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SENIOR RANGER

Applications are invited from suitably qualified / experienced persons for the position of Senior Ranger. The position is located in Jurien Bay.

The Council is seeking the services of an active self motivated employee and duties will include foreshore management, bushfire and dog control, exercising powers under Council Local Laws and various Acts. Good public relations skills are required as the position entails control, education and enforcement.

This position is classified Level 8 of the Local Government Industry Award 2010 and the salary will be dependent upon qualifications and experience.

A Position Description outlining details of the position is available by contacting Jennifer Thorley on 9652 0800 or e-mail jthorley@dandaragan.wa.gov.au.

Applicants must address the selection criteria and provide details on previous work experience, relevant personal details together with the name and telephone numbers of two recent referees. Applications are to be addressed and marked "PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL - SENIOR RANGER" to Tony Nottle, Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Dandaragan, PO Box 676, JURIEN BAY WA 6516.

Applications close 4.00pm Friday 14 June 2013.

INFRASTRUCTURE / MAJOR PROJECTS SUPPORT OFFICER

Applications are invited from qualified and experienced persons for the position of Infrastructure / Major Projects Support Officer.

Applicants must have a fast, accurate typing speed with strong spelling, grammar and comprehension skills.

To fulfil the role applicants must be able to demonstrate initiative and organisational skills, as well as possessing strong written, verbal and interpersonal skills. The ability to meet deadlines and prioritise workloads is essential.

The position operates from Council's Administration Centre in Jurien Bay.

This position is classified Level 7 of the Local Government Industry Award 2010 and the salary will be dependent upon qualifications and experience.

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CERVANTES COUNCIL MEETING AND TOWNSITE INSPECTION

The 27 June 2013 Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held at the Cervantes Pinnacles Motel commencing at 5.00pm.

Prior to the meeting there will be an inspection of the town of which an itinerary will be set closer to the date. If you have any items that require Council's attention in which you would like to be included in the inspection could you please contact Denaye Kerr at the Jurien Bay Administration Centre on 9652 0800.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Tony Nottle
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

INDIAN OCEAN FESTIVAL 2013 - 2014 Regional Events Scheme

Congratulations to the Indian Ocean Festival Committee for securing funding through the 2013-2014 Regional Events Scheme. The much needed funding will enable the event coordinators to continue to grow the Indian Ocean Festival and attract additional visitors to our region.

The Indian Ocean Festival is an event of local, regional and national standing and is held annually over one weekend in November. The festival features a number of exciting events. Crowds can enjoy a charity golf day, a family friendly triathlon, 'Blessing of the Fleet' boating display, live entertainment, market stalls, fishing and rope coiling competitions and fireworks.

09 Nov 2013 - 10 Nov 2013 – Bigger and Better

The Indian Ocean Festival Committee are to be commended on their continued success, building the Indian Ocean Festival into the much anticipated annual event, enjoyed by the wider community today.

SHIRE OF DANDARAGAN ON FACEBOOK

The Shire of Dandaragan is now using Social Media as a platform to connect with the public and promote our regional assets to potential investors and visitors.

Like us on Facebook for local events, promotion or information. Interact with other community members and Councillors. Stay informed with Shire specific information and environmental warnings. Share your photos and experiences within our Shire.

The Shire of Dandaragan Facebook page is designed to present matters of public interest to residents, businesses and visitors. We encourage you to submit your questions, comments, and concerns, but please note this is a moderated Facebook Page.



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CONGRATULATIONS - SCOTT & ZOE CLAYTON

Scott and wife Zoe who recently commenced maternity leave from her position as Senior Finance Officer welcomed 'Sebastian Peter Clayton' on Friday 3 May 2013, weighing a healthy 7lb 9oz. Scott and Zoe are very proud parents of little Sebastian and have slipped into parenthood with ease.



Best wishes Scott and Zoe from the Shire of Dandaragan.

DIGITAL TV UPDATE

Following a recent influx of queries in regards to information and misinformation regarding the Digital TV switch over the Shire of Dandaragan wishes to provide its residents with the following details.

The switch over from analogue to digital is scheduled on/after 4 June 2013 within our Shire and the national switch over and switch off of analogue is scheduled for 25 June 2013. Residents within the Shire will require a Digital Ready TV in order to receive digital channels. If you do not have a digital ready television within your household you **will** require a Set-Top Box.

Currently, we receive our television signal from a satellite named Aurora. Once the switch to digital television is made we will receive signal from a new satellite, VAST.

Many of you will have received calls from a company by the name of Skybridge in relation to the installation of digital satellites in order to receive Digital TV. Skybridge are the contracted installers for the **Satellite Service Scheme (SSS)** and the **Household Assistance Scheme (HAS-available for full pensioners, Aged, Disability, Veterans and Carers)**. However, since the release of the SSS and HAS, the Shire of Dandaragan has agreed to the installation of Digital TV equipment at the tower sites within the Shire to provide residents with free Digital TV meaning a Digital Ready Television or Set-Top Box (if your television is not digital ready), is all you will need to make the change at home. **SSS** and **HAS** customers that have already undergone installation through Skybridge will still receive Digital TV but their signal will come directly from the VAST Satellite rather than through the Shire tower sites. Skybridge have been asked to contact all **SSS** customers and inform them that the tower is upgrading and that it is expected that they will be able to receive terrestrial services after this has occurred, however if they still wish to go ahead with their **SSS** installation they can choose to do so.

If you live within the Shire where areas of signal are weaker (due to being further away from Shire towers), you have a window of opportunity between 4 June and 25 June to access HAS and SSS if you wish to do so and have not done so already. This will mean that your signal will be received directly from the VAST Satellite and not the Shire sites.

As the upgrade of our Shire sites is grant funded, **no rate increase** due to digital television will occur.

If you have any other queries please do not hesitate to contact the Shire of Dandaragan Administration Office on **9652 0800** between 8am and 5pm Monday to Friday.

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Tronox and Shire of Dandaragan Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund

The Tronox and Shire of Dandaragan Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund provides a total of \$30,000 to local clubs and community groups within the Shire for sporting and recreation equipment and small scale infrastructure projects each year.

These grants offer up to half the costs for small equipment to community groups. **The grants are now open and will close on Friday 28 June 2013.** Letters have been sent to community groups and sporting bodies within the Shire with guidelines and application forms. Applications will also be available to download from the Shire's web site at www.dandaragan.wa.gov.au.

If you require any assistance in completing the forms or have any questions please contact Kelly Shipway at the Jurien Bay Administration Centre on 9652 0800.

AUSTRALIA POST - OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD COMMUNITY GRANTS

Australia Post has launched its new community program – *Our Neighbourhood*, a national grants program.

Our Neighbourhood Community Grants are open to eligible registered charities and community organisations for amounts between **\$1000 and \$25,000** to support local projects.

Our Neighbourhood Community Grants will be awarded to organisations with projects that help connect local communities and foster inclusion across Australian neighbourhoods.

Australia Post plays an essential role in connecting Australian neighbourhoods and understands the importance of investing at a grass roots level.

The *Our Neighbourhood* program has been designed to provide opportunities for people from varying backgrounds and communities. With a focus on local, it will also extend to regional and remote, the disadvantaged, the culturally diverse and small business.

Our Neighbourhood Community Grants are **now open for applications and will close on Friday, 28 June 2013 at 5pm (AEST).**

All information regarding Our Neighbourhood Community Grants can be found at www.ourneighbourhood.com.au

2013 WA LANDCARE AWARDS

Landcare Australia is calling for entries from inspiring individuals, community groups and networks to enter the 2013 WA Landcare Awards.

"Are you protecting or improving your local environment, farm, coastline, native vegetation, bushland, wetland, waterway, native species, school, region, catchment, backyard?"

For more information or entry forms please visit the Landcare Australia website: <http://www.landcareonline.com.au/2013-state-territory-landcare-awards/wa>

Entries close Sunday 30 June 2013.