

From the President



Fire control officer appointments

At the August Council Meeting, Council endorsed the positions of our Shire's Bush Fire Control Officers. Each of our shire's brigades have Bush Fire Control officers as part of the brigade executive and nominations for the Shire's Chief is appointed from these officers at a formal election

conducted at the Bush Fire Advisory Committee in July. From that process, Mr Brian Beales was elected to take on the role for the upcoming season as Chief Bush Fire Control officer for the Shire of Waroona. Our community thanks Brian and the other candidates for nominating for this role as it carries with it a huge responsibility especially in times of threatening fires. With that appointment comes an end to many years of dedication to our community from recently retired Captain, Shire Freeman Mr John Twaddle. John has given extraordinary energy and time to the roles he has held in emergency services over many decades and our community will always be very grateful for being there when your experience was needed. John is still part of the Waroona brigade and continues to give to his community.

Alcoa Micro Grants

The recent round of Micro Grants was again well applied to which is a

great sign lots of community groups are active and wishing to develop programmes and initiatives that will help our community. From art to education and recreational pursuits, the committee had a very competitive array of applications to work through and we look forward to seeing the benefits flow through our shire when these grants are expended. The Micro grants are available through two rounds held each year and the funds are part sourced through the Alcoa Waroona Sustainability Fund and the Waroona Shire Community Development Grants.

Preston Beach Volunteer Rangers

Our Preston Beach Volunteer Ranger programme recently endorsed some new volunteers into this valuable service. The volly rangers have had over many years a successful role in helping educate beach users and visitors to Preston Beach on appropriate behaviour on our beach

as well as support for the odd mishap that occurs. The beach has had significant erosion this year from a series of storms and hopefully it will settle back to its normal form in time for the busy summer period.

90th Waroona Show

Preparations are well under way for the 90th Waroona Show and fingers are crossed that the level of freedom and movement our state currently enjoys is still in place when the 9th of October rolls around. This genuinely promises to be a tremendous show with what has been organised and we are very pleased to be also see the Vintage Machinery Rally on the 26th of September and the Troutfest on the 2nd of October. Available at the moment for everyone to participate in are Dance lessons and Art sessions so with all these wonderful events and activities available, there should be something for everyone.

HARD WASTE COLLECTION HAS BEEN SCHEDULED

The Shire of Waroona wishes to advise residents that the hard waste collection has been scheduled for early December 2021 which will allow residents to have a clean-up prior to the holiday period.

The Shire is moving to a new collection practice which will see the collection carried out by a contractor. This will result in a quicker and more streamlined operation with options to recover and recycle materials to reduce landfilling, however this means the collection timeframe is dependent on contractor availability.

The Shire apologises for any inconvenience. We will continue to post updates on the Shire website and social media leading up to the collection. In the meantime, residents are advised to hold off on placing material on their verges until further notice.

If you have any queries, please contact the Shire on 9733 7800.

FREE RECREATIONAL VEHICLE SHORT STAY AREAS

At the September Ordinary Council Meeting, Council reviewed the Free Recreational Vehicle (RV) Short Stay areas and expanded the initiative to all year round!

Three sites will have dedicated areas for RVs to stay for free – Preston Beach, Drakesbrook Weir and Waroona Showgrounds (conditions apply).

Recreational Vehicles (RV) must be a caravan, bus, coach or similar that is designed and used for recreational use that are:

- Fitted with an operable integrated black water waste system with a holding tank; and
- A grey water waste system that is capable of capturing grey water without it being deposited on the ground (an integrated holding tank is not required).

The following conditions apply to all three sites:

- The time frame between one period of stay and the next period by the same RV is 5 consecutive nights;
- Erecting a fixed annex is not permitted;
- Clotheslines external to an RV are not permitted;
- Accessing any power outlet is not permitted; and
- Camp or cooking fires are prohibited at all times.

RV use and camping in areas other than the three sites below is prohibited.

RV use and camping in the incorrect area will contravene the Shire's local laws and the *Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Act 1995*, and can be dealt with by modified penalties.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLE FREE STAY AREAS



Preston Beach

Located off the Preston Beach carpark with an entry point off Mitchell Road as illustrated below.

Additional conditions include:
Maximum period of stay is 24 hours only; and
Maximum period of stay is 48 hours only.



Drakesbrook Weir

Located in the Drakesbrook Weir carpark with an entry point off Weir Road as illustrated below.

Additional conditions include:
• Maximum period of stay is 24 hours only; and
• Maximum of 5 RVs at any one time.



Waroona Showgrounds

Located on the old basketball courts on South Western Highway with entry points off Millar Street and Parnell Street as illustrated below.

Additional conditions include:
• Maximum period of stay is 24 hours only; and
• Maximum of 5 RVs at any one time.



With more people choosing to wander out yonder, these free RV short stay areas will encourage visitors to Waroona and boost local tourism and economy.

NEW CITIZENS



New citizens Thanita Hall, Gillian Foley and Baljinder Singh

Local Government Act 1995

Shire of Waroona

Proposed Extractive Industries Local Law

Notice is hereby given that Council at its Ordinary Meeting on Tuesday 24 August 2021 resolved to make the abovementioned local law.

The **purpose** of this local law is to prohibit the carrying on of an extractive industry in the district, unless by authority of a licence issued by the local government, regulate the carrying out of the extractive industry in order to minimise damage to the environment, roads and other peoples' health and property, provide for the restoration and reinstatement of any excavation site and to provide penalties for contraventions of the local law.

The **effect** of this local law will be that any person wanting to carry on an extractive industry will need to be licensed and will need to comply with the provisions of the local law.

A **copy** of the proposed local law may be inspected at or obtained from the Shire's office at 52 Hesse Street, Waroona, between 8.30am and 4.00pm Monday to Friday. A copy is also on the Shire's website www.waroona.wa.gov.au

Submissions about the proposed local law may be made to the Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Waroona, PO Box 20, Waroona WA 6215 by 4pm Friday, 22 October 2021.

DEAN UNSWORTH

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Bush Fires Act 1954

Appointments

In accordance with Section 38 of the *Bush Fires Act 1954* the following persons are appointed as Bush Fire Control / Fire Weather Officers in the district of the Shire of Waroona.

Chief Bush Fire Control Officer – Brian Philip Beales

Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer – Gregory Arthur Lewis

Bush Fire Control Officers – Gareth Paul Davies, Steven Gregory Thomas, Gregory Arthur Lewis, Brian Philip Beales.

Bush Fire Control Officers (Permit Issuing Only) – Donald Geoffrey Bebbington, Bradley Lewis.

Fire Weather Officers – John Craig Twaddle, Gavin Lewis Stevens.

The appointments of Chloe Nancy Blackwell, Adrianus Marinus Eppen, Terrence Dennis Lamey, Katie Rebecca Leigh, Robert Stephen Marlborough, Sarah Jane Hull, Garth Van Den Ende, Gavin Lewis Stevens and Donna Elizabeth Walker, as Authorised Officers and Bush Fire Control Officers remain in effect.

All previous appointments published are hereby revoked.

Dean Unsworth

Chief Executive Officer

NORTHERN TOURIST BAY

The long-awaited installation of the tourist bay signage took place on Friday August 13 after delays initially caused by the fallout of Covid and exacerbated by competing projects and contractor availability.

The board's design is balanced between messaging, imagery, content, and calls to action and has been very well received both by locals and visitors.



"WHAT'S ON WAROONA" CAMPAIGN

The first in a series of What's On Waroona adverts hit the screens on WIN Television's various stations on Saturday September 11. Presented by Waroona Visitor Centre, the first features the upcoming Waroona Show in a four-week run. For more information on the campaign and to lodge an Expression of Interest, please contact Tracy Goldsworthy, Waroona Visitor Centre on 0472 595 266.

EVENTS FLYER

The latest A5 events flyer is available from Waroona Visitor Centre and various local and regional outlets. This collaborative features Waroona Show on one side with the Vintage Machinery Rally, All Australian Car Day and tourism information on the other side.

It's hoped that the flyer will adorn fridges all over the metro and south-west areas for months to come.



Local Government Act 1995

Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996

Shire of Waroona

Change of Location of September Ordinary Council Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the September Ordinary Council Meeting will no longer be held at Lake Clifton Community Centre as previously advertised.

The September Ordinary Council Meeting will now be held at Council Chambers on Tuesday, 28 September 2021 commencing at 4pm.

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CONSTABLE COW

Mooriel is no longer "lost in space" but sporting a bespoke police uniform cleverly put together by Sarah Robertson. This outfit idea has been on the board for a couple of years and now, with the blessing of Sergeant Ross Blake, is delighting locals and visitors.

With Police Week and Remembrance Day in late September the timing could not have been better. Constable Cow is putting her best hoof forward to raise awareness and will also help highlight road safety issues such as speeding, drink/drug driving and using mobile phones while on the road.

Local Waroona Police Officers Tiarna Eades and Lauren Murphy dropped by last week to congratulate Mooriel and we captured this Kiss the Cow moment.



LOCAL CONSTABLE IN DOCUMENTARY

Local constable Tiarna Eades (pictured above Mooriel) will feature in an NITV documentary series called Our Law. Filmed across regional WA, including Peel, the series will follow the lives of indigenous police cadets as they begin their careers. Constable Eades, who has just graduated and been posted to Waroona, has been chosen as Peel's representative. This documentary follows a pilot screened last year at the Warakurna police station, which is entirely run by indigenous police officers and is the only one of its type in WA.

The filmmakers — made up of producers Sam Bodhi Field and Taryne Laffer with director Cornel Ozies — took their preparations seriously. "We went out to Warakurna without any cameras, three months in advance to shooting and just got to know people, got to know the lay of the land," says Cornel, an Indigenous man from the Kimberley. "We made sure everyone was on board and we weren't stepping on anyone's toes and it was done in the right way."

That approach mirrors the Indigenous cops that Our Law focuses on. When they moved into the town, which lies just over four hours drive west from Uluru, Sergeant Wendy Kelly and Senior Sergeant Revis Ryder put a lot of emphasis on learning the local Ngaanyatjarra language. "They're not from that country, they're from the Noongar nation in Perth," explains Cornel. "So, when they come into the land they're fresh as well. They have to learn the language. They have to learn cultural protocols."

In places like Warakurna, English is a second, maybe even third, language. "The language and culture are very strong out there. So learning the language has given Wendy and Revis a toolkit to help diffuse situations when they do go out on call."

Filming will begin in Waroona later this year but in the meantime you can catch the 30 minute pilot Our Law on SBS On Demand.

GALLERY SIGNAGE

Four additional promotional signs have been installed in the garden of the Visitor Centre. Two highlight the gallery and are visible from the road and the other two feature the #visitwaroona social media hashtag atop pictures of Waroona's native flora.



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Next Council Meeting

Next council meeting will be Tuesday 28th September 2021 at 4pm at the Waroona Council Chambers

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