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Santa Makes an Early Delivery

Santa was kept busy in Lake Grace last week; making a visit to Playgroup on Thursday and then coming back for an encore at Late Night Shopping on Friday the 13th.

Not sure if Santa had lost his way or whether he'd been a bit naughty but he was delivered to Playgroup in the local police car with full lights and sirens.

Excitement was building before his arrival, the children were aware that something 'special' was going to happen. Santa didn't get a rock star welcome, instead children peered nervously from around parents legs with some turning on the waterworks.

Eventually a couple of the braver children ventured forth to welcome Santa.

It was Playgroup's last get-together for the year with parents and children enjoying a morning tea. Local photographer Grant Medlen was in attendance to take photos of children (and parents) with Santa; a nice keepsake to share with family.

Used to the below zero temperatures of the North Pole, Santa was having a few problems acclimatising to Lake Grace's summer heat. However with the air conditioning turned to full speed Santa turned his full attention to the forty children in attendance, all of them eager to see what was in the red sack.



Santa arrives at Lake Grace Playgroup. Photo Suzanne Reeves

With duties complete, Santa departed to spread more joy around the world while the children and parents settled to bid farewell and award certificates to their 2013 graduates.

Present to receive their certificates were Maleah Westphal and Jack Nichols; unfortunately Kayla Newton, Alby Stanton, Sheree Duckworth and Theodore Ayres-Dillon weren't present due to a kindergarten orientation day.

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Dick Phillips Gwen Oliver
 Elsie Bishop

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Editorial

- Thank you to our many contributors throughout the year, the Lakes Link wouldn't sell as well as it does without your notes and articles. A big thank you also to our advertisers, your \$\$\$'s keep the wheels going round. We hope that you all have a wonderful Christmas, a Happy New Year and a well earned break. We look forward to seeing you all in 2014.
- The CRC had their volunteer, committee and staff BBQ a fortnight ago and what a great night it was; if we could have generated electricity from the amount of conversation that was happening we would have had enough power to run Frosty's Christmas lights for a couple of weeks. The evening is an opportunity to thank everyone who helps out in some capacity with the smooth running of the centre. However I need to remember (for next year) not to hold it on the same day as the senior's Christmas Lunch as there were a couple of people feeling like they'd been stuffed to the gills by the end of the day. A big thankyou to our BBQ chef, Craig Reeves, who was ably assisted by Kevin Seaman. They're unsurpassed in their steak cooking ability.
- We have had a good response to our large format printer and now have the canvas printing operational. The canvas is only 610mm wide so please keep this in mind when thinking of size of printing. When taking photographs with the view of getting printed onto canvas please keep in mind that around 2 inches of photograph would be folded over the frame, so zoom out and don't crop too hard.
- Don't forget that the Mobile Centrelink Office will be in Lake Grace on Wednesday 5th February 2014. No information yet as to where they'll be parked up but if you have any queries this would be a good time to sort them out, this service is available for everyone. One thing they did stress is to not self assess and assume you aren't eligible for anything. If you would like some financial advice (this is for any age but very beneficial for anyone approaching retirement or succession planning) then the mobile office may be able to have FIS (Financial Information Services) Officer on hand or those manning the bus maybe able to help out. If you would like to speak to a FIS Officer then please register your interest so we can lobby for one to be present.
- Our Lake Grace calendars have been popular, thank you to our many photographers who keep us supplied with excellent photographs for us to use.
- Many facebookers have managed to find our 'Lost Lake Grace' site. I set it up to secure the site thinking that nobody would notice it....will rethink that thought as nearly 50 have liked and we haven't even put anything on it yet!
- Still looking for some more numbers for our genealogy workshop, please support this initiative. It is happening on the 4th and 5th March.
- The pool is looking FANTASTIC, the extra opening hours were very popular last weekend while the hot weather was on. Keep up the good work Letisha and Fee!
- And hasn't it been hot! According to Terry, our local weather man, we have a new record with four days in succession recording over 40°C. Very happy that's out of the way!
- The CRC will be running a community newspaper workshop in February next year. Part of the workshop will include article writing, if you would like to take part then please give the CRC a call.
- So it's too roo from the Lakes Link team until 2014. Be safe!

Suzanne Reeves

Lake Grace/Pingrup Football Club

We are looking for both
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for the up and coming
2013 season.

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Good-Bye Lake Grace

Farewell all our friends
It is time for us to leave.
Well most of us anyway
The one left here will be Steve.

Over five years we have been here
With a lot of highs and lows.
What we will find in Esperance
No one really knows.

There may be hockey
There will definitely be golf.
The occasional boat trip
(if it doesn't sink off the gulf!!).

No, I jest, the boat she does float
The motors don't work and she won't start
But there is not one drop of water
None near her heart (hull).

So goodbye all our friends
We leave you this week
It is with fond memories aplenty
And one or two tears rolling down our cheek.

Merry Christmas and a safe new year to all
Terri, Emily & Sophie Parker

Trainee Opportunity - The Leeuwin II

The experience of a seven-day sailing adventure was an opportunity that I could not refuse. I knew that sea sickness would be a major hurdle for me to overcome, but I was not going to let this stop me!!!

Thanks to the Boddington Community Resource Centre who secured the grant funding for the 'Trainee Leeuwin Adventure' and the Lake Grace Community Resource Centre for giving me the once in a life time opportunity, to take time out from the office and my everyday routine and set sail on the Leeuwin II.

Our seven day training voyage departed from Fremantle and the wind determined the rest of our adventure. We sailed two days straight out to the high seas where we participated in a man over board drill; it surprised me that although it seemed like we were sailing slowly and the seas were calm, how quickly the poor unsuspecting mannequin drifted away into the distance, we did however successfully return her to the safety of the ship, which was very reassuring. This experience highlighted to me how quickly you could lose someone in bad weather, high swells or at night, giving you a good reason to ensure you held on tight and your harness was on properly.

We also participated in a team project that entailed creating a biodegradable device to safely land an egg on deck from half way up the mast. Needless to say there was a lot of "never put humpty together again" moments.

Our voyage enabled us to have a turn of taking over the helm to steer the ship, setting the sails, assisting in the galley, scrubbing the deck and standing watch. During my team's morning watch I witnessed the spectacle of the sun rising up over the amazing



Photo: Narelle Duckworth

expanse of the Indian ocean with no land in sight, with only sails breaking the view. It was certainly a picture and something that I will never forget.

Seasickness did play a major part in my voyage, but overall it was well worth the experience. Would I do it again, definitely not, I have ticked that one off the bucket list! But in all seriousness, I would certainly encourage the younger generation to have a go as it is well worth the adventure, you will never regret doing it, but you may one day regret not doing it.

These grants are being made available through the Department of Regional Development, Community Development Division through the Royalties for Regions program.

Narelle Duckworth



Photo: Community Resource Centre Trainees about to embark on the Leeuwin II Adventure. Lake Grace Community Resource Centre Trainee, Narelle Duckworth, third from left.

Happy Birthday



19th December	Juanita O'Neill Aidan Pelham Bella Callope
20th December	Des Pelham Trenton Medlen Jaycob Trevenen
21st December	Clem Bennett
23rd December	Melissa Cugley
24th December	Liam Fyfe
25th December	Pat O'Neill Latisha McGlenn
26th December	Anna Taylor Esme Lane Jaimee Withnell
27th December	Lindsay Slarke
30th December	Jasmine Cugley
31st December	Elizabeth Spencer
1st January	Bevan Taylor
5th January	Lenore Gladish Josh Giles Tate Naisbitt
6th January	Shane Reynolds
7th January	Brayden Reynolds Thomas Dunham
8th January	Marcus Owen Rick de Vree (?0)
9th January	Melanie Naisbitt
10th January	Carley Hardy Reuben Smith
11th January	Tayla Stuart
12th January	Paige Nenke
13th January	Shannon Smith Shelley Stanton
15th January	Darren Clifford
17th January	Abbey Trawinski
19th January	Katelyn Hutter Melissa Clifford
20th January	Andrew Hunt
21st January	Morgan Chatfield Natasha Strevett Stella Dines Dot Morgan
23rd January	Harry Strevett Abbey Strevett Jacob Strevett John Gambuti James Eaton
25th January	Keirnan Harvey
26th January	Letisha Marshall
27th January	Dean Carruthers Noah Westphal
28th January	Rhiannon Stubberfield Dennis Gittos
29th January	Amber Pearce Darcey Pelham

What's Happening?

- Congratulations to John Paul (JP) and Emma Folz (nee Marshall) on the arrival of their baby girl Kayla Alice Folz on 11/12/13. Weighing in at 8lb 5oz Kayla is a baby sister to Joah and Eden and a new grandchild for Allan and Rita Marshall.
- Congratulations also to Rhiannon Wallace and John Carmody of Cascade who have announced their engagement recently.
- We will be bidding farewell to Terri, Emily and Sophie Parker who are relocating to Esperance. No doubt we will still see them around as Steve will remain in Lake Grace for 12 months. Terri has been a powerhouse around town and been involved in EVERYTHING, we will miss you Terri.
- Also leaving us to relocate to Perth is Kim Walker, Kim has been teaching kindergarten and Pre-primary at Lake Grace for many, many years (has taught two generations). I'm sure Kim is looking forward to a fresh challenge but we'll miss her for all the effort she has put in to get our kids on the right track for school.
- Congratulations to the following students for their following awards and achievements:-
 - ⇒ Ben Watson Great Southern Grammar was awarded Year 8 Physical Education and Anchorage Boarding Prize, was elected Camfield House Co-Captain and Anchorage Captain for 2014 and was Year 8 Champion Boy for GSG and at the GSSSSA Interschool Carnival.
 - ⇒ Emma Steele from Pingrup won the Great Southern Grammar—8D Endeavour Award,
 - ⇒ Mitchell Argent, Guildford Grammar School, Won the end of year Media Award, his major assessment was a short documentary about life on a farm, Mitchell was also on house council for year 10 and the academic honour roll for 2013.
- Well done to Vange, John, Greg and Kendrick Amores who became Australian citizens on Wednesday 18th December.

Anniversaries

- 2nd January - Genni & Steve Curtin
- 9th January - Ali & Peter Dines
- 11th January - Linda & Andrew Hunt
- 19th January - Belinda & Pat O'Neill
- 26th January - Lucy & Ollie Farrelly
- 29th January - Michelle & Peter Lay



Kerrie Argent would like to thank everyone for collecting plastic lids for her.
She would like you to keep on collecting, any size, any colour.
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all.

Lake Grace Weather

- Terry Gladish



December Extremes

Highest monthly rainfall	93.5	2011
Lowest monthly rainfall	0	1953
Highest number of rain days	10	2011
Lowest number of rain days	0	1953
Highest daily rainfall	64.3	20/12/1913

Date	Min	Max	Rain
4/12	12.2	23.9	
5/12	9.6	28.7	
6/12	14.6	26.6	2.0
7/12	16.4	23.8	0.4
8/12	12.9	24.9	
9/12	10.3	25.6	
10/12	9.1	28.0	
11/12	8.4	30.3	
12/12	11.7	32.8	
13/12	13.1	35.6	
14/12	17.9	40.5	
15/12	21.9	42.5	
16/12	15.6	42.3	
17/12	17.0	40.4	
18/12	17.9		



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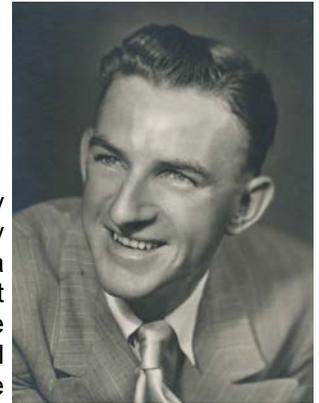


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Laurence William Oliver

7/11/1930 - 27/10/2013



Laurence was born on the 7th November 1930 at the Kukerin Nursing Post; he was the fourth son and the fifth of seven children born to Annie and William Oliver. William and Annie met during WWI, with Will being a stretcher bearer for the 28th Battalion while Annie was a member of Queen Mary's Army Auxiliary Corps, serving in France as a cook.

If we had to use three words to describe Laurence it would be honest, hardworking and funny. He grew up in an era where work was plentiful and money was scarce. Education was at the University of Tarin Rock and when this institution faced the threat of closure, Annie and Will had the teacher living with them in order to continue to keep the school open.

Dad loved the farm and would have actively worked in some capacity on the land for 70 plus years; from shepherding sheep and carting water as a child through to fencing and pulling up radish at 82 years of age. Although not modern in his farming practices, he was fully apprised (and a touch cynical) of current trends as he read the farming magazines cover to cover.

Another great love of Dad's was music and dancing, perhaps passed on from his Welsh mother; he was always whistling or singing. Slim Dusty and Johnny Cash were great favourites, as was Johnny Horton and Marty Robbins. When he pulled up in his ute and he didn't get out straight away you knew it was a good song and he wouldn't move until it had finished. He had a good singing voice and played the mouth organ.

Social entertainment of the era was the local dances, something that Dad actively participated in. He said that his mother got a local lady to teach him to dance, she was apparently a large lady and if you got your moves wrong then she would simply pick you up and put you where you were meant to be. Dad's first date with Mum was the St Patricks Ball in Kukerin; they continued to dance at every opportunity for many years, travelling far and wide in the district to follow the lure of good dance music with like-minded people.

Dad married Mum (Gwen Traves) in 1958; sharing the farmhouse with Annie while working toward building their own home – this was accomplished in 1961. Three children arrived; Garry, Malcolm and Suzanne. Dad was quite strict but if push came to shove you knew that you would always be offered a helping hand; you just had to have a good reason for needing that hand. There was no cotton wool but you were always included. I recall Dad taking us all up the paddock on his old Ariel motorbike; Garry and Malcolm on the pillion while Suzanne shared the petrol tank with the dog (on a cold day the dog was an asset). We spent hours sitting on the plough, unfortunately there were only two 'safe' places on the plough to sit – which the

boys both claimed as they could jump off and on as they pleased – while Dad had a wooden box bolted to the front for Suzanne to sit in. Over the years the box became a tool box and a very uncomfortable ride...but still fun.

One of the best things Dad ever built (he was always making something) was a hill trolley. Made with a door as a base it had sides (some safety), steering wheel that actually worked and pneumatic tyres. We had a nice steep hill near the house and would careen down the hill and hope that somebody had opened the gate down the bottom otherwise it would be up on two wheels as we would attempt to corner. As a passenger you always had the opportunity to bail. Dad (at his own peril) would tow us around the farm behind his motorbike with the boys trying to rub his back tyre with the front tyre of the cart.

Dad supplemented farm income with cocky shearing and in later years was operating a mobile Hannaford seed grader and treatment plant. The other business Dad got into and was a form of a hobby was making concrete pots, many are to be seen on verandahs in the Lake Grace district. Most have LWO marked on the bottom of pot, if they don't they're not necessarily fake, just one of his earlier models. Dad use to get us boys to shovel the sand through an old bed spring mattress to get the stones out I would not like to guess how many he sold but I know people who came a long way to buy six different sizes of pots and saucers. The larger pots were nearly 50mm thick on the walls Dad would get a chuckle at the prices today for big concrete pots. (King dollar strikes again).

The interest for Dad in concrete goes way back to when Dad and his brother Les made 35,000 bricks for the old farmhouse, double garage and power shed. These bricks were made one at a time as there was only one mould. The power shed housed the lighting plant and had a steel water tank on top. (Safety authorities would not like to know how they got the tank to the top of 6 metres of brick walls to sit on the roof)

As time moved on, Dad and Mum welcomed in-laws and grandchildren into the family. The 'no cotton wool' was still in place and as the grandchildren learned, if you fell off the back of the ute it could be a while before Grandad noticed you running behind. So it was eyes to the front (low hanging branches), hang on (he may swerve for a plovers nest) and enjoy the experience; which they all did.

Dad had a soft spot for animals. At lambing time Mum as the resident obstetrician would go around the sheep

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Christmas Tree Exhibit

Well the festive spirit is well and truly alive in Lake Grace with a great display of Christmas light and also lots of fun and inventive Christmas Trees.

Last year it was Christmas baubles but this year the Lake Grace Artists Group have been channelling everyone's artistic side of the brain with a Christmas tree competition; make it out of anything, the sky was the limit.

Tyres, beer cans, corrugate iron, coffee pods, street signs, chairs, sticks and egg cartons are just some of the mediums that have been put to use. There are a dozen trees on display at the Art Space and more around town; including the colourful knitted 'socks' that have been put on the tree outside the Visitors Centre.

This has been a wonderful initiative of the Artist's Group (the competition is still open) and a great addition to our town. Judging will be this Sunday (22nd December), if you wish to enter please let the Artists Group know so they can come to inspect.

For those who have entered this year, don't discard your entries once Christmas is over. Hang onto them to display them again next year. The competition will run again in 2014 with the Artists Group hoping to have more entries for outdoor sculptures

Below: Two of the Christmas Trees on display.



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Maureen Joan Fisher (nee Eggers)

1945 - 2013



Maureen was born at Lake Grace on 24th December 1945. She was the daughter of Owen and Mavis Eggers of Lake Grace. She had two older sisters Yvonne and Faye and a younger brother Carl, who is here today. They all grew up on the family farm at Kuender and went to the Lake Grace school.

After leaving school Maureen worked in Lake Grace at the newsagents, in the office of the Co-op garage and then in the office at the Lake Grace hospital. She lived at home with her family and travelled into town each day. Faye also worked at the co-op so they travelled together picking up their cousins Lorraine and Carol on the way.

At this time being a debutante was the thing to do. We were all debs in Lake Grace within just a few years. Three lovely photos of Yvonne, Faye and Maureen (amongst many other photos) take pride of place in the lounge room today.

They were great days, all car pooling, going to dances, tennis and watching the guys play football (especially those Fisher boys). Maureen was only interested in one - that being Noel. And so started their courtship and their lifetime of love. They were married 9th October 1965 at Lake Grace in the Anglican church. For a time they worked and lived on the farm with Owen and Mavis and then later moved into town to live, as Noel then worked for CBH.

They had six children; Greg, Stephen, twins Andrew and Dean, Susan and Lee. There were quite a few when they were all together, sharing many birthday parties and Christmas.

Maureen and Noel left Lake Grace in the early 1980's and they moved to Hopetoun and then Ravensthorpe, where they were farming for a time until they moved into town running a crutching cradle business. Maureen was always a hard worker and it was especially so at this time working with Noel and the boys while bringing up 6 kids. No easy task. She always joined in the district activities and made many great friends in Ravensthorpe.

Maureen was a great sportsperson. In her school days she was very good at running and won many trophies. Later it was tennis and golf. She and Noel played tennis at Pingaring. Maureen's busy life began; cooking, cleaning, washing for them all while taking the kids to school events, swimming and sport. She adored her kids and they were always her first priority. They were happy days, so many of the family close by, all the cousins growing.

For many years, playing social and pennants tennis, being one of the clubs top players. Golf was played in Lake Grace and Ravensthorpe, enjoying a good social day, travelling to open days and mixed days and also playing in championships, some of which she won. So dedicated was she to the game that when she was about 8 months pregnant she played in the championships and the game went on to the 30th hole.

Maureen always said the fame of golf she most enjoyed playing was mixed days with Noel (even though he told her what to do all day). Maureen was also a very good cook, winning prizes for sponges and scones. She was extra good with the rolling pin.

At Pingaring sports day the men all had their go at throwing the rolling pin and when the ladies turn came Maureen scattered the crowd and won the day.

They eventually left Ravensthorpe and went to Sandstone working with the boys on the mines until they moved once more and came down south. For a while they lived on Greg's block at Yarloop until Andrew bought a house in Mandurah where they were finally to settle and retire. Unfortunately Noel became ill and Maureen lovingly nursed him, until sadly she lost her soul mate. Noel passed away on the 11th September 2005.

Maureen was so strong as by then she was not well herself, but she went on doing everything she wanted to achieve. She looked forward to Andrew coming home on his break and the family coming from time to time. Susan was living close by in Mandurah then and her granddaughter Hayley spent a lot of time with her which she loved. She would often hop in her little car and go off down to Boyanup to see Greg, Carol, Ky, Cobi, Raine and Tarn, or else jump on a plane over to see Stephen, Lynda, Riannon and Matthew in Queensland. She loved that little car, even driving on her own all the way up to Newman to Lee and On to Broome to Dean and Elissa. They would all then go camping and fishing.

It is only just 12 months since Les and I and Moya were lucky enough to have her come on our trip to Europe with us. She thoroughly enjoyed it and it was just another wish that she fulfilled. Then just a few months ago she visited Carl in Victoria and saw snow.

Some of the things we remember about Maureen...she was amazing, loving, strong, determined and had a wicked sense of humour with some classic sayings (some I'd better not repeat). She wrote everything down, every day she wrote in her diary, she also keep a little book with every family birthday, death, wedding which was great for the family. If we wanted to know anything, ask Maureen. Most of us have a rug that she has crocheted. And she loved her music, the wireless and cd's were always going.

In conclusion I would like to thank Maureen's family for the honour of giving her eulogy. We were sister-in-laws but most especially were best mates. I loved her dearly and will miss her very much. Going to Mandurah won't ever be the same.

So Maureen as you always said when you said goodbye....LOVE YOU.

Joan Fisher

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Lake Grace Meat Supply

The Lake Grace Butcher supplies many surrounding retail outlets and sporting clubs. It is located in the Lake Way Shopping Centre and is an ideal family operated business which produces good returns with room to grow. Has a long lease with two options to extend. To be sold as a going concern. This is a husband and wife operated business with two full time employees which is open 5 and a half days a week.

Price: \$170,000.00

Web ID: 5141374



71 Bennett St

3 bedroom with semi ensuite bathroom and toilet, office, lounge/family room with tile fire, kitchen/dining, sun room, external laundry incorporating shower and 2nd toilet, covered patio area and having 2 large powered concrete sheds and a granny flat. House also has insulation and air-conditioning. There are extensive established gardens. Inside, the house comes equipped with optional furniture to enable new owners the option to move straight in if required. The owners are genuine sellers due to relocation and this home represents great value.

Price: \$285,000.00 + GST if applicable

Web ID: 5900493



62 Bennett Street

3 bedroom fibro and tile residence on 1060sqm block having street access and rear lane access. There are 3 good sized bedrooms with a smaller room which could be used as an office. The modern kitchen complements the dining / lounge room area. There are 3 air conditioners through the house plus ceiling fans and a tile fire for heating. There is a full length enclosed patio with designated brick BBQ area as well as a 2 car carport and lockable shed. The well maintained established gardens add to the appeal of the property. This is definitely a family friendly home.

Price: \$195,000.00

Web ID: TBA

Please call Ron Dewson at Elders Lake Grace if you have any queries. M: 0428 651 213, P: 9865 1001

LGDHS Road Safety Forum

On the 5th of December Lake Grace District High School had a Road Safety Day on the school oval. There were police cars, policemen, an ambulance, ambulance officers, fire trucks and fire fighters.

First, every student went up to get a hot dog. The student council and Mr Dines made them and they were delicious. After you had had your hot dog, you got to go and have an orange and some grapes.

After the food every teacher took their class to go and look at the police car, ambulance or fire truck. People got to go on the stretcher at the ambulance and take a look inside. The fire fighters showed us how to cut up pieces of a car if you're stuck in one. Then the police showed us where the naughty people go if they're going to jail and the siren.

Next the police called us in so we could learn about why we wear a helmet and that you should check your bicycle often.

Soon Izzy the lizard – our SDERA motto- came out and lots of kids were showing her what we need to do if we're about to cross the road.

The school then had an assembly about road safety which classes had been practising. Mr Farrelly also got up and talked about his job as an ambulance officer.

The day was exciting and on each kid's face was a big smile!

By Emilee Eaton



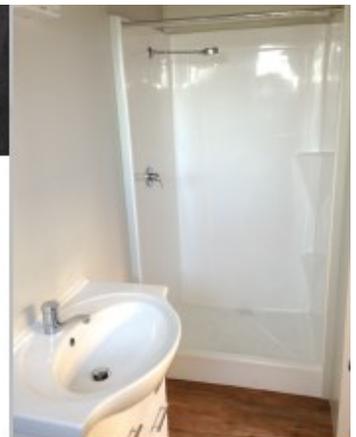
Above: Students with Izzy the Lizard
 Left: Emilee Eaton behind the wheel.
 Below: Local policemen Steve Parker and Mike Martin talk bike safety.
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Late Night Shopping

Late Night Shopping is done and dusted for another year with some local business staying open later while a range of cottage industries set up stalls in the Shire Hall. The hot weather was a blight on the evening, making it a little difficult to get enthusiastic about shopping up a storm!

However many commented that they had excellent sales and were more than happy with the support of the local community. The evening is aimed at being a little bit of fun, with as little stress as possible and an opportunity for community members to get together.

The big hit of the evening was the Filipino food, with the queue snaking toward the front door. Nearly \$2,000 was raised on the night for the victims of typhoon "Haiyan" through the sale of the Filipino food. The Catholic Ladies are happy to report that these funds, coupled with their rice appeal have brought in over \$8,000 for the cause. What a fantastic response from our town for people who have suffered through a dreadful force of nature.

Santa caught a lift on the fire engine to pay a quick visit to town, throwing some lollies out for the kids to catch and enjoy. Living Communities had received sponsorship from One Life for a bouncy castle so had

that available on the night to keep the kids entertained. Thank you to Glenda Miners for her assistance in making that happen. Thank you also to Mark and Karen Seaman from CCL Hardware who donated an extension cord to be used with the bouncy castle.



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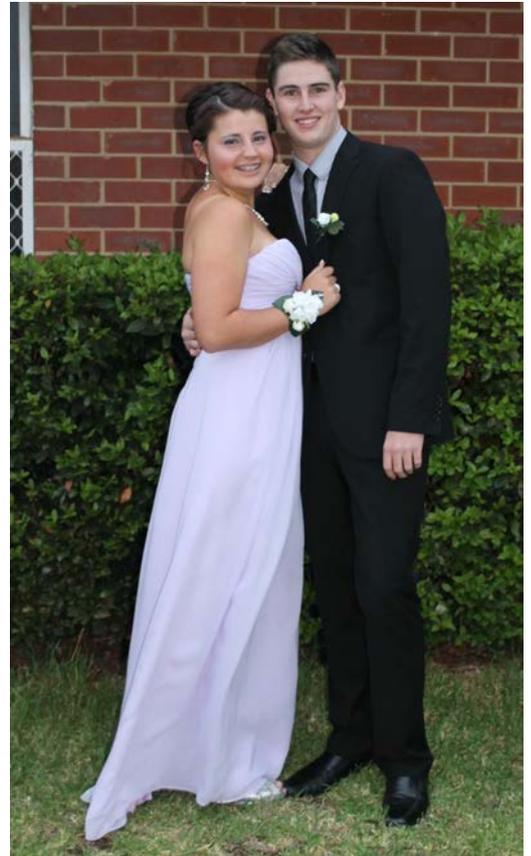
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Graduation & Ball Events



Graduating year 10 at LGDHS are Phoebe Robertson, Jaidyn Huit, Eliza Berdin and Reece Lay. The Year 10's had their Graduation Dinner on Thursday 12th December at the Lake Grace Village Hall.



Gracie Kirk and her partner Jarrod Martin at Narrogin SHS Ball, which was held at the Narrogin Rec Centre in March 2013.



Chloe Thornton and her partner Nathan Smith at the St Joseph's College (Albany) Ball held at the Albany Entertainment Centre on the 9th March 2013.



Michael Hardy with his partner Melanie Naisbitt at his Narrogin SHS Ball held at the Narrogin Recreation Centre in March 2013.



Right: Fergus Downey and his partner Lucia Zang at the Perth Modern School Ball which was held at Frasers in Kings Park in March 2013



Left: Shannon Smith, Melanie Naisbitt, Michael Hardy and Gracie Kirk; Narrogin SHS Ball.

CCDO Cambodia

It's Christmas once again, and the children at CCDO Family Homes just love dancing and singing for audiences at this time of the year. They enjoy dressing in their traditional costumes, and interpreting the message of Christmas in a Cambodian style.

This month, our school was officially recognised by the Government of Cambodia, and the children are always hungry to learn- both formal and informal education. They really value the opportunity given to them. We have taken in a number of new orphans to live at our Family Homes, and around 3,000 meals each month are provided by CCDO. A nutritious meal costs around 50 cents, so you can see that even a small donation makes a big difference in the life of a needy child.

We are so grateful to the Lake Grace hospital. Thanks for donating medical supplies for our ill equipped hospital in Cambodia. Thanks too, to the individuals who have donated towards the daily costs for our big family, and to the Lake Grace school library for all the amazing books.

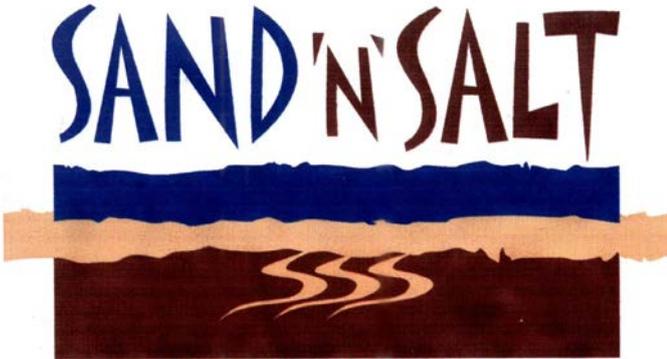
Early in January a team of 15 youth will be travelling to visit the CCDO Family Homes and they will also be painting the Emergency Department of the local hospital. Team trips continue to provide a valuable education for people of all ages. We travel to Cambodia

every two months, and if you are interested in joining us on one of our adventures, please contact Ian at the Lake Grace Hospital.

From all the team at CCDO Cambodia, and Bridge Builders Overseas Aid Fund here in Australia, we wish you a happy Christmas and a very prosperous New Year.

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Below: CCDO children dancing at a Christmas function

FASHION FOR THE SALT OF THE EARTH



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Bumper Harvest Set to Break Records

Receival tonnages are from Monday 16th December.

Records have been falling on a regular basis for CBH as harvest storms home in its final stretch. The Albany Zone has surpassed all records of receivals with 3.2 million tonnes delivered to their sites. State-wide, CBH has received 14.5m tonne with expectations that the state record of 15.06 tonne will be surpassed by the end of the week.

Lake Grace area, which includes 14 sites and stretches from Hyden in the north, Newdegate in the East, Pingrup in the South and Moulyinning in the west has also pencilled in some new records with 986,000 tonne received. The million tonne mark is expected to be reached by the end of the week.

Multiple sites in the area have broken receival records; Hyden, Newdegate and Lake Grace have broken their daily and yearly receivals while Kuringup has broken its daily receival record. Lake Grace bin has received 176,000 tonne while Newdegate has received 259,400 tonne.

Grain quality has been good, with some protein issues earlier in the harvest. However tonnage received and

above average pricing has made up for this. "It has been relentless for daily receivals", said Mark Pinney, Assistant Zone Manager for Albany, "the weather has been beneficial for a speedy harvest and everything has run smoothly with grain delivered in an incredibly short period of time", he added. Mr Pinney acknowledged the patience of growers and their support with onsite safety.

Suzanne Reeves

Wishing the Lake Grace Community Peace, Joy and Happiness at Christmas and throughout the New Year.

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Wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Thank you for your support over the year and have a great holiday.

Hours for Christmas and New Year

XMAS DAY - CLOSED - NO PAPER



Lost Lake Grace

Following on from a suggestion from an ex Lake Grace resident who has a passion for history, Lake Grace Community Resource Centre has set up a 'Lost Lake Grace' facebook page.

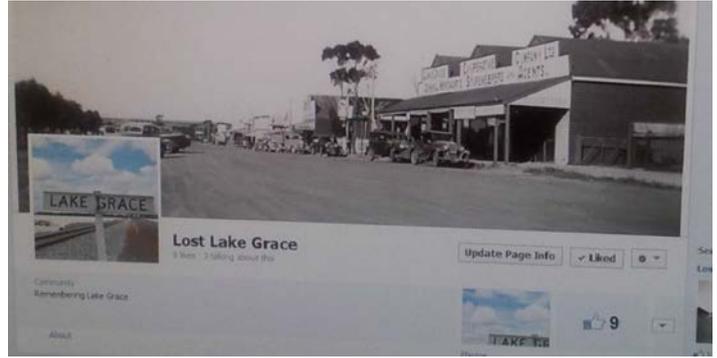
For those who haven't heard of 'Lost' pages, they have taken the world by storm. Lost Perth has featured on TV a number of times for the great memories it has revived of our capital city.

The page will be administered by the CRC and we hope to have weekly notifications put up...however we need your help. If you have a great photo that typifies Lake Grace, or perhaps an old docket, receipt school report that you would like to share then please bring it in. If you like you can also email your suggestions to lakegrace@crc.net.au

Anyone will be able to 'like' the page and make comments on posts but only the administrators will be able to post documents or photographs to the page.

The CRC plans to start putting posts up in the New Year but had secured the page in advance, strangely enough the page has already received 9 'likes' even though there's nothing on it but the cover and profile pictures and we have done nothing as yet to promote it. But watch out, we have plans!

Suzanne Reeves



Missing

The two Christmas flags at Lake Grace Visitor's Centre (pictured at left) went missing during the day on Sunday 15th December.

If anyone has seen them floating around town could you please return them to the Centre. Thank you.





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Pictured at left: Vange, John, Greg and Kendrick Amores are flanked by (l) Andrew Walker (Lake Grace Shire President) and (r) Shane Carruthers who was a major part of the process when the Amores Family came to Lake Grace.

Congratulations to
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Min of 10 farm businesses. Maximum of 20 participants.

Registration is accepted on receipt of payment by EFT.

Registrations close and payment is due one week prior to the workshop date. Price includes the workshop manual and all catering.

This workshop has received very positive feedback from all participants, no matter their prior level of office skills:

"It's always nice to get information that can make a difference to your business immediately."

"Brilliantly presented!"

"Thank you for organising a fantastic course. I learnt a lot of time saving tips and yesterday started to rearrange and sort our office!"

"It was an absolutely brilliant course and I got so much out of it."

"The workshop itself was excellent & I would thoroughly recommend it to others. We picked up so much valuable information and are excited to put this into practice, when we get a spare minute!"

"The workshop was fantastic. Excellent hints and tips that once initiated will improve my time management and overall efficiency immensely."

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Votes Needed to Help Lake Grace Project Secure Water Grant

The simple act of taking a minute to vote online may help the Lake Grace Golf Club to stay in the running for a cash grant to improve its facilities. The club wants to connect its club house to the water main so that they will always have a clean and reliable water supply. Members would also like to be able to beautify the enclosed play area with some waterwise shrubbery that will make the area more inviting for the children.

The club has applied for assistance to the Philmac Project, a national initiative providing cash grants of up to \$5000 for water-related projects that benefit regional Australian communities, particularly schools and sports associations. Importantly, applicants need the support of individual votes via Facebook before applications and voting close on December 20.

Only submissions that attract the most votes on the Philmac Project Facebook page will make it onto a short list for final judging by a special panel that includes Irrigation Australia chief executive Duane Findley and AgChatOz co-founder Sam Livingstone. The Philmac Project is an initiative of leading Australian manufacturer Philmac, which has been designing, manufacturing and distributing fittings and valves for polyethylene pipes for more than 80 years.

It was set up by the company last year to give something back to regional Australian communities who have stood by the business, enabling Philmac to keep its manufacturing operation in Australia. "We know it can be difficult for community groups to source funding even for small projects these days, and sometimes all they need is a little bit of cash to get them started," says Philmac General Manager, Group Marketing, Jason Mitchell.

"So we set up the Philmac Project to say thank you, and as an expression of our ongoing commitment to rural Australia and keeping communities connected. "We are extremely pleased with the number of applications so far, and the quality and diversity of the projects being proposed. I think our judges are in for quite a challenge," Mr Mitchell says.

To qualify for the initiative a project must be water related, such as upgrading or installing watering or irrigation systems, plumbing installations or water capture facilities. The project must be located in a regional area, and the work has to be completed within 12 months of the start date.

"The panel's focus will be making sure the money goes to a project that will make a genuine difference to the local community, and has the potential to reduce water use, improve water quality or benefit the environment in some way," Mr Mitchell says.

To vote go to www.facebook.com/PhilmacAustralia and click on the 'Enter now' button, on the top right of the screen, which leads to summaries of all the entries. Use the search tool to find individual entries. Voting can also be done via a mobile device. Voting closes at midnight on Friday, December 20.

Lake Grace Community Christmas Tree

Lake Grace oval/shed
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Is Your Club Healthy?

Lake Grace Community Resource Centre has formed a partnership with the Department of Sport and Recreation in a bid to assist local sporting and recreation clubs within Lake Grace strengthen their future.

Do you have problems with governance? Are you struggling to get committee members? Are your members knowledgeable about their club? What are your Club's expectations of members?

To better assist clubs the CRC would like an Office Bearer from each club to conduct an Australian Sports Commission (ASC) Club Health Checklist; this can be found on the DSR's website. <http://www.clubsonline.dsr.wa.gov.au/club-health-checklist>
The ASC Club Health Checklist has been formed as a tool to assist State Sporting Organisations and their clubs with their overall management, governance and planning both at a strategic and an operational level.

To this end, the questions within the ASC Club Health Checklist focus on the key areas that drive clubs; how clubs set – and reach – targets considered important to running a successful club. The report provided at the completion of the survey gives clubs a clear picture of whether their operations and activities are on target to achieve their goals.

The report is broken down into three sections;

- Action plan – Six priority areas, as determined from the answers provided in the checklist, are identified in an action plan along with resources to assist in improving these areas.
- Summary report – The summary report provides data on how clubs have scored in the areas identified as important to their future success.
- Summary of priority responses – The summary of priority responses provides a copy of all the questions answered, along with the responses and subsequent priority level. This information can give further background to committee discussions and future actions.

Information from the questionnaire will be fed back to DSR, from that they will be able to formulate the needs for Lake Grace's sporting and recreational clubs. If you are unsure of what to do please drop into the CRC and we will help you fill in the questionnaire.

The DSR will be hosting a motivational speaker, Caroline Robinson, who has a broad range of experience with community and sporting groups, at the CRC on Monday 24th March.



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Land Clearing Changes to Reduce Red Tape

Liberal Member for the Agricultural Region the Hon Jim Chown MLC has welcomed the Barnett Government’s decision to cut red tape for farmers and land managers by today introducing changes to native vegetation clearing rules.

The native vegetation clearing changes will reduce the administrative burden for farmers and land managers by making changes in two key areas.

The first is an increase in total clearing allowed per financial year from one hectare to five hectares under what is known as limited clearing exemptions.

The other key amendment will allow farm land that has not been used for agriculture for up to 20 years to be brought back into production without the need for a clearing permit, an increase from the current 10-year timeframe.

“Farmers have been calling out for reform to land clearing regulations for a long time and I am proud to be part of a Government that recognises contemporary farming practices and is striving to reduce the regulatory burden on farmers and land managers.” Mr Chown said.

Environment Minister Albert Jacob said yesterday that he was confident the amendments would deliver improvements to the regulation of clearing without causing any significant risk to the environment.

The amendments follow several reviews of the clearing provisions in the Environmental Protection Act 1986 and continue the Liberal Government’s commitment to approvals reform.

The Government is considering further amendments to the Act to streamline approvals and improve regulatory effectiveness and is also committed to the drafting of a new biodiversity conservation act to replace the Wildlife Conservation Act 1950.

“These changes will allow farmers to get on with what they do best, managing the land they farm, without the risk of being caught unawares by out-dated and burdensome regulations dictating how and when they can manage that land.” Mr Chown said.

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Recommitment to Wheatbelt Health MOU

On Tuesday 3 December more than forty Councils across the Wheatbelt recommitted to the Wheatbelt Health Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) following a review of the MOU. A significant outcome of this review is RDA Wheatbelt accepting an invitation to become a signatory to the MOU.

The signing of the MOU was also the first meeting for the Group's new Chair, Mr John Scott. John is also Managing Director, C.Y. O'Connor Institute.

To celebrate this occasion all parties to the Health MOU including the WA Country Health Service, Wheatbelt GP Network, Wheatbelt Development Commission, RDA Wheatbelt, Avon Midland Country Zone, Central Country Zone and Great Eastern Country Zone, attended a formal signing ceremony in Northam on the 3 December.

The Wheatbelt Health MOU first signed in December 2006 built on an Agreement between the WA Country Health Service (WACHS) Wheatbelt Region and the Wheatbelt Development Commission (WDC) made in August 2005.

The purpose of the Wheatbelt Health MOU is to establish formal lines of communications and consultation between the participating organisations,

both at a regional level and for individual organisations. It works to ensure the changing health needs of residents across the Wheatbelt are recognised and suggests pathways to meet those needs.

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Laurence William Oliver *(cont.)*

but then Dad would report at afternoon tea about the one lamb that would be off on its own...not sure if it will survive the night...then we would have another pet lamb. All the pets kept their tails, that way they didn't go to market. A pet was a pet and deserved loyalty. At one point the flock of pets were 50 plus and the shearers weren't fans. Joining the pets would be the sheep that were a bit runty because they didn't have a good start or those with a wonky leg and so on. When Dad died he left behind three very fat and quite indulged sheep; all with a different story. One had been living at the back of the police station with the task of keeping the grass down; unfortunately the policeman didn't have his head around looking after it and Dad would be bringing in food to feed it on a regular basis. Eventually he asked if he could have it, probably the first person to confiscate something from the Lake Grace Police.

However sheep were a big part of our diet. With no freezers and a family to feed, every Sunday a sheep would make the ultimate sacrifice. With 240 volt power coming through in 1978, the purchase of a freezer and children moving out this task became more sporadic. In later years Dad and Craig would put in a joint effort, usually killing two or three sheep; while Craig was eyeballing the tender young hogget Dad would be

shepherding the stag into the pen!

Some saw the Tarin Rock Nature Reserve as an ideal spot to dump their unwanted cats, these cats would gravitate toward the shed and once Dad had made friends with them they would be trotted off to the vet to put their breeding days to an end. One such pair was 'This' and 'That', a rather posh pair of cats that seemed to be a little well-bred to be shed cats. In return for a can of Pal (tax deductible) the cats were expected to keep the mice down and leave the local fauna alone.

Dad had a lifelong love of nature, appreciating the beauty of the native bushland and the importance of preserving it for the variety of animals and birdlife that lived there. He regularly checked the bush out and declared 2013 as being the best wildflower display he had ever seen. Dad took seriously his duty as a farmer to look after the land and lamented that the mighty dollar had become King.

The Masonic Lodge was a big part of Dad's life, he joined on the 20th June 1959 and was an active member until the Lake Grace Lodge amalgamated with Kulin in 1993. He retained his membership and in 2009 was granted honorary membership status.

Dad had an impressive memory for jokes, never forgetting them or messing up the punch line. He could see the funny in any situation, could laugh at himself (and you) and his stories would have us in stitches; he saw no point in telling a boring story. His quick, dry wit would catch us all out at different times and nobody was safe from it. In our teenage years Dad thought nothing of behaving really badly just to embarrass us and would take great pleasure in pulling our legs.

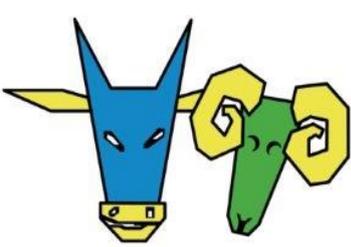
Although a lover of nature, Dad also enjoyed shooting, we kids thought it was a fantastic night of fun to be hurtling around the farm in the Holden Station wagon; Mum spotlighting, Dad shooting and we kids hopping out to pick up the kill. Dad would be complaining about Mum not holding the spotlight steady and Mum would be complaining about Dad shooting a doe and us ending up with a pet kangaroo. We kids wouldn't be complaining at all. One of the first times Craig visited Dad decided some shooting was in order; he'd drive I would spotlight and Craig would shoot. It wasn't long before we had a bunny in our sights, I'm not sure if Craig was looking through his bad eye or nerves were kicking in but that bunny was in no danger as he peppered the ground with his shots. Dad was muttering in the driver's seat about the cost of bullets while the bunny steadily made his way toward the light. Eventually Dad opened his door, reached out and grabbed the bunny and ended the rabbits and Craig's misery. Thankfully the shooting improved dramatically after that but I reckon Dad would have been laughing about that for days.

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Some of his stories about the ability of others with a gun were good too, Garry recalls one story he told was about Laurie Theil and when they were involved with the Lake Grace Rifle Club. In those days they mainly used 303 rifle's, on this particular day they were shooting from a thousand yards which ironically is so close to the Newdegate Road that you would get your heels run over by passing traffic. Dad said Laurie hit the target 7 times and he hit it once and if it had been me I would have probably hit Pingaring.

Another thing Dad used to do to keep us in the lifestyle we were accustomed to, was tan the hides of the kangaroos he killed; a big skin in the late sixties was worth a massive \$5. He told another funny story how one night he was shooting using a 303 off the back of his Ariel motorbike you could imagine how loud this would have been on a cold night, a couple of days later Jim Stedman who farmed off the old Lake Grace road (and a good 2 miles from where he was shooting) asked him if it was Dad sending the roo's his way the other night, because Mavis (Jim's wife) was concerned about how close the sound was. He was telling Dad how Mavis stuck her head under the pillow Jim said he had to inform her that he did not think the 303 bullet would have been stopped by the goose feathers in her pillow (Oh how Dry they were).

Lake Grace Pavilion Grain Drive

The Lake Grace Pavilion Upgrade is in full swing, the sand pad will be finished by the end of November with the concrete pad to be laid very early in December.

We need approximately \$50,000 to fit-out the new kitchen and servery, although we do have some funds available from grants and other community funds we are still a little short (better to be safe than sorry). All funds from the grain drive will be used for the new kitchen and servery fit-out.

Funds from the grain drive will be placed in the Rec Council Trust account.

Please consider nominating a contribution to:
Receiver: 'Lake Grace Recreation Improvement Trust' Grower number
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Any enquiries, contact John O'Neill.
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Thankyou you in advance.
The Pavilion Upgrade Committee



Recycling had always been a part of Dad's life, everything could be handy at some point and very little got thrown out. Just another part of his frugal attitude; even if you had money he saw no point in wasting it.

In 2004 he began partially leasing his land for cropping, a few years later he sold off the last of his sheep (except for the pets). 2007 was his swansong for cropping, putting in a few hundred acres of oats; some of it cut for hay, the remainder used for feed. That oat crop was so good he calculated if he'd put it all to hay there would have been more than 10,000 small bales. As he had a tendency to drive the truck in third gear while picking up the bales, everyone was quite happy that the bulk went to grain!

Dad and Mum already had a house in town and made the gradual transition; Dad continued to travel to the farm on a daily basis, his main tasks being fencing and keeping weeds to a minimum.

Dad suffered a major heart attack and passed away on Sunday 27th October, 11 days short of his 83rd birthday; we are grateful that he was still driving, still farming and still singing. He had recently visited his one surviving sibling Grace Bland on the Gold Coast.

Laurence is survived by his wife of 55½ years Gwen; children Garry, Malcolm and Suzanne; their spouses Debbie, Janette and Craig and his eight grandchildren Alex, Aaron, Rebecca, Liam, Liana, Julia, Damon and Isaac.

Farewell to a wonderful husband, father and grandfather.

Laurence conducting a crop inspection earlier this year



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December pest watch – Ants

Ants are annoying pests that are particularly active in summer. They don't eat plants but they can create problems in pots, encourage other pests like scale, and certainly spoil outdoor entertaining. Ants love the hot weather and are even happier when it's dry. Dust Yates Ant & Roach Dust along their tracks or treat nests with a Baythroid solution. Yates Nature's Way Pyrethrum can also be sprayed directly onto ants. The Pyrethrum Gun is a quick and easy way to take care of these nuisances as soon as they appear.

December job file

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Many thanks to all my clients for your ongoing
support throughout 2013 and I look forward to
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Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

Bits and Pieces

As one has the inevitable happen to oneself, i.e. growing older it's good to reflect on things that people have told you over the preceding years. That has helped you somehow in your journey through life. Especially things your Dad has related to you and which you always remember. The following are some of these valuable things I will always remember my Dad telling me.

- The harder you work the luckier you get.
- The secret is to become wiser before you get old.
- Regardless of what company you work for never forget the most important product you're selling is yourself.
- If you don't stand for something, you will fall for anything.
- Praise in public, criticize in private.
- Excellence is never an accident.
- If your life is free of failures you are not taking enough risk.
- Don't judge those who try and fail. Judge those who fail to try.

And something I passed onto my sons many years ago, and it has always been in the forefront of things they remember I taught them. It is something I read many years ago. It was written by Dale Wimbrow in 1934

The Guy In the Glass

When you get what you want in your struggle for pelf,
And the world makes you King for a day,
Then go to the mirror and look at yourself,
And see what that guy has to say.

For it isn't your Father, or Mother, or Wife,
Who judgement upon you must pass.
The feller whose verdict counts most in your life
Is the guy staring back from the glass.

He's the feller to please, never mind all the rest,
For he's with you clear up to the end,
And you've passed your most dangerous, difficult test
If the guy in the glass is your friend.

You may be like Jack Horner and "chisel" a plum,
And think you're a wonderful guy,
But the man in the glass says you're only a bum
If you can't look him straight in the eye.

You can fool the whole world down the pathway of years,
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Three Senior Pals

Three seniors are out for a stroll. One of them remarks, "It's windy." Another replies, "No way. It's Thursday." The last one says, "Me too. Let's have a drink."

The Old Days

A grandpa was telling his young grandson what life was like when he was a boy. "In the winter we'd ice skate on our pond. In the summer we could swim in the pond, and pick berries in the woods. We'd swing on an old tyre my dad hung from a tree on a rope. And we had a pony we rode all over the farm." The little boy was amazed, and sat silently for a minute. Finally he said, "Granddad, I wish I'd gotten to know you a lot sooner!"

Hearing Better Now

An elderly man was having hearing problems and went to see a specialist. The doctor fitted him with some hearing aids that brought his hearing back to full strength. After a few weeks the man came back to make sure the new equipment was working properly, which it was. The hearing specialist said, "It all seems perfect. Your family should be delighted you can hear everything now." "Oh no," the man responded, "I haven't told any of them. I just sit quietly, listening carefully. I've changed my will four times."

Hospital Regulations

Hospital rules state that patients checking out must have a wheelchair. One day a newly graduated nurse assistant came into the room to find an elderly man fully dressed, sitting on the bedside chair, with a piece of packed luggage at his side, all ready to go. When he was shown the wheelchair, he was adamant that he was fully capable of walking himself to the parking lot. But the assistant told him rules were rules, so he relented and let her wheel him out. In the elevator, the assistant asked the elderly man if his wife was coming to meet him. "I don't think so," he replied. "It takes her awhile to change her clothes, so she's probably still upstairs in the bathroom taking off her hospital gown and getting dressed."

Write It Down

A couple in their nineties are both having some short term memory loss. While in for a check-up, the physician says that physically they're okay, but since they're having trouble remembering things, they might want to start writing things down. Later that evening they're sitting and reading, when the husband gets up. "Would you like anything from the kitchen?" he asks. "Some vanilla ice-cream," his wife replies. "Okay." "Shouldn't you write it down so you don't forget it?" she asks. "Don't worry, I won't forget." "well," she says. "A few raspberries on top would be great. You want to write that down?" "I've got it honey. A bowl of vanilla ice-cream with raspberries on top." "And chocolate sauce, too. Maybe you'll forget that. Want me to write it down for you?" A little miffed, he replies "I've got it! Ice-cream, raspberries and chocolate sauce. I don't need it written down, for gosh sakes!" He

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Bits and Pieces Continued.....

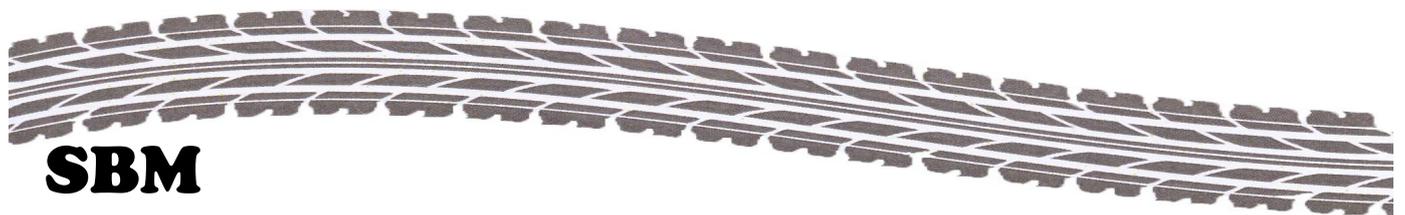
waddles out to the kitchen. A half hour later, he comes back with a plate of ham and scrambled eggs, and gives it to his wife. She looks at the plate a few seconds, then says, "You forgot my toast."

The Game

On an overseas flight, a lawyer and an older man were in adjoining seats. The lawyer asked the senior if he'd like to play a little game. The older man was tired, and he told the lawyer he only wanted to sleep. But the lawyer insisted the game was a lot of fun. "Here's how it works," he said. "I'll ask you a question. If you can't come up with the answer, you have to give me a dollar. Then it's your turn to ask me one. But if I can't answer it, I have to give you \$20." The senior figured if he just got this over with, maybe he could get some sleep. So he agreed to play. The first question from the lawyer was "How far apart are the Earth and the Moon?" The senior stayed completely silent, reached for a dollar, and gave it to the lawyer. The he said, "My turn. What walks upstairs backward and comes downstairs forwards?" The lawyer was stumped. He thought and thought. He tried to remember all the riddles he knew. He searched every corner of his brain. He even cheated and asked the flight attendants and other passengers. Finally he gave up. He woke up the older man and gave him a twenty.

The senior stuffed the twenty in his coat and went immediately back to sleep. The lawyer couldn't stand it. He woke up the older man and said, "I have to know. What walks upstairs backward and comes downstairs forward?" The senior got out his wallet, gave the lawyer a dollar, and went back to sleep.

And that only leaves me to wish you all a very Merry Xmas and a Prosperous New Year.



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Funny Farm Yarns – Harvest

Kiwi truckie made to feel like yokel

Long days harvesting workers look forward to meal times. The sight of the cook bumping into the paddock in the family car. Back seat piled high with eskies, thermos's for afternoon smoko and icy cold water or cordial brings a grateful smile to hungry operators most of whom rose with the sun to service machines and are hungry enough to eat a horse and chase the rider!

This harvest involved packing our own food for the day and taking it with us. To digress I remember a discussion involving a Kukerin farmer and the concept of taking an esky with you. He said he had tried unsuccessfully as the temptation to open the lid and sample the contents was too strong. Before he even got to the paddock everything in the lunch box had been wolfed resulting in an SOS sent back to the house around 11 o'clock for emergency supplies.

With no-one to run such an errand our team had to discipline themselves. Having prepared the food yourself you could never look at the lunchbox with a sense of anticipation of the culinary delight that awaited you. The surprise could only have come if inside had been different to what you put in there through bleary eyes several hours before.

The chaserbin and truck drivers, Swedish and Kiwi respectively shared accommodation, their fridge kept stocked by a rotation of shift workers and anyone with a day off. A particular favourite for these boys was hard boiled eggs. Prepared and delivered to the fridge unshelled daily.

My dad learned of the boiled egg fetish and being something of a prankster acquired a fresh ostrich egg from a now defunct ostrich farm near their place. "I'll take the boys their eggs" he told mum as he put the ostrich egg and no doubt many other species of bird's eggs into a container. My folks have everything from geese and ducks to pheasant and pigeons.

So with a wry smile dad delivered the eggs. A few days later over a few beers the chaserdriver told of how he took an egg from his lunchbox and as he had done every day tapped the egg on the gear stick. Only to see the raw yolk slide down the gear stick to the floor. At what sounded like a similar point in time the truck driver heading to the bin cracked his egg on the steering wheel and ended up with his yolk and slimy white sliding uncomfortably between his legs...great result dad.

"What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

I was telling chaser driver Chris, recently arrived from Sweden, about a competition I had heard on the ABC radio. The ABC wanted people to send in photos of old machines still being used at harvest. Some farmers were using machinery older than themselves" I tell Chris. "most of these machines are older than me" said Chris, who must be all of 25. Thinking only of the Fordsons I say a little unsurely "yeah, there's probably some here older than me". He looked at me for a moment then shaking his head slightly from left to right said slowly "yeah, there maybe..."

Murphy comes to Pingaring

Late one night a slightly built, curly haired Pingaring trucking contractor, who shall remain nameless, rang his client to let him know that he would be a little late the following morning.

While taking the last load in to Lake Grace he'd had a puncture and as it was fast approaching bin closing time there was no time to stop resulting in a wrecked tyre and damaged mud guard. As if that wasn't enough on the way home from the bin somehow the roll tarp became detached slightly gouging into the bitumen resulting in losing part of the handle. Spending most of the night in the workshop rather than his bed meant the header was not held up.

Jane Bushby



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Answers to last 5/12/2013 Sudoku

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This week's Boggle



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Lake Grace School – The Beginning

PREFACE

This document has been compiled after finding a file of letters, notes and memos at the State Records Office, relevant to the establishment of the Lake Grace School. Some readers may find it boring and overly detailed, however, as the file gives factual accounts of the events as they happened, the opportunity has been taken to document as much of the information as is reasonable, simply because the information is readily available.

A faithful attempt has been made to coherently join the details together, which shows that the Education Department endeavoured to implement the school as quickly as possible, and yet unforeseen obstacles caused much frustration to the settlers, who feared their request was not being dealt with satisfactorily. Many of the notes and letters have been quoted verbatim, to illustrate this point.

This account is not meant to be a comprehensive history of the school – other researchers have already compiled their findings. However, this document may bring to notice some hitherto unknown facts to add to our knowledge of the beginnings of our school.

SETTLEMENT OF LAKE GRACE

1910/11 saw the new plan of land allocation by the Western Australian Government introduced in its attempt to entice farmers onto the land. The old system of marking out a piece of land of up to one thousand

acres, where a settler had made his choice, had to give way to a new regime. The Government would survey the land into 1000 acre locations, survey and provide roads, and place dams in strategic places for use by those who then took up the land. A small booklet was published with conditions and regulations, to inform the “would be settler” of certain requirements, and to attract them to take up the lease of a location, with the opportunity to freehold once certain conditions were complied with. This booklet had a distribution throughout Australia and Great Britain, and was titled “For the West Australian Settler.” Eighteen locations made available on the eastern side of the Lake Grace lake, in 1911, being identified as the “Lake Grace Sheet 3 Plan”, were quickly taken up. People were attracted to the area from England, Scotland and local West Australians.

THE NEED FOR A SCHOOL

Although a number of locations had been taken up prior to the new regime of land settlement, they were mostly by single men. It was the British immigrants who brought with them their families – with children already in their teens, to youngsters not yet old enough for school. Much of the movement into the area occurred in the latter half of 1911, and in less than twelve months, the need to establish a school was apparent.

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Volunteers Christmas Lunch

Last Wednesday 11th December the Lake Grace Visitor Centre Volunteers enjoyed a lovely Christmas Lunch at Walkers Hill Vineyard.

It was a perfect summer's day, not too hot & no wind, to sit out on the deck area looking over the only thing green in existence for miles – the vines.

A traditional Christmas Lunch with Christmas ham, turkey, roast vegetables & salad was followed by Christmas pudding custard and pavlova.

As a thank you for their continued support and contribution to the Visitor Centre the volunteers, including staff & committee members, were treated to a Christmas Lunch. If it wasn't for our volunteers our visitors centre wouldn't be what it is today. Thank you to those who have been a volunteer since the beginning, those who have returned and to our new volunteers. As with everyone our time is precious and for those who give up their time, no matter if it is only an hour or two here & there your time is appreciated by the committee, the community & the visitors who call into the centre.

I would like to wish all our volunteers, committee and staff a safe and prosperous Christmas and New Year

and I look for to working with you all in the New Year.

Tania Bray



Photo: Left of Table—Trish Medlen, Joan DeVree, Walter Perry, Elsie Bishop, Right of Table—Vicki O'Neill-Gray, Nellie Milosavljevic, Mary Naisbitt, Phyllis Dunham, Henk Doelman, Kate Bishop Photo supplied by Tania Bray



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Personnel: Sgt Martin Downey & S/C Steve Parker.

Wearing Push Bike Helmets

I have raised this issue on a regular basis since being stationed here but it would appear the message that the law requires people to wear helmets when riding a push bike just isn't getting through to some people or the parents of some children. I can't be more up front than to advise in advance that we will be taking formal action against recidivist offenders.

Children's Safety

Drivers please be particularly mindful of our children as the end of year approaches. A couple of places of particular concern are out the front of both towns' swimming pools where children may dart out from behind a parked car, near schools and Shopping Centres. Parents, teachers and others in a position to do so please be aware and raise the issue with the children.

Locking Cars and Securing Valuables

In light of recent events i.e. two motor vehicles having been stolen from Lake Grace in the last week, please be mindful of securing your motor vehicles and property. It's so easy to be complacent about such matters in our communities, but the problem arises when undesirable elements are passing through our towns and decide to take advantage of our complacency. Apart from anything else you should also be aware that it is actually an offence to leave your keys in the ignition and an offence not to lock the doors of your car when leaving it. Apart from anything else you could find yourself without insurance if you haven't complied with these laws. Please be vigilant and report any suspicious activity.

A Question - What's a definition of 'unlucky?'

In light of a recent event can I suggest the answer could well be drinking oneself to a drunken stupor to the point that one is wandering around the streets of Lake Grace with no idea where one is, entering someone's house, finding their lounge, falling asleep on the said lounge, only to be abruptly woken up in the morning by the grumpy policeman who lives in the said house.

Christmas / New Year

I'll take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year on behalf of Steve Parker and myself. Most of all we wish you and your loved ones a safe festive season.

Our Police Station will be manned right over the Christmas / New Year period including on Christmas

Eve, Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Eve so if you are moving around visiting, socialising etc please do so safely.

Regards

Sergeant Martin Downey

Officer in Charge

Lake Grace / Newdegate Police Sub-District



Missy would like to wish all her Tupperware fans and friends a very safe & Merry Christmas. See you all in the New Year.

Missy Clifford
Tupperware Demonstrator
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Lake Grace District High School News

A Christmas Sculpture

Our intrepid gardener, Linda Vlasich put together a recycled Christmas Tree with help from our Chaplain Genni Curtin and the students from Year 2. The star at the top is a masterpiece. As you drive by our school look out for this truly imaginative use of recycled materials.

Staff and students are hard at work rehearsing for our end of year concert on Wednesday December 18. All audience members are to be seated by 6.25pm for a 6.30pm start.

All at Lake Grace District High School wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Enjoy the summer break and we will see all our families back for the start of school on February 3, 2014. Please note the school office will be open from January 28, 2014.



Above: Stella Dines, Summer Earnshaw, Sara Bray, Jake Cameron, Melissa Drew, Kelsie Murray, Maisey Lay, Linda Vlasich, Ruby Stanton, Jonty Robinson, Lewis Garard, Reegan Marshall.

Three Schools Art Exhibition

The annual Three Schools Art Exhibition was well supported with displays from students at Lake Grace, Lake King and Newdegate.

Merry Christmas!



Right: Caylah Vlasich, Charlee Earnshaw, Tylah Kennedy



Lake Grace Sportsman's Club

20th December - Business Drinks

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Christmas hours

Christmas Day - Closed

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New Years Eve - 4pm opening

New Years Day - 4pm opening



Jodi Cooper is leaving us just before Christmas.

Pop in for a goodbye drink with her before she heads off.

Farewell Jodi, hopefully we see you around LG again.

The Committee and Staff of the Lake Grace Sportsman's Club would like to thank all our members for their patronage throughout 2013 and look forward to serving you next year.

If you have any of the **Club's crockery** at your place *please return it asap.*

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Shop Smart Online In The Lead Up To Christmas

Consumer Protection is urging Western Australians to shop smart when buying gifts online in the lead up to Christmas.

“The festive season is a busy time and many consumers will be shopping online to save time and potentially money too,” Commissioner for Consumer Protection Anne Driscoll said.

“We all need to be smart when shopping online to make sure that we make the right choice. The range of products for sale, navigating unfamiliar selling platforms, figuring out which reviews to trust, paying securely – it can sometimes be confusing.”

Usual consumer rights apply when shopping with an Australian online business. These rights may also apply when consumers buy from an overseas online business, however consumers may experience practical difficulties in obtaining a remedy due to the business operating outside Australia where there are different laws.

“Fortunately, Consumer Protection and other Australian Consumer Law regulators have produced a video to help outline consumer rights when shopping online,” Ms Driscoll said.

The **Shop Smart Online** video, which was independently produced by some of the creatives behind ABC TV show *The Checkout*, is available on Consumer Protection’s YouTube Channel: youtube.com/ConsumerProtectionWA or can be viewed at www.commerce.wa.gov.au/onlineshopping. Consumer Protection encourages consumers to **think twice** before clicking – follow these tips to shop smart online:

1. Research and shop around – have you compared products and prices for sale on other sites? Do you know the total price including delivery charges? How long will it take to receive your purchase? Do they provide FAQs and other tips on safety requirements or other purchase issues?

2. Know who you’re dealing with – is the business trusted and reliable? What do other consumers say about the business or the product/ service? Does the business provide legitimate contact details?

3. Make sure you choose what’s right for you – price alone should not be the driving factor in making a decision about which business to buy from. There are many factors to keep in mind – is the quality ok? Does it meet Australian standards? How easy will it be to return if something goes wrong? What’s the business’ customer service like?

4. Keep your personal details private and secure – does the business have a privacy policy in place? Only pay via secure payment methods – when you go to make a purchase, does the web address start with ‘https’ and can you see a closed padlock symbol?

5. If a problem arises – how easy will it be to right a wrong? What do you have to do to return the product if it’s unsafe, doesn’t meet its intended purpose or is not what you expected? Does the business have a good complaints resolution process in place?

WA consumers who are unable to resolve issues with online businesses regarding failure to deliver, faulty products etc. should call 1300 30 40 54 or email consumer@commerce.wa.gov.au

In October eight fake websites were shut down by Consumer Protection with reported losses totalling more than \$10,000 through transactions involving more than 30 WA consumers purchasing items including cameras, PS4s and iPads. Read more at www.scamnet.wa.gov.au/fakesites

Suspicious websites can be reported to WA ScamNet by calling 1300 30 40 54 or emailing wascamnet@commerce.wa.gov.au



Jared & Tania and family

Would like to wish everyone a safe & happy festive season.

Thank you to everyone for your patronage and we look forward to seeing you all in 2014.

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

*Congratulations to Mary Naisbitt
WINNER of
The Wine & Cheese Hamper.*





SHIRE OF LAKE GRACE NEWS & NOTES

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CEO's Corner

I am pleased to hear that it has been a very successful harvest period with minimum disruptions due to weather with most farmers likely to finish before Christmas. The high tonnages and increased truck movement has placed additional pressure on the Shire's 2,200kms of road network which has performed very well in the circumstances. There will no doubt be a number of areas requiring remedial works in the new year and the Shire will do its utmost to address these problems as quickly as possible. Your patience and understanding is appreciated.

On Wednesday, 4 December 2013, the Shire administration suffered an attack from computer malware "virus" called Crypto Locker that has corrupted a significant number of files and has been a major impediment to normal operations. Apart from loss of some information, the Shire has not had access to the internet. We apologise for any disruption this may have caused. There are over sixty shires affected by the loss of internet access but we were one of the "lucky" three that had data impacted.

The Shire office was closed on Tuesday, 17 December 2013 at 2.00pm for the annual Christmas party for councillors and staff. The occasion gave President Andrew Walker the opportunity to recognise the service of former

councillors Amanda Milton, Ian Chamberlain, Ollie Farrelly and Wally Newman.



The summer season looks like it will be long and hot. We all need to be extra careful to avoid fires and support our volunteers where we can during the holiday period.

Christmas and New Year celebrations and the annual summer holidays for many in our district are not far away so it is timely to remember to be extra careful when travelling, particularly as there is likely to be more trucks than usual on the road. Keep safe, have a rest now and then, slow down and enjoy the ride.

The Shire office will be closed from midday Tuesday 24th December 2013 and will reopen on Thursday 2nd January 2014. Emergency arrangements will be in place as per normal practice.

Remember there will be Australia Day celebrations held across the Shire on 26 January 2014.

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

Neville Hale
Chief Executive Officer

Swipe Card Controller Installation Update

12 December 2013

The contractors have been through the Shire last week and have installed the main components for the controllers. They have, as yet, NOT been plumbed in.

On Monday 30 December the contractor will return to plumb the units in; this work should be completed within the week.

As the Shire office will be **closing for Christmas at 12:00 midday on 24 December**, it would be advisable to come to the office to get your card prior to this time. The office will reopen for business on Thursday 2 January 2014.

A bond of \$50 is required upon issue of swipe card.

Sorry for any inconvenience over the timing of the installations; this was beyond the control of the Shire. Should you have any queries or questions, please contact the Shire on ☎9890 2500

SHIRE OF LAKE GRACE NEWS & NOTES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF

Shire of Lake Grace
PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Electors of the Shire of Lake Grace is to be held on Wednesday, 5 February 2014 at 7.30pm in the Newdegate Town Hall.

The purpose of the meeting and order of business is:

- To discuss the contents of the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2013
- Other General Business

Each elector is entitled to one vote, however voting is optional.

Members of the Public who wish to have questions **answered** at this meeting may do so by lodging written submissions with the Chief Executive Officer at the Shire Office PO Box 50 Lake Grace WA 6353 no later than Friday 31 January 2014.



Please be advised that the Annual Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2013 is available and may be obtained by contacting the Shire Office on ☎9890 2500 or collected from the Shire Office at 1 Bishop St, Lake Grace.

Neville Hale
Chief Executive Officer

Tip Opening Times

The Lake Grace and Newdegate tips will not be opened on Wednesday 25th December 2013 or Wednesday 1st January 2014.

Kerbside Rubbish Collection

Kerbside rubbish collection will continue as per normal over the Festive Season.

Public Meeting

2014 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

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 Ordinary Council meeting arrangements for 2014:

MONTH		
January 2014		N/A
	Annual Break	
26 February 2014		2.00 pm
	Council Chambers, Lake Grace	
26 March 2014		2.00 pm
	Varley Sports Pavilion	
23 April 2014		2.00 pm
	Council Chambers, Lake Grace	
28 May 2014		6.00 pm
	Newdegate Library Resource Centre	
25 June 2014		2.00 pm
	Council Chambers, Lake Grace	
23 July 2014		2.00 pm
	Council Chambers, Lake Grace	
27 August 2014		2.00 pm
	Council Chambers, Lake Grace	
24 September 2014		2.00 pm
	Lake King Town Hall	
22 October 2014		2.00 pm
	Council Chambers, Lake Grace	
19 November 2014		8.00 am
	Newdegate Library Resource Centre	
17 December 2014		2.00 pm
	Council Chambers, Lake Grace	

Council meetings are open to the public and members of the community are encouraged to attend, to ask questions and make comment on specific issues.

A minimum of fifteen (15) minutes is allowed at the beginning of each meeting for questions from the public.

The Council Agenda is available before the meeting and can be viewed on the website at: www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au, the Shire Office in Lake Grace, Public Libraries in Lake Grace, Newdegate, Lake King & Pingaring and at the Varley General Store.

Minutes of Council Meetings are available at the Shire Office, Public Libraries and on our website at www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au

Contact Jeanette Bennett at the Shire Office for more information 9890 2500.

Neville Hale
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



REMINDER—Bushfire attendance and insurance;

- When attending bushfires please ensure you notify the Chief Fire Control Officer or Deputy CFCO or the Fire Control Officer in-charge. The main reasons for doing this is so that the Officer In Charge knows that you are there and if something unexpected happens someone will come and find you. IF WE DON'T KNOW YOU ARE THERE, WE WON'T BE PUTTING OTHER FIREFIGHTERS IN DANGER TO LOOK FOR YOU!
We need to know if you are on the fire-ground for insurance purposes.
- Should your vehicle be damaged in any way, whilst on the fire-ground;
 - You need to notify the Shire and ask for a claim form.
 - The information given on the claim will need to be validated by the Officer In Charge.
 - All insurance claims are to be given to the Shire of Lake Grace. Within 48hrs of the incident
 - All claims are subject to approval by the Insurance Company PRIOR to repair.
 - Any repairs carried out on claims without prior approval may NOT be paid, subject to the Insurance Company's discretion.

Harvest Ban Zone Maps

If you are unsure of which zone your property/properties are in; Zone Maps are available to view on the Shire website.

www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au follow the quick link 'Bushfire & Harvest ban Info' to find them.

Harvest & Machinery Movement Ban

There will be a Harvesting & Machinery Movement Ban in place
For the whole of the Shire of Lake Grace on
Christmas Day, 25th December

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MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

Marcus Owen

Lake Grace Sporting Pavilion Upgrade

There has been a delay to the commencement of the Lake Grace Sporting Pavilion whilst a building permit is obtained.

There has been a technical issue around fire protection of the building that has required a Fire Engineer to be engaged to resolve Department Fire and Emergency Service (DFES) compliance requirements. The additional information requested has required further

fire modelling to demonstrate compliance with the Building Code Australia.

The Shire is continuing to work with the Fire Engineer to resolve the matter. Works will be scheduled to commence as soon as a building permit is issued.

Shire of Lake Grace Australia Day Events



Lake Grace Community Australia Day Breakfast

Hosted by Lake Grace Lions Club

at Lake Grace Swimming Pool

Sunday 26th January 2014

Starts 7.30am

Free BBQ breakfast Please bring your own plate, cutlery and mug.

At 9am the Shire will announce the Australia Day Citizenship Awards followed by the flag raising ceremony.



Newdegate Community Australia Day Breakfast

Hosted by Gateway Uniting Church

at Newdegate Pioneer Park

Sunday 26th January 2014

Starts 8.30am

Free BBQ breakfast with live music

The Shire will announce the Australia Day Citizenship Awards followed by the flag raising ceremony.



Lake King Community Australia Day Barbeque

Hosted by Lake King Tavern

behind the Lake King Tavern

Sunday 26th January 2014

Starts 1pm

Free BBQ





from Councillors & Staff of the Shire of Lake Grace



**SHIRE OFFICE
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CLOSURE**



The public is advised that the Shire Office will be *closed*
on the following days:

Tuesday from 12 noon	24 December 2013
Wednesday	25 December 2013
Thursday	26 December 2013
Friday	27 December 2013
Monday	30 December 2013
Tuesday	31 December 2013
Wednesday	1 January 2014



Please Note: Transport & Licensing will not be available during this time.

Licensing renewals and transactions can be made by mail or via the internet at
www.dpi.wa.gov.au/licensing. **For help or information call 13 11 5 6**



EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Shire Emergency Contacts During Christmas Closure

In the event of an emergency during the Christmas closure, please telephone:

Derek Bullock 0429 651 107 - On call from 24th -31st December 2013 and
2nd – 5th January 2014

Andrew Lewis 0429 160 497 - On call from 26th December - 6th January 2014

Shire Operations will close during the festival period from 24th December 2013 until 6th January 2014. A few staff will be on hand to manage watering of gardens etc and be on call to answer any emergency request. Any request will be inspected and any major works required will be scheduled to be undertaken in the New Year.



Lake Grace Cricket Club New Year's Eve Luau

8:00pm Tuesday 31st December 2013

Lake Grace Shire Hall

Corner of Bennett & McMahon Streets

Dress - Casual Beach

A fully licensed event - no BYO's

Supper provided

Door prizes & Raffles

For enquiries please call Kelly Stewart 0447 013 498

or Rebecca Leigh 0417 923 284.



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Shop will be closed from 23rd December to 7th January 2014
Shop phone (9880 1551) will be redirected to our mobile phones.

We wish all a lovely Christmas & Happiness in the New Year

Lake Grace School – The Beginning

A Progress Association had formed, and on an application dated the 10th of June, 1912, they made a formal request for a school for the area.

It was proposed that the school should be located on the north east corner of location 9747, near the government dam site. There were no buildings in the area suitable for a school – in fact there were no buildings at all in the Lake Grace zone. It was stated the nearest school was 55 to 60 miles away for the various families, and on a lithograph of the area used to show the location of the proposed school, the nearest school was shown as East Wagin. Marked on the same litho was the current railway terminus, 23 miles from Lake Grace, named Merrillup. [This siding later had a name change to Kukerin, after protests by the Merrillup people, whose district was a further 8 miles to the south east, though is called Merrillup in this document].

The twelve students nominated for attendance were, Jack Bishop, 13 years old, his brother Harry, 11, and sister Florence 7; the Slarke family had three children with Lizzie, 12, Bert 8, and Fred 6 years old; five boys from the Robert Carruthers family were, William 13, Hugh 11, Robert 9, Richard 7, and Thomas 6 years old, and the Lawsons had Mabel at the age of 6 years. It was proposed that Jamesie, the 18 year old daughter of Mr Robert Carruthers, would be able to be the teacher – she was teaching at Northam at the time. If she were appointed as the teacher it would also conveniently overcome the problem of accommodation for the teacher, as she could live at home with her parents, their home being in reasonable distance to the proposed site of the school. A further incentive was that four of the fathers each gave their signature, that they were prepared to perform the sanitary services as often as required, at nil cost.

The Education Department quickly acknowledged receipt of the application and addressed the further courses of action to be taken, including a request for Inspector Miles to visit Lake Grace to enquire into the matter - and a later memo suggested he work it in at the same time as his visit to Damper Flat. This however, did not happen as quickly as anticipated. Mr George Lawson, Secretary of the Progress Association later wrote, in part, "It is now four months since it was intimated to us that an Inspector would be sent to report. As far as we know no inspection has taken place and we desire at an early date to know what steps the Department will take."

The whole process stalled for over six months, because an Inspector had not yet made a visitation to the area! Even when it was arranged that the Inspector, Mr J A Miles, would come to Lake Grace on December the 7th, and "go into the matter of the establishment of a school with the parents on the spot," he did not show up.

In the mean time, planning was going ahead, as the Under Secretary for Public Works had been informed by the Director of Education of the request for a school and that a District Inspector was to visit Lake Grace.

The letter further stated, "I was assured by a deputation introduced by the member, that there are sufficient children there to warrant the establishment of a small provisional school, and Mr S Stubbs, MLA, stated that if the Works Department was willing to put up a building departmentally, he would be prepared to supply all the timber at Wagin at Perth prices. The proposed site of the school is, I may add, some 27 miles from the terminus of the railway."

When the Inspector did not show up at the much anticipated meeting of December 7th, it was the cause of much frustration, and Mr Sydney Stubbs received the following letter from George Lawson;

Lake Grace, Dec. 14 - 1912. Mr S Stubbs,

Dear Sir,

I regret to have to draw your attention to the manner in which we have been treated by the Education Department.

It seems to us there is a deliberate intention in the Department in shelving this school question with one pretext or another as long as possible. At whose door the blame lies we in our isolated position cannot very well tell. I shall put the facts of recent happenings briefly before you, and let you draw your own conclusions.

First I wrote the Inspector General about six months ago setting forth our claim; stating how many children there were in the district etc. In answer to that a form of application was sent which we filled up, giving the names and ages of the children; we were then told the District Inspector would be out to report – about four months passed and we heard no more of it. I again on October 17th wrote asking what was to be done. I had an answer three weeks later to say the District Inspector would visit Lake Grace on December 7th.

Later I had a letter from Mr J A Miles, Inspector, saying he was to meet the district on the date mentioned, December 7th, and for me to have a meeting at some convenient centre. In answer to this I wrote to say we should meet at the proposed school site at 1 p.m. date fixed, also arranging with Mr Carruthers to meet him at the lake crossing.

Fancy our disappointment after Mr Carruthers leaving his work to go six miles to meet him, to save him trouble in finding his way, and the rest of us waiting the whole afternoon with the children at the place appointed and no Inspector turned up.

Now Sir these are the facts of the case as they stand, and at the present moment a week after, we have not even had a letter of apology or an explanation of the most extraordinary way of doing business.

I have written the Inspector General acquainting him also of the facts, but we Sir expect you as our representative to make special inquiry into this matter.

It is grossly unfair that in a matter of this kind we should be treated in this negligent half-hearted fashion. We are induced to come out here with our children on a distinct understanding that schools will be provided where there are children to warrant it. In this case there is no excuse for the Government shirking their responsibility and I trust Sir you will see to it that this now receives both

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*due and prompt attention.
Thanking you in anticipation
Yours respectfully,
Geo. Lawson, Secretary.*

Within the ranks of the Department, a similar letter was received from Mr Lawson, and his last paragraph expressed their feelings; "It was with feelings of bitter disappointment that we had to return home after waiting the whole afternoon without the Inspector putting in an appearance. Neither have we up to the present time had any explanation of this most unsatisfactory way of doing business." When it was discovered within their filing system, that this letter had been overlooked, it caused quite a stir. The Inspector General wrote to the Department responsible and demanded a "please explain", and the answer came back, "they could not say why it was covered up or who did it".

In due course an apology came, with "regret exceedingly," after Mr Miles explained in a letter; "the motor car I had engaged broke down 55 miles from the place. I was therefore compelled to abandon the journey and return to Wagin. If able to travel I shall make arrangements to visit Lake Grace early in the new year," (1913), his note added. [Another source said the Inspectors car bogged in sand hills south of Tarin Rock].

On 31st December, 1912, Mr Stubbs wrote a private letter to the Inspector General, Mr Anderson, requesting in part: "If you can kindly hurry on the necessary school at Lake Grace Sir, I shall esteem a personal favour. I have replied to Mr Lawson stating that as soon as Mr Andrews was sure the numbers of children were at Lake Grace I was positive a school would be erected promptly."

It was Mr Charles Hadley who eventually visited Lake Grace on 23rd of January, and he reported: "I have the honour to report that I visited Lake Grace today. The following children are available;

Harry Bishop 12 years, Florence Bishop 8, Lizzie Slarke 12, Bert Slarke 9, Fred Slarke 6, William Carruthers 14 years (?), Hugh Carruthers 12, Robert Carruthers 10, Richard Carruthers 8, Thomas Carruthers 6, Mabel Lawson 6.

Mr King will board 2 boys with Mrs Lawson, Mr Lucas - one child, Mr Carter, child 11 years of age - will attend, Mr Willock 1 boy, (Kenneth).

There are 2 small girls Mary Carruthers (4 years) & Gertie Lawson (4 years) who will soon be of school age - at present these are all the children in the district." [Jack Bishop was not on this list as on the original list, probably due to age increase.]

"Sixteen blocks immediately to the south have been thrown open for selection. Mr Stubbs speaks highly of the character of the country from point of view of settlement. The district is very isolated and difficult of access. The position chosen for a school site is very suitable, but no building of any kind is available."

A SCHOOL TO BE BUILT

The Director of Education, Mr Cecil Andrews immediately recommended and sought approval for a school at Lake Grace "(some 23 miles without educational facilities)." By the 22nd of February, 1913, with the Ministers approval, the Public Works were asked to supply sketch plans and estimates. A request for 5 acres of land to be set apart on location 9747 was also called for, and Mr Lawson was then informed of their intentions, and the action being taken, "so that the work of erecting the school may be proceeded with at an early date."

A month later, the plans were in hand for the school. The blueprint showed plans of a building 18 feet by 15 feet, with a shelter (like a verandah), 6 feet 5 inches wide on one side, and with an eave about 2 feet wide on the other three sides. The building of timber construction, would be mounted on stumps, and if the plan was to be adhered to, a 3 feet wide door would be at the northern end, with a step for entrance. Two windows were to be placed at the opposite end, in the shape of 2 long hinged frames in each, to open outwards, with a smaller frame the full width above. The walls were to be clad with Jarrah weatherboard. A long seat, the shape of a form, was to be located in the shelter area. Provision was made in one corner of the building for a wood fired heater, with protective iron sheeting on the floor, and part way up the adjacent walls, and an exhaust flue. A water tank of 1,000 gallons, and another of 850 gallons was also in the plan, and a shelf to hold a wash basin. The estimated cost, I imagine of the building, would be £185.

On the 31st of March the Education Department wrote to Mr R and J Carruthers, asking in part, "As the owners of this land I shall be glad if you will inform me whether you will be willing to grant the department an area of 5 acres for school purposes; if so, please complete and return the attached transfer form,"

[This land was the lease of Jack Carruthers, the 16 year old son of Robert, and though he was permitted to have land, his father was a type of guardian, and it also required his signature to effect a transfer of five acres to be given to the Education Department.]

The next matter the Education Department had to deal with was availability of funds, and whether there were sufficient for the current financial year. Mr Munt, Under Secretary for Public Works, replied under the heading, RE CALLING TENDERS FOR ERECTION OF:- "I have to inform you that it is probable that the balance of the Property Trust item "Schools in new places" will be sufficient to enable us to call tenders for this work, but as the Chief Architect reports that he has not yet received the site plan, I propose to defer taking action until such time as that information has been furnished."

On the 28th of May the Director of Education wrote this letter to Mr George Lawson, which at last would have been what they had been longing to hear; "I beg to

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inform you that I have now received a transfer of land for school purposes at Lake Grace from Messrs R and J Carruthers, and the Public Works was asked on the 12th instant to proceed with the erection of the school building as early as possible." However, the contract for the erection of the school had not yet been let, and as it transpired, a further delay was about to occur, due to the aspect of surveying of the railway line!

The Under Secretary for Public Works informed the Director of Education that the Hon Minister had recently visited Lake Grace, and on his return he wrote as under:- "A school is undoubtedly necessary at this centre and tenders can be called, but it will be necessary to see that the building is erected adjacent to the proposed terminus of the line which is now under survey. If the Chief Architect will consult Mr Muir, he should be able to obtain approximately the point where the line will terminate, and then the site can be fixed for the School.

It is my desire to have the school close to the Siding, and if Mr Muir has any difficulty in the matter, he and the Chief Architect can see me, and I will assist with the local knowledge secured recently."

The Under Secretary concluded the letter, stating that as soon as the terminus of the line has been decided upon, action will be taken with respect to the erection of a school.

Into July there was still nothing happening at Lake Grace in regard to the school, so a complaint was lodged again with Mr Stubbs, MLA, who wrote to Mr Andrews: "The residents of this centre feel that your Department has neglected them altogether, and they think that I also have not given attention to the matter. Is it possible Mr Andrews, to give this a push along, and I shall be grateful if you can do so." When forwarding this memo on to the Public Works, Mr Andrews added; "Can anything be done to expedite the erection of this school?"

Mr Lawson also wrote to Mr Andrews a week later, July 15th: "Dear Sir, I am sorry to again trouble you about providing a school at Lake Grace. The parents desire to know definitely when this matter is to be taken in hand."

So now, all the Departments involved in the erection of the School were notified of the latest curtailment, and Mr Munt was able to inform, at the end of July, that the Inspector of Engineering Surveys would be visiting the centre within a few days, "with a view to deciding on the site for the terminus of the lines, and as soon as this matter is settled then the question of the construction of the school will receive attention."

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION BEGINS

With the site duly settled, the Hon Minister having approved "of a deviation of the railway line to the northward of the school," tenders were called and Mr Lawson was informed they were returnable on September 23rd. A Memorandum dated October 20th, 1913 awarded the contract to Mr Arthur Browne. The amount of the contract was £240/13/3, and the date

given for completion was 15th November 1913. This information was also passed on to Mr Lawson.

Looking forward with their planning, the Education Department became aware that there was no accommodation available for a teacher. It was originally proposed by the settlers that Jamesie Carruthers could be their teacher, but the Department knew that she had applied for an Assistantship, and they were dubious as to whether she would want the job, never-the-less, they made her the offer. Her letter makes interesting reading;

*Miss Jamesie Carruthers, November 7, 1913
Government School, Surrey Hills, Northam.*

Madam,

The Department hopes to be able to open a school at Lake Grace in the near future, and I shall be pleased if you will let us know whether you would like to be appointed to the position of head teacher. I understand from the settlers that your father's home is in the district, and they have suggested that you would probably like to be appointed to the school.

I have the honour to be,

Madam,

Your obedient Servant,

C Andrews, Chief Inspector of Schools.

A letter was sent to Mr Lawson the same day, suggesting Jamesie may not wish to be the teacher at the Lake Grace School, and did they have other accommodation available, and at what cost?

As expected, Jamesie Carruthers did decline the offer to take charge of the school, so Mr Lawson was written to again asking what arrangements they could make for accommodation, and it was suggested 15 shillings per week was usual in the country, and a separate room would be most desirable.

Mr J B Rose was now the secretary of the Progress Association, and he replied that Mr J Franks was agreeable to provide accommodation at his home, for a lady, 15 shillings per week, and for a gent 22 shillings and 6 pence. A further letter enquired if a separate room was available, and the reply was in the affirmative. The Franks home was 3 miles down the South Road, opposite the Slarke homestead.

THE SCHOOL BUILDING COMPLETED

On January 9th 1914, the Department received a Memorandum informing them of the completion of the school building. It was completed and ready to hand over to the Department on 17th December last. The keys had been handed to the settler who gave the ground.

Mr Lawson was informed that the furniture and stock for the school would be forwarded from Wagin and Perth, and addressed to the head teacher, care of 'yourself', Merrillup Railway Station. He was asked to arrange for delivery to be taken of the goods on arrival, and placed in the school building. He was also asked to render an account for the expense incurred.

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Having previously flagged the closure of the Nippering School, a further letter was sent to the Rev E J T Atwell, Hon Secretary, Committee of School Management, Wagin, with instructions. Parts of it read; "on the subject of the Nippering School stock and furniture, I beg to inform you that it is the intention of the Department to send the whole of the material to the new Lake Grace School which is to be opened on the 28th inst. [January] I shall therefore be obliged if you can arrange for the goods to be forwarded to Lake Grace." A further request was to inform Mr Lawson which train it would be on. This request could not be dealt with promptly due to the holidays, as the Nippering School was locked. When the school did open, the carrier missed the first available train for the Lake Grace stock, causing a further delay.

On the 2nd of February, Miss Effie Padley wrote to the Education Department; *"I arrived at Kukerin last evening and am driving out to Lake Grace today. The furniture for the school did not come until yesterday. Mr Lawson is taking it out today. He will not be able to unpack until Thursday."* Effie Padley

THE SCHOOL OPENED

A Department statistics file was headed with the following message; Will you please note that the Lake Grace School was opened by Miss Effie Padley on the 5th of February, 1914. This message was then communicated to all the departments who needed to know, which also included the Committee of School Management, Wagin. The Lake Grace School also received a note informing them their school was under the jurisdiction of the same Committee.

After the school had been operating a short time a misunderstanding came to light with regard to sanitation. The head teacher had advised that Messrs Carruthers and Bishop would be responsible for the duty at a cost of 2 shillings per week. However, it was brought to notice that in the original application, the parents of the children, all signed that they would service the sanitary pans at no cost. As there were 12 children on the roll, with an average attendance of 10, it was queried if the Department could bind them to their

promise – the eventual decision was, that they should "fulfill their promise." In the meantime two of the students had been executing the duties, Harry Bishop and Hugh Carruthers, and for the period May 14th to June 25th, they had been paid 14 shillings.

Mr Andrews wrote to both Mr Bishop and Mr Carruthers reminding them of the promise they had made re sanitation, and after Mr Bishop replied he was unaware of any such promise, a letter was then written to Mr Lawson, who had been the secretary at the time, to give an explanation. In reply he stated that the parents were made aware of the condition at the time, and if he didn't remember anything about it he must have a short memory – "that is all I can say" he concluded. Mr Carruthers remembered signing the agreement but thought they undertook to providing water if necessary, but did not understand they would not be paid for their work.

In response, Mr Andrews suggested Mr Lawson arrange for the sanitary service to be done at one shilling per pan, even though there was no doubt it was understood the service was to be free. He considered that because it was a Government school, people could not be compelled to do the work for nothing. However, the Head Teacher, Miss Effie Padley had already solved the problem five weeks earlier, when she advised the officer in charge of sanitation, that the boys were willing to do the work free of charge! So the proposed arrangement was left accordingly.

The last act of establishing the school came a little more than three years later, when the School Lot, Lot No 65 had been Gazetted, following the surveying of same, and it is also noteworthy that the townsite was surveyed at the same time. Details as they appeared in the Gazette, are described as follows:

RESERVES.

Department of Lands and Surveys,
Perth, 17th August, 1917

HIS Excellency the Governor in Executive Council has been pleased to set apart as Public Reserves the lands described in the Schedules below, for the purposes therein set forth:-

1547/13

LAKE GRACE – No 151505 (School Site) – Lot 65.
(5 acres.) (Plan, Lake Grace Townsite.)

This was the first Gazetted Lot in Lake Grace, so it then effectively marks the birth of our town, Lake Grace, 17/8/1917.

Information for this story was taken from:
State Records Office,
Education File 1627/12.

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Photo from Valma McPherson, nee Padley.



Lake Grace Swimming Pool

News & Notes

This pool season so far has been great. The water temp has varied from 20 to 27.5 degrees with the highest temp so far been recorded on Sunday 15th December. All swimmers are benefiting from the great temperatures including the early bird swimmers.

You may have noticed we have had a couple of concerns over the past few of weeks at our pool. One in particular is bullying. Our facility is a great place to hang out, whether you are a swimmer, a sun baker or a spectator the facility is for everyone in the community and everyone is welcome. Everything in the facility including the toys and inflatables are for all patrons use. We ask that patrons please respect each other and the pool property. We will not tolerate bullying or antisocial behaviour.

Our other main concern is the bee population. The bees are hovering particularly at the ends of the 50m pool and around the mushrooms and the rocks of the middle bit of the toddler pools. Please beware of these areas if you have smaller kids playing there. The first aid treatment for bee stings is to immediately scrape the sting away from the body part and apply ice to the area. Ice is always available from the pool office. If you are allergic please let your pool manager know immediately.

This year we have introduced the 'Watch Around Water' yellow arm bands for children under the age of 5. On entering the Lake Grace Swimming Pool all children under the age of 5 are given an arm band to wear while in the facility. They are bright yellow and written in red is 'IF YOU CAN'T REACH ME, YOU'RE TOO FAR AWAY'.

The armbands are highly visible allowing lifeguards, pool managers and facility users to identify children under the age of 5. This is also a constant reminder for parents and carers to be in the water with your child. The response to the arm bands has been fantastic and pool management thanks you for your support of this introduction.

Well done to Fergus Downey who has completed his lifeguard hours required to become a lifeguard at the Lake Grace Swimming Pool. To become a qualified lifeguard, you must attend the RLSSA course which runs over a full weekend. After completing the course a workbook is to be completed and 3 lifeguard shifts under a qualified lifeguard. If you would like to know more about becoming a qualified lifeguard please see us at the pool.

On Thursday 12 December we ran an information practical for a small group of community members. This included informing what steps you can take to help us in an emergency situation. We ran through where the first aid equipment is stored, where the oxytoc is kept and how to turn it on. We also went through a spinal rescue and recovery. This also gave us the opportunity to revise our skills and demonstrate how we can guide pool users through an emergency situation to assist us.

We hope to continue to provide more opportunities like this throughout the pool season for regular pool users.



VACSWIM will begin on Friday 20 December and run for 5 days. Vacswim centre supervisor will be Rachael Mottershead. Late enrolments will be taken at the pool 3pm Thursday 19 December.

The pool will be open to the public during swimming lessons. We ask that you take note of the designated swimming areas for the public and roped off areas for the swimming lessons. Please familiarize yourself with the pool rules and our 'Watch Around Water' supervision policies. Any information regarding the WAW program can be obtained from the pool office.

POOL OPEN HOURS DURING VACSWIM

9.00am – 6.00pm every day

CHRISTMAS & JANUARY POOL OPEN HOURS

Christmas Day	-	Closed
Boxing Day	-	6 - 7.30am and 2pm – 6pm
New Years Day	-	6 - 7.30am and 2pm – 6pm

JANUARY weekday and weekend open hours will be 2pm – 6pm

Early morning swimming will continue week days from 6am – 7.30am

With the heat well and truly here we urge everyone to be extra vigilant when in, on or near water.

We hope you have a very merry Christmas and a very happy and safe New Year and we look forward to seeing you at the Lake Grace Swimming Pool – the coolest place in town!!

And remember...DIRECT SUPERVISION IS THE ONLY SUPERVISION



Aquatics and Recreation in the Community

ARC is on holiday until February.

We wish all our participants and supporters a very Merry Christmas and a happy healthy new year.

Thank you for your ongoing support throughout 2013.

We look forward to assisting you in your health and fitness journey in 2014

Lake Grace Gymnastics Club

2013 President's Report

It has been a very successful year, and a year which I think, has saved our club. In March we started preparations for the gym year by hosting the Southern Regional Gymnastics Association (SRGA) congress. This was a great success with coaches from all over the region coming together for training and updating. As a result of holding a local congress and local training, four local people volunteered to become coaches for Lake Grace. A big thanks to Tahryn Trevenen, Lauren O'Neill, Ann Harrop and Anna Ayers-Dillon, for taking on coaching and I hope you have enjoyed your first season and will continue in the future. It is especially nice to have coaches who actually have a background in gym. Thanks also to our long standing coaches Wendy O'Neill and Kate Zweck.

In total this year we had 55 gymnasts registered; 16 in Kindy gym and 39 in the national levels program. They all started out fairly rusty after missing a year (in 2012 while the club was recruiting more coaches) but showed huge improvement over the two terms. Unfortunately we were unable to attend the SRGA competition in Katanning in September, instead running an in-house competition. This once again proved to be extremely successful, and a big thanks to everyone

who helped make the afternoon worthwhile, especially to our judges. Hopefully next year we can aim for SRGA competition and if so, purchase new uniforms for our boys.

It was a difficult start to the year with everything needing to be done yesterday, so a big thank you to Anke Stoffberg for again taking on the position of treasurer and doing a great job. Also thanks to Vynka Lay, our ever reliable vice-president, and to Di Garard for organising uniforms. Thank you also to the parents who help each week with set up and pack up. Finally a big thanks and farewell to Terri Parker who has been a great secretary for the last three years and who leaves very big shoes to fill.

I look forward to 2014 in the continuation of the development of our club and our gymnasts.

Lisa Pearce (President)



Photo: Coaches Ann Harrop, Kate Zweck, Lisa Pearce and Anna Ayers-Dillon with some of our male gymnasts following their competition on the last day of gym 2013.

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**Would like to wish the Lake Grace
Community a very Happy, enjoyable and
Safe Christmas & New Year.**

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Lake Grace Basketball Association



The Grand Finals of the Lake Grace Basketball Association 2013/14 competition were held on Thursday 5th December.

In the U13 game Bullets played Lakers in a close and hard fought game. Excellent team play from both teams was displayed but Bullets were successful in gaining the premiership with a final score of 22-18.

Congratulations to the winning team and well done on your efforts to Lakers.

U16's took to the courts at 6pm with Redbacks playing Lions.

With equal scores at half time, it looked to be anyone's game. One Redback player was already carrying an injury so not as effective in their game and another was doing his best to come out of the game with an injury by the way he was throwing himself around. However Lions found a bit extra and came out winners with 24-14 at the final whistle.

Congratulations to Lions and good fight from Redbacks. The Ladies game between Trolls and Pink Power got underway at 7.30pm. It was always going to be an interesting game with two mother / daughter match ups between the teams and the fact that Trolls players all, bar one, have a good 20 years experience on Pink Power team members.

At half time the experience was prevailing against the youth with a 5 point lead to the Trolls in a very low scoring game. Pink Power cranked it up a notch in the second half and showed off their fitness and determination with some fantastic team work and well considered plays.

A free throw from Phoebe Robertson towards the end of the game equalled the scores. Unfortunately the final shot of the game was after the siren and the score was not counted. Bring on extra time. Ten more minutes should just about do the old girls in!

Neither team was willing to give in and at the final siren Trolls came through triumphant with a 17-14 win.



U13 Premiers - Bullets

From left: Mitchell O'Neill, Jai Clifford, Jackson Callope (kneeling) Brock Argent, Kara Smith, Poch Amores, Kira Pearce, Tayah Medlen and Coach Bianca Kennedy.



U16 Premiers - Lions

From left: Destiny Lloyd, Travis Duckworth, Coach Anthony Lloyd, Cent Amores, Bianca Kennedy and Mia Gooch



Ladies Premiers - Trolls

Back: Narelle Duckworth, Kylie Pinney, Gaillene Kennedy and Danielle Robertson
Kneeling: Fiona Chatfield and Missy Clifford (absent Tayla Chesson)

Lake Grace Basketball Assoc...cont

Thank you so much to Pink Power for a fantastic game, excellent sportsmanship and being such an upbeat and enthusiastic team.

Everyone then retired to the Sportsman's Club for award presentations and a well earned refreshment.

Award winners for the 2013/14 season were:

Ladies Fairest and Best donated by Lyn & Shane Carruthers—Teneka Morgan.

Ladies Runner-up Fairest & Best donated by Ross & Belinda Bowron at Neu-Tech Auto Electrics—Missy Clifford and Mia Gooch.

Ladies Highest Goal Scorer donated by Fee & Chaddy at Chatfield Ag Spreading—Emily Pinney.

Ladies Highest Fouls donated by Lesley & Michael O'Neill—Jaimee Withnell.

Most Valuable Player in the Grand Final donated by Missy Clifford—Narelle Duckworth.

The committee would like to thank all our sponsors and trophy donors for the season. Thank you also to our outside umpires, Yvonne and Steve Boxall who travelled from Kondinin to umpire the Ladies final.

We would also like to express our appreciation to all who took on coaching and umpiring roles throughout the season. Your support is invaluable. Pictured on this page are all our new accredited umpires and coaches who took part in a workshop earlier in the season.

Danielle Robertson



Fairest & Best Teneka Morgan with joint Runners-Up Missy Clifford and Mia Gooch.



Newly Accredited Coaches: Stephen Chappell, Marcia and Diedre Trevenen, Caryn Kirk and Anthony Lloyd



Newly Accredited Umpires

*Back: Gaillene Kennedy, Tayla Chesson, Marcia Trevenen, Nash Kirk, Phoebe Robertson, Cent Amores, Diedre Trevenen.
Front: Brock Bowron, Bianca Kennedy, Zhane Robertson, Anthony Lloyd and Stephen Chappell*



Grand Final MVP Narelle Duckworth with President Athol Kennedy

Take the Act-Belong-Commit Christmas Challenge!

The silly season is just around the corner and while Christmas is often a time of year to celebrate the year's successes, indulge in delicious Christmas treats and spend quality time with loved ones, it can also be a stressful and emotional time.

This year, the WA Country Health Service – Wheatbelt *Mentally Healthy WA* team is inviting all West Aussies to boost their mental wellbeing over Christmas by participating in the inaugural Act-Belong-Commit Christmas Challenge.

The four-week challenge, beginning Monday 2nd December, encourages people to do at least one activity a week over four weeks during the Christmas period to keep mentally, physically and socially active.

WA Country Health Service - Wheatbelt health promotion officer Louise Davies said the Act-Belong-Commit Christmas Challenge aimed to get people thinking about how they could incorporate Christmas activities into their lives to boost their mental health and wellbeing.

"It could be something small such as saying 'Merry Christmas' to a stranger or spending 15 minutes reflecting on the meaning of Christmas," Ms Davies said.

"Or for a bigger challenge, participants could organise a Christmas charity collection at their workplace or host a Christmas games night to get everyone together.

"We encourage participants to share their Act-Belong-Commit activities by posting photos and comments on social media to help spread the mentally healthy message."

Participants are encouraged to take photos of themselves participating in the Challenge and posting them on the Act-Belong-Commit Instagram, Facebook or Twitter pages with the hashtag #ActBelongCommitXmasChallenge.

Each person who shares something on social media will receive a free Act-Belong-Commit t-shirt.

To participate, simply download the weekly tips from the Act-Belong-Commit website/Facebook page at the start of each week. Visit www.actbelongcommit.org.au for more information.



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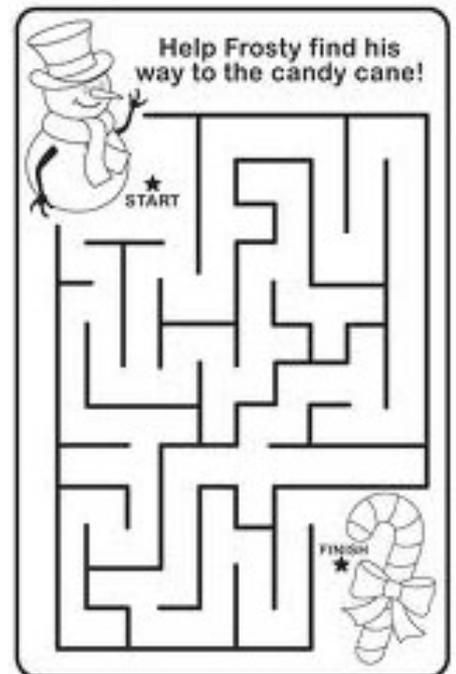
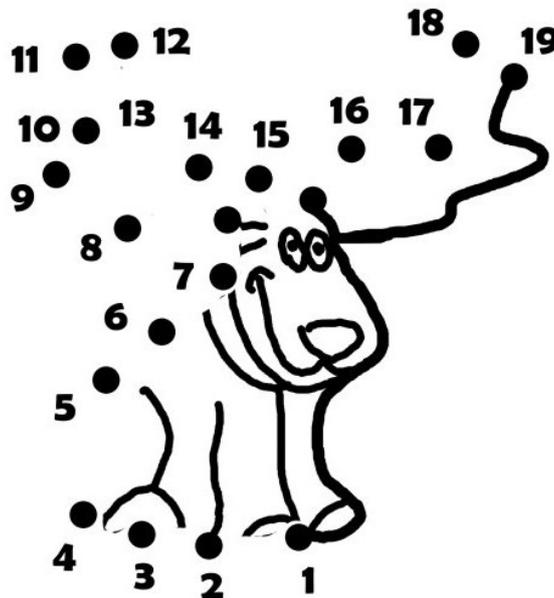
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Kids Page



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PUBLIC NOTICES

LG Sportsman's Club Christmas Hours

Christmas Day - Closed
Boxing Day - 3pm to 8pm
New Years Day - Closed

Fish & Chips

Friday 20th no Fish N Chips – Xmas
drinks at Club
Friday 27th no Fish N chips – Xmas
Friday 3rd January no Fish N Chips
New Year
January 10th Normal

LG Community Resource Centre Christmas/New Year Hours

Tuesday 24th December - closing at 1pm
Christmas Day - closed
Boxing Day - closed
Friday 27th December - closed
Wednesday 1st January - closed

LG & Districts Seniors Group Raffle Winners

Drawn Friday 13th

- 1 Chris Meston
- 2 Rachel Pelham
- 3 Leonie Carruthers
- 4 Gordon Pelham
- 5 Toohey Altham
- 6 Walter Perry
- 7 Caroline Richardson

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• PRE-CHRISTMAS MASS

VARLEY

December 23, 2013, Monday, Varley Hall 6.30pm.
singing of Christmas Carols and shared meal

• CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

KUKERIN

December 24, 2013 Tuesday at 5.30pm, St Thomas á
Becket Church, *Shared Supper follows after mass*

Lake Grace

December 24, 2013 Tuesday at 7.30pm
*There will be singing of Christmas Carols before
Mass.
Shared Supper follows after mass. All welcome.*

• CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

RAVENSTHORPE

December 25, 2013, Wednesday, Holy Family
Church, 9am
refreshment follows after mass.

HOPETOUN

December 25, 2013 Wednesday at 11am
*There will be singing of Christmas Carols before Mass
refreshment follows after mass.*

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Vote for the Golf Club

The Golf Club have entered a competition
with Philmac in the hope of winning some
money to put toward connecting the Club
House to the water pipeline.

To vote for the project log onto your
Facebook account and go to the Lake
Grace Golf Club Inc. page and connect to
the Philmac competition.

If you haven't already befriended the Lake
Grace Golf Club, now is the time to do it!

Lake Grace Shire Councillors

Councillor	Telephone	Fax
Andrew Walker <i>(President)</i>	9865 1241	9865 1921
Len Armstrong	9871 1334	9871 1317
Murray Stanton	9865 1329	9865 1223
Steve Hunt	9865 1650 0427 651 585	
Allan Marshall	9865 3022	9865 3012
Jeanette de Landgraftt	9838 9062	9838 9041
Ross Chappell	9865 4058	9865 4051
Debrah Clarke	9865 4041	9865 4032
Dean Sinclair	9874 7045	9874 7005

Justices of the Peace

Colin Connolly	9865 1010
Ron Dewson	9865 1224
Geoff Sabourne	9865 1171
Amanda Milton	0429 654 011



Anglican Church of Lake Grace

Sunday 22nd December

Lake Grace 9:00am

Wednesday 25th December

Lake Grace 8:00am

Sunday 29th December

Lake Grace 9:00am

Enquiries: Father Dave 0427 545 560

Terry Gladish 9865 1022

Lake Grace Catholic Church

Mass schedule on Classifieds Page

For inquiries and request for home visitation, please contact Fr Gayan Thamel on 9865 1248.

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Hospital - 9890 2222	Water Faults - 13 13 75
Ambulance/Fire/Police - 000	Directory Assistance - 1223
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Beyond Blue - 1300 22 4636 www.beyondblue.org.au	Youth Legal Service - 9202 1688 / 1800 199 006 www.youthlegalservice.inc.com.au

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

December / January

<p>Fri 20 NO Fish & Chips at the Sportsman's Club Physio available in Lake Grace Tennis - Social Business Drinks at S/man's Club HACC Christmas Party Vacswim lessons start</p> <p>Sat 21 Rubbish tip open Craft Group at CWA 11am onwards Bowls - Pennants - LG v Karlgarin Steak Night - LG Cricket Club Community Christmas Tree</p> <p>Sun 22 Bowls - Social</p> <p>Mon 23 Rubbish Collection & rubbish tip open</p> <p>Tue 24 Chair Aerobics 10:45am at Village Hall Physio available in Lake Grace (Gemma) SOYF Seniors Program-10am @ Shire Hall</p> <p>Wed 25 Christmas Day</p> <p>Thur 26 Boxing Day</p> <p>Fri 27 NO Fish & Chips at the Sportsman's Club</p> <p>Sat 28 Rubbish tip open Craft Group at CWA 11am onwards</p> <p>Mon 30 Rubbish Collection & rubbish tip open Recycling Collection</p> <p>Tue 31 Chair Aerobics 10:45am at Village Hall SOYF Seniors Program-10am @ Shire Hall Men's Shed 9.30am-12 noon LG Cricket Club New Year's Eve Event</p> <p>2014</p> <p>Wed 1 Rubbish tip open HACC Activity & Morning Tea 10-11:30am Physio available in Lake Grace</p> <p>Thur 2 LLN Published</p> <p>Fri 3 NO Fish & Chips at the Sportsman's Club</p> <p>Sat 4 Cricket - Lake Grace v Newdegate Bowls - Championship Mixed Pairs</p> <p>Sun 5 Bowls - Social</p> <p>Mon 6 Rubbish Collection & rubbish tip open</p> <p>Tue 7 Chair Aerobics 10:45am at Village Hall SOYF Seniors Program-10am @ Shire Hall Men's Shed 9.30am-12 noon</p>	<p>Wed 8 HACC Activity & Morning Tea 10-11:30am Rubbish tip open</p> <p>Fri 10 Bowls - ILRR Fours (Albany)</p> <p>Sat 11 Cricket - Lake Grace v Lake King Bowls - ILRR Fours (Albany) Bowls - Social Rubbish tip open</p> <p>Sun 12 Bowls - ILRR Fours (Albany)</p> <p>Mon 13 Rubbish Collection & rubbish tip open Recycling Collection</p> <p>Tue 14 Chair Aerobics 10:45am at Village Hall SOYF Seniors Program-10am @ Shire Hall Men's Shed 9.30am-12 noon</p> <p>Wed 15 HACC Activity & Morning Tea 10-11:30am Rubbish tip open</p> <p>Sat 18 Bowls - Handicapped Mixed Singles Rubbish tip open</p> <p>Mon 20 Rubbish Collection & rubbish tip open</p> <p>Tue 21 Chair Aerobics 10:45am at Village Hall SOYF Seniors Program-10am @ Shire Hall Men's Shed 9.30am-12 noon</p> <p>Wed 22 HACC Activity & Morning Tea 10-11:30am Rubbish tip open</p> <p>Fri 24 HACC Activity Day</p> <p>Sat 25 Bowls - Social Rubbish tip open</p> <p>Sun 26 Australia Day Breakfast @ Swimming Pool</p> <p>Mon 27 Rubbish Collection & rubbish tip open Recycling Collection</p> <p>Tue 28 Chair Aerobics 10:45am at Village Hall SOYF Seniors Program-10am @ Shire Hall Men's Shed 9.30am-12 noon</p> <p>Wed 29 HACC Activity & Morning Tea 10-11:30am Rubbish tip open</p> <p>Thur 30 Lakes Link News Published</p>
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Coming Events

- 5th February - Centrelink mobile office in Lake Grace
- 11th February - Foot Clinic
- 18th February - Farm Office Efficiencies Workshop

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Medium

Sudoku

- The Sudoku grid of rows and columns is divided into individual 3x3 boxes.
- The aim of the game is to fill each row, column and 3x3 box with the numbers 1 to 9.
- You can't repeat numbers in a row, column or 3x3 box and you can't change the numbers already in squares.

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