



FROM THE CEO'S DESK....

Every two years Local Government in Western Australia sends itself into a spin with the elections being held in October. This year's election was once again undertaken by the Western Australian Electoral Commission and Returning Officer Peter Lyons. As with previous elections, compared with the State average, the Shire of Dandaragan performed extremely well.

Our Shire received a 48.88% turnout rate for the 2015 Election, compared with the State average of 27.5%. We also had 10 quality candidates put their hands up for the six positions that were available. Secretly, all of us involved with the election were hoping for a 50% plus turnout rate!

The Statewide results also indicated an increase in participation of women nominating for Council, and this was also the case at Dandaragan. The Dandaragan Shire Council now has 4 of the 9 Councillor positions held by female Councillors.

The Council held its first meeting following the election on the 22 October 2015. As a number of media reports have stated, the Shire Council elected its very first female President in Cr. Leslee Holmes. Leslee brings with her a wealth of experience particularly in the areas of tourism, small business, community and economic development. Leslee is also joined by recently elected Deputy President Cr. Darren Slyns. I am sure the new leadership team of Leslee and Darren will bring a number benefits and opportunities to the Shire of Dandaragan into the future.

I would also like to congratulate our newly elected members of Kaye McGlew (re-elected) Dahlia Richardson, Wayne Gibson (re-elected), Chris Carey and Peter Scharf. However, in particular I would sincerely like to thank Cr. Gibson for his efforts in leading the Shire as its President since March 2013. Cr. Gibson was elected to the position of President following the election of Shane Love MLA into the State Parliament. He was once again re-elected to the position of President following the Ordinary Election in October 2013.

Wayne has worked tirelessly within the community to ensure that the ratepayers voices were heard, and implemented a number of initiatives to help improve the way the Shire carried out its duties. On behalf of the community, I would like to thank Wayne for his commitment to the Shire. I would also like to thank Wayne for the close working relationship we formed within our roles over the previous 2 years. Wayne continues to serve you all as a Councillor and has retained a number of key committee positions that will provide experience and continuity in the years to come.

Thank you also to Cr. Kaye McGlew who served as your Deputy President during the same period. Kaye has particularly been a strong voice for the rural communities as well as providing great direction and support in the education, community and youth areas.

And last, but certainly not least, I would like to thank Lawrie Short. Lawrie has been a Councillor for the Shire of Dandaragan between 2001 and 2015. Without a doubt, Lawrie is passionate and a fantastic promoter of the Shire of Dandaragan. He served as your Deputy Shire President between the years of 2003 – 2013 as well as a stint on the State Council. Unfortunately Lawrie was not successful in his bid for re-election this year, but his commitment to his Shire will certainly not go unnoticed. Thank you Lawrie, from all the staff and Councillors at the Shire for your dedication and friendship during your time.

As the election period draws to a close, I urge you all to make yourself familiar with your Councillors and introduce yourselves. Your Councillors volunteer their time to make our Shire a better place to live, work and play and I am sure they would appreciate any feedback you may have.



SCHARF P	119	309	320	422	480	600
BUCKHAY R	51	84	126	162	181	218
HOLMES L	135	239	367	440	557	600
NELSON J	64	119	218	277	309	360
CAREY C	95	161	247	320	381	440
SHORT L	72	132	223	276	308	360
RICHARDSON D	72	180	298	368	432	500
SHANKMAN R	86	153	251	321	388	450
GIBSON N	115	193	313	400	489	550
MCGLEW K	122	222	356	458	561	630





2015 RATES PRIZE WINNERS

Congratulations to the following winners of the 2015/ 2016 rates incentive prizes:

1st Prize

Dandaragan Coorow
Community Bank® Branch



One \$500 Savings account from the
Dandaragan Coorow Community Bank® Branch
E M Debenham of Jurien Bay

2nd Prize



PERTH
AMBASSADOR
HOTEL

ambassadorhotel.com.au

One 2-night weekend stay for 2 people including full buffet breakfast
each morning, at the Perth Ambassador Hotel in a Premium Deluxe
Room
J E Kerr of Jurien Bay

3rd Prize



West Australian
Symphony Orchestra
PAUL DANIEL PRINCIPAL CONDUCTOR

One lucky winner will receive 2 Double Passes to the
West Australian Symphony Orchestra's performance of "Beethoven &
Mahler" on 21st November 2015.
G D & G D & K M McNeill of Dalwallinu

CLOSURE OF SHIRE OFFICE

Please be advised that the Shire of Dandaragan Administration Centre
will be closed from COB Thursday 24 December 2015 and re-open at
8.00am Monday 4 January 2016. The Councillors and staff from the
Shire of Dandaragan wish you all a very merry Christmas and safe and
happy New Year.



2015 YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

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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.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE

FRIDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2015

The awards ceremony will be held at the Jurien Sport and Recreation Centre on
Tuesday 9 February 2016 commencing at 7.00pm. Supper and refreshments will be
provided.

AN INVITATION IS EXTENDED TO THE PUBLIC TO ATTEND

SHIRE OF DANDARAGAN COUNCIL MEETINGS IN THE MONTHS AHEAD

DATE	VENUE	TIME
26 November 2015	Jurien Bay	5.00 pm
17 December 2015	Jurien Bay	5.00 pm
28 January 2016	Dandaragan	5.00 pm (AGM at 7.00pm)



Business Administration Certificate III Shire of Dandaragan



Job Description:

Directions are currently seeking a full time Trainee to commence a Certificate III in Business Administration for the Shire of Dandaragan based in Jurien Bay.

Skills required:

The successful applicant will demonstrate:

- Strong interest in administration
- Good communication skills
- Neat presentation
- Motivation
- Reliability
- You must live locally
- Flexibility

How to apply:

If you are looking for a career in Business Administration please send your resume to: enquiries@directionswa.com.au or contact Gemma Richardson at the Shire of Dandaragan on 9652 0800 who will forward your details to Directions.

COMPULSORY MICROCHIPPING FOR ALL DOGS COMMENCED 1 NOVEMBER 2015

Amendments to the Dog Act 1976 made in November 2013 provided that from 1 November 2015 the owner of a dog that has reached three months of age must ensure that the dog is microchipped.



A dog is exempt from the microchipping requirement if a veterinarian issues a Certificate stating that the implantation of a microchip may adversely affect the health and welfare of the dog. The certificate cannot apply in respect of a dog that is under three months of age.

When a person registers their dog, they will be required to provide proof that the dog has been microchipped by providing their local government with the microchip number.

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS 2016



Nominations are open for Rotary District 9465 'Rotary Youth Leadership Awards 2016 - Leadership through Self-Awareness'.

If you are aged between 18-28 years of age and are a young leader, or want to be a young leader in your community; Interested in developing your leadership skills; Wanting a network of young leaders, you are invited to nominate to attend a leadership camp in January.

Nominations close 15th November 2015. For queries or to nominate, please email Michelle Perkins at the Shire on cdo@dandaragan.wa.gov.au or phone 9652 0800.



Shire of Dandaragan Elects President and Deputy President

At a Council Meeting held 22 October 2015 at the Shire of Dandaragan, Councillor Leslee Holmes was elected to the position of President with Councillor Darren Slyns elected as Deputy President.

The appointment to President and Deputy President is a first for both Councillors and the first time in Shire of Dandaragan history that a female has held the President's position.

"It is a great honour to be the first female President of the Shire of Dandaragan. I look forward to working with my new team and am confident we will achieve some great things for the whole Shire." said Councillor Leslee Holmes.

The President and Deputy President positions are both elected for a two-year term until the next Local Government Elections in October 2017. Councillor Holmes replaces previous President, Councillor Wayne Gibson, and Councillor Slyns replaced previous Deputy President, Councillor Kaye McGlew.

Together with Cr Holmes and Cr Slyns, Cr Gibson and Cr McGlew remain on Council with sitting members Cr Mike Sheppard and Cr Judy Kulisa. Three newly elected Councillors were also sworn in at the meeting, being Councillor Peter Scharf, Councillor Dahlia Richardson and Councillor Chris Carey.

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

Please be advised, as of the **1 November 2015 up to and including the 28th February 2016** the Shire of Dandaragan will be in **prohibited burning, permits to burn will not be issued, NO campfires are allowed not even for the purpose of camping & cooking.**

Strictly no burning is permitted.

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 including stationary internal combustion engines. Fire prevention saves lives, reduces damage to property, livestock, crops and protects the environment.

SHIRE OF DANDARAGAN ON FACEBOOK

The Shire of Dandaragan is 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.



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