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Bless These Roads

The Shire of Lake Grace hosted a Blessing of the Roads ceremony on Monday 3rd December, the first day of the White Ribbons for Road Safety Programme. With road fatalities in WA at an all time high it was a timely reminder of the fragility of life and the physical, emotional and financial toll that a road accident can inflict on any family at any time.

Acting CEO, Mr Jim Fraser, welcomed all that were present before handing over to Father Pierre Repuyan who led those present in a prayer. Representing Lake Grace Shire, Councillor Ollie Farrelly spoke of the history of the White Ribbons for Road Safety campaign; how it raises the awareness of road safety and recognizes the outstanding efforts of Police, Fire and Rescue, St John Ambulance, Local Government, Roadwise and medical staff.

In its eleventh year, the White Ribbons for Road Safety is an initiative that local people can be part of, whether it is by wearing a white ribbon or tying one to your vehicle. The symbolic white ribbon

encourages and keeps alive the awareness of road safety. Since 1996, RoadWise has promoted *White Ribbons™ for Road Safety* as the major Local Government contribution to the Christmas road safety campaign.

The campaign was developed from the suggestion of a community member who had been involved in a vehicle crash which killed his girlfriend. His idea was simply to make all Western Australians aware of the risks in being a road user, whether they are



Father Pierre Repuyan and Reverend John Whaley bless the roads with holy water while Councillor Ollie Farrelly and Dr Graham Jacobs look on.

behind a wheel, handlebars or using their feet. The White Ribbons focus on encouraging the community to 'look out' for each other and make road safety a priority over the festive season. The White Ribbons are also branded with the safe system message to remind people that road safety is about safer drivers, in safer cars, on safer roads, travelling at safer speeds.

In 2006 more than 20,000 white ribbons were distributed. White ribbons are available from the Lake Grace Shire office.

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A very BIG thank you

To the **very** dedicated team who have produced and compiled this edition of the Lakes Link News.

Gwen Oliver Eileen Mather Dot Kennedy Lynda Trawinski



Thank you also to our many contributors of articles.

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EDITORIAL

- Only one more edition before we celebrate the Christmas Holidays. Subscription forms are in this Lakes Link. I do ask that you return these as soon as possible if you wish to continue your home delivery of the Lakes Link News in 2008. If you didn't get one we have some at the Telecentre. If you have any meeting or event dates that are coming up in January or February PLEASE let us know so that we can give you some promotion. The first Lakes Link for 2008 will be coming out on Thursday 31st January. Our hours will change over the Christmas and January break (see below), as will the library hours (see page 5). Please keep the hour changes in mind, particularly if you're driving in from out of town.
- Don't forget our photo booth, come in and put your favourite photo on a 2008 calendar.
- There's more Local History entries from the year eight students on pages 32-34. Enjoy the read. Remember the competition will be running again in 2008!
- Still trying to find people to take part in a forklift course. If I have sufficient numbers I will try to organise one for February 2008. You must be 18.
- The Sportsman's Club is missing some of their dinner plates, if you have taken leftovers/meals etc. home on these plates when you have been working in the kitchen would you be able to return them as soon as possible.

Suzanne Reeves

2007-2008 VACSWIM PROGRAM

Lake Grace - Country Early Start Program Friday 14 to Friday 21 December 2007

8 Day Series (inc Saturday & Sunday)

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Telecentre Hours

Monday 24th December - CLOSED
Tuesday 25th December - CLOSED
Wednesday 26th December - CLOSED
Thursday 27th December - 9am-5pm
Friday 28th December - 9am—5pm
Monday 31st December - CLOSED
Tuesday 1st January - CLOSED

Wednesday 2nd January until
Tuesday 22nd January the Telecentre will be
running on reduced hours.
9am—1pm

Thanks to Collators of the Last Edition



Eileen Mather Lynda Trawinski Trish Medlen Sandra Richter Tania Spencer Maurie Gilson



Ray, Neil, Frank, Hilda and Families would like to thank everyone for their cards and condolences.

Thank you to Norm's friends who visited him while he was a patient in St John of God Bunbury and the Lake Grace Hospital.

Above Average Receivals for CBH

This time of the year is a busy time for us all. Farmers and their families are totally occupied with the year's harvest. CBH is busy catering for all of the trucks arriving at each of their receival points.

A CBH spokesperson states that they are anticipating total deliveries of around 107,000 tonnes this harvest, which is above the five year average of 76,464 tonnes of receivals in Lake Grace. They also stated 'If the weather holds up, we expect the majority of the crop to be in by the next two weeks and the total crop for the area should be received by Christmas/New Year.' The spokesperson confirmed that currently CBH has employed 164 staff for the seasonal work, including both permanent and casual staff.

As well as the seasonal work, CBH is engaged in a major upgrade of the facilities here at Lake Grace. The receival point at Lake Grace is seen as a long-term prospect for CBH and they are prepared to spend up to \$13million on upgrading the facilities to ensure a larger facility to receive and store grain. CBH believe that the time is right for these upgrades as Lake Grace will become a major receival area. The size of the receival point here is now too large for the accommodation currently available and in order to attract staff, it is understood that accommodation needs to be provided.

In a normal harvest time, the Lake Grace receival point employs up to four samplers, one weigh bridge officer and ten RPOs, making it one of the largest employers in town. Currently the six person accommodation unit located at the CBH premises is also in need of a major upgrade.

Therefore, work on new accommodation units will begin in the next two to three weeks. Four new transportable units, described as motel styled units have been purchased and will provide living quarters for up to six people each. Another unit will be used as the kitchen, living and laundry area, resulting in five units to be placed on site. Each unit has been purchased for around \$45,000 each, ensuring that CBH spends around half a million dollars on this project. Work will

also include landscaping that will be maintained throughout the year. CBH has a policy of 'looking local first' so any work to be done on the units will be tendered out, ensuring that local contractors can apply for work for these units.

A CBH spokesperson states that it would be rare that these units are left empty for any amount of time as they will be used by staff for meetings, training courses and other work based reasons. Training courses over the harvest period will be arranged for all staff. It is also envisioned that the units will be used during special events, like the Newdegate Field Day to accommodate CBH staff. The spokesperson confirms that it is not the intention of CBH to take business away from existing businesses in town, in particular the hotel and motels.

CBH has been involved in providing accommodation to other towns such as Koorda, Kellerberrin and Carnamah. In Kellerberrin they have gone in partnership with the local caravan park, which allows their staff to live at the park. The units can be used by the caravan park, if not needed by CBH. The spokesperson believes that providing accommodation is now a 'thing of the future' and CBH are prepared to spend the time and money in areas they see as worthwhile.

Bean Woods Chiropractor

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Dr. Graham Jacobs MLA Member for Roe

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ABOUT TOWW

 Sad to hear that Ailsa McDonald (nee Meston) passed away recently. Ailsa was 86 years of age and worked at the first Lake Grace Hospital.

COPPY BIRTHDAY



7th December 8th December	Brendan Bell David Fyfe	15th December	Terry Hardy Coralie Pinney (40)
	Brady McGlinn	16th December	Tom Taylor
9th December	Regan Bennett		Michael Gray
10th December	Robert Carruthers		Demi-Lee Tomkins
	Diedre Trevenen		Alison Medlen
	Bodhi Clifton		Paul Nayda
	Joel Jenks		Rob Pinchback
11th December	Karina Jenks	17th December	Matthew O'Neill
	Naomi Duckworth	18th December	Bianca Kennedy
	Zaide Chesson	19th December	Natalie O'Neill
12th December	Adelyn Curtin (18)		Juanita O'Neill
	Tylah Kennedy		Aidan Pelham
	Lisa Lindley	20th December	Korey Clifton
14th December	Steve Curtin		Des Pelham
	Suzanne Reeves		Trenton Medlen
	Alex Reeves (18)		



COOPPY ANNIVERSARY

9th December - Greg and Paula Carruthers 12th December - Fred and Letty Leo 18th December - Dave and Kim Allen

Fax, email or bring your *About Town* news into the Telecentre. If you would like to share your birthday or anniversary celebrations with us then please fill in the Celebrations book.

Library Hours over Christmas and January Holidays

Library will be closed from 5pm Thursday 20th December until 9am Tuesday 8th January.

Opening Hours:

Tuesday 8th January
Thursday 10th January
Tuesday 15th January
Thursday 17th January
Thursday 22nd January
Thursday 24th January
Tuesday 29th January

9am—5pm
9am—5pm

Back to normal hours from Thursday 31st January.

CLOSED ON MONDAY'S, WEDNESDAY'S AND FRIDAY'S

Lake Grace Weather

- Terry Gladish



December Extremes

Highest Maximum Temperature 43.2 23/12/1997 Lowest Maximum Temperature 15.7 10/12/1971 Highest Minimum Temperature 24.6 9/12/1982 Lowest Minimum Temperature 4.5 2/12/1973

For the first in 41 years we had no rain during the month of November, 1966 was the last time this occurred.

Date	Min	Max	Rain
21/11	7.1	29.0	
22/11	10.4	34.0	
23/11	14.0	36.6	
24/11	13.5	38.2	
25/11	14.3	36.7	
26/11	14.0	28.0	
27/11	11.6	26.8	
28/11	11.0	33.2	
29/11	17.0	32.7	
30/11	14.3	27.2	
1/12	11.8	22.8	
2/12	9.4	24.2	
3/12	12.6	24.8	
4/12	10.0	28.3	
5/12	12.4		

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Lake Grace - Ph 9865 1104

Xmas Sale

On until 24th December

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- New cheap 900kg Hyd hoists coming in jack type \$249.00
- Old DVD'S for sale \$10.00 ea
- New workshop floor trolleys
- New seedlings

Call in and see Mark, Allan, Rita, Sandy and Chrystal for your needs.

Business hours during daylight saving



Norman David Oliver

2nd March 1942—2nd November 2007

Norman David Oliver was born on 2nd March 1942, the second son and third child of Tom and Violet Oliver. According to his mother he was a good little baby.

Ray remembers her brother as being a happy little boy who was friendly to everyone and everyone was his friend. He was born during the war years so he didn't know his Father until he was demobbed from the army. This didn't faze Normie as he simply adopted a Dad during that time. The Oliver's lived in Elliott Street (a very short street), their house was at one end and Kirk's was at the other end. Normie and Ray were regular visitors to the Kirk home. Ray recalls one instance when Mr Kirk was sitting at the table, Normie was sitting on his knee helping him eat his lunch. Normie called Mr Kirk Daddy Kirk.

When Normie got excited he would get his words all mixed up. It was Christmas time and unbeknown to the kids Tom Oliver had bought a new car. Normie was the first who went outside that morning and a few minutes later came rushing in the house calling for Dad and Mum. "What's the matter?" said Dad. "Come quick" said Norm, "there's a new garage in the car."

Normie loved going out to his Auntie Annie's farm at Tarin Rock where he was in his element helping Les and Laurence with their work. Another place he loved to visit on weekends was his friend Herbie Naisbitt's farm

Normie was an average student at school but his passion was football and cricket. He was playing A Grade football with the Lake Grace team at the age of 15. He also played Country Week cricket in Perth several times.

In 1955 the Oliver's bought their farm, south of Lake Grace, so the family moved out there. Norm left school at 14 and worked on the farm with his father and Jim. Norm was quite keen to join the Army, his father suggested he do his National Training first, see if he liked it and then join the Regular Army.

Unfortunately Tom passed away so Jim and Norm took over running the farm. When Jim left, Frank joined Normie and they have been farming together ever since. They were allocated a newland block in 1966 and spent many years developing this farm which Normie loved very

much.

Normie lived with his mother until she passed away in 1981, he stayed on in the family home in Elliott street.



Football and cricket were Normie's love and even after he stopped playing, his passion for the red and black of the Lake Grace Football Club and then the Lake Grace / Pingrup Football Club stayed alive.

Normie trained for a preseason at Perth Football Club (also red and black) when he was 21 but missed the farm so headed back to Lake Grace. He played in many Grand Finals but there were three that he often spoke of, the B Grade Grand Final of 1963 and the A Grade Grand Finals of 1967 and 1970.

Norm coached the Juniors, C & D Grade, for many years, he was helping young footballers right up until he got sick. In 1973 he was made a Life Member of the Lake Grace Football Club.

Through the years Normie took on many roles with the football club; coaching of the juniors; Team Manager for both A & B Grades; and Property Man, making sure the jumpers were washed and mended after every game.

Norm had two passions in his life; one was the farm and the other the footy club. With the help of his brother Frank, Norm did both very well. He made sure Frank had enough seed and super to carry on putting the crop in while he went to footy.

In 2005 he was awarded the 50 year service award, a sensational feat. Norm did an enormous amount of work around the football club, this became especially evident when he became sick.

On the 8th November hundreds turned out to farewell Normie. A guard of honour from the Lake Grace Pingrup Football Club paid tribute to a man who had given so much to his Club.

John O'Neill spoke of Norm's loyalty to the Club, which was his adopted family, and how reliable Norm was when something needed doing. John recalled some Norm moments from his years of sharing a vehicle and many laughs on their way to football. Norm's ability for verbal quips was legendary.

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Norman David Oliver

2nd March 1942—2nd November 2007

After a particularly dismal game of football with Lake Grace losing, coach John O'Neill and his team returned to the change rooms to find Norm, the Property Manager, with a particularly sour look on his face. When asked what was wrong, Norm replied "I can see why we lost, there's no need to wash the jumpers this week as there's no sweat on them."

On another occasion Norm and John were returning from an away game when they came across two young couples stranded with a broken down vehicle. The vehicle was going nowhere and Norm felt they had to give them a lift. mentioned they were in the ute which only had two seats. Norm elected that John and the men could ride in the back of the ute while the girls sat up John did as he was told and front with him. hopped in the back with the two men and the esky. Ten kilometres down the road Normie pulled up and announced the seating arrangement wasn't working, the girls would have to hop in the back and John and the esky would have to move up front.

Norm is survived by his Sister Ray and brother Frank; sister-in-law Hilda; brother-in-law Neil; nieces Raylene, Neila, Sharon and Naomi; nephews Lachlan and Wade. He was Great Uncle to Meisha, Kailee, Jayden, Danika, Keana, Mitchell, Lily, Riley & Jai. His family was important to and he loved them all.



Norm Oliver with Arthur Slarke



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Lake Grace Sportsman's Club

will be holding a **BINGO** night

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Friday 7th December. 7:30pm start.

Children under the age of 12 are not permitted to participate.



Former Lake Grace Student Receives Primary Industry Science Scholarship

Project Officer, Colin Hawke, of Natural and Agricultural Science from the UWA went to Narrogin Senior High School during third term to give a presentation on agriculture and environmental economics to all the science based classes in year 11. Interested students were then invited to apply for a scholarship

Some students were inspired; Lauren Bushby was one of those students. Lauren sent in an application and was short listed for an interview. There were twenty places available for students to participate in this scholarship. These students were hand picked by Mr Hawke and will spend a week at UWA in December. They will spend another week in the workplace in 2008, working with scientists from a specified primary industry that targets research and development in Agriculture. This project, funded by GRDC and the Faculty of Natural and Ag Sciences, is designed to encourage students to establish career paths in primary industry with increased knowledge and skills in science and technology.

With her background, helping with the breeding

programs for stud sheep, Lauren has been involved with AI and embryo transfer for the last four years and understands the value of improving genetics using elite sheep.

Like a lot of young people Lauren is very passionate about the environment and is interested in minimizing pollution and slowing global warming to sustain our world.

Rosies

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Community CHRISTMAS TREE

22nd December at Lake Grace Pavilion7:00pm start. All ages welcome.Come along for some Christmas CheerBYO Drinks! Finger Food andSweets to share

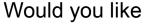
Mystery Raffle

Donations gratefully accepted for mystery raffle - please support money board. All proceeds go to Hospital Auxillary.

Any suggestions please contact:

Nat Gambuti 9865 4068 Belinda Bowron 9865 1298

\$20.00 (up to) parcels can be left at Telecentre.



Photos with Father Christmas or Family Photos

Taken at the Community Christmas Tree? (22nd December)

Lake Grace Toy Library are organising photos as a fundraiser. Please phone Vynka Lay on 9865 1071 to register your interest as we need enough interest to go ahead.



Christmas Lights Competition

The Lions Club of Lake Grace will again be conducting the community Christmas Lights competition this year.

Prizes will be awarded in three categories for,

- (1) the best residential,
- (2) best group of houses,
- (3) non residential display.

Judges will be looking for the best display of lights capturing the real Australian Christmas spirit.

One hundred dollars worth of vouchers will be issued in each category to the lucky winners and will be redeemable at any Lake Grace retail outlet.

So dig out those old decorations or start with a whole new set and create a new masterpiece for this festive season.

The judging will take place on Friday 21st December 2007 and the list of prize winners will be posted on the Post Office and Plaza notice boards.

To be eligible for a prize in the competition your light display will have to remain on between 9.00PM and 11.30 PM on the 21st December 2007 so our judges can make their choice.

The Role of a Volunteer Bushfire Officer

The Volunteer Bushfire Officers starts their volunteer work day at 7.30am, five days a week on the bushfire radio at the beginning of harvest, sometimes seven days depending on weather conditions. This then becomes six days a week when harvest is in full swing. First they discuss weather for that day. Then they have a roll call. There are about 28 Fire Officers in the Lake Grace Shire, about 3 - 4 officers in each Zone, there are seven Zones that call in.

They then discuss events that happened the previous day i.e. fires, faulty radios, weather conditions etc. If it looks like it is going to be a harvest ban day they carefully monitor it, sometimes doing weather checks every hour before deciding to put a ban on or not. This can be done anywhere from one to eight times a day. The steps for checking the weather are:

- 1. Take Wind
- 2. Take Temperature
- 3. Take Humidity
- 4. Then using Grassland Fire Danger Meter, calculate the Fire Danger.

Only after conferring with the officers in their zone

do they decide whether to put a ban on or not. It is not up to one individual to decide. There are many factors that come into it. It can be quite stressful for the Officers if it is border line. They worry not only about how farmers are going to react but they also have crops to get off as well. It may be blowing a gale where one Zone officer is, but quite calm where another officer is, even though they are in the same zone.

All of this can take up most of the day. Running around doing weather checks, for the Chief Bush Fire Officer or Deputy Chief Bush Fire Officer making phone calls, taking phone calls, putting out SMS messages, putting information on the Harvest Ban Information Telephone Number, faxing all the radio stations and advising them, then when the ban has been lifted all the above then has to be done again to cancel everything.

Contrary to what is sometimes believed, they cannot put down tools and go to the pub for a coldy, sit in the house, or just relax. Although the Shire is mainly responsible for the messages during the week, when the Shire closes it then

Karissa and Tania at the Lakeway Hair salon



would like to thank their clients for all their support during the year.

We wish you a safe and fabulous Christmas and New Year and look forward to seeing you back next year.

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Lakes District Well Women's Clinic

The last

Well Women's Clinic

for the year will be held at the Lake Grace Medical Centre (In the Physio's Room)

on

Monday 10th December

To make an appointment,
Please phone

Jill Dykes on 9871 9024



The Role of a Volunteer Bushfire Officer (cont.)

becomes up to us to organise everything. Training is provided before you become a Fire Officer and as such you are qualified in making decisions that are first and foremost based around keeping the community and its assets safe.

Although this may seem a bit daunting to some, it is amazing to see that when there is a fire the response is outstanding and amazing; not only from these officers but from the community as well. The camaraderie and the working together is just fantastic. When the call goes out that there is a fire, to see how many farmers drop everything and attend is pretty special.

It would be pretty scary at times but when they have the fire under control and things start to ease you can tell in there voices they are starting to relax, talk about it and the respect they have for each other is great. This is what being a Bush Fire Officer is all about. The satisfaction at the end of the day to know that when something scary happens it quietly brings the country community closer and that what they do is very much appreciated.

It would help their work if when you get your rates please read the information that is given to you, check what Zone you are in, register your mobile number at the Shire for the Bush Fire SMS service this way you will be notified almost immediately when there is a Harvest and Movement Ban and when the ban is going to be lifted. Find out what emergency UHF channel you should be on when attending a fire.

Area 1 & 2 channel **5** 3 & 4 channel **10**

5, 6 & 7 channel 15

If for some reason the message has not been changed straight away, please think of the above. We are all Volunteers.

Your support in this is greatly appreciated

Michelle Dunham

Mark and Jill Dykes
would like to thank
everyone who attended the
fire on their farm on
Thursday 22nd November.
It was very much
appreciated

Geoff, Jill and Alexander
Duckworth would like to send
a special thanks to all those
who attended the fire on their
property on Friday 30th November, it was an
overwhelming response.

Lake Grace and Newdegate General Practice

Phone: 9865 1208 9871 1528

Patients assisted Travel Scheme (P.A.T.S)

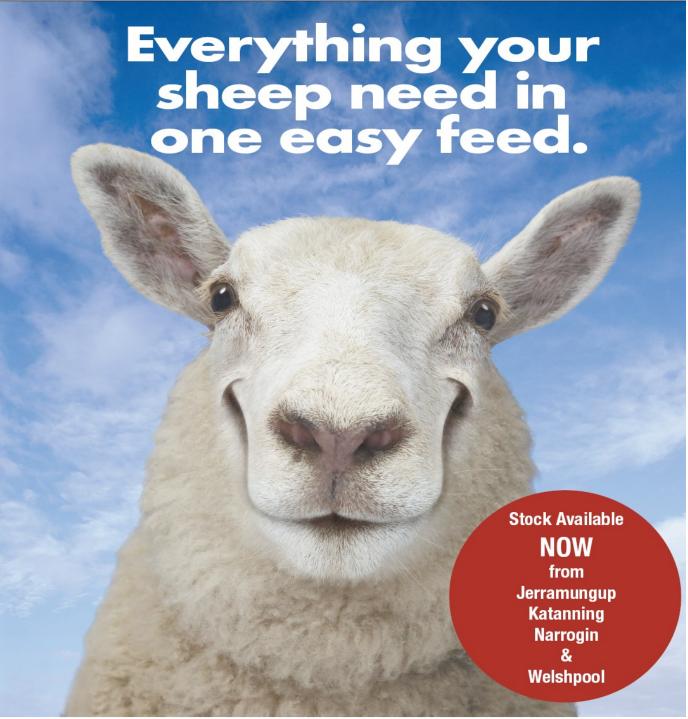
Eligibility for PATS

If you choose to see a specialist other than the nearest service, you will not be eligible for any assistance under the PATS scheme.

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Immunisation—December/January:

Lake Grace

** NB: No clinic in December **
Thursday 24th January

9:30-11:30 am Lake Grace Medical Centre

Newdegate

** NB: No clinic in January **
Wednesday 5th December

10:00—11:30 am

Newdegate Surgery
Remember to bring your book and
Medicare Card.



For any Child Health queries call Elizabeth Trevenen ph: 9890 2246 or Jill Dykes ph: 9871 9024

HACC Events:

Foot Clinic—Tuesday 11th December

Lakes Village Hall—9:00—12 noon (there will be no clinic in January)

Christmas Party Thursday 13th December

Hosted by Steve & Kerry at the Lake Grace Hotel
Time: 11:30 am

Venue: Lake Grace Hotel Lounge

RSVP: Monday 10th December (please advise if you need us to provide transport when you RSVP) ph: 9890 2222 Cost: \$10.00 for your Christmas Dinner Refreshments available over the bar.



The hospital van will travel to Narrogin Leisure Centre for the last time this year on December 10th.



All participants are encouraged to join in with the ARC aqua program at the Lake Grace Pool during the summer months.

Well Women's Clinic

Next clinic will be on
Monday 10th December
Call Nurse Practitioner Jill Dykes on
9871 9024 for an appointment

Please note there will be <u>no clinic</u> in January.

Coming Events

The health promotion team at the Lake Grace Hospital are committed to offering a wide range of health education activities for the people of the district.

In the New Year we hope to hold another Women's Wellness Day, run the QUIT Program, hold Parent Education Classes, and access programs available through Telehealth videoconferencing (on any number of topics).

Watch this page for information on what we can offer you!

Child Health Clinic

The Lake Grace/Newdegate Child Health Clinic will be operating on limited hours over December and January.

The clinic will be attended by Julie Stevens on Wednesday's over this period. Clients needing appointments can leave a message for Julie on 9890 2246.

<u>For any urgent queries</u> please phone the Lake Grace Hospital at any time for assistance on 9890 2222.

Visiting Allied Health Staff:

Physiotherapist, Occupational Therapist, Speech Therapist, Asthma Educator and Dietitian. To make an appointment for any of these, call Narrogin Primary Health on ph. 9881 0385.



Celebrating Agriculture

The Australian Association of Agricultural Consultants (WA) Inc has today launched a bold initiative to take Western Australian agriculture into a new era of image and positioning. The AAACWA, will host Celebrating Agriculture — a gala celebration comprising 1000 "strategic guests' at Burswood's International Resort Grand Ballroom — on July 2 next year.

According to AAACWA chair Andrew Ritchie, the initiative is strategic and meets a number of the organisation's key objectives. "Our members and many of our clients are absolutely passionate about agriculture. Many of us believe it is an under-rated industry – under-rated by investors, by Government, by communities – and most of all, by agriculturalists themselves." said Mr Ritchie.

"This event is a critical step in addressing some of the negative perceptions around agriculture – which must start from within. Our first move therefore, is to ensure agriculturalists themselves take a moment to celebrate their achievements and the contribution they make to the state's economy and the fabric of regional Australia.

"However, in tandem with that, we want to ensure others are strategically invited to participate in this event – potential investors in WA agriculture for a start; but also those in the mining and tourism sectors and the broader community – who need to have a much more informed perception of the contribution that Agriculture makes and the viable business position it poses."

Mr Ritchie said there will be ample opportunity for organisations and entities to acknowledge other key groups, such as those disadvantaged by season, but also as a way of acknowledging local community groups or young agriculturalists and new generation staff, and giving them the opportunity to celebrate agriculture as well.

"This event is very much about celebrating our achievements but also positioning our future – and to do that we absolutely must have a mix at dinner that represents all sectors, including our future farmers and participants in this exciting and challenging industry of agriculture."

Celebrating Agriculture will comprise 100 tables of 10 (venue capacity at the Grand Ballroom) and the table sales period opened at AAACWA's Outlook Conference which is being held in Perth. "Based on the response we've had to date, we expect more than half of the tables to be sold before Christmas – in what is a ringing endorsement of our vision for this event," Mr Ritchie said.

Dairy Australia has confirmed its support as a major partner with additional partners expected to be announced in the coming weeks. The information brochure and table purchase order is available from event managers Esther Price Promotions on 08 9525 9222 or esther@estherprice.com.au while further information can be found at www.celebrate-ag.com



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Public Notice disposal of property

Submissions are invited on the proposed sale of Lot 108 Blackbutt Way, Lake Grace to Mr Sam Stubberfield for \$25,000.00.

The property has been independently valued at \$22,000.00.

Submissions must reach the undersigned by 12 noon on Monday 17 December 2007 and be addressed to:

Chief Executive Officer Shire of Lake Grace PO Box 50 Lake Grace WA 6353

Jim Fraser
ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Shire Office

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY HOURS



The Shire Office will close on Monday 24th December 2007 at 4:00pm and re-open 8:30am on Wednesday 2 January 2008

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Playground Safety - Shade sails are not for climbing (or bouncing on)

Parents of children using the playground near Gumtree Drive and Blackbutt Way please ensure that your children do not climb on the shade sails. These are designed for shelter, not to hold the weight of a child. Parents are responsible for the safety of their children and we ask that you supervise your children at town playgrounds.



NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETINGS 2008

In accordance with section 5.25(g) of the Local Government Act 1995 ratepayers and residents of the Shire of Lake Grace are advised of the following meeting arrangements for 2008:

MONTH	TIME	VENUE
January 2008	N/A	Annual Break
27 February 2008	1.00 pm	Council Chambers Lake Grace
26 March 2008	1.00 pm	Varley Recreation Centre
23 April 2008	1.00 pm	Council Chambers Lake Grace
28 May 2008	6.00 pm	Newdegate Library/Telecentre
25 June 2008	1.00 pm	Council Chambers Lake Grace
23 July 2008	1.00 pm	Council Chambers Lake Grace
27 August 2008	1.00 pm	Lake King Town Hall
24 September 2008	1.00 pm	Council Chambers Lake Grace
22 October 2008	6.00 pm	Council Chambers Lake Grace
26 November 2008	9.00 am	Newdegate Town Lesser Hall
17 December 2008	1.00 pm	Council Chambers Lake Grace

Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings. A minimum of fifteen (15) minutes is allowed at the beginning of each meeting for questions from the public.

Jim Fraser

Acting Chief Executive Officer

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Faulty Genes cause Diabetes:

Type 1 diabetes may be caused by faulty versions of two genes that usually help the body to fight infection. Joanna Howson at the Cambridge Institute for Medical Research, UK, and colleagues think that faulty variants of HLA-A and HLA-B lead the immune system to destroy insulin-producing islet cells in the pancreas. Usually, the two genes make components of MHC1-a protein on the surface of the immune cells that helps them tell friend from foe. Sure enough, the team found that the class of immune cells known to attack islet cells were those activated by MHC1. Having both variants may raise someone's risk of developing type 1 diabetes by 50 per cent (Nature, DOI:10.1038 natureo5406).

Dandruff genome:

The genome of the fungus that causes dandruff has been sequenced. The fungus, <u>Malassezia</u> globosa, has 4285 genes and causes dandruff by using enzymes to break down oily sebum into



oleic acid. This in turn causes skin on the head to shed more cells.

Can the 'tree man' be cured:

His hands and feet resemble clumps of branches and his body is covered with unsightly brown welts that could pass for bark. Now Dede, who is 36 and lives near Bandung in West Java, Indonesia, has finally learned what causes the growths that have afflicted him since the age of 18 – and a possible way to treat them. After analysing samples of Dede's tissue and blood, Anthony Gaspari at the University of Maryland Medical Centre in Baltimore has discovered that they are caused by human papilloma virus (HPV) - which also causes ordinary warts. People are normally able to clear HPV within a year. Gaspari thinks Dede is unable to because he suffers from a rare immune deficiency caused by the inheritance of two defective genes and resulting in abnormally low numbers of protective white blood cells called CD4 cells. Yet Dede has never suffered from any other illness. The strain of HPV also seems to be unusually virulent. Now that they know the cause of the growths, it may be possible to thwart the virus with extra doses of vitamin A. Gaspari says that although the condition is extremely rare, a case emerged earlier this year in China. The case of Dede was aired in the UK on the Discovery Channel.

Monster Sea Scorpion:

Researchers have discovered the giant fossilised claw of an ancient sea scorpion that in its heyday hundreds of millions of years ago would have been some 2.5 metres long. The find, in a quarry near the Western German border town of Pruem, is



the biggest specimen of anthropod ever found. The researcher Dr Simon Braddy said, "we have known for some time that the fossil record yields monster millipedes, super-sized scorpions, colossal cockroaches

and jumbo dragonflies, but we never realised until now how big some of these ancient creepy-crawlies were. The claw was wielded by a species of sea scorpion called <u>Jaekelopterus rhenaniae</u> that lived between 460 and 255 million years ago. Some biologists delving into Earth's distant past say it was the oxygen rich atmosphere past that helped them grow bigger. (Biology Letters).

When Cats first came indoors:

Cats had caught the fancy of early Egyptians long before they were fully domesticated. In fact, people in Egypt began capturing and keeping wild cats – the first tentative step toward domestication- as early as 3700 BC. Archaeologists have long known that



Egyptians had domesticated cats by sometime in the third millennium BC, when cats began to take on religious significance. However, little is known about the precise timing, especially in the early stages of the domestication process. A cat skeleton found in a cemetery in Hierakonpolis, an ancient settlement in southern Egypt, gives a glimpse into this distant age. It was found in a grave with at least seven baboons and a baby hippo, all of which were used in some form of ritual slaughter. Potsherds in the grave date it to around 3700 BC. Based on the size of the bones, the cat appears to be Felis silvestris, the wild ancestor of the domestic cat. The skeleton shows healed fractures in two legs. Since no cat is likely to have survived such injuries in the wild, the researchers conclude that it most likely suffered the injuries during capture. The amount of healing suggests that the cat must have been in captivity for at least four to six weeks before death (Report by Veerle Linseele of the Catholic University of Leuven (KUL), Belgium in the Journal of Archaeological Science, DOI: 10.1016/j/ jas/2007.02.019).

The Spiders:

Spiders evolved from an arachnid ancestor of during the Devonian period around 400 million years ago, more than 150 million years before the dinosaurs. They are



members of the taxonomic class Arachnida, which also includes scorpions, ticks and mites. Unlike insects, arachnids lack antennae and wings, and have eight legs rather than six. Whereas insects have three distinct body segments, most arachnids have only two: the cephalothorax and abdomen. The cephalothorax contains the eight legs, a pair of fang-bearing chelicerae in front of the mouth, and a pair of leg-like pedipalps located between the chelicerae and the first pair of legs. The spinnerets, from which silk is extruded through tiny spigots, are located at the back of the abdomen, which also houses the respiratory, circulatory, digestive and reproductive systems.

Maurice Gilson. (Question everything – be sceptical).

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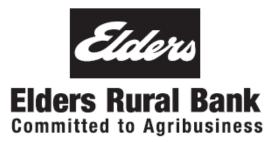
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Waterwise Guide to Gardens

Overall Design

These are generally high water use plants which need a sunny position. Site very tough shrubs on the exposed side to act as a windbreak and protect them. Slowing down the hot dry winds is a very important water saving feature. It will also prevent damage to the more delicate plants.

Planning

Before planting you will need to investigate and analyse:

- Orientation, sun and shade, the prevailing winds
- Topography, water run off
- Soil types, water holding capacity compaction, water repellence, fertility levels
- · Availability of accessible ground water
- Views both inwards and outwards
- Overall area available for the garden

And consider your other needs for

- Utility spaces (clothes drying, compost and storage areas).
- Outdoor living spaces (barbecues, seating areas).
- Special needs (vegetable garden, swimming pool; etc.).
- Functional and aesthetic requirements.
- Plant preference and design styles (native / exotic, formal / informal etc.)
- Maintenance expectations
- Budget available

General design principles

- Do not plant areas unless it is necessary for functional or aesthetic reasons.
- Maximise the use of non-planting treatments such as paving and mulches.
- At the same time, beware of excessive unshaded paving which can be hot and glaring.
- Vary materials and arrange planting to frame and shade paved areas.
- Make use of windbreaks, pergolas, screen, lattice, shade-cloth and vines to shelter the house, outdoor living areas and plants.
- Keep planted areas dense and consolidated. Sparse scattered plants are more difficult to water efficiently than ones that are in defined areas.
- Keep lawn to the minimum consistent with functional and aesthetic requirements.
- Avoid planting lawn on slopes or in narrow necks or paths which are difficult to water efficiently and maintain.
- Garden design blueprints in a variety of themes are available from leading nurseries.

Hydro-zoning

Apply the principles of hydro-zoning to plant selection and arrangement:



- A broad selection of plants may be used, but keep high water-demand plants to a minimum.
- Arrange plants having similar water requirements together (hydro-zoning) and take this into account when deciding soil improvement and mulching, and when managing irrigation.
- Some leading nurseries label their plants with drop icons signifying the appropriate hydro-zone, described in three categories:
 - Primary (3 drops) high water use plants
 - Secondary (2 drops); moderate water use plants
 - Elemental (I drop); low water use plants.

Garden Practices Soil improvement in the garden

Adding organic matter to the soil improves both its moisture and nutrient holding capacity thus saving on water and fertiliser. It is particularly important to improve the top 15-20 cm of soil where the feeder roots of plants will develop. Old animal manures, compost and proprietary products are ideal soil improvers. Mix them in equal parts with the soil prior to planting out.

Use these points as a guide:

- Shrubs, groundcovers and climbers 30 cm in depth and up to half a metre across.
- Trees 40 cm deep and I metre across and bedding plants 25 cm deep for the whole bed.
- Garden soils are just as prone to becoming nonwettable as are lawn areas.
- A regular application of a soil wetting agent in spring is recommended.

Soils for containers (including hanging baskets)

- Choose the best quality potting mix you can afford, preferably one approved by the Australian Standards Association.
- The water and nutrient holding capacity of potting mixes can be further enhanced by the use of water absorbent polymers. Some potting mixes already contain them



- Most plants are now grown in soil-less mixes which become non-wettable if allowed to dry out. Soil wetting agents are also very useful, and may need to be applied more than once a year.
- A regular application of a soil wetting agent in spring is recommended.

Waterwise Guide to Gardens continued

Mulching

Mulching is enormously beneficial for all plants. The mulch should be spread over the entire planted area to a minimum thickness of 50 mm.



Organic mulches are preferred because they:

- Break down over time and feed the plants
- Improve the soil organic matter content as they break down
- Reduce evaporation loss from the surface
- Encourage earthworms and soil microbial activity
- Restrict weed growth. Any weeds which do germinate are easy to remove
- Prevent wind and water erosion
- Protect the roots from daily temperature fluctuations
- Improve the appearance of the garden area

Mulching material

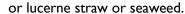
Raw materials like woodchips, chipped tree waste or similar, whether bought-in or homemade, are ideal mulching materials. However, if the mulch is watered regularly you may need to add some extra nitrogen in the form of animal manures, blood and bone, etc, to prevent the natural breaking down process from drawing nitrogen away from the plants.

Materials such as lucerne hay, pea straw, seaweed and compost can be used for mulch, but since they are more expensive and break down quicker, they are best used within the drip zone of plants.

Lawn clippings do not make a good mulch, they are best composted. However, if mixed with a coarser material like chipped prunings or woodchips they can be used as a mulch. Old newspapers can be used under a mulch as a weed control layer, however, thick overlapping layers of newspapers may prevent water penetration.

Applying mulches

- For general garden use mulches should be spread at 50-75 mm thick.
- Always leave a breathing space of 50 mm around stems and trunks of plants.
- Organic mulches enriched with animal manures are enormously beneficial when applied thickly (to 30 cm) around the drip zone of fruit trees. They should be topped up as necessary during spring, summer and autumn to maintain a minimum thickness (after settling) of 15 cm.
- Vegetable gardens should be mulched with 'softer' mulches such as compost, pea, hay



- In garden areas mulches should be topped up as necessary; perhaps twice a year in both autumn and spring.
- Mulches should never be raked up, turned over, dug in or disturbed in any way. To do so will damage the fine feeder roots which plants develop in the zone between the mulch and the soil.

Changing an established garden

If your garden has grown like topsy with little bits all over the place you can change it round. Most of the high water use plants have shallow root systems and can be easily transplanted in winter into their respective groups.

Hardy, low water and drought tolerant species cannot normally be moved because of their very deep root systems. The type, area and location of lawn in the garden can be reconsidered. If you choose to convert some areas of lawn to a lower water use treatment make sure that the replacement plants or ground treatments are more water efficient than grass. Check with your local member of the Nursery Industry Association.

Maintenance

Do not force plants on with large amounts of strong fertilisers. These produce lush growth that has a high water transpiration rate and is more prone to insect and fungal attack. Slow release fertilisers, including animal manures, are the best type. They produce steady, healthy growth and minimal leaching of nutrients into the ground water.

Bedding plants

Plan your flower beds to be mass displays. Do not place a few plants here or there in odd spaces all over the garden, but rather group your flowers together in a suitable area which can be watered independently of other areas of the garden.

Fruit and vegetables

These are generally high water use plants which need a sunny position. Site very tough shrubs on the exposed side to act as a windbreak and protect them. Slowing down the hot dry winds is a very important water saving feature. It will also prevent damage to the more delicate plants.

For further information about water







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Equine Influenza Update

Racing and Wagering Western Australia (RWWA) held an Equine Influenza (EI) forum in Perth earlier this week to inform racing industry stakeholders of the fight against EI in New South Wales and Queensland and to provide information on vaccination. The following is a summary of key information presented.

The National Management Group (NMG) through Animal Health Australia has allocated 20,000 vaccine doses to treat 6,770 Western Australian thoroughbred and harness horses competing in the summer carnivals. This allocation is made on the basis of business risk mitigation for high value horses which is consistent with the national response strategy to contain and eradicate the disease throughout Australia.

As Western Australia is currently EI free, all costs associated with vaccination at this time will be met by the racing industry. The cost to purchase the vaccine is estimated at \$20 per dose or \$400,000 in total. The expected cost to store, distribute and apply the vaccine to 6,770 horses throughout the state is \$1,600,000.

There are approximately 120,000 horses and other equine animals in WA. Of this, a total of 18,000 horses or 15%, comprise the thoroughbred and harness racing population.

At present, NMG is working to eradicate EI from Australia and as such, movement conditions apply to the infected states of NSW and QLD. The Consultative Committee for Emergency Animal Disease (CCEAD) predict that, based on a continuing reduction of new infections in NSW and QLD and no outbreaks occurring in uninfected regions, Australia may obtain freedom from EI by June 2008.

It has been scientifically proven that horses vaccinated against EI can still be infected by the virus and subsequently transmit the virus to other uninfected horses. It is important to note the horse that originally brought the disease into Australia was vaccinated for EI.

In order to eradicate EI in the event of an outbreak, all horses whether vaccinated or not, cannot be permitted to freely move amongst the horse population. Therefore, the primary benefit of vaccination is to reduce the severity of the disease impact on the health of the horse and limits the period of time the horse is infectious.

Should EI be detected within WA, under the Federal Exotic Diseases of Animals Act, movement restrictions including an initial standstill of all horses whether

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Equine Influenza Update (cont.)

vaccinated or not would take place. These restrictions are required to enable tracing and surveillance to determine the extent of an outbreak.

Further to this, if the areas of outbreak can be defined and zoned, then it is possible restricted movement may enable training and racing to resume in non-infected areas regardless of vaccination status. The principle reason for such restrictions is to prevent the disease spreading and becoming endemic within the state.

Following an outbreak, strategic vaccination of El infected areas would be conducted to limit any spread of the disease.

The cost for this process would be met on a shared basis by the state's racing industry and the Federal Government.

Based on current information, the argument to vaccinate at this time in a non EI infected state such as WA is not compelling. It is, however, recognized that racing participants moving horses interstate may have a requirement for vaccination.

RWWA in conjunction with other state and national organisations will continue to raise awareness of EI

through public communication and ensure our response to EI is consistent with national strategies. Should any changes be necessary, RWWA will consult with the state's racing industry.

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On behalf of the Tourism Committee we wish all our volunteers and local community a very Happy and Safe Christmas and a very Happy and Prosperous New Year and we look forward to seeing you in 2008.

Beat the Christmas Rush and BUY your Christmas Gifts from the Visitors Centre.

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Mon 10 * Bill Jenks *	Tue 11 * * Betty Daly-King	Wed 12 * Annie Slarke *	Thur 13 * Henk Doelman *	Fri 14 * Trish Medlen * Irene McGlinn	Sat 15	Sun 16 * *
Mon 17 * Bill Jenks *	Tue 18 * * Betty Daly-King	Wed 19 * *	Thur 20 * Henk Doelman * Elsie Bishop	Fri 21 * Trish Medlen * Irene McGlinn	Sat 22 * *	Sun 23 * *
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NIGHT





Welcome to Night Watch for the fortnight, from midnight Friday 7th December to midnight Friday 21st December. Astronomy is looking up. Never look at the Sun without the proper solar filters, preferably one that fits over the skyward end, as your eyes can easily and quickly be damaged beyond repair. All times are daylight saving.

METEOR SHOWER: The Geminds meteor shower of 120 per hour will occur between midnight and 4:30am on Friday morning 14th December. The point of entry into the Earth's atmosphere is close to the bright star Castor, which is north of the other bright star Pollux (the twins).

MARS, the red coloured planet, on Wednesday 19th will be at its closest approach for the year at 88.2 million kilometres from Earth and will now be good viewing for some months.

Our local star, the **SUN**, will be in the constellation of Ophiuchus until Thursday 20th when it will rise in Sagittarius. The Sun gives off light at visual magnitude - 26.72, which takes 8.5 minutes to arrive. Twilight begins on Saturday at 4:14am and on Friday 21st at 4:17am. Evening twilight ends at 9:42pm on Saturday and at 9:52pm on Friday 21st.

THE NEW MOON will occur on Monday 10th at 2:30am in Ophiuchus. The 1st quarter Moon will occur in Aquarius, on Monday 17th, at 7:07pm, and will reflect sunlight at magnitude -6.0. The Moon will be in the constellation of Libra on 8th at 4%, Scorpius on 9th at 1%, Ophiuchus on 10th at 0%, Sagittarius on 11th at 1%, 12th at 4% and 13th at 8%, Capricornus on 14th at 14% and 15th at 22% disc, Aquarius on 16th at 32% and 17th at 42%, Pisces on 18th at 53%, 19th at 64% and 20th with 74% disc. Aries on 21st at 84%.

MERCURY: Too close to Sun to view in Ophiuchus.

VENUS in Virgo at magnitude -4.1 with a 68% disc rises at 3:38am on Saturday morning. On Wednesday Venus will rise in Libra at 3:36am. Venus rises at 3:34am on Friday 21st.

MARS, the red planet in Taurus at magnitude -1.4, rises on Saturday at 9:45pm with a 99.6% disc. On Friday 21st Mars will rise at 8:35pm.

JUPITER in the evening twilight sets with the Sun on

Friday 21st and will move into the morning sky.

SATURN, the ringed planet in Leo, rises at 1:07am on Saturday morning at magnitude +0.7. On Friday 21st Saturn rises at 12:13am.

URANUS, the blue/green coloured planet in Aquarius at magnitude +5.8, sets on Saturday evening just after midnight. Uranus will be 2° (close) south of the Moon on Monday 17th. On Friday 21st. Uranus sets after midnight.

NEPTUNE, the grey/green coloured planet in Capricornus at magnitude +7.9, sets at midnight on Saturday evening. Neptune will be 0.7° north of the Moon on Saturday 15th. On Friday 21st Neptune sets at 11:19pm.

With the Moon entering the night sky this fortnight it is a good time to use your binoculars and telescopes and view the craters, mountains and ridges on it. Looking up close to either side of the south direction on a clear night you will notice what looks like two white clouds. On the western side is the Small Magellanic Cloud and on the east is the Large Magellanic Cloud. The clouds are actually two galaxies at 140,000 light-years-away and 180,000 light-years-away. West of the small cloud is the Globular star cluster Tucanae 47 with close to one million stars very close together. (binocular object). Inside the cloud for telescopes are many star clusters. In the larger cloud there are hundreds of star clusters and also the Tarantula nebulae which is shaped like a web. This is a telescope object but can be seen through binoculars.

High above in the southern sky is the bright blue star Achernar which is the start of the constellation of the river. Achernar is at 143.81 light-years distant and about the same size as the Sun and is magnitude +0.5. If you would like to view the Sun, Moon, double stars and galaxies and have the constellations pointed out, ring at any time for bookings (viewing is free).

Also ring for information or explanations.

Maurice Gilson. Semi professional Astronomer, 16 Clarke Avenue Lake Grace.

Phone: 9865 1516 or Email: mgi11687@bigpond.net.au

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14/12	5:54am	8:08pm	9:41am	11:40pm	21/12	5:57am	12pm pm	5:21pm	2:51am

HUMOUR

Gathering Chickens

The farmer's son was returning from the market with the crate of chicken's his father had entrusted to him, when all of a sudden the box fell and broke open. Chickens scurried off in different directions, but the determined boy walked all over the neighborhood scooping up the wayward birds and returning them to the repaired crate. Hoping he had found them all, the boy reluctantly returned home, expecting the worst.

'Pa, the chickens got loose,' the boy confessed sadly, 'but I managed to find all twelve of them.'

'Well, you did real good, son,' the farmer beamed. 'You left with seven.'

Lawyers on a Plane

An airliner was having engine trouble and the pilot instructed the cabin crew to have the passengers take their seats and get prepared for an emergency landing. A few minutes later the pilot asked the flight attendants if everyone was buckled in and ready.

'All set back here, Captain,' came the reply, 'except the lawyers are still going around passing out business cards.'

Spaghetti Sauce

Stumpy prepared a pasta dish for a dinner party he was giving. In his haste, however, he forgot to refrigerate the spaghetti sauce, and it sat on the counter all day. He was worried about spoilage but it was too late to cook up another batch. He called the local Poison Control Center and voiced his concern. They advised Stumpy to boil the sauce again.

That night, the phone rang during dinner and a guest volunteered to answer it. Stumpy's face dropped as the guest called out, "It's the Poison Control Center. They want to know how the spaghetti sauce turned out."

Watch Out For That Tree

A state trooper pulls over a car on a lonely back road and approaches the driver. "Sir, is there a reason you're weaving all over the road?"

The driver replies, "Oh officer, thank goodness you're here! I almost had an accident. I looked up and there was a tree right in front of me. I swerved to the left and there was another tree in front of me. I swerved to the right and there was another tree in front of me!"

Reaching through the side window to the rearview mirror, the officer says, "Sir, that's your air freshener."

Fixing an Ailment

In Ireland there is a mental institution that every year picks two of it's most reformed patients and questions them. If they get the questions right they are free to leave. This year the two lucky patients were Patty and Mike. They were called down to the office and left there by the orderly. They were told to wait as the doctor got their files. The doctor came out and motioned for Patty to come in for her questioning.

When Patty came into the office, she was instructed to sit in the seat across from the doctor. "Patty, you know the tradition of this institution so I imagine you know why you are here. You will be asked two questions, and if you get them right, you will be free to go. Do you understand all that you have been told?" said the doctor

with a rather sly grin. Patty nodded, and the doctor began to question her.

The first question was this: "Patty, if I was to poke out one of your eyes, what would happen?" "I would be half blind of course," Patty answered without much thought. "What would happen if I poked out the other eye?" "I would be completely blind," said Patty knowing that she had just gotten her freedom. The doctor then sent her outside while he drew up the paperwork and accessed Mike's files.

When Patty got into the waiting room however, she told Mike what the questions would be and what the correct answers were. The doctor calls in Mike and he followed the same procedure that he had with Patty. "Mike, the first question is what would happen if I cut off your ear?" I would be blind in one eye," he said remembering what he had been told.

This received a perplexed look from the doctor but he just simply asks the other question so that he could figure out what the man was thinking. "Mike, what would happen if I cut off your other ear?" "I would be completely blind," he answered with a smile as if he knew he had passed.

But then the doctor asked him what his reasoning was, and he said flatly, "Me hat would fall down over me eyes."

The Broken Doll

Little Emily, the minister's daughter, ran into the house, crying as though her heart would break.

"What's wrong, dear?" asked the pastor.

"My doll! Billy broke it!" she sobbed.

"How did he break it, Emily?"

"I hit him over the head with it."

Catfish vs. Orange Roughy

Jim had an awful day fishing on the lake, sitting in the blazing sun all day without catching a single one. On his way home, he stopped at the supermarket and ordered four catfish. He told the fish salesman, "Pick four large ones out and throw them at me, will you?"

"Why do you want me to throw them at you?"

"Because I want to tell my wife that I caught them."

"Okay, but I suggest that you take the orange roughy." "But why?"

"Because your wife came in earlier today and said that if you came by, I should tell you to take orange roughy. She prefers that for supper tonight."

Lawyers & Charity

A very rich lawyer is approached by the United Way. The man from the United Way is concerned that the lawyer made over \$1,000,000.00 last year but didn't donate even a cent to a charity.

"First of all", says the lawyer, "my mother is sick and dying in the hospital, and it's not covered by healthcare. Second, I had five kids through three divorced marriages. Third, my sister's husband suddenly died and she has no one to support her four children..." "I'm terribly sorry", says the United Way man, "I feel bad about asking for money."

The Lawyer responds, "Yeah, well if I'm not giving them any money, why should I give you any?"

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Bless These Roads

A presentation by primary school students, Briana McWhirter and Brody Cameron, reminded everyone of the importance of bicycle helmets and taking caution in the presence of road trains.

While the Reverend John Whaley continued the verbal blessing he was joined by Father Pierre Repuyan; whereupon they both performed the symbolic blessing of the roads with holy water.

A good crowd of approximately sixty was present with representatives from the police,

ambulance and fire and rescue. Also attending was local MP Dr Graham Jacobs with local government officials and community members. The school was also represented with upper primary classes attending.

Following the blessing was a very social morning tea where Dr Graham Jacobs lauded the benefits of being part of a rural community and said he hoped our local emergency services had a slack time this Christmas.

The campaign will run from Monday 3 December 2007 to Monday 7 January 2008.

Top Left: Brody Cameron
Top Right: Briana McWhirter
Right: Councillor Ollie Farrelly
Below Left: Father Pierre Repuyan
Below Right: Reverend John Whaley













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Lake Grace Artist's Group

Well it's nearly the end of the year and the Lake Grace Artists' Group have just two events to finish up our busy program with.

Lake Grace District High School Student Exhibition Opening on the 7th of December at 7.30pm is the Lake Grace District High School Student Exhibition. This exhibition is the result of little faces coming into the Artspace and asking "when can they put their work up" and "can we have an exhibition?" So we are very pleased to present to the community 'by kids request' the 2007 Lake Grace District high School Exhibition involving students from Kindy to year 12 (and staff if they desire). We do hope this will become an annual event that is fully integrated into the school program over the years to come with the kids doing all the designing and arranging and running of this exhibition as part of their art studies. Everyone is welcome, so please come along for the opening on Friday 7th and support the kids in their exhibition. Please bring a small plate of supper. The exhibition is open daily 10 - 5pm from the 7th - 13th December. That's only a week for you to get in and have a look - not two weeks as is our normal exhibition run time. Could interested parents please pop their name down on the roster to sit and mind the exhibition for ½ day each. Thankyou.

Christmas Lunch

All members and supporters of the Lake Grace Artists' Group are welcome to join with us and celebrate the wonderful year we have had at our Xmas lunch on Tuesday 18th December starting at 10.30 am for some jovial activities, a bit of lunch and a drop of wine. Anyone who has supported us or participated in anything we have done over the past year is very welcome to join us – the more the merrier, please just bring a plate of food to share – easy and no fuss, all fun! Please let Anna ph 9865 4023 know you are coming so we can get enough wine though. If you have a bit of art news to share, or show and tell, please bring it in to share also.

Canvas Making Workshop

Come along and make your own canvas to paint on. This is on the 11th December at 9.00am with Kerrie Argent and is in preparation for the February exhibition, *The Thin Red Line.* Once you've learnt how to make one, you will be able to make any sized canvas yourself at home for any project. The cost is \$10 dollars per canvas and anyone is able to come along and join in.

Which brings us to next year!

Exhibition - The Thin Red Line.

This is a themed exhibition decided by the participants of the first canvas making workshop and anything goes - as long as it is "Sized 45cm square, green in colour, with a red line on it that is 1/2 a cm wide at its entry and exit points which have to be on the up and down sides" So that means it's a green square with a red line running through it somewhere, starting on one side and ending on the other, it can be wiggly or straight or thick or thin but it has to start 1/2 a cm wide and end ½ a cm wide running off each side of the canvas. Note: you can use any colour green or a range of greens and add black or white to it as well, but the red we would like you to use is warm red - have a look at the chromacryl paints at the Plaza. If you would like to be involved, come along on 11th December and make a canvas to get started. Oh, and you don't have to just paint on it, some people are stitching or covering their 45cm square in fabric, mosaics or clay or whatever they like to do. Please give Kerrie 9865 4042, or myself 9865 1339, a ring for more information.

AGM

Our AGM is on Tuesday 29th January 2008 at 9.00 am, all welcome to come along and join this fun and vibrant group. Our regular meeting will be straight after so we can get on with all the new and exciting things we have planned for next year!

Tania Spencer

LAKE GRACE DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL ART EXHIBITION



You are invited to the opening on Friday 7th December At 7.30pm at the Multi - Artspace Lake Grace All Welcome

Please bring a plate of supper to share Exhibition open daily 10 - 5pm from 7th - 13th December

Phone Tania 9865 1339 or Linda Vlasich 9865 1011 for more information





Lake Grace DHS Graduation

On Saturday December 1st, eight year 10's and one year 12 celebrated their graduation from Lake Grace District High School.

Magdalen Trevenen has been at Lake Grace for her entire schooling and will be heading to St Brigids in Perth for 2008. The best thing about LGDHS for Mags is the memories and she wishes all the other year 10's the best of luck for their futures.

Alyssa Posavac has been at Lake Grace for all of her High School years and will continue to be a familiar face around Lake Grace as she will continue her studies via SIDE (Distance Education). She's looking forward to having a bit more freedom...the best thing about Lake Grace is you couldn't get lost and she has many happy memories with school friends.

Kristie Pinney has been back and forth, spending years 2-4 in Lake Grace and then years 6-10. In 2008 she heads to Narrogin Senior High School and is looking forward to making new friends. Best thing about Lake Grace DHS? Memories and classmates!

Katelyn King has also spent her entire schooling at Lake Grace and will continue to do so as she continues her studies via SIDE. Although not going away Katelyn is looking forward to having her own timetable. For Katelyn memories and classmates were the best thing about Lake Grace.

Michael Trevenen has also been at Lake Grace DHS since kindergarten and is looking forward to attending Narrogin Agricultural School in 2008. Mickey is looking forward to playing football and studying a trade. Mates were the best thing about Lake Grace DHS for Mickey.

Sam Willock is another year 10 student who has completed 12 years at Lake Grace DHS. For 2008 Sam will be moving to Perth to study at Mazenod He's looking forward to taking part in swimming and indoor basketball. The best thing about Lake Grace DHS? The people!



Left to Right: Magdalen Trevenen, Alyssa Posavac, Kristie Pinney, Katelyn King and Rebecca Roper.



Year 10 boys Left to Right: Michael Trevenen, Sam Willock, Sian Chesson and Dylan Jackson.

Sian Chesson has been at Lake Grace for one year and is looking forward to working at Farmers Centre in 2008 as he will be taking up an apprenticeship. Although he only has a short history with Lake Grace, the size of the school and the students have been a positive for Sian.

Dylan Jackson has been at Lake Grace for the whole of his high school years. In 2008 he will be heading to Broome to continue his education. He's looking forward to studying Outdoor Education and part time work at Broome Toyota. For Dylan the best thing about Lake Grace is the small class sizes and good friends.

Local History Awards

Lake Grace Floods

I remember just another cyclone season was underway with the forming of a cyclone up north called Clare. Days later the black clouds thundered their way in, the heat and glare of the sun disappeared and then there was the sound of rain pounding on the tin and the water rushing its way in.

Well my name is Harley Pittard and I've lived in Lake Grace for most of my life, about ten years. I've done a bit of thinking trying to remember about the day of the Lake Grace flood on the 13th of January 2006. I remember waiting for my mother, Nadene Owen, to return from work. At about 3 o'clock it was very cloudy and pouring rain, it felt like it was another normal rain storm.

Well as time passed the phone rang and my stepfather Marcus Owen pick up and said "Yes. I'll come straight down there." Marcus is a volunteer for the fire brigade in Lake Grace. He said to wait at home because there was water flowing in to town so they had to divert it. The workers from the Shire, CBH and the fire brigade all joined forces. Mr David Fyfe, local transport company owner; Mr Henderson the earth moving company owner and many others helped out. Marcus stated that heaps of people were lending a hand.

Mum eventually made it home, getting a lift with a man from her work. Mum walked through the door with

Paula Fisher, Mum's good friend from her work. Paula lived in Pingrup, about 50km south of Lake Grace. She could not make it home because the road to Pingrup was flooded so she stayed with us.

After Mum got home, we went for a drive, we couldn't even make it half way down town. The bridge that I cross to go to school was flooded, the bowling green was like the local pool.

The next day was like any other 14th of January, nice sunny and warm. Mum said to go for a ride down to the hospital and have a look, so I did. I was very shocked when I got there to find water over the road. I s'pose there would be after 230mm of rain.

There were news reporters and helicopters, all of the helicopters landed on the hockey oval. I went for a ride through the water with Gordon and Dylan. We all rode out but I turned around after a while because I did not want to trash my new bike. After I rode home that night I watched the news. I saw Dylan and Gordon on the news.

A couple of days later huge pumps were put in place to pump all the water away with Mr McWhirter supplying fuel to keep the pumps running. Later on they dug a channel so the water could drain away quicker.

Some people skied on the water known as Cemetery Lake, including myself with Mr Gary Frost. Later that

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Lake Grace Community Christmas Carols



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Enquiries:

Terry Gladish - 98651047 Father Pierre - 98651248 Revd John Whaley - 9865 1377

Local History Awards (Cont.)

year I bought a kayak to use on the lake, I used it a fair bit.

The estimated cost for the damage of the Lake Grace flood was three million dollars. Water still remains where the main flood area was. Many of us are, or maybe aware of the stress that was put on Mr Jackson.

Let's hope it doesn't happen again.

Harley Pittard

Lake Grace Cricket Club

The first recorded match was in the 1917-1918 season which was on Sunday 24th of February 1981, when Kukerin were beaten by 15 runs at Lake Grace. Association cricket began in the 1921-1922 season when they were part of the East of the Fence Cricket Association, playing against teams from Kukerin, Merilup, Moulyinning, Tarin Rock and South Kukerin.

A group of local enthusiasts in the town and outlying farms began to canvass the likely prospect of forming an association. Nothing was settled until the following year for the 1924-1925 season, the Lake Grace Cricket Club (LGCC) played a number of unofficial matches.

The boundaries of the different clubs were then decided and the first fixtures were then set down on the 15th of November 1925 and were; Central Lake Grace Cricket Club versus North Lake Grace Cricket Club.

This four team league included North Lake Grace, South Lake Grace, Beenong and our club Lake Grace

Central. Central LGCC dominated, only losing one game all of the 1925-1926 season. The 1929-1930 season was Central LGCC's second win the in 1920's. In the 1930;'s there was a total of a massive six premierships won by Central LGCC.

Up until 1922 matches were played on the first cleared land in town, it extended from the railway station to where the Shire Hall currently stands. While the town was being built they played on the north side of the railway station. Since 1925 they have played on the recreation ground we have now.

In the late 1950's LGCC was going great once again but Newdegate were just too good; winning four grand finals against us. Then we broke through with our 11th win, which was in the 1959-1960 season.

At this current time, in 2007, the Lake Grace Cricket Club has been around for a total of 90 years. They have played 1,144 matches, have 1,027 matches recorded, have won 524 matches, have been defeated 398 times, they have 97 drawn matches and tied eight matches. They have won 19 premierships!

Over the years they have awarded eleven life memberships; HE Willock, J McMahon (snr), T Griffin, A Coad, K Mason, D Robinson, W Walker, S Hunt, R Fleay, A Walker and D Fleay.

In 2007 the Lake Grace Cricket Club plays Kukerin, Newdegate, Hyden, Karlgarin/Pingaring and Lake King.

Ryan Smith

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Local History Awards (Cont.)

Sister Patricia Hogan

Sister Patricia Josephine Hogan was born on the 15th March, 1926 in a maternity home at Shirley Hospital, a small residence in a town called Pukekohe in New Zealand. She was named after the feast days of St Joseph and St Patrick because of being born near to them.

The family horse, Darky, was used for farming and transport. He was ridden to town and he was used for farm work such as ploughing the paddock.

A special time in Patricia's childhood was when she had her First Holy Communion in 1933, the Sacrament of Confirmation was undertaken the following week.

Pat's first school days started at Paerata School. She would get there by being double dinked on a bike by her brother Bill. On cold days they would fill the handle bars up with hot water so that it would keep their hands warm.

After her first year at school, her sister Kathleen was entrusted to take Patsy with her to the Pukekohe Catholic Church School. The Catholic Church school was very significant to their family because it was built on their Grandfather's (Thomas Hogan) land. So she moved to the Pukekohe Catholic School and her teacher was Sister Leonard. For her secondary schooling she attended school at St Mary's, finishing in 1940.

When Pat left school she was employed behind the desk in an office in Pukekohe, she became part of the social life in the little town, which she really enjoyed.

Years later she undertook four years of study and teacher training in Christchurch New Zealand. She taught in many different Catholic schools as a nun; including the year 1's in St Mary's in 1972 and Sacred Heat in New Plymouth in 1982.

In September of 1989 Pat was due to be in Lake Grace. It gave Pat time to pack up and say goodbye to family and friends before leaving for the long journey to the New Mission. After spending a few good days of her life in the city of Perth, she started off to Lake Grace, a 350 km trip.

The ground there was like it was never going to be green and it was very hot. The lakes were all dried up the day that she arrived in Lake Grace.

While Pat was here she visited homes and families and she taught young people about God and life. She was in Lake Grace six years in a little house that Elizabeth Trevenen now lines in. The six long years she lived here, she loved it.

Pat has changed the lives of a lot of us Lake Grace folk and other people from different parishes, she still is now.

Gabrielle Trevenen

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Lake Grace's Most Wanted!

When Movember drew to a close those who participated got together to share tales of itching, rashes and sweating over the solace of a cold beer and the obligatory sausage sizzle.

Although there were mumbles of 'Can't wait to get rid of it', there were some who appeared to be enjoying this hairy addition to their features.



Although rejected by their loved ones with cries of 'Ughl', 'Ugly' and 'Go away' these brave lads soldiered on in their attempt to grow the hairiest and most distinctive moustache.

Although a few looked like they could belong in any police lineup, it was all in good fun and raised \$406 along the way.

All for a good cause of course as they were raising money and awareness of men's health, particularly prostate cancer and depression.

Scott Strevett was elected as having the best moustache and got to take home a bottle of red.

Not everyone who participated is pictured on this page as the general public can only take so much!

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POOL NEWS & NOTES

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Summer is going great at Lake Grace Swimming Pool. Two hundred and fifty people came to our Opening Day on November 11th and we are now averaging 120 people per day. We have some terrific aquatics activities planned for the summer, in particular look out for our Holiday Fun programme.

Di Rickard, Aquatic and Recreation Coordinator

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

In the High school Basketball competition on the week of 23rd November, the first game saw LG 2 take on Warriors. This was a tough physical game that saw scores level at half time. As we had no subs and it was a warm night coach Kevin Busbhy called on all the allocated time outs allowed to get his side through.

The trio of boys Sian Chesson, Mickey Trevenen and Cam Bushby worked like a well oiled machine, rebounding well, creating opportunities and scoring. Amy Willock and Gabby Trevenen put pressure on Warriors as they came back down the court. Gabby provided great leads up forward, many of which resulted in a basket. In the second half LG2 ran out winners by 10 points.

In the second game for the night, LG1 played Lakers. These two teams are very evenly matched, the score line at half time saw LG1 behind by two points. They were finding the speedy Lakers pretty tough going. Silly mistakes and wild shots let them down. Coach Jeanette Trevenen must have had some powerful stuff to say at half time because they came out a much more composed side and dictated terms for the second half.

Sam Willock proved he could rebound and shoot as did Brad Lay who got in some tough shots. Alyssa Posavac and Sheradin Fyfe, growing in confidence every week, contributed well in defence and made shots on goal. Good team players, Nat Curtin and Ethan Wallace, inspired one another with their play making and good use of all players. Johnny Curtin delighted spectators

with his courage and lightning speed, providing good leads and a safe pair of hands. LG1 had a great win 43 to 32. Well done to both LG teams.

This week, the 30th of November, LG 2 played two games, the first against Bulls. In this game LG 2 proved formidable opponents and comprehensively defeated Bulls 12 to 38. Then in the next game LG 2 played the Kulin Lakers, once again the combination of ball magnet, Mickey Trevenen, ace rebounder

Lake Grace Two L to R: Coach Kevin Bushby, Cameron Bushby, Michael Trevenen, Sian Chesson, Amy Willock and Gabby Trevenen. Cam Bushby and gritty, gutsy Sian Chesson outclassed the Lakers.

These guys were ably assisted by Lindsay Willock with a number of shots on goal and Gabby Trevenen taking many long throws from the boys in their defensive key and coolly sinking shot after shot. Gabby and Tina Willock proved excellent in defence causing many turn overs. The score LG2 36 Lakers 18.

LG1 played Warriors; a win in this game would put Warriors into the grand final. Typically of a game against Warriors it was quite physical. Umpires in this competition are of a very high standard and fouls are quickly picked up. With everything to play for Warriors played hard and while LG 1 stayed in touch Warriors led by eight points going into the second half. Unfortunately for them, in doing so they used up there quota of seven fouls per half. Additional fouls meant a free shot on goal to LG 1 who were able to convert on these many times.

Not one murmur of idle conversation passed the lips of spectators as they watched the score line grow closer together. Totally engrossed in the game parents from both sides' cheered points shot by their respective sides. The tension was exhilarating with 20 seconds to go in the game LG one trailed by a solitary point. Sam Willcok managed to steal the ball from an unsuspecting Warrior pass it to the sure hands of the ever reliable Ethan Wallace who ran down, with five Warriors in hot pursuit. Cool as a cucumber Ethan laid up and claimed the two points. The crowd went wild!!!.



HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

These wins mean that LG 2 will play Rockets in the grand final next Friday in Kulin at 7pm, all spectators welcome. No pressure or anything but this will be the third year in a row that a Lake Grace side has played in the grand final. Lets make it three out of three.

seen to run backward up a bitumen basketball court in high heels defending a teenage boy running flat out with the ball coaching the whole time— Sheer inspiration.

Although we will have the results of the Grand Final in the next Lakes Link we would like to take the time to say thank you. Thank you to Kulin basketball for the wonderful facilities and competition, umpires, scorers, parents who make the trek every week, all our wonderful players (What will we do on Fridays when Basketball finishes) LG2 game coach Kevin Bushby and the wonderful Mrs. Jeanette Trevenen - coach of LG 1, training and skills coach. Jeanette is passionate about basketball and more than once has been

Lake Grace One

L to R Back: Sam Willock, Alyssa Posavac,

Brad Lay, Nat Curtin and coach

Jeanette Trevenen.

L to R Front: Ethan Wallace, John Curtin and

Sheridan Fyfe.



Swimming Club Car Washing Roster

December	8	Power Family	March	1	Walker Family
	15	Geyer Family		8	Lay Family
	22	No Washing		15	
	29	No washing		22	
January	5	Robertson Family		29	Chesson Family
	12	Medlen Family			
	19	Baker Family		•	t wash the cars on
	26	Gambuti Family		•	nd please arrange to n another member.
February	2	Taylor Family		onap ma	ranother member.
	9	Saunders Family			
	16	Marsh Family			
	23	Zweck Family			



NEED A RUBBER STAMP??

TO PLACE AN ORDER OR OBTAIN A QUOTE CONTACT THE LAKE GRACE TELECENTRE



Shire of Lake Grace

ARC NEWS & NOTES

PO Box 50 Lake Grace Phone 9890 2500 Fax 9890 2599 Email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au

- CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S BREAK ARC FITNESS CLASSES IN LAKE GRACE WILL CEASE ON FRIDAY 21.12.07 AND RECOMMENCE ON MONDAY 07.01.08

DAY	АМ	РМ
Monday	<u>Current Fitness Timetable</u>	5.45 - 6.40 <i>X</i> 55 (Sharon)
		6.00 - 7.00 MASTERS IN THE POOL (Di)
Tuesday	9.15 - 10.05 CROSS TRAINING (Sharon)	5.45 - 6.35 POWER UP AQUA (Letisha)
Wednesday	9.15 - 10.00 BODY WORX H2O & LAND (Letisha)	5.45 - 6.35 FORCE (Anna)
Thursday	6.00 - 6.50 WALK OFF WEIGHT (Sharon)	5.45 - 6.35 AQUA DEEP H2O (Letisha)
		6.00 - 7.00 MASTERS IN THE POOL (Di)
Friday	10.00 - 10.40 FOREVER FITNESS (Anna)	For further information contact Letisha - Health & Fitness Coordinator Lake Grace – 9890 2500 or letisha@lakegrace.wa.gov.au

PLEASE NOTE:

The following classes will cease on *Friday 14th of December 2007* and will return in 2008.



Cross Training - Tuesdays at 9.15am Body Worx - Wednesdays at 9.15am Walk off Weight - Thursdays at 6.00am

VACATION SWIMMING

Classes commence Friday, December 14th.
Late enrolments will be taken on Tuesday, December 11th, 3:00-5:00pm
To enrol your child, contact Di at the Lake Grace Pool.

LOOK OUT FOR YOUR COPY OF THE ARC CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER IN YOUR MAILBOX SOON



FULL OF HEALTHY TIPS, NEWS AND THE HOLIDAY FITNESS TIMETABLE

LAKE GRACE BOWLS NOTES

Saturday 24th of November Lake Grace played the Championship Pairs for the W & H Carruthers trophy. Thanks to Bill and Hugh for their continuous sponsorship for many years. The winners were, in a very close round robin series Adrian Chesson and Geoff Sabourne from Milton Reynolds and Ray Williams in shots up.

Saturday 1st December Lake Grace beat Karlgarin by three shots in a very close game with Bomb (Steve Glasson) Pelham playing the bowl of the century to get one glide and two wicks to draw shot on the last bowl of the afternoon. Well done "STEVE" The result was Lake Grace 6 and Karlgarin 2.

The ladder after one round is:

Kondinin 32 Kulin 25 Kukerin 21 Lake Grace 20 Newdegate 13.5 Karlgarin 8.5

Sunday 2nd December Lake Grace played for the Mary Eggers championship mixed pairs with a few of the men wearing dresses! Winners of the day were Elsie Griffin in very good form showing all the bowlers how to play and Chris Carruthers, her partner. Thanks to Mary Eggers for the trophies.

Saturday 8th December the pennant team to play Kukerin is:

A Chesson K Eggers S Reynolds W Henry R Pelham G Sabourne S Carruthers W Trawinski S Hunt R Carruthers G Duckworth M Reynolds C Carruthers R Fleay M Carruthers J McGlinn

There will be a busy bee at 8:00 am Saturday.

Sunday 9th December we are having the trial match for the round robin in Esperance with a game south versus north with a 9:00am start.

The south team is:

C Joyce L Keighley S Hunt G Sabourne R Pelham K Eggers I Faulkner D Sandells C Bahr P Adams R Wilson A Chesson C Carruthers B Waddell M Reynolds M King

Chris Carruthers

Tarin Rock Tennis Club

Tarin Rock had a bye over the weekend in pennants so I'm sure it was a good opportunity to keep the headers rolling for some.

This weekend social tennis is on Saturday starting at 5pm. Please bring a salad to share for the BBQ tea. Cleaners are the De Vree family.

The following weekend we will return to Friday night tennis as it is a pennant week. Cleaners are Eddie and Theresa.

Pennants is on the Sunday (16th) at Tarin Rock against Dumbleyung so keep that date free! Kevin and Sarah are on cleaning roster after pennants.

Good luck to the juniors playing in the Lake Grace tournament this weekend.

Start collecting your goodies for the Christmas hamper which is a reminder that Christmas is fast approaching.

Photo 1D's

Sharon Robinson

Blechynden's Poultry Tel. 9846 6055

Hens Free Range Isa Brown \$5 each, 10 for \$45 or 30 for \$105. Pullets, ducks, AVL

Delivered Friday 14th December to Lake Grace, Pingrup, Kulin, Dumbleyung.

Do you need a photo for an ID pass, passport, library card or license? The Telecentre



The Telecentre are able to take and print your photos.

\$10 for a set of four (4)

CLASSIFIEDS

PUBLIC NOTICES

Shire Council Meetings - 2007

The next Council meeting is
Wednesday 19th December at the
Lake Grace Shire Council.
Members of the public are welcome to
attend meetings.

CWA Meetings

11th December - 1:30pm

The Grand Lodge of Freemasons WAC

The Kulin Lodge No. 160

Meets 7:30 pm
Gordon St. Kulin
3rd Monday of each month
Dedicated to Charity and Support in the Community
NEW MEMBERS WELCOME
Telephone 9880 1360 or 0427 654 090

Margaret Cole

Will be available in Lake Grace from 2nd –4thJanuary 2008 and 4th—8th February 2008

0427 441 459

colwheat@it.net.au

Battery Drive

The Lions Club of Lake Grace (Inc.) is still involved in the collection of used batteries as a major fund raising project for the local Health and Medical Services.

The batteries can be dropped at Farmworks Lake Grace or we will arrange for pick up onsite.

Please contact Peter on 0428 511 838 or Neville on 0428 651 841 for more details.

Lake Grace Toy Library

Are changing our opening day and time!

NOW opening on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month from 9:00-10:00am

Opening dates for the remainder of 2007

December 20th

Hope to see some new faces For more information contact Vynka Lay on 9865 1071 or Tash Strevett on 9871 9058

WANTED

House to Rent

Looking for a house to rent within 20km of Lake Grace, would like to move in by end of January or earlier. Local references can be provided. Call Amy or Richard Jones on 9820 6061.

FOR SALE

Stroller

Steelcraft Layback Strollers (series H309Q)
Only 3 months old (very little use)
\$180.00. Phone 9865 1022 a/h.

1993 Dual Cab Nissan Patrol

Enquires 0427 973 910

Ford BA, XR6, 2000

Metallic silver with red/black interior. Done 100,000km. In good condition. 9 months rego. \$19,000 ono. Ph 9865 3023

1999 Nissan Maxima

Phone Debby on 9865 4041. Good condition. Phone 9865 1781.

Hot Shot Junior Golf Set

Includes driver, irons, putter and bag with stand (age up to 9 years).

Ideal Christmas gift for any budding young junior golfer to start with or improve their game. Price \$180.00 (GST inc.)

Ring Gary on 0429 651 094.

AVAILABLE

Farm Minder

Enjoy your holidays without worry.

Stock checked, dogs fed and patted, chooks checked, gardens watered etc.

Call Frank Slarke on 9865 1098

Lake Grace Shire Councillors

Lake Grace	Office Oddfieliloi			
Councillor	Telephone	Fax		
Andrew Walker (President)	9865 1241	9865 1921		
Ian Chamberlain (Vice President)	9871 6043	9871 6035		
Amanda Milton	9865 1960 0429 654 011			
Ollie Farrelly	9865 1180 0427 651 180	9865 1188		
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Jeanette de Landgrafft	9838 9062	9838 9041		
Royce Taylor	9865 1507	9865 1320		
Wally Newman	9871 1582	9871 1587		
Dean Sinclair	9874 7045	9874 7005		

CRISIS CARE NUMBERS

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Doctor's Surgery	9865 1208
Hospital	9890 2222
Ambulance	000
Police Station	9865 1007
Fire Brigade	9865 1250
Emergency Services	000
Electricity Faults	13 13 51
Water Faults	13 13 75
Directory Assistance	12455
Crisis Care Unit	9325 1111
Women's Refuge Group	9227 1642
Family Violence Intervention	
Programme	9336 2144
ACRAH Men's Refuge	9272 1333
Domestic Violence Legal	
Aid Unit	9328 7602
Family Court of WA	9224 8222
Youth Legal Service	9227 4140
Citizens' Advice Bureau	9221 5711
Samaritan Befrienders	1800 198 313
Margaret Cole	0427 441 459
Poisons Information	13 11 26
Kids' Helpline	1800 073 008
Seniors' Information	1800 199 087
Family Helpline	1800 643 000
Southern AgCare Counselling	0427 441 459

Justices of the Peace

Mr Neil Bishop	ph 9865 1632
Mr Colin Connolly	ph 9865 1010
Mr Ron Dewson	ph 9865 1224
Mrs Shirley Duckworth	ph 9865 1189
Mr Len Elliott	ph 9865 1137
Mr Geoff Sabourne	ph 9865 1171
Mrs Amanda Milton	ph 0429 654 011

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF LAKE GRACE

Sunday 9th December

Lake Grace 9:00am

Sunday 16th December

Lake Grace 9:00am

Enquiries: Terry Gladish 9865 1022 Wally Perry 0448 795 070

Lake Grace Uniting Church

Wednesday - 7pm

Home Fellowship. Please ring for venue.

Sunday 9th December 9:30 Family Service

Enquiries:

Bob Burbridge 9865 4020 Revd. John Whaley 9865 1377 0429 651 378

LAKE GRACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday 9th December

Lake Grace 8am Kukerin 10am

Friday 14th December

Jerdacuttup 7pm

Saturday 15th December

Hopetoun 6pm Kukerin (C/S) 6:30pm

Sunday 16th December

Ravensthorpe 8am Varley 10:30am Lake Grace 6pm

Queries to Fr Pierre Repuyan on 9865 1248

Seminar room Facilities Available for Hire

\$99 for full day

\$49.50 for half day

\$22 per hour

Fully heated and air conditioned, comfortable seating with kitchen facilities.

Ring the Telecentre on 9865 1470 to book.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

December

Fri 7 Fish & Chip Night - LGS Club Bingo at the Sportsman's Club Basketball Grand Final in Kulin Opening of LGDHS Student Art Exhibition Austswim Swimming Course Sat 8 Steak Night - LGS Club Basketball Clinic Austswim Swimming Course Pennant Bowls-LG v Kukerin Sun 9 Bowls- Round Robin at Lake Grace Cricket—Kukerin v Lake Grace Austswim Swimming Course **LG Junior Tennis Tournament** Mon 10 Recycling Pickup Swimability Weight Watchers (6-7pm) Well Women's Clinic **Pingrup Potters** Tues 11 Cricket Training — 5:30pm Foot Clinic **CWA Meeting** Art Group—Canvas Making Workshop Ladies Bowls Gala Day at Lake Grace Wed 12 Thur 13 Pizza Night at Rosie's **HACC** Transport Available **HACC Christmas Party** Cricket Training - 5:30pm Beau Woods (Chiropractor) in LG World Youth Day Cake Stall Fri 14 Fish & Chip Night - LGS Club Vacswim Programme Starts Sat 15 Steak Night - LGS Club Quilting & Craft at CWA—11am start Bowls—League Triples at Kukerin Sun 16 Bowls-League Pairs at Kukerin Pennant Tennis—LG v Dudinin Cricket—Lake Grace v Newdegate Mon 17 LLN Deadline Pingrup Potters Tue 18 Weight Watchers (6-7pm)

Cricket Training - 5:30pm
Art Group Christmas Lunch
Wed 19 Shire Council Meeting
LG Community Christmas Carols
Thur 20 Lakes Link News
Pizza Night at Rosie's
HACC Transport Available
Cricket Training - 5:30pm
Lake Grace Toy Library (9am-10am)
Senior Citizens Christmas Luncheon

Coming Events

December 21—Business Sponsored Christmas

Drinks

December 21—Christmas Lights Judging

December 21—Lynch Shield

December 22—Community Christmas Tree

December 29—Tarin Rock Junior Tennis

Tournament (knockout)

2008

January 24—Immunisation Clinic

January 29—Art Group AGM

January 31—First LLNews for 2008
February 4—Back to School
February 8—Corporate Bowls
February 9 2008—Lake Grace Cricket Clu
Reunion (20 year anniversary of premiership)
February 12-13—Men's Bowls Classic
February 27—Shire Council Meeting

March 22—Hardy's Fundraiser August 2008—Art2Wear

Watering Days in Lake Grace		
Last digit of your lot or house number	Your two scheme watering days are:	
1	Wednesday & Saturday	
2	Thursday & Sunday	
3	Friday & Monday	
4	Saturday & Tuesday	
5	Sunday & Wednesday	
6	Monday & Thursday	
7	Tuesday & Friday	
8	Wednesday & Saturday	
9	Thursday & Sunday	
0	Friday & Monday	
You may water only once either before 9am or after 6pm		