CEO’s Corner

Chief Executive Officer on Leave

Neville is on leave until the 15th December. I am acting as the Chief Executive Officer for three weeks during his absence. In 2012 I relieved as the CEO for seven weeks and as I enjoyed working with the Council, staff and community I had no hesitation in returning when approached. My wife, Carol, has joined me but will be tripping off to Perth and back over the next couple of weeks. You may see us walking the streets as she tries to keep herself, and I, fit!

Lake Grace Swimming Pool

We anticipate the Pool opening by the weekend. Commercial Aquatics Australia is scheduled to replace the chlorination system around Wednesday of this week – all being well i.e. the equipment arriving from the Eastern States on time. The delay in opening the pool is regretted however the safety of pool patrons is paramount. Fortunately, the weather has been reasonably mild to date.

Wheatbelt General Practice Business Support Service Shire Governance Committee

I attended a meeting of the above committee with the Shire President, Cr Walker, in Corrigin on 25th November. At the meeting it was resolved that the Shire of Lake Grace be reimbursed $25,000 for recruitment costs incurred through engaging First Health to recruit a permanent General Practitioner. The committee also resolved that some funds be made available to help offset additional locum costs for a six month period.

Newdegate Independent Living Units

As Neville mentioned in the last issue of the Lakes Link News the Shire’s building team has now taken over completion of the four units in Newdegate. The intention is to have two of the units completed by the end of February with the remaining two being completed well prior to June 30th. Both targets are dependent on the availability of contractors when required.

Central Country Zone of the WA Local Government Association

Cr De Landgraft and I attended a Meeting of the Central Country Zone in Brookton on 27th November. The Shire of Lake Grace had submitted an agenda item relating to the Recruitment of Doctors into the Wheatbelt. The Shire raised the idea of Medicare Provider Numbers being allocated to an area and not to individual doctors. It was recommended that the Zone’s Wheatbelt Health Advocacy Group pursue the matter to determine whether the idea may assist to secure the services of doctors in Wheatbelt towns.

Part of the background relating to the item mentioned that the State and Commonwealth Governments have spent significant funds on aged housing and hospital upgrades in regional areas and this much needed infrastructure enhancement is dependant in some way on having a medical practitioner available to provide the necessary supporting health service.

Peter Bradbrook
Acting Chief Executive Officer

Change of Date

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

1.00 pm Tuesday 15 December 2015
Location: Council Chambers
1 Bishop St Lake Grace

Members of the public welcome.

A minimum of 15 minutes is set aside for public questions time, giving members of the public an opportunity to ask questions relating to Shire activities.
Office Opening Hours

Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday - Friday
8.30am - 4.30pm

Thursday 8.30am- 4.00pm
Staff can be contacted by phone between 8am - 5pm.

Licensing Opening Hours

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 8.30am - 4.15pm
Thursday and Friday 8.30am - 4.00pm

Tip Opening 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 & Recycling Pick up Dates

Household Waste Collection is weekly and collected each Monday for Lake Grace, Newdegate, Lake King & Varley.

Recycling is fortnightly and alternates between Lake Grace & Newdegate. See below for the upcoming recycling collection dates.

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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.

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

Driving Assessor

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

Friday - 8 January 2015
Friday - February to be confirmed

Please contact the Shire’s Customer Service Officer for an appointment.

You can now book your PDA online. For more information visit www.transport.wa.gov.au

Building Surveyor

Shire Building Surveyor, Josiah Farrell will be available at the Shire Office on the following dates:

Tuesday 8 December 2015
Tuesday 12 January 2016

To make an appointment please contact Josiah on 0438 811 944.

Harvest Ban Hotline

Useful telephone numbers:
- For emergencies dial 000
- Total Fire Ban information 1800 709 355
- Shire of Lake Grace Harvest Ban Information 9487 7191

Please contact the Shire Office on 9890 2500 if you wish to be notified of harvest bans using SMS.

Rubbish Disposal Costs

Lake Grace and Newdegate waste facility sites costs for disposal of some items are:
- Used Oil per litre 15c
- Build/Commercial building waste per tonne $40.00
- Bulk/ commercial building waste per trailer $30.00
- Contaminated Soil (up to Class 2 threshold only) per tonne $100.00

NOTE: Please use the tips in tip hours, dumping of rubbish outside of tips incurs a cost to all rate payers and a potential fine.
Total fire bans are declared by the Minister for Emergency Services. They are declared on days when fires will be difficult to control, are most likely to threaten lives and property, or when widespread fires are impacting the availability of resources.

Total fire ban means a person must not:
- Light, maintain or use a fire in the open air
- Carry out an activity in the open air that causes or is likely to cause a fire.

The ban includes:
- Hot works (welding, grinding, soldering, gas cutting)
- All open solid fuel fires for the purpose of cooking or camping
- Use of incinerators and other activities.

The decision to put a ban in place is based on the weather forecast. DFES consults with the Bureau of Meteorology to determine when dangerous fire weather conditions are likely. DFES also consults with local governments that will be affected. The need for the ban to remain is assessed and may be revoked in the morning if weather conditions ease. The status of a ban should be checked after 6pm each day.

**How Long is a Total Fire Ban in Place for?**

The ban will be in place from 12.01am to 11.59pm on the day declared.

**How is a Total Fire Ban Declared?**

They are declared by the Minister for Emergency Services, or his authorised delegate, using the whole local government boundary.

**How Will I Know When One Has Been Declared?**

You can check if your shire has a ban:
- on the DFES website at www.dfes.wa.gov.au
- calling 1800 709 355
- Listening to ABC local radio and other media outlets
- On roadside Fire Danger Rating signs
- Subscribe to RSS or
- Follow DFES on Twitter www.twitter.com/dfes_wa

Newdegate Pool has a key access system where uses to hold a key to allow them to enter the pool. This access is from 7am to 7pm every day.

Keys are turned on each year when patrons have completed their Senior First Aid which St John Ambulance recommends a refresh every 12 months.

Patrons are also required to attend an induction course run by instructor Bridget Michell. Many people braved the cold and attended the courses held Newdegate Swimming Pool on Tuesday 17, Wednesday 18 and Thursday 19 November.

Thank you to Newdegate Field Day Committee and Newdegate Cropping Group who donated a Heartstart to the pool.

A person other than a technical operator may undertake the required daily manual water chemistry testing of an aquatic facility water body, providing that the technical operator, Environmental Health Officer of the local government of the district, or other equivalently competent person has instructed and shown them how to undertake prescribed manual water chemistry tests.
Harvest Road Safety

Harvest brings more grain trucks on our gravel roads, take care, be aware of other roads uses and road signs. Don’t drive in the dust from the vehicle in front, slow down, there is no way of knowing what else is in that cloud.

All road users be aware of Shire maintenance vehicles on roads in your area throughout harvest.

- Dust impairs vision increasing the risks of accidents.
- Abide by road signs and do not speed.
- Vehicles seen driving without caution will be reported.

Always be aware of what is behind you and ensure that any traffic will not collide with you if you slow down in a dust cloud.

Be cautious, considerate and aware at all times.

Shire Messaging Service

To receive:
- Harvest Ban Notices
- Newdegate Pool or Lake Grace Pool SMS messages, or if you no longer need them please let us know at the Shire on (08) 9890 2500.

Lake Grace Swimming Pool

Lake Grace Swimming Pool is one of 90 pools allocated a defibrillator and oxygen resuscitator in our region, Newdegate pool received the Oxy-Soks as they have the defibrillator.

They are provided by the West Australian State Government through Royalties for Regions. LIWA Aquatics was allocated funding with the purpose of making a difference to the safety of shire aquatic facilities.

Shire Emergency Contacts

During Christmas Closure

Wednesday 24 December 2015 to Sunday 3 January 2016

In the event of an emergency during the Christmas closure, please telephone:

Lake Grace
Andrew Bowker............................................. 0488 551 244
Gordon Franks.............................................. 0475 580 471

Newdegate, Lake King & Varley
Doug Whiting................................................. 0427 651 127

Bushfire Contact
Brad Watson (Chief Fire Control Officer)......... 0427 906 441

If you require emergency assistance from the Police, Fire Brigade or Ambulance please dial 000.
**Requirements for Tax Invoices**

When you make a taxable sale of more than $82.50 (including GST), your GST-registered customers need a tax invoice from you.

Tax invoices must include at least seven pieces of information:

1. The words Tax Invoice has to be present to identify the document as a tax invoice.
2. Identity - Person or business name
4. **Issue Date**
5. **Item Description, qty., price**
6. **GST indication**
7. **GST amount**

In addition, tax invoices for sales of $1,000 or more need to show: the buyer’s identity or ABN

If not registered for GST cannot claim.


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**Water Supply during Bushfires**

**During a bushfire do not rely on Scheme water supplies during a bushfire.**

Residents living in or near bushland are reminded not to rely on public water supplies if they plan to stay and defend their homes during a bushfire.

If you plan to defend your home scheme water may not be available due to damaged infrastructure, extreme demand depleted supply and pressure, or a cut to power which is used to pump water.

Residents need to have an independent water supply, such as a concrete or steel tank with a minimum 20,000 litre capacity.

You will also need to have a generator available with pipes and fittings at the correct length and type of hoses to protect your home.

For more information about preparing a bushfire survival plan and what you will need to actively defend your home, go to Department of Fire and Emergency Services website: [http://www.dfes.wa.gov.au](http://www.dfes.wa.gov.au)

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**Shire of Lake Grace**

**Christmas & New Year Opening Hours**

The Shire of Lake Grace Office will be closed from 1:00 pm, Thursday 24 December 2015 and re-open Monday 4 January 2016 at 8:30am.

Thursday 24 December 2015……………..Office closes 1:00 pm
Friday 25 December 2015…………………….OFFICE CLOSED
Monday 28 December 2015………………...OFFICE CLOSED
Tuesday 29 December 2015………………...OFFICE CLOSED
Wednesday 30 December 2015……………..OFFICE CLOSED
Thursday 31 December 2015………………...OFFICE CLOSED
Friday 1 January 2016 ..........................OFFICE CLOSED
Monday 4 January 2016……………………...8:30am - 4:30pm

**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 [www.transport.wa.gov.au](http://www.transport.wa.gov.au).

For help or information call 13 11 56
Shire of Lake Grace
PUBLIC NOTICE
2016 COUNCIL MEETINGS

In accordance with section 5.25(g) of the Local Government Act 1995, residents of the Shire of Lake Grace are advised of the following Council Meeting arrangements for 2016.

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Council meetings are open to the public and members of the community are encouraged to attend to ask questions and make comment relating to Shire activities. A minimum of fifteen (15) minutes is allowed at the beginning of each meeting for questions from the public.

The Council Agenda is available prior to the meeting and can be viewed prior to the meeting on the Shire website: www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au
Minutes of Council Meetings are available at the Shire Office on request and can be viewed on the Shire website at www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au
Contact Danielle Robertson at the Shire Office for more information 9890 2500.
Planning and Development
Act 2005
Local Planning Scheme Amendment
Available For Inspection

Shire of Lake Grace Local Planning
Scheme No.4 Amendment No.4
Notice is hereby given that the Shire of Lake Grace has prepared the abovementioned local planning scheme amendment for the purpose of:
Re-classifying Lot 92 (No 50) and Lot 93 (No 52) Stubbs Street Lake Grace within Reserve 27942 from Local Scheme Reserve ‘Public Purpose – Agriculture WA’ to ‘Commercial’ zone.
Documents and plans setting out and explaining the scheme amendment proposal have been deposited at the Shire of Lake Grace Administration Centre, No.1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace and at the Western Australian Planning Commission, No.140 William Street, Perth and will be available for public inspection during office hours up to and including Friday, 29 January 2016.
Submissions on the scheme amendment may be made in writing and lodged with the Shire’s Chief Executive Officer at PO Box 50, Lake Grace WA 6353 by no later than Friday, 29 January 2016.
Neville Hale
Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Lake Grace
PUBLIC NOTICE
PROPOSAL TO DISPOSE OF PROPERTY
In accordance with Section 3.58(3) of the Local Government Act 1995, residents of the Shire of Lake Grace are advised of the following proposal to dispose of property:
The Shire of Lake Grace proposes to sell Lot 220 Wattle Drive, Lake Grace to Arthur and Glenda Slarke as from Wednesday 16 December 2015, for the following consideration:
Forty Five Thousand Dollars ($45,000). The market value of the disposition was assessed at $45,000 on Wednesday 4 November 2015. Other relevant detail:
Lot 220 Wattle Drive is residential land held for sale and forms part of the Quondong Court Subdivision previously advertised for sale by public tender.
Members of the public are invited to make submissions in relation to the proposal.
Submissions should be made to the Shire of Lake Grace, 1 Bishop Street Lake Grace 6353 by 4.00pm Thursday 10th December 2015.
Neville Hale
Chief Executive Officer

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF DATE AND TIME
DECEMBER 2015 ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
The December 2015 Ordinary Meeting of Council will now be held on
Date: Tuesday 15th December 2015
Time: Meeting commences at 1.00 pm
Venue: Council Chambers, 1 Bishop St Lake Grace WA.
The agenda can be viewed on the Shire’s website: www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au prior to the meeting,
A minimum of 15 minutes is set aside at each Ordinary Meeting of Council for public question time. Members of the public are encouraged to attend to ask questions relating to Shire activities.
All Welcome!
Any queries .. Please contact the Shire on 9890 2500.
Neville Hale
Chief Executive Officer