

2013 Citizen of the Year - Jonathan Nelson

Jonathan was nominated by Badgingarra Community Association and Badgingarra Country Womens Association.

Jonathan directed the first Jurien Beach Mission in December 1977. This was and still is a week of activities for children and teens focusing on wholesome fun and family values.



Jonathan Nelson and wife Jillian

For a number of years Jonathan led a youth group of about 15 to 20 children in Badgingarra who met every Sunday. The children learnt leadership skills and the program featured events such as the Hill River Adventure, the Lake Indoon Challenge and exchange visits with other youth groups in Coorow and in Perth.

As a part of his leadership within the local Uniting Church Jonathan has supported families in times of crisis. As a service he has conducted many funerals particularly for those with little or no link to the established church.

Jonathan has been a member of the Badgingarra Bush Fire Brigade since starting farming in 1972.

Jonathan has also been a member of the Badgingarra Community Association for many years. He has been a regular editor of the Sandpaper and also contributed to issues others have edited. He has assisted where possible in all projects the BCA have undertaken, including the Fair Committee, the Badgingarra Picnic and the Badgingarra Adventure Playground Project.

Jonathan spent a number of years on the board of the West Midlands Group. He served as Treasurer and provided support as the group sought to broaden its sponsorship base.

Jonathan is always cheerful and the Badgingarra and broader community are very thankful for his dedication and tireless contributions.

SHIRE OF DANDARAGAN RECEPTIONIST

CRISTI MCPHEE

My name is Cristi McPhee and I'm the newest member to join the Shire of Dandaragan Administration Centre as Receptionist.



I grew up in Geraldton but happily moved to Jurien with my husband Chris to raise our two beautiful children Tiana and Riley.

I previously worked for Meers IGA Jurien and made many new friends in my time spent working there but I craved for a challenging work environment.

My interests include camping, exploring, netball, reading and spending time with family and friends.

I have settled in quite nicely within the Shire of Dandaragan and I'm looking forward to creating a bright future for my little family in Jurien Bay.

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PLANT OPERATOR (DANDARAGAN) and GENERAL HAND (JURIEN BAY)

Applications are invited from interested persons for the abovementioned positions.

The Plant Operator (Dandaragan) position operates from Council's Operations Centre in the Dandaragan townsite. The successful applicant will work with a team that is engaged in a variety of tasks involving the construction and maintenance of Council's roads and other assets. The applicant should have sound skills and experience in heavy plant. The position of Plant Operator is required to hold a HC licence.

The General Hand (Jurien Bay) position operates from Council's Operations Centre in the Jurien Bay townsite. The successful applicant will work with a team that is engaged in a variety of tasks involving the general maintenance of Council's parks, gardens and reserves, mainly in Jurien Bay and Cervantes and at times throughout the whole Shire.

The two positions are classified as a Level 4 with a cash component of up to \$50,238.89 per annum plus superannuation. The salary will be dependent upon qualifications and experience and is paid in accordance with the Local Government Industry Award 2010.

An Information Package outlining details of the positions are available by contacting Gemma Richardson on 9652 0800 or via email to grichardson@dandaragan.wa.gov.au.

The 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. A current Federal Police Clearance is also required. Applications are to be marked "PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL - PLANT OPERATOR (DANDARAGAN) or GENERAL HAND (JURIEN BAY)" and addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Dandaragan, PO Box 676, Jurien Bay WA 6516.

Applications close at **4.00pm** on **Wednesday 12 March 2014**.

RATES AND FINANCE OFFICER (permanent part-time Wednesday to Friday)

Applications are invited from interested persons for the position of Rates and Finance Officer. We are seeking the services of a highly motivated and reliable person who is committed to providing a high standard of service.

Applicants must have the ability to maintain Council's property database, levying of interim rates and the collection of rates, and act as a back up to the Senior Finance Officer from time to time. If you have outstanding interpersonal and customer service rating skills with a keen eye for detail then we would like to hear from you.

Applicants with previous rates or finance experience in local government or similar are encouraged to apply.

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

The position is classified as a Level 6 with a cash component from \$43,321 up to \$46,000 per annum (pro-rata). The salary will be dependent upon qualifications and experience and is paid in accordance with the Local Government Industry Award 2010.

An Information Package outlining details of the position is available by contacting Gemma Richardson on 9652 0800 or via email to grichardson@dandaragan.wa.gov.au.

The applicant 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 marked "PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL - RATES AND FINANCE OFFICER" and addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Dandaragan, 69 Bashford Street, PO Box 676, Jurien Bay WA 6516.

Applications close at **4.00pm** on **Wednesday 19 March 2014**.

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NOTICE TO ALL OWNERS AND OR OCCUPIERS OF LAND WITHIN THE SHIRE OF DANDARAGAN

RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD

Please be advised, the Shire of Dandaragan has entered the **Restricted Burning Period** for 2014. Permits to burn **ARE REQUIRED** during the Restricted Burning Period, 1 March to the 1 April 2014.

A permit to burn must be obtained from your local Bush Fire Control Officer during the restricted burning period. Permits are subject to a number of conditions but will NOT be issued for burning on Sundays or public holidays, unless approved by the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer.

Prior to any burning you **ARE REQUIRED** to notify your neighbours, local Bush Fire Control Officer and the Shire of Dandaragan on 9652 0800. If the burn is to be carried out on land that is joining or adjacent to land that is managed or controlled by the Department of Parks and Wildlife, the Moora District Office, Jurien Bay is to be notified by telephoning 9652 1911.

If the fire danger forecast for the day issued by the **Bureau of Meteorology** is forecast for **VERY HIGH** or above, all permits are cancelled and the burn cannot be implemented.

Besides being responsible for the safety of your own property, if a fire escapes from your property, you may be liable to pay compensation for any damage caused outside of your property – this could be very costly.



Take an active part in your community

*Whether you're a parent, senior citizen, young person,
business owner or a community group*

EDUCATION IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS!

**Come along and have your say in the future of education
in Jurien Bay and surrounding communities**

When: Wednesday 12th March 2014

Time: Choose one of the following sessions:
Morning Session: 10.00am - 12.00noon
Afternoon Session: 1.30pm - 3.30pm
Sundowner Session: 5.00pm - 7.00pm
Light refreshments provided

Where: Shire of Dandaragan Administration Centre,
Bashford Street, Jurien Bay

RSVP: For catering purposes please reply to Gemma Richardson by phoning 9652 0800 or via email to ceosecretary@dandaragan.wa.gov.au. Please indicate which session you will be attending, light refreshments provided.

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REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUSTRALIA - Y20 WHEATBELT SUMMIT

'GIVING WHEATBELT YOUNG PEOPLE A VOICE'

The Y20 Wheatbelt Summit is to be held on Thursday 10 July 2014 at the Joondalup Resort. The Summit will engage Wheatbelt young people in discussions to identify their future 'Vision' for the Wheatbelt region, how they see current and emerging challenges could be addressed and what opportunities can be built on to achieve this vision.

The Summit has been modeled on the Youth 20 (Y20) initiative, which is the official youth engagement group of the G20. The Y20 provides a platform for young people among G20 members to communicate with world leaders about the issues that are important to young people - both raising concerns and proposing solutions. More importantly it provides a framework for G20 youth to take ownership of the solutions they generate and to be accountable for auctioning these solutions. RDA Wheatbelt aspires to replicate this with the W20 Wheatbelt Summit.

The Honourable Mia Davies MLA is the patron for the Y20 Wheatbelt Summit. It will also include a presentation by keynote speaker Andrew Embley, former West Coast Eagles star; interactive discussions; engaging activities; and a formal dinner.

Following the Summit, the results will be collated into a report, which will outline the views and ideas shared by young Wheatbelt people.

Nominations to attend the Summit are being sought for young people ages 16 - 18 years from the Wheatbelt region who actively demonstrate leadership skills, contribute to their community and / or are committed to personal endeavours (e.g education, sports, arts, dance etc.)

More information about the Summit can be found by visiting the website at www.rdawheatbelt.com.au alternatively you can contact Administration Officer, Pippa Harris on 9575 1888 or via email admin@rdawheatbelt.com.au

Nominations close 31 March 2014 at 4.00pm.

RAC - Community Sponsorships Program

In 2011 RAC launched a Community Sponsorships Program to empower communities across Western Australia to deliver unique and enriching initiatives. Since then 77 projects have been supported to the value of more than \$435,000.

The program has a range of sponsorship categories for community groups to access including Grass Roots, Project and Partnership categories. Their Grass Roots category is open all year round with community groups able to apply for up to \$5,000 to support small scale initiatives that empower and strengthen local communities.

Within these categories there are four sponsorship focus areas, safe driving, less emissions, moving around and for the better. If your community group are interested in applying for sponsorship please contact the RAC Sponsorship team at sponsorship@rac.com.au or phone 9436 4584.

Department of Sport and Recreation (CSRFF) 2014/15 Funding Round

Applications for the 2014/2015 Small Grants Community Sport and Recreation Facilities Funds are now open. The program aims to increase physical activity and participation in sport and recreation and is an incentive for the rational development of good quality, well designed and well utilised facilities.

Applications with a TOTAL budget less than \$150,000 will need to be lodged with the Shire office prior to 31 March 2014. Each application is judged on its merits and relative to other applications received in that round. Applicants will need to demonstrate that their project will be completed and acquitted within the next financial year it is granted (ie 15 months after application is received). Small grants of up to \$150,000 are also available for projects that increase participation in sport and recreation activities through capital works programs. Application forms and guidelines are available on the Department of Sport and Recreation website at <http://www.dsr.wa.gov.au/csrfapplication>.