarding the SARS changes to contact me at ceo@lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Restricted Burning and Firebreaks

The 2019/2020 Bush Fire Season is upon us and I would like to remind the community that as of 19 September 2019 the Shire of Lake Grace entered its Restricted Burning Period. The Restricted Burning Period is in effect until 31 October 2019 and permits to burn are required during this time.

As of Friday 1 November 2019, the Shire of Lake Grace's Prohibited Burning Period will commence and this will run until 31 January 2020.

Please also note that firebreaks are required to be installed/maintained by Friday 1 November 2019 until 30 April 2020.

If you have any enquiries regarding this matter, please contact the Shire office on 9890 2500 or refer to the Shire's Firebreak Management Notice for more information: <https://www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au/assets/bushfire/Fire-Notice-2019-2020-final.pdf>

We thank you for your cooperation during this time.

Welcome to our New Infrastructure Services Team Members

On Tuesday 1 October 2019, we had two new team members join our Infrastructure Services team.

Noel Bond joined the team as Plant Operator / General Hand, having previously worked in a similar role for the Shire of Mukinbudin for 10 years. Noel has lots of experience in the operation of a variety of plant and equipment and has relocated to Lake Grace with his wife and 2 little dogs.

Rozlyn Derrick also joined the team as Final Trim Grader Operator, having previously worked for the Shire of Broome and the Shire of Sandstone. Roz has over 30 years' experience in road construction and mining industries throughout the country.

I would like to welcome both Noel and Roz not only to our team, but also to the Lake Grace Community, we are very excited to have them both on board!

LG Professionals Wheatbelt South Branch Scholarship – Congratulations to Rebecca Clark!

In March 2019, the LG Professionals Wheatbelt South Branch offered the opportunity of a Scholarship to attend the LG Professionals WA State Conference in November 2019.

The Scholarship was open to all Wheatbelt South Branch Council employees and is a fantastic opportunity for someone emerging as a leader in our organisation.

Our Finance Officer, Rebecca Clark, was nominated for this scholarship as a result of her keenness to learn and her understanding of the potential for building a career within Local Government.

Rebecca's willingness to share her work-related experiences with other staff members, teamed with her impeccable work ethic, made her a very worthy contender for the Scholarship.

Rebecca and I attended a LG Professionals Wheatbelt South Branch Meeting on Thursday 26 September 2019, where it was announced that Rebecca has been awarded the Scholarship.

As the recipient of this Scholarship, Rebecca will attend the LG Professionals WA State Conference on 6-8 November 2019 at the Crowne Perth, following which Rebecca will make a presentation at the 28 November 2019 Wheatbelt South Branch Meeting about her experience.

This is a fantastic achievement for Rebecca and a testament to her contribution to the Shire of Lake Grace. This scholarship will be of great advantage to Rebecca's career development as she progresses in Local Government. Well done Rebecca!

Australasian Order of Old Bastards – Kulin Car Rally and Fundraiser

Over the long weekend, we received a visit from the Australasian Order of Old Bastards Car Rally, who stopped in at Lake Grace Sports Pavilion for an overnight stay and to hold their Annual Fundraiser, hosted by the Lake Grace Cricket Club.

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Members of the community were invited to join the group for a steak tea and to get involved in bidding for some fantastic prizes up for grabs in their auctions, with all funds generated going towards some very worth charity organisations.

Thank you to all that were involved in bringing the group to Lake Grace, for coordinating and hosting the fundraiser, as well as providing the catering for the event, with special thanks going to the Lake Grace Cricket Club and Lake Grace-Pingrup Football Club.

It's great to bring these types of events to the community, especially when they are raising funds for such worthy causes.

'Containers for Change' – Refund Point Operators Wanted

Lake Grace has been identified as a location for a 'Flexible Refund Point', as part of WA's Container Deposit Scheme 'Containers for Change', and applications to become our Refund Point Operator are due to close at 12.00pm on Monday 21 October 2019.

Anyone can become our Refund Point Operator, including local businesses or community groups, providing that you have the capacity to securely store cans and bottles.

For more information on the Scheme, the role of a Refund Point Operator and how to apply, please visit <https://warri.com.au>

Roadworks

Our Construction and General Maintenance Staff have carried out the following works:

- Lake Grace Tip - stocking piling of green waste in windrows and pushing up various sections of dumped waste
- Pothole works undertaken on Newdegate North Road, Lake Biddy Road, Newdegate Pingrup Road, Griffin Street, West Kuender Floodway, Fourteen Mile Road and Franks Street
- Culvert replaced at the intersection of Lake King Norseman Road and Brookton Highway including a bitumen seal
- Lake King Tip – pushing up of illegally dumped tyres, as well as another clean-up of the entrance to the waste oil facility, shredding of the drumMUSTER storage containers
- Newdegate Tip - pushed up as well as shredding of the drumMUSTER storage containers

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Rhodes Road
- West Kuender Road – including shoulder maintenance
- Jarring South Road

Gravel sheeting on Old Lake Grace Road has also been

carried out.

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Beynon Road
- Mt Vernon Road
- Shalders Road
- Roger Road

The Lake King and Varley Maintenance Grader has carried out grading and rolling on **Biddy Camm Road**.

Parks & Gardens

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

Lake Grace

- Lake Grace Ovals - sprayed, fertilised and mowed, clean up around the basketball courts, cricket pitch, training nets and tennis courts
- Gardening and mowing of the RSL area, Visitor Centre, Hall and Shire Administration building
- Stubbs Street Median Strip - maintenance and trimming
- Mosquito Fogging

Varley

- General garden maintenance and spraying around the Sports Pavilion
- General garden maintenance and spraying around the main streets

Newdegate

- General gardening and maintenance by sub-contractor

Lake King

- Repairs to the reticulation on the ovals
- Mowing and maintenance of the playground at the back of the Tavern
- Maintenance and gardening at the cemetery

Building

The Building Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

Lake Grace

- Lake Grace Swimming Pool – repairs to entry doors
- Lake Grace Hall - replacement of door handles and handles on cupboards
- Shire Office - removal of old overhead projector, patching of wall and repainting
- Repairs to fly screens
- AIM Building – repairs to broken and loose floor boards on the veranda and monitoring of cracks and recording
- Sewerage - recording of ponds and tanks

Lake King

- Lake King Fire Shed – inspection of ceiling and measuring up for materials to replace and reinforce
- Lake King Hall – repairing of holes in the ceiling following repairs to stop leaks

Denise Gobbart
Chief Executive Officer

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Shire of Lake Grace PUBLIC NOTICE



Nominations for Committees of Council Community Representatives

The Shire of Lake Grace is seeking nominations for Community Representatives for the below listed Committees of Council, in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995*.

- **Audit Committee**
- **Lake Grace Library & Community Resource Centre Management Committee**
- **Newdegate Community Library Management Committee**
- **Newdegate Town Centre Rejuvenation Committee**

If you are interested in nominating yourself or would like to re-nominate, please contact:
Cheryl Cavanagh, Executive Assistant
on 9890 2500 or email: Shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au

All nominations must be submitted in writing and addressed to:

Chief Executive Officer
Shire of Lake Grace
PO Box 50
Lake Grace WA 6353

**Closing date for nominations is 4.00pm on Friday
18 October 2019**

Denise Gobbart
Chief Executive Officer

Do you Know an Outstanding Member of your Local Community



**NOMINATE NOW
For Australia Day 2020
Closing Date 31 October**

Go to: www.citizenshipawards.com.au

Hirer Responsibility When Using Shire Public Buildings

The responsibility of all people, groups, clubs who hire public buildings include:

- Tables and chairs are to be returned to designated storage area.
- All rubbish is to be put into bins provided, including rubbish in toilets.
- Ensure all stoves and lights are turned off
- Any damages incurred while hiring facility will be charged to hirer.
- Facility to be left in the same condition as found upon arrival include the floors.
- **All external doors are locked, this is most important.**

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 not limited to, general cleaning, water and electricity usage.

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.

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 15 October 2019

Tuesday 29 October 2019

Ordinary Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

Date: Wednesday 16 October 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
14 October 2019	21 October 2019
28 October 2019	4 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

