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SHIRE OF WAROONA



## Shire President's Message

As we roll into winter and our shorter days return, please spend some time preparing for our usual winter squalls and storms. We generally experience high rainfall events and strong winds in the next month or two so tidying up loose ends and preparation may avoid you being out on a wet and cold night trying to fix up some damage.

Congratulations to the Waroona

Action Group. Thank you for helping to reinvigorate the Markets and for encouraging visitors to our town. Organising events such as the Markets takes quite a bit of effort and energy so well done to what you are achieving and it's great to see the support from the stall holders and more and more people showing up.

Council in the immediate future focuses on our next budget. It's always difficult to maintain the service delivery with available funding and to try and not create further burden on our already small rate base. One of the areas expected to cost significantly more this year is our annual audit. Under a change

to the Act recently, all Local Government Audits are to be conducted by the Department of the Auditor General. Our Council has a solid relationship with our current auditor and it seems he has been contracted to remain doing our audits by the Department but the unfortunate effect is it will likely cost the Shire approximately three times the amount. This is a cost imposed on all Councils and not one open to negotiation.

Council has asked for Expressions of Interest in the community for two representatives to join the Waroona Visitor Centre Working Group. The Group will consider tourism marketing initiatives, help provide Council on

strategic tourism direction and input into our involvement with broader Peel organisations. If you feel you have something you could offer in this area, please submit an application no later than the close of business on the 18th June 2018.

In the spirit of volunteering, I would like to pay special mention to Matt Della Franca. Matt has turned 18 and has now joined the Lions Club. Matt is the first of hopefully many that has been a Leo and wishes to continue serving the community in the great work the Lions do. Well done Matt.

### ON YOUR MARKS, GET SET, WINE!



Drakesbrook Fine Wines

If you love the idea of combining fitness and wine, you'll be happy to hear the Peel Region will play host to a unique and fun event called Grapest 5k Run later this year.

Proudly supported by Mandurah and Peel Tourism Organisation (MAPTO), the Grapest 5k Run will take place at Drakesbrook Fine Wines in Waroona on 17 November.

MAPTO CEO, Karen Priest, congratulated the winery and the event organisers, Centaur Outdoor Events, on making the Grapest run a reality for the region.

"Thousands of people take part in Grapest events in vineyards around Australia each year but this is the first one for the Peel Region," Ms Priest said.

"It will showcase the beauty of the area and quality of local wines to a huge audience and bring in a lot of visitors."

The Grapest 5k Run is described as 'Australia's best fun run with wine' and will see participants complete a 5-kilometre running course across a variety of terrain including grapevine rows and hills, while taking in the magnificent scenery of Drakesbrook.

As a reward at the end, there's a meandering wine tasting walk section, called the waddle, with different varieties of wine to try at each station. When the sun goes down the fun continues with live music.

Ms Priest said supporting events was an important part of MAPTO's role in encouraging tourism to the region.

"Events give people a concrete reason to visit us; they bring in participants and their friends and family, help promote the Peel and add vibrancy to our region."

Events Director at Centaur Outdoor Events, Peter Manning, said the Drakesbrook event will be well received by participants.

"It's a beautiful place and really captures what we want this event to be all about; a little fitness and a lot of fun, all while experiencing a stunning winery and vineyard," Mr Manning said.

"We hold Grapest runs across Australia and I have no doubt the event in Waroona in November will be just as successful as the others."

Tickets for the Grapest 5k Run are available on the event's website now.

For a full list of events on in the Peel Region, go to the Visit Peel events calendar.

### LOST YOUR DOG OR CAT!

If you have lost your much loved dog or cat, please contact our Ranger Services on 9531 7777. Many people may not be aware that our Rangers are on duty between 7am - 6pm weekdays and 8am - 5pm on weekends and public holidays, excepting Christmas day, New Year's Day and Good Friday.

Residents should be mindful that calls can still be made outside of these hours, however Rangers will only attend to emergencies where is danger to the public such as a major dog attack or livestock straying on roads.

### EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

#### WAROONA VISITOR CENTRE WORKING GROUP

Expressions of interest are sought from enthusiastic and dedicated persons from the community to fill two (2) positions as community representatives on the Waroona Visitor Centre Working Group for a two (2) year term.

This working group is responsible for assessing and considering minor tourism matters relating to the Waroona Visitor Centre operations outside of the normal administrative role.

Such matters include;

- Hosting of events relevant to tourism / arts and crafts
- Tourism marketing initiatives
- Merchandising of the centre
- Maintenance of the centre

Provide advice to Council on strategic tourism's directions

Provide advice to Council on involvement with Mandurah and Peel Tourism Organisation (MAPTO)

Prospective applicants need to be aware that they will be required to attend the occasional working group meeting when required.

Application forms are available from the Shire Office and Shire website [www.waroona.wa.gov.au](http://www.waroona.wa.gov.au). Completed applications are to be received no later than 4pm on Monday 18 June 2018 and can be submitted by post, email or hand delivered and should be addressed to:

Chief Executive Officer  
Shire of Waroona  
PO Box 20, 52 Hesse Street, Waroona, 6215  
Or emailed to: [warshire@waroona.wa.gov.au](mailto:warshire@waroona.wa.gov.au)

### TIDY TOWNS NEEDS YOUR HELP

Following last year's success of winning 2 out of 7 state categories, the Waroona Tidy Towns Committee has entered our community again this year.

The Tidy Towns judges are visiting Waroona on Wednesday, 20th June, so please make sure your property and the town are kept neat and tidy and really show off what a beautiful community we have!

A few ways you can help the submission for Waroona to win Tidy Towns are:

- bring in bins
- mow lawns
- tidy gardens
- clean front yard
- pick up litter around town
- report graffiti/vandalism

Thank you for your help. Fingers crossed we can win another award this year!

For more information on Tidy Towns, please contact the Shire of Waroona on 9733 7800 or [cdo@waroona.wa.gov.au](mailto:cdo@waroona.wa.gov.au)

### Next Council Meeting

Next Council Meeting will be 26th June 2018 at 4pm at the Shire of Waroona Council Chambers behind the administration office

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# Expo added to market

David Charlesworth

BRINGING the best out of the community, the Brunswick Community Market and Expo will be on again at the Brunswick Town Hall on June 23 with more than 20 stalls and demonstrations.

Brunswick Community Resource Centre manager Jo Dalton said the event last year featured an expo while this year would also be a market day.

"It's building on last year's event and we know the community's keen on market days,

so it's just keeping that economy going," Ms Dalton said.

About 20 stallholders have registered so far featuring a variety of baked goods, arts and crafts, services and community group presentations.

"We're encouraging more stallholders to do their own demonstrations," she said.

"One of the stallholders could be painting while selling her bits and pieces that she makes."

Ms Dalton said some stalls would be interactive including activities with the Brunswick River Restoration Action

Group identifying weeds and seeds.

"They're going to have identification of seeds and weeds and that sort of thing," she said.

"I think that will be quite neat for the kids to get involved with" she said.

"Hopefully we'll see a bit more of that to keep it engaging and fun."

Ms Dalton said the community wanted to see more happening in Brunswick.

"It's an opportunity to bring people out for a social occasion, an opportunity for groups to

fundraise and raise awareness of what they do," she said. "Economically, hopefully it will bring people to the town."

The market and expo will be held in the Brunswick Town Hall, protected from any potential bad weather, from 9am to 12pm.

"Especially if the weather is bad throughout the month and people get a bit of cabin fever, it will be nice to go out for the morning," Ms Dalton said.

To register a stall contact the resource centre on 9726 1452 or email [brunswickjunctioncrc@gmail.com](mailto:brunswickjunctioncrc@gmail.com).

# Publication wins judges award

STORIES of resilience and recovery have garnered national attention with the book *Stories From the Fireground* winning a Judges Award at the Excellence in Emergency Communication Awards on June 4.

Hosted by the Emergency Media and Public Affairs, the annual awards were announced at a gala dinner in Melbourne and recognised those who had made a significant contribution to emergen-

cy communications in Australia and New Zealand.

EMPA chief executive officer Peter Rekkers presented the award to Harvey shire president Tania Jackson and community development officer Maree Ellis at the WA EMPA Conference in Perth on Thursday.

Mr Rekkers said the book struck a chord with the judges and while it did not win in the category it was nominated for, Response and Recovery, the judges felt it deserved the Judges Award.

"The book is so beautifully done but it shows respect for the stories it tells," he said.

"It was one that stood out for all of us, we were really moved by it."

*Stories From the Fireground* is a collection of sto-

ries and experiences of residents during and after the 2016 Yarloop-Waroonna Bushfires.

Cr Jackson said a lot of work had gone into the book and it was great for it to be acknowledged at such a high level.

"To have people that have been in disaster recovery for many, many years saying that we had done just such a fabulous job for our community in both talking about what had happened and also producing something that everyone else would read and learn from, was really quite lovely," Cr Jackson said.

"Maree Ellis provided such a strong link between the story-givers and the story-takers, making sure Ross had what he needed to produce such a fine work."



Harvey shire president Tania Jackson displays the Judges Award the council won in the Excellence in Emergency Communication Awards. Picture: David Charlesworth

## Harvey Senior Citizens News

Supported by It's all happening at the Centre

### Winter at the Cits

Warm up with a hearty nutritious meal from our kitchen, cooked by the lovely Kym. Friday is always roast dinner day. A delicious soup, main and sweet costing only \$12. You can dine-in in our warm and cosy dining room, pick up and take away or have home delivered. Meals must be ordered before 9.00am on the day. The menu changes monthly, copies are available from the centre. Call in or ring to see if you qualify.

### Swing and Sway

Another way to keep warm is to move to the sounds of the old time greats, increase your flexibility and stamina – age no barrier, no partner required. Thursday mornings from 10am to 11am. Cost \$5. No membership required.

### Boot Scooting

Yeah, heel, toe, do-si-do and away you go for an hour of fun fitness and music. Tuesday mornings is beginners from 11.30 – 12.30. Tuesday afternoons is advanced from 1.30-3.00. No partner required, suitable for all ages. Cost \$5. No membership required.

### Christmas in July

Bookings can be made now for our Christmas in July – traditional hot lunch, great sweet and awesome entertainment. Meat raffle and door prize. Cost \$20. Friday July 6th at 9:30 for 10.00am start.



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### INVITATION

In 2017 artists created artworks on 9x5 boards kindly cut and donated by the Waroonna Men's Shed. These mini works of art, together with knitted and crocheted donations from our yarn bombers, have been on sale in the Visitor Centre and now it's time for our generous creatives to present the cheque.

Are you with St John Ambulance, Waroonna Men's Shed or are you an artist, craftsperson or yarn bomber? We'd love you to join us on Friday June 22nd at Waroonna Visitor Centre, 37 South West Highway for morning tea at 10:30am and the handover at 11:00am.

Everyone is welcome and RSVPs would be appreciated for catering purposes - phone 9733 1506 or email [visitorcentre@waroonna.wa.gov.au](mailto:visitorcentre@waroonna.wa.gov.au) to confirm your attendance.



Sea to ART Exhibition 2017 - Ambulance officers Mire Rice (L) and Andy Templeman Twelss (R) with Ron Schneider.

### A HANGING ON THE HIGHWAY 2018

Local quilters, patch workers and textile artists in their many and varied forms are invited to be a part of what will be a wonderful month long exhibition.

Scheduled for October 2018, artists will be accommodated if they wish to put pieces in both the exhibition and the Waroonna Show.

It is necessary to register your interest in participating and/or being included on the mailing list by contacting Tracy Goldsworthy 9733 1506, emailing [visitorcentre@waroonna.wa.gov.au](mailto:visitorcentre@waroonna.wa.gov.au) or by messaging Waroonna Visitor Centre & Gallery on Facebook.



Guests delighting in the 2014 quilting display.