

President's Report



I was delighted to recently join our Local Member Mrs Robyn Clarke at the Waroona VFES annual dinner to recognise and honour some of the brigade members many loyal years of service to our community. Amongst the members that received five, fifteen and twenty-five year medals were two stand out brigade members who have served with distinction for fifty-five years each. Freeman of the Shire Mr John Twaddle and Mr Alan Alexander, our community thanks you sincerely for your many years of dedication and for putting your lives in danger at certain times to protect our properties and people.

Our Shire recently held our volunteer breakfast thank you events which were well attended. Shire councillors and staff were on hand to cook and serve brekkie as an appreciation for all our wonderful volunteers who give so much of their time and energy to provide many different types of support to others. Without the efforts of our amazing volunteers in our community, we would not have many of the amazing things that we can be very proud of in our Shire.

Council recently held a morning tea to thank all the supporters who donate prizes toward the early rate payment incentive programme. We also had the opportunity to present the prizes and thank the ratepayers who pay their rates up front which range from cash to accommodation vouchers and wine. Collecting rates is an important function of council as is the responsible spending and allocation once

they are collected and we thank the entities that support us in that function.

The Alcoa Waroona Sustainability Fund micro grants are open again and I hope that some of our community groups take the opportunity to submit an application if you are needing support in achieving your group's goals. Please feel free to contact our very capable community development staff who can guide you through the funds conditions and help with any submission questions you may have.

As we enter the festive season, I would like to take the opportunity on behalf of all the Councillors and Staff at the Shire of Waroona to wish all our residents a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and hoping that everyone enjoys a safe and pleasant time over the coming weeks, and we all look forward to a great 2022. Please take care over the Christmas period.

SHIRE OF WAROONA CHRISTMAS HOURS AND URGENT CONTACTS

Christmas Break

Christmas is here again and for many it will be a time to unwind for the year, catch up with friends and family and enjoy the summer weather. We will see visitors numbers to the Shire increasing of course as people come to enjoy the attractions of Waroona Shire.

Part of the end of year festivities included celebrating Volunteers week and two breakfasts were put on by the Shire, in Waroona and Preston Beach, to say a small thank you for the great efforts of the volunteers. This strong community network is a sign of a thriving community and brings a sense of place to the Shire.

While the community network will continue to look out for each other and visitors during the Christmas break, if you see anything that needs the Shire's attention here, please let us know. While a number of Shire services will also be taking a break, we can still be contacted if the matter is pressing.

Emergency - 000

Ranger – 9531 7709

Works / Parks & Gardens – 9733 7817

Health Department – 9531 7777

SHIRE ADMINISTRATION CENTRE (INCLUDES LICENSING)

DAY	DATE	OPEN/CLOSED	WORKING HOURS
Friday	24 December 2021	OPEN	9.00am – 4.00pm
Monday	27 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Tuesday	28 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Wednesday	29 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Thursday	30 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Friday	31 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Monday	3 January 2022	CLOSED	-
Tuesday	4 January 2022	OPEN	9.00am – 4.00pm

DEPOT ADMIN OFFICE

Friday	24 December 2021	OPEN	7.00am – 3.00pm
Monday	27 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Tuesday	28 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Wednesday	29 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Thursday	30 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Friday	31 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Monday	3 January 2022	CLOSED	-
Tuesday	4 January 2022	OPEN	7.00am – 3.00pm

WAROONA LIBRARY

Friday	24 December 2021	OPEN	10am – 1pm & 2pm – 5pm
Monday	27 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Tuesday	28 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Wednesday	29 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Thursday	30 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Friday	31 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Monday	3 January 2022	CLOSED	-
Tuesday	4 January 2022	OPEN	10am – 1pm & 2pm – 5pm

WAROONA VISITOR CENTRE

Friday	24 December 2021	OPEN	9.30am – 3.30pm
Saturday	25 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Sunday	26 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Monday	27 December 2021	OPEN	9.30am – 3.30pm
Tuesday	28 December 2021	OPEN	9.30am – 3.30pm

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Wednesday	29 December 2021	OPEN	9.30am – 3.30pm
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Friday	31 December 2021	OPEN	9.30am – 3.30pm
Saturday	1 January 2022	CLOSED	-
Sunday	2 January 2022	CLOSED	9.30am – 3.30pm
Monday	3 January 2022	OPEN	9.30am – 3.30pm
Tuesday	4 January 2022	OPEN	9.30am – 3.30pm

*** Subject to availability of volunteers ***

BULLER ROAD REFUSE SITE OPENING

Friday	24 December 2021	OPEN	10am – 4pm
Saturday	25 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Sunday	26 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Monday	27 December 2021	OPEN	10am – 4pm
Tuesday	28 December 2021	OPEN	10am – 4pm
Wednesday	29 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Thursday	30 December 2021	OPEN	10am – 4pm
Friday	31 December 2021	OPEN	10am – 4pm
Saturday	1 January 2022	CLOSED	-
Sunday	2 January 2022	OPEN	10am – 4pm
Monday	3 January 2022	OPEN	10am – 4pm
Tuesday	4 January 2022	OPEN	10am – 4pm

WAROONA RECREATION & AQUATIC CENTRE

DAY	DATE	OPEN/CLOSED	DRY AREA
Friday	24 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Saturday	25 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Sunday	26 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Monday	27 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Tuesday	28 December 2021	CLOSED	-
Wednesday	29 December 2021	OPEN	7.00am – 8.00pm
Thursday	30 December 2021	OPEN	7.00am – 8.00pm
Friday	31 December 2021	OPEN	7.00am – 4.00pm
Saturday	1 January 2022	CLOSED	-
Sunday	2 January 2022	CLOSED	-
Monday	3 January 2022	CLOSED	-
Tuesday	4 January 2022	OPEN	7.00am – 8.00pm

Review of Local Emergency Management Arrangements (LEMA)

A joint Murray-Waroona Local Emergency Management Arrangements (LEMA) and Local Recovery Plan (LRP) is currently being prepared, following the amalgamation of the Shire of Murray and Shire of Waroona Local Emergency Management Committees in December, 2020.

The joint Murray-Waroona LEMA will:

- Enhance preparedness in the event of an emergency
- Support community resilience
- Develop strategies for response and recovery activities, including Animal Welfare and Evacuation sub plans and Local Recovery Plan

The development of the joint LEMA has been funded through the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' All West Australians Reducing Emergencies (AWARE) grant program.

To assist us with the development of the joint LEMA, we're inviting our communities to review the current documents and provide feedback and/or suggestions for inclusion in the updated Murray-Waroona version.

The current Shire of Murray Local Emergency Management Arrangements 2018 (LEMA) and Local Recovery Plan 2018 (LRP) will be used as base templates to form the joint Murray-Waroona LEMA and LRP, and are available for inspection at:

- Shire of Murray Administration Office, 1915 Pinjarra Road, Pinjarra
- Shire of Waroona Administration Office, 52 Hesse Street, Waroona
- Online at murray.wa.gov.au/public-notice

Submissions

Online, via email or post:

- murray.wa.gov.au/public-notice
- mailbag@murray.wa.gov.au
- Shire of Murray, PO Box 21, Pinjarra WA 6208 - addressed to the Chief Executive Officer

Submissions close **4:00pm Friday 24 December, 2021.**

Dean Unsworth

Chief Executive Officer | Shire of Murray

Mark Goodlet

Chief Executive Officer | Shire of Waroona

IN THE GALLERY

Come along to meet some of our local makers who will be demonstrating their skills at Waroona Visitor Centre this weekend 10:00am to 2:00pm.

Saturday December 18th - multi-faceted crafter Polly Bonner will be working alongside jewellery-maker Jeanette Audino and felter Alana Rainer

Sunday December 19th – Sandy Hepton (pictured) will be creating in mixed media while Kathleen Cole will be spinning and crocheting.

Please note that the Visitor Centre is open daily 9:30am – 3:30pm (closed Christmas, Boxing & New Year's Days).



New makers and artists in the Gallery include The Little Farm (beeswax and honey products and gift sets); Helen Henderson (resin boards and coasters); Lyn Maniz (leather earrings and brooches); and Pat Kuhl (seasonal king proteas). The Gallery still stocks all the favourites including "gentle arts" stitch-work and hand towels; photo art; beautiful gift cards; paintings and sculptures; etched glassware; preserves and produce; rag rugs and crazy crochet.



New to town and the first stop is Waroona Visitor Centre

NEW CITIZEN

Shire President Mike Walmsley with new citizen Yuwari Somnuk and local member Robyn Clarke



SHAPING THE FUTURE OF TOURISM TOGETHER

Peel stakeholders were invited to an industry engagement interactive workshop held on November 5 with the Hon David Templeman MLA, Minister for Tourism, and staff and CEO of Tourism WA.

The feedback and suggestions received will guide the development of a short to medium term strategy for tourism in Western Australia. Six-month and two-year plans will be prepared with two distinct purposes - the six-month plan will reset WA's tourism industry to enable it to rebound when borders are opened more broadly to interstate and international visitors once it is safe to do so. The two-year plan will set the industry on a course to regain the record-breaking visitor numbers and spend that had been achieved prior to COVID-19.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Christmas feels like ... yarnbombing, incredible hay bale art, Mooriel featuring in a nativity scene, and the fabulous Christmas tree. This eclectic and colourful mix of Christmas fun is all around and adjacent to the Waroona Visitor Centre. While you're here, pop into the Gallery to see the wonderful array of gifts lovingly created and for sale by local makers.



REAL PEEL DEALS

\$30,000 prize pool - sign up to enter the draws for your chance to win amazing prizes! <https://www.realpeeldeals.com/enter-prize-draws>
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PUBLIC NOTICES

Local Government Act 1995

Shire of Waroona

Adoption of Extractive Industries Local Law 2021

The Shire of Waroona has resolved to make the Shire of Waroona Extractive Industries Local Law 2021.

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

The local law was published in the Government Gazette on 29 November 2021 and will come into operation on 13 December 2021.

MARK GOODLET
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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Next Council Meeting

Next council meeting will be Tuesday 22nd February 2022 at 4pm at the Waroona Council Chambers

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Open 9:30am-3:30pm • 37 South Western Highway, Waroona
Ph: 08 9733 1506 • email: visitorcentre@waroona.wa.gov.au