

Sea to Scarp

SHIRE OF WAROONA MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | JUNE 2025



SHIRE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



The Environmental Protection Authority has opened up a public comment period until the 21st of August regarding Alcoa's two environmental assessments on parts of their previous, current and near future, mining operations.

Of interest for our community perhaps is the comments on mining in the Darling Scarp in the South West of WA for the next few years. Alcoa has submitted a substantial

amount of studies and supporting documents regarding their activities in the Northern Jarrah forest around future clearing, mining, rehabilitation and flora and fauna conservation.

The Waroona Library has copies of the public environmental review if you wish to read them and they are also available on the EPA website at <https://consultation.epa.wa.gov.au/>

Council recently hosted our annual Emergency Services dinner. This annual dinner is a small way of recognising the first responders in our community who are called upon in emergencies to deal with accidents, fires and storms. They are an amazing group of volunteers and it was a special occasion to not only hear from each group on the activity

over the last year but also recognise the many years of dedication and training they all commit to, to make sure when they turn up to an incident, they are competent and capable of helping out. From our community, Thank You for all you give.

Our Waroona Agricultural Society recently held a celebration of one hundred years since its founding. Since the Ag Societies humble beginning, a very dedicated group of volunteers has maintained a tradition of showcasing our agricultural heritage and values. These have in turn been passed on to generations of volunteers that have equally stepped up to demonstrate what a special part of the state we live in. Our annual show has a tremendous reputation as being one of Australia's best one day show and we all congratulate the President and committee in this milestone and the solid foundations and culture you have you have all created.

Our current and a few past staff recently joined together to wish one of councils longest serving employees a fond farewell. Mark Wake has put in considerable time and effort in looking after many of our councils assets and has always tackled any job with determination and the desire to see the best outcome. We have all appreciated Marks gentle nature and engaging personality. We also wish him the very best in what ever the future holds as we thank him for his loyal service to our community.

Cr Mike Walmsley
Shire President

ALCOA WAROONA MICRO GRANTS

ROUND 2 OPEN NOW

Community groups and organisations can now apply for up to \$2,000 in funding through Round 2 of the Alcoa Waroona Micro Grant, open until 15 August 2025.

This grant is designed to:

- ✓ Strengthen your group's capacity or sustainability
- ✓ Deliver initiatives that benefit the Waroona community
- ✓ Respond to real needs and help build a vibrant, inclusive, and healthy community

Please note: This round uses an online application process only.

Before applying, you must speak with a member of our Community Development Team to check eligibility and discuss your project outcomes.

Apply now and download the Fact Sheet at:

www.waroona.wa.gov.au/alcoa-waroonamicrogrant

VACANCY

Do you want to help shape the future of the Waroona community?

We're seeking an enthusiastic and community-minded person to join the Alcoa Waroona Sustainability Fund Advisory Committee as a community representative for a two-year term.

The Advisory Committee helps oversee the Alcoa Waroona Sustainability Fund and Alcoa Waroona Micro Grant Fund, including developing grant guidelines and recommending successful projects to Council for approval.

If you're passionate about making a positive difference, we'd love you to apply.

Find out more and download the information pack and application form here:
www.waroona.wa.gov.au/awsfac

PUBLIC NOTICES

VACANCY - GARDENER / GENERAL HAND - TWO POSITIONS AVAILABLE

The Shire of Waroona is located in the Peel Region and offers residents an enviable small town country lifestyle featuring the forests of the scarp and Preston beach on the coast, not far from the major centres of Mandurah to the north and Bunbury to the south.

If gardening and working outdoors is your passion, then the Shire of Waroona would love to hear from you. We are on the search for two enthusiastic Gardener / General Hands to assist in delivering the Shire's gardening program including the maintenance of shire parks, gardens, and sporting surfaces.

Work Type: Full time (9-day fortnight)
Applications Close: Friday 27th June 2025
Level: Level 3 to 4 - Shire of Waroona Enterprise Agreement 2022

The position will be a full-time position based at the shire depot working across all shire locations and townsites.

To be considered for the position, applicants must submit a covering letter, resume and address the selection criteria in the application package which may be obtained by visiting Councils website www.waroona.wa.gov.au or by an email request to rates@waroona.wa.gov.au.

For further information regarding this position, please contact Director Infrastructure Services, Mr Bradley Oborn on 0428 103 720.

Applications should be clearly endorsed "Private and Confidential - Vacancy - Gardener/General Hand" and close with the undersigned 4.00pm Friday 27th June 2025.

The Shire of Waroona is an equal opportunity employer. We celebrate diversity and are committed to creating an inclusive environment for all employees.

Local Government Act 1995 Notice of Amendment to Fees and Charges Charge for Use of Shire Land

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1995, the Shire of Waroona advises that an amendment has been made to the 2024/2025 adopted fees and charges whereby a new charge has been added relating to the use of Shire land.

The charge comes into effect on 16 June 2025.

Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 Initiation of Local Planning Policy 18 - Expenditure of cash-in-lieu for clearing offsets

Council has resolved to initiate Local Planning Policy (LPP) 18. This Policy seeks to establish a framework for the use of funds collected under LPP 17 - Vegetation.

A copy is available for inspection at the Shire of Waroona Administration Office, 52 Hesse Street, Waroona.

Alternatively, the policy can be viewed online at www.waroona.wa.gov.au/community/community-engagement/current-consultation

You are invited to review the policy and make a written submission. Submissions can be made via:

- Email - warshire@waroona.wa.gov.au
- Post - PO Box 20, Waroona WA 6210
- Dropping it off in person - 52 Hesse Street, Waroona

Submissions close 8 July 2025.

For any enquiries, please contact Craig Zanotti, Coordinator Regulatory and Development Services, on 9733 7800.

Mark Goodlet
Chief Executive Officer



WAROONA REDFIN CHALLENGE

Friday 26 - Sunday 28 September

That Fishing Shop Waroona
51 South Western Highway

- Fishing challenge with loads of categories to enter
- Prizes and giveaways up for grabs!



WAROONA TROUTFEST

Saturday 4 October

9am - 1pm

Drakesbrook Weir

- Trout release, fishing stalls & info stands
- Fly fishing demos, free fishing clinic & casting competition
- Food trucks & refreshments, entertainment, games & activities for all ages!



Department of
Primary Industries and
Regional Development



WAROONA SHOW

Saturday 11 October

8am - 8.30pm

Waroona Showgrounds

- Hall exhibits, food & wine pavilion
- Horses, cattle, poultry, farm shed
- Side show alley, food trucks, market stalls
- Free entertainment, live music, fireworks
- Log chops, agricultural displays



Keep up to date on all Waroona events

Visit www.waroona.wa.gov.au/events or scan here for more info



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NAIDOC WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Waroona's NAIDOC Week activities are proudly brought to you by Waroona Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation.

Please visit www.waroona.wa.gov.au/events for information on the week's activities.

