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TOURISM & MARKETING COORDINATOR – ALISON SLYNS

My name is Alison Slyns and I have just joined the team at the Shire in a newly created Tourism and Marketing role.

After finishing high school I completed a Marketing and Media degree at Murdoch University and worked in several large franchise companies to help create systems and procedures that streamlined and improved the business. I eventually branched out from this by becoming a self-employed business consultant and offering advice and solutions to companies on a wide range of topics. In the middle of all of this I continued to help run the family cheese-making business and enjoyed the challenge of running a small business in a rural area.

I moved to Jurien Bay 18 months ago with my family when my husband Darren accepted the Officer In Charge position at the police station. Just over a year before taking on that role we had stopped in Jurien Bay on our way home to Perth from a camping trip to make some repairs to our trailer. During our four-hour stopover while Darren fixed the trailer, I wandered around town with our two daughters and knew this is where I wanted to live.

I was very happy to find that living in Jurien Bay is just as lovely as I thought it would be when I spent those four hours wandering around as a tourist and I look forward to helping spread the word about the amazing Shire we are lucky enough to live in.



EXECUTIVE MANAGER INFRASTRUCTURE – GARRICK YANDLE

I have commenced at the Shire as Executive Manager Infrastructure. I have over ten years' experience in the private sector as a consultant civil engineer and project manager in various locations throughout WA. I have delivered infrastructure projects for a range of clients including BHP, Rio Tinto, Water Corporation, Shire of Roebourne, Town of Port Hedland, MRWA and Dampier Port Authority to name a few. I spent 2 years in Karratha as GHD's North West Regional Office Manager. This is my first foray into local government and I am looking forward to delivering the many diverse aspects associated with infrastructure projects of the Shire of Dandaragan.

I am a country boy, originally growing up on the family farm in Narembeen. I have various family members in local government, with my mother being the current CEO at Three Springs and my grandfather was a grader driver and swimming pool manager with the Shire of Narembeen for over 30 years.

I have a strong interest in sports playing cricket, Aussie Rules and hockey. I played WACA District cricket for over 15 years including over 50 1st Grade games. I have recently returned in January 2014 as member of the successful championship winning WA Country Cricket Team at the Australian National Country Cricket Championships in Canberra. I hold Level 1 Coaching qualifications for Cricket and AFL, and enjoy coaching and developing young sports people. In 2013 I embarked upon a ridiculous idea to ride a bicycle 1200km through the French Alps from Como to Nice over 10 of the most famous mountains of the Tour de France and somehow survived. It was arguably the most stupid, challenging and rewarding activity I have ever undertaken.



I look forward to enjoying my time in Jurien Bay and the Shire of Dandaragan and will be sure to be involved in numerous community activities.

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LEEWIN OCEAN ADVENTURE

The Shire of Dandaragan invites local Youth to apply for the Shire of Dandaragan Leeuwin Scholarship. The Shire of Dandaragan Leeuwin Scholarship assists with funding towards passage on a Leeuwin Ocean Adventure for one local participant.

If you or your parents live within the Shire of Dandaragan and are between the ages of 15 – 25 years, we would like to hear from you. Take up the challenge and make an application for a personal development program on board the Sail Ship “Leeuwin”.

A written application addressed to the Chief Executive Officer is required of applicants, outlining what they feel they could receive from the experience. A letter of support from a community organisation included with the application may also assist in the selection process.

Applications close 30 April 2014.

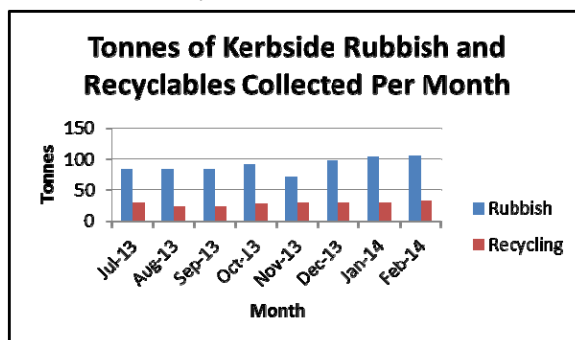
If you have any questions please contact Kelly Shipway, Community Development Officer, at the Shire of Dandaragan on 9652 0800 or email cdo@dandaragan.wa.gov.au

SANDY CAPE ROAD ACCESS

Approval has recently been granted for road trains to use the Sandy Cape Road for the cartage of limesand to rural areas of this and other Shires to the east. Strict conditions apply to the use of the road including a 40km/h speed limit and that the trucks cannot use the road on public holidays, weekends adjoining a public holiday and the first and last weekend of the State school holiday periods. Council is very aware of the possible conflicts between tourist traffic going to Sandy Cape and heavy vehicles and it is the responsibility of the individuals using the road to take due care. This matter will be reviewed later this year.

RECYCLING MATTERS

The agreed target for recycling rates in regional Western Australia by 2015 is 30%. So how does the Shire of Dandaragan compare to this goal? In February 2014 our figures show just over 23% of total kerbside collection waste was recyclables.



There is a misconception that because one truck collects both bins it means everything ends up in landfill. Our contractor AVON WASTE has dual-compartment trucks that keep rubbish and recyclables separate. All recyclables are taken to their Recycling Transfer Station in York.

The following items should be put into the yellow-topped bin:

- Glass bottles, jars and containers
- Plastic packaging (cool drink, juice, milk, food packets, marked 1,2 or 3)
- Aluminium cans and foil
- Steel cans (food and pet food containers and *empty* paint cans)
- Aerosol cans
- Liquid paperboard (long-life milk and juice cartons)
- Paper and cardboard (boxes, newspapers, telephone books, office paper, glossy magazines)

The green-topped bins are for all kitchen waste and general household waste.

Please take your time to compare the amount of rubbish pick up to recycling pick up you have in your household and let's get to our 30% recycling target by 2015.

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PROJECT SUMMARY:

CAP (COASTAL ADAPTATION PROTECTION) GRANT

- The Shire of Gingin, Shire of Dandaragan and NACC have been working through the first steps of a Coastal Hazard Risk Management and Adaptation Planning Framework (CHRMAP).
- This Framework helps local governments identify potential areas at risk to coastal erosion and coastal inundation over the next 30, 50 and 100 years.
- The process is recommended by the WA State Government under their revised Coastal Planning Policy, which was endorsed by the Minister for Planning in 2013.
- This is only the third partnership of local governments working on this process in WA. Others being the Peron Naturaliste Partnership (Rockingham to Busselton) and the Cockburn Sound Coastal Alliance (Fremantle to Rockingham). Working in partnership is quite a progressive move for the project partners involved and a smart one that helps the partners to leverage external funding where it might not otherwise be possible working individually.
- This partnership is supported by many government agencies, WALGA and Curtin University.
- Completed steps of the Framework so far include:
 - ⇒ Data and Information Gap Analysis
 - ⇒ Workshop with project partners and community representatives in Ledge Point (which some of the participants may have attended, one representative from each Coastcare Group and Ratepayer Association from Guilderton to Jurien Bay attended the workshop, in July 2013)
 - ⇒ Workshop Summary Report
- These documents and others related to the project, such as media releases, policy and scientific references, are all available for downloading through the Coastal & Marine section of the NACC website.
- The next phase of the Framework is the Coastal Hazard Mapping and Risk Assessment.
- Coastal engineers and specialists from GHD (consultants) are working with NACC and the Shires to map the coastal areas from Guilderton to North Head that are likely to be impacted by coastal erosion and coastal inundation over the next 100 years.
- This information will be used to:
 - ⇒ Identify the natural and man-made assets that are likely to be at risk to erosion and inundation over the next 100 years.
 - ⇒ Identify options for reducing risk to these assets, which might include accommodate risk, protect from risk or retreat from risk. Options will be integrated into Council operations through planning instruments such as town planning schemes and local planning strategies.
- The project should be completed in 2015.
- There will be opportunities for the community to be involved throughout the process.
- Coastal erosion and coastal inundation are natural processes that have been occurring for thousands of years (the shoreline of the NAR used to stretch all the way to the Abrolohos (for more information on our coast's formation, people could attend the **NACC Coast and Marine beach monitoring project bus tour on April 4th with Bob Gozzard and Mick O'Leary**).
- The project stretches from Guilderton to North Head / Jurien Bay because the landforms along this coastline are similar, in that they are low lying sandy coastal landforms. Similar landforms are useful for strategic planning. Whereas the coastline changes significantly from North Head, and this has been identified by geologists and coastal specialists as a separate coastal compartment that stretches all the way to North Geraldton (Drummond's Point), and is characterised by rocky outcrops and headlands (for more information on our coast's formation, people could attend the bus tour on April 4th with Bob Gozzard and Mick O'Leary).

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PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2005

LOCAL PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENT AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION

SHIRE OF DANDARAGAN

LOCAL PLANNING SCHEME NO 7, AMENDMENT NO 21

Notice is hereby given that the local government of the Shire of Dandaragan has prepared the abovementioned Scheme Amendment for the purpose of rezoning Lot 62 Roberts Street, Jurien Bay from "Tourist" to "Special Use" and amending Schedule 4 - Special Use Areas, contained within the Scheme text by inserting "SU - Lot 62 (No 20) Roberts Street, Jurien Bay".

Documents setting out and explaining the Scheme Amendment are available for viewing at the Shire Administration Centre in Bashford Street, Jurien Bay during normal opening hours or via the Shire's website at www.dandaragan.wa.gov.au. For further information on the documentation please contact the Planning Department at the Shire Administration Centre on 9652 0800.

Submissions on the Scheme Amendment may be made in writing on a Form No 4 to be lodged with the undersigned on or before Friday 9 May 2014.

This Amendment is available for inspection in order to provide an opportunity for public comment and it should not be construed that final approval will be granted.

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GRANTS TO HELP RESTORE BANKSIA WOODLAND

Community groups interested in restoring banksia woodland in the greater Perth area are being invited to apply for funding to help enhance the habitat of rare species.

Environment Minister Albert Jacob said \$300,000 was available under the State Government's Banksia Woodlands Restoration Program to assist volunteers to manage and conserve important bushland.

"We are asking local groups to help restore banksia woodland in areas dominated by weeds which will improve the habitat for wildflowers and native animals," Mr Jacob said.

"The project will have a major role in reversing habitat loss and managing threats to banksia woodland in Perth over the next two years, particularly for the endangered Carnaby's cockatoo."

Grants range between \$5,000 and \$20,000 for projects undertaken between June 1, 2014 and September 30, 2016, with funding supplied in two instalments and administered by the Department of Parks and Wildlife.

"Some examples of suitable projects include weed management, revegetation works, fencing to limit vehicle access and grazing, Phytophthora dieback assessment and treatment and management of pest animals," Mr Jacob said.

The Minister launched the grants program last week at a special event to mark the 21st birthday of the Friends of Hepburn Heights and Pinnaroo group, which has used previous grants to help restore the park's banksia woodland.

"The wonderful work the Friends of Hepburn Heights and Pinnaroo group has carried out is a great example of how other groups can help restore important bushland," he said.