



Shire President's Message

indicated they will get back to us by the end of July.

MEETING WITH MINISTER

Shire CEO, Ian Curley and I had the pleasure of meeting with David Templeman, Minister for Local Government, and Robyn Clarke, MLA for Murray-Wellington. During the course of the conversation we had the opportunity to discuss a range of issues relevant to our Shire which included our visions and aspirations for the future. The Minister provided us with a briefing on his plans to support local government in Western Australia, which in some cases will require legislative reform and a review of the Local Government Act. He has promised to work collaboratively with the sector.

SCHOOL VISIT

Once again the Shire had the pleasure of welcoming a large group of students from the Mandurah Baptist College to their annual tree planting exercise at Preston Beach. During their visit the students planted approximately 800 seedlings and also had the opportunity to interact with our local emergency groups. Thanks to a wonderful and positive involvement from the Preston Beach Bush Fire Brigade, St John Ambulance and Waroona Police who provided their time to demonstrate their equipment whilst at the same time chatting with the younger fraternity. This day provides a lot of pleasure for everyone involved and I am sure, in future, those who have participated over the years will have the delight in seeing the results of their endeavours.

BUSHFIRE RECOVERY

On the 13th June I had the pleasure of attending a presentation by Dr Rob Gordon which was organised by Red Cross. This was one of three such meetings that were made available to anyone who may have been impacted by the 2016 Waroona Fire. Dr Gordon has firsthand experience in helping many people affected by trauma and grief as a result of a disaster, to understand their ongoing reactions and emotions. Many that I spoke to after the event acknowledged the benefits of listening to Dr Gordon's words.

BUDGET

It is that time of the year again which sees shire staff involved in the unenviable task of preparing our 2017/18 annual shire budget. This budget is proposed for adoption in early August and will largely be representative of the Corporate Business Plan. All details of the budget will be provided with the Annual Rates Notice.

COUNCIL MEETING

Alcoa/Waroona Sustainability Fund

At the June meeting Council approved a range of funding applications that totalled \$297,331 to various organisations including Waroona Bowling and Social Club Inc. for \$10,387 for the replacement of floor coverings, Quambie Park for \$50,000 for the installation of a generator, Preston Beach Progress Association for \$50,000 for refurbishment of the Community Centre, Waroona Community Men's Shed for \$50,000 for the construction of a Men's Shed, Waroona Visitor Centre for \$22,000 for the replacement of the staircase, Waroona Community Lights for \$21,687 for "Lighting Up Waroona" Stage 2 project, Waroona Senior Citizens for \$18,257 for the upgrade of toilet facilities, Waroona West Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade for \$25,000 for the construction of a fire shed, and Waroona Community Resource Centre Youth Centre for \$50,000 for their co-location project with the Men's Shed.

ALF BARKER MEMORIAL CAUSEWAY

The 29th of June saw the official dedication ceremony for the Alf Barker

Memorial Causeway at Preston Beach which was attended by a large group comprising members of family and friends of the late Alf Barker and included councillors and staff from the Shire of Waroona. I had the pleasure of representing the Shire at this event and reminding everyone of Alf's remarkable legacy during his many 34 odd years that he spent as an employee of the shire, including his time as Shire Works' Supervisor and Manager. It is interesting to note that many of the roads we drive on in our shire today are roads that were both designed and built by Alf, including the Causeway at Preston Beach. From the Shire's perspective, can I just say that we are delighted that this section of roadway in our shire is now named in the memory of the late Alf Barker.



L-R Alfs children Neil Cheryl & Nola with Shire President Noel Dew

BEACH ALERT

During the month the Shire issued a beach alert for vehicles driving on our beach as a result of erosion from extremely high tides that have adversely impacted on our coastline, both north and south of Preston Beach. As everyone is aware, the area is very popular for four-wheel driving. However it is important to note that particularly at this time of the year, beach conditions can change quickly and dramatically from day to day. To highlight these dangerous conditions we had three vehicle roll-overs in an eight day period with luckily only one person sustaining a minor injury. I cannot stress strongly enough that people need to do as you do on the road, and in this case, drive to the conditions of the beach. Regrettably we are still witnessing irresponsible drivers who think that it is OK to speed along this section of beach, not only putting themselves but others at risk of a serious injury.


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Next Council Meeting

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PRESTON BEACH WELCOMES HUNDREDS OF TREES

The Annual Preston Beach Dune Restoration Project community planting day was held on Wednesday 28th June, with over 130 students from Mandurah Baptist College in attendance. The project once again was a huge success with support from Preston Beach Progress Association, Preston Beach Volunteer Rangers, Preston Beach Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade, St John Ambulance and Police, as well as community members and residents of Preston Beach.



Mandurah Baptist College students operating fire equipment

On a beautiful winter's day, over 600 native coastal seedlings were planted around the main carpark, including a weed and litter pick up across dunes adjacent to the area. The students had a go on the fire hose, were handcuffed, breath-tested and strapped to the ambulance trolley. At the end of the day they participated in a sandcastle competition.



Mandurah Baptist students with Volunteers Ambulance officer.

The Preston Beach store provided a wonderful sausage sizzle lunch enjoyed by all.

The Shire of Waroona would like to thank the Department of Planning Coastwest Funding for their ongoing support of this wonderful community project.



Students from Mandurah Baptist College participating in the Annual Preston Beach Dune Restoration day by tree planting



Shire of Waroona ETO with Mandurah Baptist Students at the Preston Beach Dune Restoration Day.

RECONCILIATION / NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

On 22 June the Shire of Waroona in collaboration with Waroona District High School and Waroona Youth Advisory Council, held a cultural showcase event in recognition of National Reconciliation Week and National NAIDOC Week. The event was well attended with nearly 300 students from the school, and approximately 60 members from the community braving the rain to come to the Recreation & Aquatic Centre for a day of recognition and awareness. It was great to see people venturing in from Hamel, Lake Clifton and Preston Beach even though the weather was terrible. Theo Kearing performed the Welcome to Country, which was followed by traditional Aboriginal song, dance and story-telling. There was plenty on offer for all ages including dance workshops, face painting, badge making, colouring in competitions, banner painting, jewellery making, sports activities and inflatable amusements. Several organisations that service the community displayed stalls, providing information and promoting health and education to all in attendance. Lunch time was a much anticipated feature of the day, with many people trying traditional locally made kangaroo stew and damper.



PEEL MOBILE HEALTH SERVICE TO STAY

The Shire of Waroona has been successful in negotiating a one-off grant from the State Government to enable the Peel Mobile Health Service to continue operating in the region. The bus, which comes to the Waroona Community Resource Centre on a regular basis, has been a great asset to the people of the Waroona Shire assisting with the recovery process following the bushfire of January 2016.

The service, which commenced in 2011/12 services the Mandurah, Waroona and Pinjarra areas and was due to cease at the end of June 2017. The service was provided with further funding to continue until the end of September, and with the grant from the Shire, the service will now be able to operate until the end of June 2018. This will give the State Government ample time to organise future on-going funding of the service.

LOCAL ART & CRAFT WANTED

Waroona Visitor Centre is looking to expand the gallery's selection of quality local handcrafts and art, so if you live in the Shire of Waroona this might just be the opportunity you've been looking for.

As a guide, the Centre currently stocks local preserves, woodwork, cards, paintings and drawings, jewellery, sculptures, pottery, ceramics and textiles to name a few. All products, including the unusual and unique, will be considered.

For information or to make an appointment, please phone Tracy Goldsworthy, Waroona Visitor Centre on 9733 1506 or email visitorcentre@waroona.wa.gov.au



SHIRE NOTICES

SHIRE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that, in terms of Clause 6 of Schedule 2 to the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015, the Shire of Waroona has resolved to revoke Local Planning Policy 9 – Relocated Dwellings at the ordinary meeting of Council on 27 June 2016.

Ian Curley

Chief Executive Officer

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Mooriel has shed her wet weather gear and is now dressed as Moodolf for the gallery's Christmas in July display.

Come down and get a selfie with her and if you're on Facebook or Instagram remember to hashtag #WaroonaCow.

The Waroona Visitor Centre's gallery stocks beautiful local handcrafts and art, so now might just be the time to make a start on your Christmas shopping.

FLOWER CHALLENGE – YBW JULY

If you're a knitter or crocheter and have a little time then join the Yarn Bomb Waroona July flower challenge.

Multi-coloured simple flowers around 7-8cm diameter, or more intricate flowers around 17-18cm diameter will be put to great use when Waroona gets a massive splash of yarn colour in November.

This is a great way to get to use all those little leftovers but we have plenty of donated wool if you need some. Give Waroona Visitor Centre a call on 9733 1506 if you have any queries or need patterns and yarn.



Waroona Recreation & Aquatic Centre



Holiday Activities JULY 2017



Program of Events Enrolment forms available at the Recreation Centre Late enrolments will only be accepted if numbers permit. RECREATION CENTRE		
JUNIOR NETBALL CLINIC 4:30pm - 6:30pm Tuesday 11th July 7-15 years old \$5.00 EACH		SWIMMING COACHING 3:00pm - 4:00pm Wednesday's 5th and 12th July Stages 6+ \$4.00 Each
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