

# SHIRE MATTERS



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Do you know someone who makes a difference in our community?

*Nominate them today for a Citizen of the Year Award!*

## 2019 CITIZEN / YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS

The Shire of Dandaragan is again inviting nominations from clubs, organisations and citizens within the Shire for the abovementioned awards. Nomination forms may be obtained from the Shire office in Jurien Bay or off the Shire of Dandaragan's website

[www.dandaragan.wa.gov.au](http://www.dandaragan.wa.gov.au). Nominations close Friday 22 November 2019

The awards ceremony will be held at the Jurien Bay Sport & Community Centre on Tuesday 11 February 2020 commencing at 7.00pm. Supper and refreshments will be provided.

## Cervantes & Jurien Bay Foreshore Masterplanning

**We want your feedback!**

**Cervantes Country Club**  
Monday 25th November 3pm-6pm  
**Jurien Bay Library**  
Tuesday 26th November 8am-10am

# A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Cr Leslee Holmes  
Ph. 0408 419 468

Thanks to all the people who voted in the recent local government elections. Compared to most places we had a very good turnout which is always pleasing. I am proud to announce that Peter Scharf, Wayne Gibson, Dahlia Richardson and I were all re-elected, and we welcome Rudy Rybarczyk to our team of community representatives. We are all dedicated to serving the whole Shire and its citizens and intend to make this next 4 years very exciting for you all. Currently the Shire is working on preparing an Economic Development Strategy (EDS) to guide our decision making to facilitate a vibrant local economy supporting local job creation, new products and services. A community EDS workshop is being hosted by the Shire on Wednesday, 20 November 2019 at 6.00pm and I encourage those of you interested in understanding our current and future economic development direction to attend. It is important not to miss these opportunities to contribute to important forward planning and strategy development.

Earlier this year I was nominated in the Tennis West Tennis Industry Awards which was held at Optus Stadium in a glittering night of celebrations of tennis in Western Australia. As Tournament Director, representing the Reabold Tennis Club and Total Tennis, we were nominated for Tournament of the

Year. Running a high level Junior Tournament and Australian Money Tournament is something I do to give back every year to a sport that has been very good to our family. I would like to see more tennis played in Jurien Bay and Cervantes as I know Badgingarra and Dandaragan are well represented and their courts and clubs get plenty of use. If you have a racquet and enjoy a hit or two every now and again contact your local social tennis club to get involved or if your town doesn't have one perhaps start one up.

Last week I travelled to Wagin with Wheatbelt Development Commission Board members for a meeting. We try to get to as many Wheatbelt towns as we can during the year to hear about their issues and have a tour of what is working well in the towns. I have to say that I don't miss traversing Albany Highway and don't know how I did that trip so many times when I lived in Albany. When I think of our beautiful Indian Ocean Drive there is absolutely no comparison. Wagin is a thriving little place and we were fortunate to hear from two local businesses who are doing very well. They both had similar problems in attracting staff even though the wages were good and the opportunities for training and upskilling were there.

Aside from attracting staff, housing was also a problem which seems to be everywhere in the Wheatbelt and the State Government need to address this if we are to get people out of the city and into the regions. Councillors and I recently attended the Cervantes Art Festival early last Friday to judge the Shire Art Prize.

This was very difficult as there were so many wonderful exhibits in all classes. We were very pleased to purchase a lovely painting by local Badgingarra artist Anne Murray which will have a pride of place in our offices. Congratulations to the Cervantes Cultural Committee for the

biggest and best exhibition that we have ever had. The opening night in the new section of the Cervantes Recreation Centre proved to be a great evening. Minister for Culture and the Arts, The Honourable David Templeman MLA, opened the exhibition with a rousing speech highlighting the importance of Art and Culture to communities. The reception was packed and very well received. Ex-Councillor Kaye McGlew, as MC for the evening did a wonderful job with the presentations. Mr David Templeman and Anne Murray led the judges, Shane Love and myself through the amazing hanging art of blue and white jellyfish organised by Shire resident, Andrea Grey, into the main hall to enjoy the 461 entries. The next day record numbers of people came through the doors which must be a great feeling for all the hard work undertaken to coordinate such an event. Cervantes really shines in the art field.

Following Friday night's Art Festival opening, Saturday saw one of the most incredible events our Shire has ever hosted. The Cervantes 'Roar by the Shore' Car Festival brought people from all over the State to enjoy the vehicles on display, tractor racing, and freestyle MotoX Show, to name just a few events throughout the day. Our 2018 Citizen of the Year, Mr George Mostert, and his team of outstanding volunteers put this whole event together. I would like to take this opportunity to say well done to all parties involved in



coordinating both these successful events which continue to grow bigger and better every year.

On top of all this and the local government election I was still fortunate enough to take Minister Templeman and his family out to the Astrotourism event held at the Pinnacles for a great night of stargazing. He was very complimentary about Cervantes and after having lunch at the Lobster Shack and declared that visiting Cervantes was like going to another country.

In my previous President's report I mentioned being invited to officially open the new Badgingarra Art Trail. What a wonderful initiative this is by the local community, comprising 4.2km of walk/bicycle trail and new art sculptures made by Coomberdale Artist, Natalie Tonkin. With spring well on our doorstep now is a great opportunity to get out to Badgingarra to enjoy this new art trail.

This Thursday the Nambung Country Music Festival starts with a large range of country music artists performing over the 4 day festival. With the annual Aggies Cottage Pop Up Shop and the Indian Ocean Festival now to look forward to early next month I can honestly say we don't miss out on much in this wonderful part of the world.

In closing, I would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge our colleague, Mrs Kaye McGlew for her outstanding contribution to the Shire of Dandaragan. Kaye has served on Council for 12 consecutive years and during that time has been heavily involved in many of the successful projects that have been undertaken within our Shire. There can be no one more dedicated to her community than Kaye and I am sure I speak for all the councillors and staff in saying it has been both an honour and a privilege working with her and we wish her all the very best in all her future endeavours.



Photo credit - Dandyman - Roar by the Shore, Tony O'Gorman - Opening of Extension Cervantes Community Centre / Art Festival

## NOTICE OF PLANNING PROPOSALS

### PROPOSED MIXED USE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT - LOT 62 (#20) ROBERTS STREET & PART OF HEATON STREET ROAD RESERVE, JURIEN BAY

The Shire of Dandaragan is in receipt of a development application for the above mentioned property. The application proposes a mixed-use tourism development, comprising commercial and hospitality as well as short stay and permanent accommodation. The development application package received from the applicant; Burgess Design Group can be accessed from the Community Consultation tab on the Shire's website: <https://www.dandaragan.wa.gov.au>; or is available for viewing at the Jurien Bay Administration Centre at 69 Bashford Street.

Comments are invited to be submitted to the Shire of Dandaragan in writing or by email to [council@dandaragan.wa.gov.au](mailto:council@dandaragan.wa.gov.au) by 4:00pm Thursday 14th November 2019.

This development application will be determined by the Mid-West Wheatbelt Joint Development Assessment Panel in due course.

If you require any clarification on this matter please contact Shire Planning staff on 9652 0800.

### PROPOSED UPGRADES TO LIBERTY OIL ROADHOUSE - LOT 100 (#10805) BRAND HIGHWAY, CATABY

The Shire of Dandaragan is in receipt of a development application for the above mentioned property. The application proposes upgrades to the existing roadhouse land use by way of a dedicated heavy vehicle access, upgraded refuelling facilities, resting and eating facilities, landscaping and signage. The development application package received from the applicant; Planning Solutions can be accessed from the Community Consultation tab on the Shire's website: <https://www.dandaragan.wa.gov.au>; or is available for viewing at the Jurien Bay Administration Centre at 69 Bashford Street.

Comments are invited to be submitted to the Shire of Dandaragan in writing or by email to [council@dandaragan.wa.gov.au](mailto:council@dandaragan.wa.gov.au) by 4:00pm Friday 15th November 2019.

This development application will be determined by the Mid-West Wheatbelt Joint Development Assessment Panel in due course.

If you require any clarification on this matter please contact Shire Planning staff on 9652 0800

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINARY ELECTION RESULTS

Ordinary Election Results have now been announced. 44.32% of electors participated in this year's election & further information is available at <https://www.elections.wa.gov.au/elections/local/election>

Congratulations to the successful candidates.

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|--------------------|-------|--------|-----------------|
| GIBSON, Wayne      | 722   | 18.17% | 21 October 2023 |
| RICHARDSON, Dahlia | 683   | 17.19% | 21 October 2023 |
| HOLMES, Leslee     | 784   | 19.73% | 21 October 2023 |
| GLASFURD, Kim      | 497   | 12.51% |                 |
| SCHARF, Peter      | 753   | 18.95% | 21 October 2023 |
| RYBARCZYK, Rudy    | 535   | 13.46% | 21 October 2023 |
| Total valid votes  | 3,974 | 100%   |                 |



## OWNERS AND OR OCCUPIERS OF LAND - FIREBREAK NOTICE

The Shire would like to remind landowner/occupiers within the Shire of Dandaragan that fire breaks must be installed by 1 November 2019 and maintained clear of inflammable material up to and including 30 April 2020 as per the requirements in relation to Section 33 of the Bush Fires Act 1954. Failure to comply may result with a penalty and prosecution.

### URBAN / RESIDENTIAL LAND, FIREBREAK & FUEL HAZARD REDUCTION NOTICE

(all gazetted town sites)

Clear and maintain all inflammable materials on the property so it does not exceed 5 centimetres in height from 1st November 2019 to 30th April 2020.

### RURAL RESIDENTIAL LAND, FIREBREAK & FUEL HAZARD REDUCTION NOTICE

(Rural development, properties up to 20 hectares)

This category relates to all lots in all industrial estates and the subdivisions of Jurien Bay Heights, Alta Mare, Marine Fields, Koorungal Vale and Hill River Heights.

- Clear and maintain a 3 metre wide firebreak with a vertical clearance of 4 metres high, clear of any obstructions (no hanging tree limbs or objects) inside, or as close as practicable, all external boundaries of the land to allow for the unobstructed movement of Fire Appliances.

In rural residential land subject to erosion, firebreaks can be slashed, however they must be maintained to a height less than 10cm.

- On heavily vegetated or grassed blocks a further 5 metre low fuel zone is required in addition to the 3 metre firebreak. Fuel is defined as any material such as grass, leaf litter, twigs, bark, logs, even live vegetation, that can be ignited and sustain a fire. Fuel loads must be less than 2 tonnes per hectare.
- Clear and maintain a 20 metre Building Protection Zone around all habitable buildings.

### RURAL LAND, FIREBREAK & FUEL HAZARD REDUCTION NOTICE

(All properties above 20 hectares)

- Clear a firebreak consisting of mineral earth, to a width of no less than 3 metres, as close as practicable, inside the external boundaries of the property.
- Firebreaks must be maintained to provide a vertical clearance of a minimum 4 metres so as to allow adequate access for fire appliances.
- Clear and maintain a 5 metre mineral earth firebreak immediately surrounding all fuel and chemical storage areas.
- Clear and maintain a 2 metre mineral earth cleared area around all stationary pumps and motors.
- Areas cleared and piled for burning require a 20 metre mineral earth firebreak.
- Clear and maintain a 3 metre mineral earth firebreak around all hay stacks and hay sheds.
- Clear and maintain a 20 metre Building Protection Zone around all habitable buildings.



## PLANTATIONS, FIREBREAK & FUEL HAZARD REDUCTION NOTICE

Tree plantations of more than 3 hectares but less than 10 hectares

Clear and maintain a 10 metre wide mineral earth firebreak with a vertical clearance of 4 metre high, clear of all inflammable material immediately surrounding the plantation (adjacent areas of the same property subject to provisions as for rural areas).

Plantations larger than 10 hectares

Plantations established after 30 November 1984 that exceed 3 hectares in total area shall have a 10 metre wide firebreak completely surrounding the perimeter of planted trees. Each compartment of a plantation is limited to an area of less than 30 hectares in size. Each 30 hectare compartment shall have a 10 metre wide firebreak surrounding the planted trees. Furthermore all plantations shall comply with requirements contained in the Department of Fire and Emergency Services guidelines or standards for Plantation Fire Protection.



### PROHIBITED BURNING PERIOD

Please be advised, from the 1 November 2019 up to and including the 28 February 2020 the Shire of Dandaragan will be in the prohibited burning period, permits to burn will not be issued, no campfires are allowed not even for the purpose of camping & cooking. Please remember to maintain all firebreaks on your properties and hazard separation zones around dwellings throughout the prohibited period. Also ensure you clear around electrically powered pumps and stationary internal combustion engines.

Fire prevention saves lives, reduces damage to property, livestock, crops and protects the environment. Reducing fire hazards is the responsibility of each and every one of us. It is not difficult, but to be effective, everyone has to help, following simple guidelines as outlined above and in Fire Break & Fuel Hazard Reduction Notice 2019 / 2020 brochure may help to protect your family, property and the community from the devastation of fire.



### NOTICE TO ALL PET OWNERS

Pet owners are reminded that dog & cat licences expire on 31 October in each year. Renewal notices have been sent out for all registrations expiring on 31 October 2019.

Please remember that as of 1 November 2015 all animals are required to be microchipped.



## 2019 / 20 RATES INCENTIVE PRIZE WINNERS

Congratulation to the following winners of the 2019 / 20 Rates Incentive Prizes



### 1st Prize

One \$500 Savings account from the Dandaragan Coorow Community Bank® Branch

**J D & L M & D P Corker of PANNAWONICA**



West Australian Symphony Orchestra

### 2nd Prize

One lucky winner will receive 4 tickets to the West Australian Symphony Orchestra's performance of "Discovery Concert: The Art of Orchestration" on Saturday, 23 November 2019.

**M L & D A & S O Avery of BADGINGARRA**



AMBASSADOR PERTH

### 3rd Prize

One 2-night weekend stay for 2 people including full buffet breakfast each morning at the Quality Hotel Ambassador Perth, in a Premium Deluxe Room.

**W G & K M Whiteside of GLEN FORREST**

## COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICER (LIBRARY)

The Shire of Dandaragan is seeking someone with high level of customer service skills to work with our customer service and community development team to activate and run the Jurien Bay library. The role will also provide support to Visitor Centre staff, when needed.

For more information on the position an Information Package is available via our website at [www.dandaragan.wa.gov.au/employment](http://www.dandaragan.wa.gov.au/employment) or by contacting Gemma Richardson on 9652 0800 or via email to [hr@dandaragan.wa.gov.au](mailto:hr@dandaragan.wa.gov.au).

Applications close at 5.00pm on Friday 8 November 2019.

The Shire of Dandaragan is an equal opportunity employer.

Brent Bailey  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

## SWEARING IN OF COUNCILLORS

Local Government Elections have just been completed. Council is pleased to welcome Councillors Peter Scharf, Leslee Holmes, Dahlia Richardson, Wayne Gibson and Rudy Rybarczyk who were sworn in at a ceremony officiated by Councillor Ann Eyre JP on 24 October 2019.

Councillor Holmes and Councillor Scharf have been elected unopposed as President and Deputy President respectively

