



Shire President's Message

Peel Bright Minds Science Café

Our community was recently lucky enough to be visited by Professor Lyn Beazley to coincide with National Science Week. Talks were held in various locations around the Peel and thanks go to Cassie-Jo and Matt at Totem Rustic for hosting this night. The organisation behind these nights was Peel Bright Minds and I encourage anyone with an enquiring mind to come along to one of these presentations in the future. Many topics including evolution, genetic engineering, biodiversity in our state and some medical issues were some of the topics covered on the night. Our younger audience members asked some fantastic questions and I felt the night was a great success. Thanks to everyone involved

in this event and please keep an eye out for future shows.

Drakesbrook Weir:

Drakesbrook Weir recently held the 2nd annual troutfest. The day was organised by Recfishwest and supported by the Shire, The Lions club, St Johns and quite a number of volunteers. It was a fantastic opportunity to show off one of the special public areas our shire has to offer and the day was a great success. Over 500 people had registered to attend and the atmosphere with the families and the keen anglers was just amazing. Recfishwest are very keen to make the release of around 20 000 trout of varying ages into the weir an annual event and we are happy to support that concept. I hope that the people and that families that made it out enjoyed the day and caught a fish.

Waroona Show:

As we now shift into spring our Agriculture Society start to ramp up their work on the Annual Show. This band of hard working volunteers spend countless hours all through

the year planning and organising for the towns biggest day. All the efforts that go into making this day such a success do not happen by accident, it is driven by a committed and dedicated group that are a huge asset to our community. October the 6th will be a fantastic day and thankyou to the Ag Society for all you do.

Waroona Winter Feast

Lake Navarino held a special night in late August to show case the food available in the Peel. The evening was a sell-out. The five course meal was just superb. We were treated to Wagyu beef, scallops and pork bellies, all sourced locally and for starting appetisers, crickets from Coolup were served. I can say I did eat quite a few and found them to be tasty. We were spoilt by the talents of the chef, Tom Carew Reid, whose parents live close to Lake Navarino and our hosts Craig and Linda are to be congratulated. To the Worthington's and all who participated in supplying and preparing for the night, thank you.

Quambie Park Development

Quambie Park will shortly commence the construction of a further 9 independent living units and a community inclusion centre. The company that were awarded the contract to build the new units were BGC Bunbury. We also welcome a new CEO to Quambie in September following the departure of Nicole Gibbs to a new position in Bunbury. Nicole brought a high level of professionalism to the role and advocated successfully on large funding grants for our aged community. We all wish Nicole every success in her new job and thank her for what she brought to our association.

Local National Recipient

On another positive note, our Community Development Officer was nationally recognised at an awards ceremony in Canberra. Brad Vitale was awarded the Emerging Leader of the Year Award from six finalists across Local Governments in Australia. The Council is proud of Brad and the efforts he puts into our community and it was wonderful he was recognised for his work.

BEACH EMERGENCY NUMBERS (BEN) SIGN PROGRAM

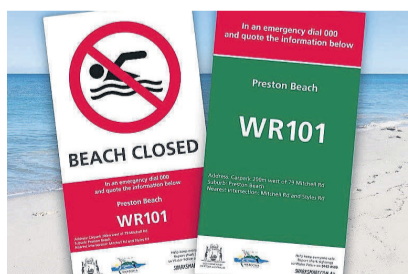
The Shire of Waroona has been successful in obtaining a grant for new signs at Preston Beach. These signs, called Beach Emergency Numbers (BEN) system – are named in honour of fatal shark bite victim Ben Gerring, and have a coding system that aims to improve emergency response times. The signs have been installed at 3 locations, these being the Pedestrian Access point, the northern vehicular access point and the southern vehicular access point at Preston Beach.

The BEN signs display unique codes based on a prefix followed by a one to four digit number, the official location name of the beach, the address, suburb and nearest intersection. All this information along with the GPS coordinates for the sign have been sent to emergency services. By quoting the nearest BEN sign code, you will increase the capacity for our first responders to accurately pinpoint the exact location of an emergency. The BEN signs have been designed to assist emergency services to locate individuals in the case of shark bites or other incidents where emergencies may arise. In the event of an emergency, dial 000 and quote the unique code and other specific information on the sign. Where possible, an individual should wait at the BEN sign until emergency service crews arrive. BEN signs may also be referred to when reporting shark sightings to Water Police on Tel: 9442 8600. This will help our beach managers implement beach closures earlier with accurate beach location information.

In the event of an emergency where there is no BEN sign, members of the public are encouraged to use the Emergency Plus app. The app uses GPS functionality built into smart phones to help a 000 caller to provide critical location details required to mobilise emergency services. For more information visit <http://emergencyapp.triplezero.gov.au>

Funding for the BEN Signs has been made available by the State Government and was launched in December 2017. Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development has led the development of the BEN sign program, working with local governments in the development of their applications.

Further information is available on the Shire website www.waroona.wa.gov.au or <http://sharksmart.com.au/staying-safe/beach-emergency-numbers> and <http://sharksmart.com.au/staying-safe/faq-ben-signs/>



PEEL BRIGHT MINDS – SCIENCE CAFÉ

On Tuesday, 21st August, a Science Café was held in Waroona by Peel Bright Minds as part of National Science Week. The event was booked out, with a waiting list of eager community members hoping for a seat. It was great to see a mixture of children and adults alike interested in ESTEAM and the opportunities for science in Waroona.

Attendees were lucky to have a spectacular science presenter in Professor Lyn Beazley. Professor Lyn Beazley is a science ambassador, zoologist, neuroscientist, and educator. After graduating from Oxford and Edinburgh Universities, Lyn built an internationally renowned research team in Neuroscience that focused on recovery from brain damage. Currently Lyn is the Sir Walter Murdoch Professor of Science at Murdoch University, after completing her tenure as Chief Scientist of Western Australia from 2006 to 2013. Lyn was awarded Officer of the Order of Australia and inducted into the inaugural WA Women's Hall of Fame in 2011, and also named the WA Australian of the Year for 2015.

Professor Beazley provided an overview of her life, motivations and love of science – covering topics and questions ranging from why dogs can't see the colour red to the potential for genetic mutation of agricultural pests. Totem Rustic provided a comfortable venue and showcased its ability to host future events and workshops of this nature. Thank you to all those involved in making the night such a success.




DID YOU KNOW?
The Shire of Waroona public Library hold a FREE Lego Club every second Saturday. The next dates are 15th September & 29th September from 10am – 11am.



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CONGRATULATIONS TO LOCAL NATIONAL RECIPIENT

The Local Government Professionals Australia National Federation Awards recognise individual excellence and achievement of Local Government professionals across Australia. The awards are designed to raise the profile of the sector and the work undertaken by local government professionals in their communities, both inside and outside of the local government work environment.

These awards collectively recognise local government professionals at the national level and celebrate the commitment that each council has for their community. Each award recognises achievements at state / territory level, and acknowledges the exceptional projects and services delivered by local government around Australia.

The categories considered in 2018 were:

- Emerging Leader of the Year
- Environmental Leadership & Sustainability
- Innovative Management Initiative
- Excellence in Community Development & Service Delivery
- Partnerships & Collaboration

The winners of the 2018 National Federation Awards were announced at the Gala Dinner at the 2018 National Congress and Business Expo in Canberra, on Thursday 23rd August.

We are proud to announce that Community Development Officer Brad Vitale was awarded the Emerging Leader of the Year Award in a field of six other finalists from local governments across Australia. 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.

Very well done – it is an excellent achievement and well deserved for the initiatives and effort made in the broad range of Community Development responsibilities in Waroona.



Shire President Cr Mike Walmsley, National Emerging Leader of the Year recipient Community Development Brad Vitale, Local Government Professionals WA CEO Candy Choo, and Acting Shire CEO Laurie Tilbrook

Vale Yvonne

We are what we leave behind. So Yvonne Hill-Warner, who passed away 08/08/18, has surely left a legacy of a stronger and more connected community.

Yvonne, and her beloved James when he was still by her side, championed and worked tirelessly for so many local causes. The list is long and is memorialized in numerous certificates and awards that culminated in a prestigious Meritorious Community Service Award in 2009.

Yvonne was the person behind the Waroona-Mandurah bus, so important to those without transport; she was presented with Life Memberships for her untiring commitment to the Drakesbrook Despatch and Senior Citizens; she supported Quambie Park and their fetes and together with her dear friend Glad Lane, did mending and gave friendship to its residents.

Yvonne and Jim really were a force to be reckoned with – they worked hard alongside the swimming pool committee to get a pool for Waroona; gave around 1,500 hours to the Visitor Centre as volunteers and board members; they helped out and helped some more – at busy bees, shows and fairs, at Australia Day and Anzac Day services, or working in an effort to save Vision Splendid Gardens.

Always there. Yvonne and Jim understood the importance of connecting to community – for themselves and for those they helped.

They loved everything they did and I know they loved “the Tourist” as they called it. Starting way back in 1993, maybe earlier, they manned the art and craft centre that was then housed in the Old Road Board Building, greeting visitors and sharing their own delight in their beautiful little town.

When Yvonne could see something that needed doing she always found a way to make sure it happened.

One example was the Olympic Torch Relay through Waroona in 2000. It was going to happen with no fanfare and Yvonne was not at all happy. It was her persistence that saw the day turn into a major celebration with over 2,500 people lining South West Highway and waving Aussie flags to cheer on local torchbearers. It was a wonderful day and we have Yvonne to thank for that.

No matter what was happening in our community, Yvonne was there and we are richer for her mighty contribution. She was loved and will be missed.

Tracy Goldsworthy & Volunteers, Waroona Visitor Centre (the “Tourist”)



Yvonne Hill-Warner (L) and Sandy Lambert at a Sea to ART Exhibition. Photo courtesy Tracy Goldsworthy

ENTRY FORMS DUE FOR QUILT SHOW

Entry forms, available from Waroona Visitor Centre, are due in by Friday September 15th at 3pm with entry open to residents of the Shire of Waroona, Coolup and Yarloop.

A Hanging on the Highway will feature quilts, patchwork and textiles all beautiful and many intricate. The exhibition, open all during October from 9:30am – 3:30pm daily, will be a testament to the talent in our local communities. Start spreading the word and the Facebook event from the Waroona Visitor Centre page and be sure to come along and cast your vote in the People’s Choice Award.

Over the next three months quilters and volunteers are holding a raffle with full proceeds to the Charlie’s Leukaemia & Lymphoma Fund supporting much needed and valuable research. This is a cause close to the hearts of many in our community and first prize in the Daughter’s Gift Raffle is a beautiful Raggy Rose quilt with matching cushions donated by The Sew & Sews (value \$950). Second prize is a rose themed painting “From My Garden” by Lesley Austin (value \$750) and third prize three Daughter’s Gift roses with care pack (value \$100). Tickets are \$2 each in books of five for \$10.

The official opening of A Hanging on the Highway will take place from 11am to 1:30pm Monday October 1st with a champagne brunch. An open invitation is extended to the community - RSVPs essential.

For more information, to RSVP and to pre-book raffle tickets please contact Tracy on 0472 595 266 or 9733 1506 or email visitorcentre@waroona.wa.gov.au



Photo caption - Sew & Sews Lore Hull & Pat Kings Halfyard Quilt Raggy Rose

EVENT FLYERS

Event flyers for 2018/19 are now available from Waroona Visitor Centre. In addition to promoting major events there are suggestions on what to see and do while in Waroona plus details of accommodation and dining.

Supplies are being provided to local businesses and venues for distribution. Any help from community members and business owners in distributing the flyers to family and friends, or at events and festivals outside of town, will certainly assist in promoting Waroona to a wider audience. Just drop into Waroona Visitor Centre or phone 9733 1506 or email visitorcentre@waroona.wa.gov.au .



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