

## President's Report



November the 1st was the starting day for Waroona's new CEO, Mr Mark Goodlet. Mark will bring an exciting skill set to our community and we look forward in the coming weeks for our groups and residents to meet Mark. Can I please ask that you make Mark feel welcome to our Shire as he acquaints himself with our community and he will be making a very genuine effort in the short term to meet as many people as he can.

Our Memorial Hall recently hosted the Business After Hours event which was supported by our very capable community development team in conjunction with the Waroona Business Support Group and the Peel Chamber of Commerce. Our local Federal Member, Andrew Hastie

joined 70 guests as the Waroona Customer Experience Charter was launched and the Town Centre Revitalisation Strategy with plans for the community precinct was presented. It was a very insightful night for the attendees and enjoyed by all the business operators who attended.

Construction of a perimeter fence and reticulation has commenced at the community garden on Stables Road at Preston Beach. This is a great initiative from the gardening residents at Preston and its taken a few years to see this project come to life as finding a site and securing funding has taken a little time. We wish the residents involved in the project success, in growing produce in the garden and the benefits of being engaged in the community in such a great activity.

At the recent Peel Business Awards held in Mandurah, Waroona Veterinary Clinic figured prominently in various categories and were winners in the Community Engagement award.

Ron has been providing veterinary services to our region for 32 years which is a significant achievement in itself. Frosina gave a very insightful speech in accepting the award and it was very well received and appreciated when her observations on the daily life of a vet were relayed to the audience. Congratulations to Ron and Frosina and staff on being recognised for what you do and obviously for the tremendous service you give to your clients.

Our two new councillors Dion Pisconeri and Ryan Woodbury were officially sworn in at the October Council meeting along with Naomi Purcell and myself. I was also humbled to again be nominated to hold the role of Shire President for another two years. I thank my fellow councillors for the faith they show in me and for the support they give in conjunction with my Deputy, Mrs Naomi Purcell. I look forward to the next few years in delivering some of the projects that now have funding secured and to help guide our Shire in any capacity I can offer.

## October Ordinary Council Meeting

The October ordinary Council meeting saw the first gathering for 2021 of our newly elected Council. Congratulations to Councillors Mike Walmsley and Naomi Purcell for being re-elected as well as newly appointed Councillors Dion Pisconeri and Ryan Woodbury. Council would like to again take the opportunity to thank outgoing Councillors Noel Dew and Larry Scott for their amazing commitment and work over their tenure with the Shire of Waroona.

As always, the first meeting of Council after the election period is when the Council elects the President and Deputy for the next two year.

Congratulations to Cr Mike Walmsley who accepted the nomination for Shire President and was elected unopposed as well as Cr Naomi Purcell who was nominated as Deputy and elected unopposed. Both Councillors are completing their second consecutive term within these positions, showing the strong commitment they have to the community and the considerable level of faith that our Council has in their leadership.

On re-election to council, Cr Walmsley stated he was humbled by Council's support again and was excited to begin a new chapter with Deputy President Purcell's commitment and

incoming CEO Mark Goodlet. He also thanked the tremendous staff that exist in the Waroona Shire and for embracing the journey in the last few years and hoping the next period will deliver some great outcomes.

Cr Walmsley went on to add that he was delighted with new Councillors Pisconeri and Woodbury and thought through their respective community involvement, would be very complimentary to the existing council. "I thank them both sincerely for stepping up for this role and know they will both bring great representation of their community to council".

## Introducing our new Councillors – Cr Pisconeri & Cr Woodbury

Councillor Pisconeri is a born and raised local committed to making Waroona a more attractive area. Raising his young family in the town he grew up in has led him to become more involved in Waroona's future projects. "I am looking forward to bringing some fresh perspective to the community. It's a transitional time for the shire of Waroona with a lot of exciting projects underway, all with their own unique challenges. Contributing to them and seeing them through is something I look forward too." Cr Pisconeri is also looking forward to being involved in creating business opportunities and increasing tourism within the Shire of Waroona. Cr Pisconeri.

I have been working in and around Waroona for the last 20 years and have lived in the shire for the past 12 years. I am interested in creating more outdoor activities and areas for our youth. I support the intended revitalisation of the Waroona business precinct. As I live in Lake Clifton - Preston Beach area I would like to see increased interaction and improvement of facilities for these outer localities within the Shire. I am a member of the Waroona Business Support Group which is part of the Peel Chamber of Commerce, I am encouraging small and local businesses to collaborate in promoting Waroona Shire, with a view to increasing tourism and promoting all businesses and events in the area. Cr Woodbury.



Deputy Shire President Naomi Purcell, President Mike Walmsley, Cr Dion Pisconeri, JP John Salerian and Cr Ryan Woodbury

## Introducing our New Chief Executive Officer – Mark Goodlet

1st of November 2021 saw the commencement of the Shire's newly appointment Chief Executive Officer Mark Goodlet. Shire President Cr Mike Walmsley warmly welcomes Mark to the organisation and is looking forward to working with Mark on the many exciting projects and developments that are currently in the pipeline. "Mark brings to Council a wealth of Local Government experience through his engineering qualifications and leadership skills acquired through years as a Director and then as CEO at two metropolitan councils. I am very confident Mark will form a strong bond with our Councillors, community and staff and we look forward to him embedding his expertise and management into our organisation".



New CEO - Mark Goodlet

### A word from our CEO

Ahead of my appointment to the role of CEO at the Shire of Waroona, I visited the Waroona Show, keen to see what it was all about and to get a feel for the "vibe" of Waroona on its big day of the year. There was plenty to see and enjoy, but the heart-moving tribute to soldiers who served their country and never made it back to Waroona, was a standout moment for my wife Brooke and myself, on the day. All in all, I saw a vibrant community drawn together showcasing excellence in its agricultural sector, and having some fun too.

In taking up the role of CEO now I've met councillors and staff who've been here for years and bring the benefit of that to their roles, so I will be leaning on this knowledge as I get to know the area and the community which I am now serving. To build this knowledge for myself, an early priority will be getting to know the various groups and organisations here and in the Peel region as they influence what happens in Waroona. If the Men's Shed is anything to go by, when I saw some of the members at the Show, meeting each group will be a pleasure, as much as it is about getting to know what's going on. I look forward to getting to know the community and how the Shire organisation can serve it best.

### HARD REFUSE COLLECTION

The Shire of Waroona's Hard Refuse Collection will be taking place in December. The following items will be collected:

- White goods (stoves, washing machines, fridges/freezers – doors must be removed for safety purposes).
- Televisions
- Scrap metal
- General junk (furniture and general household items)

The collection dates are:

**Preston Beach/ Lake Clifton/ Waroona and Hamel Townsites  
6th December to 17 December 2021**

Residents are encouraged to check if their property is within the service zone by referring to the maps located at the Shire Administration Office, Library, Preston Beach General Store, Preston Beach Community Centre and Lake Clifton Community Centre.

It is important that residents pay close attention to the requirements of verge collections. Non-compliance with these requirements may result in some of the waste remaining on the verge and or a possible infringement notice being issued in accordance with the *Litter Act 1979*.

The Shire requests that residents place all waste in four separate neat piles on the verge as per the guidelines on the verge no earlier than one week prior to the dates above. The maximum volume of hard refuse to be collected from each residence is two cubic metres.

### ALCOA WAROONA SUSTAINABILITY FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE VACANCY – COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE

Applications are invited from an enthusiastic and dedicated person from the community to fill one (1) position as community representative on the Alcoa Waroona Sustainability Fund Advisory Committee for a two (2) year term.

The Advisory Committee will be responsible for administering the Alcoa Waroona Sustainability Fund (AWSF). The Committee will have the responsibility of developing guidelines for grants and making recommendations for successful grants to the Shire of Waroona for final approval.

A guiding principle of the fund is that the fund is to be used for one-off, innovative, larger community development type projects that make a net position contribution to the sustainability of the region surrounding the Wagerup refinery, with a focus on the areas of Waroona, Lake Clifton, Preston Beach, Nanga Brook, Wagerup and Hamel.

Prospective applicants need to be aware that they may be called upon from time to time to make difficult decisions when it comes to analysing large-scale projects and making recommendations for funding. The committee currently meets approximately 2 to 3 times per year.

Application forms and further details are available from the Shire Office or on the Shire website [www.waroona.wa.gov.au](http://www.waroona.wa.gov.au). Completed applications are to be received by no later than 4pm on Tuesday 23rd November 2021. Applications can be submitted by post, email or hand delivered to –

The CEO Shire of Waroona  
PO Box 20, 52 Hesse Street, Waroona 6215  
Or emailed to [eso@waroona.wa.gov.au](mailto:eso@waroona.wa.gov.au)

### HAPPY RETIREMENT ROGER

It is a heavy heart that we announce that the Shire of Waroona's Works Supervisor Roger Cumbers will be retiring on 17 December 2021.

Roger has been a valued member of the Shire for many years, and he has carried out his role with very high levels of skill, knowledge, level-headedness, and a good sense of humour. The workers at the depot will miss his 'quick jobs' which often turned into full day long projects.

Roger will be missed not only by the Shire but by the community and will leave very big shoes to fill.

We wish Roger all the best for his retirement and no doubt he and his wife will be putting some miles on that caravan!



### DEMONSTRATION DAYS

Come along to the Waroona Visitor Centre to chat with some of our fabulous local creatives and watch them demonstrate their favourite crafts.

Saturday Nov 20 – Alana Rainer (felting), Carmen Tyrer (felting & ceramics) and Polly Bonner (hyperbolic crochet)

Sunday Nov 21 – Jeanette Audino (jewellery making), Kathy Krauth (patchwork) and Luna Gardiner (rag rugs, stitchwork)

Demonstrations are 10am-2pm with the Visitor Centre open 9:30am-3:30pm. Featured artists may change so head to Visit Waroona's Facebook page (events) for updates or call 9733 1506.

The Centre's gallery showcases local artworks and craft (residents Shire of Waroona, Yarloop or Coolup). Creatives wishing to display their works for sale in an established gallery can call Tracy on 0472 595 266. Registered contributors are also invited to take part in demonstration days.

### YARN BOMB WAROONA

Visitors and locals have been delighted with the hanging baskets designed and installed at the tourist bay adjacent to the Visitor Centre by volunteers Trudi and Rudi. These fun creations combine crochet and cute toys and are guaranteed to bring a smile to the faces of the weariest of travellers.



### WONDERCOW!

Mooriel's latest incarnation as Wonder Woman has been a crowd-pleaser and is thanks to the creativity and patience of Sarah Robertson with assistance from cowturiar-in-training, Sandra Hepton. Mooriel is pictured here posing with the SuperKids - SuperHeroes crew during their recent 2021 Scooter Tour to raise funds for research into childhood cancer.



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## Next Council Meeting

Next council meeting will be Tuesday 23rd November at 4pm at the Waroona Council Chambers

**WAROONA VISITOR CENTRE**

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