

Shire President's Message



some outstanding programmes and policies with Waroona following up in the Regional category.

The information and involvement by our Community Development Officer was pivotal in our success and I can only congratulate Brad Vitale on his outstanding work and commitment to our younger residents. He

was supported by our staff in this area and I can only say thank you for your passion and achievement in these strategies, which can I add, demonstrated outstanding belief in helping our youth. It was both a humbling and proud moment for our Council.

Local Government Week

Some of the issues that became a focus at Local Government Week revolved around amendments to the Local Government Act. Compliance, Transparency and engaging communities were topics discussed alongside emerging changes to the Dog Act with puppy farming and areas of Emergency Management and creating great places. A diverse conference and well attended.

Waroona Dam

I do encourage everyone to get a spot in the competition to guess when our dam will go over and see the spillway flow. This event has been an extreme rarity since the wall

was reconstructed and I believe with the great rainfall we have had this winter, it will be disappointing if it doesn't occur. I hope some lucky person gets to enjoy a stay at Lake Navarino Resort and enjoy some wine courtesy of Drakesbrook Fine Wines. Thanks to these businesses for getting behind this event.

Funding Commitments

The Shire now has a confirmed commitment from DFES on funding to construct a new fire shed in the West Waroona area. This is a great outcome for the brigade to house the appliance that has been located at the Captain's residence for many years.

Some other funding commitments recently have included the Preston Beach Community Centre which will begin construction shortly and some additional money towards The Men's Shed. All good projects and worthwhile community facilities that will benefit our residents for many years to come.

Local Government Award

I had the sincere privilege early this month to represent our Shire at an awards ceremony at Local Government Week. We were awarded the Regional Western Australian Award at a special breakfast sponsored by the Public Health Advocacy Institute of WA in the area of Children's Environment and Health.

We were graded in 14 categories relating to children's health and environment and the Shire was awarded some commendable and category wins which went into a score card reflecting what the Council is supporting around our youth. The City of Cockburn took out overall winner with



Brad Vitale CDO, Michael Walmsley Shire President, Ian Curley CEO, David Templeman Minister for Local Government, Cr Laurie Snell and Cr Naomi Purcell

SCIENCE CAFÉ COMES TO WAROONA

SCIENCE CAFE SERIES

AUGUST 2018:

- **Boddington:** Wednesday 8th
- **Pinjarra:** Tuesday 14th
- **Waroona:** Tuesday 21st
- **Byford:** Thursday 23rd
- **Mandurah:** Tuesday 28th

More info: www.peelbrightminds.com.au/events

Peel Bright Minds presents a series of Science Cafés throughout August across the Peel region. This is a free, all ages event to learn from scientific researchers about their projects in an informal setting (with yummy food).

Join us for the Waroona edition: Tuesday 21st August, Totem Rustic Cafe, 5.30pm to 8pm. Our presenters will explore the theme of 'science from sea to scarp'.

All ages are welcome and encouraged to attend this event, including children under 18 accompanied by an adult.

This event is part of a series of Science Cafes across Peel throughout August in celebration of National Science Week. For more information please visit the Shire of Waroona website www.waroona.wa.gov.au or Peel Bright Minds www.peelbrightminds.com.au

BUSH POLES

The heritage bush poles at the Visitor Centre, northern tourist bay, Preston Beach and Lake Clifton were recently cleaned and recoated by Paton's Painting Service.

Janet Paton, pictured, was delighted to have the opportunity to work on the poles because of their cultural and artistic significance to the area.



NAIDOC CULTURAL SHOWCASE

On Thursday, 12th July, Waroona celebrated Aboriginal culture with a showcase of activities, food and performances at Waroona Memorial Hall. Over 200 people supported the event, with adults and children alike enjoying a day of free activities including face painting, rock painting, arts and crafts, colouring in, climbing wall, bouncy castle obstacle course, and bungee trampolines. The event opened with a Welcome to Country from local Elder Mr Rob Jetta, followed by a performance by local dancing group Bindjareb Middars. Local Elder Mrs Jennifer Turner shared the meaning of this year's NAIDOC theme "Because of her, we can", speaking about the enormous impact that her mother (local Aboriginal matriarch) Patricia Jetta has had in her life. Attendees were then able to enjoy the activities and interact with the number of information and health promotion stalls including Earbus Foundation of WA, Family Support Service, GP Down South, Nidjalla Waangan Mia, Noongar Playgroup, Parenting Connection WA, Pat Thomas House, Palmerston Drug & Alcohol, Peel Jobs & Skills Centre, South Metropolitan Youth Link, WA Primary Health Alliance and zero2hero. Harvey Community Radio streamed live at the event, regularly interviewing key community members and organisations. Leos Club of Waroona provided free sausage sizzles, while the local Aboriginal community offered freshly made kangaroo stew and damper.

The event was a huge success, and would not have been possible without the support of the Shire of Waroona, local Aboriginal community, Waroona Interagency Group and the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet.



A HANGING ON THE HIGHWAY

The inaugural quilting exhibition, A Hanging on the Highway, was an outstanding success in 2014 and will be held again in October.

Entry forms are now available from Waroona Visitor Centre. The exhibition will showcase the wonderful talent of quilters, patch workers and textile artists from Waroona and surrounds.

If you live in the Shire of Waroona, Yarloop or Coolup call Tracy Goldsworthy 0472 595 266 or email visitorcentre@waroona.wa.gov.au for more information.

Join us for A Hanging on the Highway

An exhibition with heart! Quilting, patchwork & textile exhibition

ALL OCTOBER: 9.30AM-3.30PM DAILY

For more information please call (08) 9733 1606 or email visitorcentre@waroona.wa.gov.au

Facebook: Waroona Visitor Centre & Gallery & Yarn Bomb Waroona

WAROONA VISITOR CENTRE
www.waroona.wa.gov.au

Next Council Meeting

Next Council Meeting will be 28 August 2018 at 4pm at the Shire of Waroona Council Chambers behind the administration office

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROFESSIONALS - NATIONAL FEDERATION AWARDS

Last month the Shire submitted a nomination to Local Government Professionals WA for consideration in the National Federation Awards.

This nomination was submitted in the Emerging Leader of the Year category for Community Development Officer Brad Vitale's work in the field of community development.

This nomination progressed to the Local Government Professionals National Judging Panel for consideration, and Brad has recently been named as a National Finalist.

Brad, along with the other finalists, has been invited to the 2018 National Congress & Gala Dinner to be held in Canberra in August to find out who the winner is.

More on the Awards -

The National Federation Awards recognise the achievements of individuals and teams working to advance the profession of local government, and achieve great things for their communities.

The Awards bring together the state-based winners of the LG Professionals federation awards.

The Emerging Leader of the Year Award recognises leadership and management excellence as demonstrated by a local government employee under the age of 35. This category acknowledges a person who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to their community and whose performance is worthy of special recognition. The Award recognises leadership as evidenced by way of corporate process improvements, a particular project initiative, and innovation in management and leadership practices or demonstrated practically and resourcefulness.

TIDY TOWNS SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES FINALISTS NAMED

Six Western Australian communities have been named as finalists for the Tidy Town title in Keep Australia Beautiful Council's 2018 Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards.

Collie, Greenbushes, Margaret River, Port and South Hedland, Waroona and West Arthur are all in the running for the prestigious title. The State and category winners will be announced on 21 September 2018.

Keep Australia Beautiful Council's Chairman, Michael Aspinall, said he was impressed by the depth and diversity of this year's entries.

"These State finalists have demonstrated to the judges their strong community engagement, partnerships, innovation and environmental initiatives," he said.

"I congratulate communities for making positive environmental, social and economic changes and for planning for a sustainable future for their community."

The Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards are funded by the State Government through the Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Account, administered by the Waste Authority, and supported by Main Roads WA and Tourism WA.

This is the second year that Waroona has been named as a finalist for the overall state category, as well as in the Young Legends and Community & Action Wellbeing categories.

For more information on the awards, please visit the Tidy Towns website at www.kabc.wa.gov.au

24 HOUR RECREATIONAL VEHICLE FREE STAY AREA

Since the 1st May this year, a 24 Hour Recreational Vehicle Free Stay Area has been operating at the Preston Beach car park. Last week a sign was installed to notify users of the requirements and limitations.

This area will be available for this purpose until the 31st October. For further information please visit our website www.waroona.wa.gov.au

ALCOA WAROONA SUSTAINABILITY FUND

Local groups and organisations submitted a large number of expressions of interest in future funding to the AWSF Advisory Committee, outlining their future projects. As a result, the Advisory Committee will be releasing the 3rd round of funding in the first half of 2019. Applications for funding will open in March and close in May 2019.

The fund currently has \$1,762,846 in it and is held in investment by the Shire and administered by the Advisory Committee. The guidelines for the next round of grants have not been decided on yet and the Committee will meet later this year to finalise the application process.

Local groups and organisations are encouraged to have their projects ready for the application process in 2019.

VINTAGE MACHINERY RALLY

WAROONA
Sunday 21st October 2018
9am to 3pm

Brought to you by the Lions Club of Waroona
and supported by The Old Machinery Club of WA and

The Shire Of Waroona
at the Showgrounds, Waroona WA

Featuring

Vintage stationary engines: vintage cars: tractors: motor bikes:
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John Clare 9733 3122 / 0407 080 671 or
Lisa Fry 0415 954 993



NOMINATE A LOCAL HERO TODAY!

2019 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

CALLING FOR NOMINATIONS TO RECOGNISE OUTSTANDING LOCAL CITIZENS ON AUSTRALIA DAY

- Meritorious Community Service - Under 25 Years
- Meritorious Community Service - 25 Years & Over
- Citizen of the Year
- Citizen of the Year - Youth (Under 25 Years)
- Citizen of the Year - Senior (65 Years & Over)
- Active Citizenship - Community Group / Event

Nomination forms available from the Shire Administration Office or
online at www.waroona.wa.gov.au. Nominations close 26th Oct 2018



FRESHWATER FISHING FUN!

AT THIS YEAR'S TROUTFEST EVENT

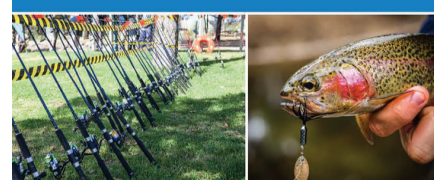
Join Recfishwest to learn from WA's best freshwater
fishers and help us maintain and enhance freshwater
fishing by stocking thousands of trout into the dam.



1ST SEPTEMBER | DRAKESBROOK WEIR, WAROONA

Event details

- Saturday 1st September 2018
- 10am to 1:30pm
- Drakesbrook Weir, Weir Rd Waroona
- Bring the whole family with an appetite for fun!



The day will include

- Trout Stocking - help us release over 2000 trout into the dam
- Freshwater Fishing Tuition for all ages (30 rods provided) - Members of the Western Australian Trout and Freshwater Fishing Association will be on hand to teach you all about fishing in freshwater, along with our Recfishwest Fishing Clinic Instructors
- Fly Fishing Casting Demos - ever wanted to try your hand at fly casting? What better way to learn than from some of the WA's top fly casters!
- Freshwater Tackle and Rigging Information and Demonstrations - Learn all you need to know about freshwater fishing
- Sausage Sizzle



License free day!

Registrations are FREE but essential. Make sure you don't miss out by visiting recfishwest.org.au/event/troutfest