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SHIRE OF MUNDARING

COMMUNITY UPDATE



FROM THE SHIRE PRESIDENT

As the Noongar season of Makuru transitions into Djilba, I am sure everyone is enjoying the slightly warmer temperatures and vibrant wildflowers that are starting to emerge.

Regretfully, we recently received the Shire's CEO Jonathan Throssell's resignation from his position after 18 years. I extend my best wishes to Jonathan who will commence his new role as CEO of the Town of East Fremantle in September. Following an extensive recruitment process, I am delighted to confirm the appointment of Jason Whiteaker as the Shire's new CEO effective from Monday 2 October. Mr Whiteaker's impressive background in local government includes 10 years as the CEO of the Shire of Northam and 25 years at the Shire of Collie with seven of those at the helm. I congratulate Jason and look forward to working with him.

We are pleased to announce the launch of our online community directory. This free directory is an additional resource to the Business Directory that was established in collaboration with the Mundaring Chamber of Commerce some time back. If you represent a not-for-profit organisation, club or group visit mundaring.wa.gov.au/listings/community-directory to check your details or join up if not already listed.

In the coming months, the Shire will be undertaking bushfire mitigation works around Lake Leschenaultia, Old Northam Road and Stoneville Road. Works will include removing dead vegetation, pruning overhanging trees, clearing fire access ways, weed control and removal of non-native species to reduce fuel loads, along with community engagement activities.

In closing, I would like to remind everyone that the Local Government elections will take place in October this year. I encourage anyone thinking of nominating to do so. Representing your community on Council is a highly rewarding experience and a great way to make a difference in your local area. Keep an eye out for regular updates as we progress through the various stages in the election process.

James Martin
Shire President



Local Government Elections

As a result of State Government legislative changes, the Shire has reduced the number of Councillors from 12 to eight, plus a Shire President. At the 2023 Local Government Ordinary Elections there will be six continuing council members, resulting in the following vacancies:

- Office of directly elected Shire President (4 year term, expiring 2027)
- East Ward Councillor (4 year term, expiring 2027)
- Central Ward Councillor (4 year term, expiring 2027)

There are no vacancies for the South Ward or West Ward. Nominations open Thursday 31 August until Thursday 7 September. If you are interested in nominating for Council, visit dlgsc.wa.gov.au/local-government/local-governments/council-elections to find out more.

WHAT'S ON



1 Ordinary Council Meeting

The August Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 8 August** at 6.30pm at the Shire Administration Building. The Agenda is available on the website, Administration Building or at our libraries. Meetings will be live streamed via the Shire's website mundaring.wa.gov.au/council-livestreams-and-recordings

2 Annual Verge Collections

Swan View and Midvale - 14 Aug
Bellevue, Boya & Helena Valley - 21 Aug
Greenmount & Hovea - 28 Aug
Darlington & Glen Forrest - 4 Sept
Mundaring & Mahogany Creek - 11 Sept

All other suburbs will be serviced in late September and early October. Visit the Shire's [website](http://www.mundaring.wa.gov.au) or use the My Mundaring Online portal to check collection dates in your area.

3 Living Well with Arthritis

Boya Community Centre, Monday 21 August, 6pm to 7.30pm. A speaker from Arthritis and Osteoporosis WA will talk about how to recognise the early warning signs of arthritis. Learn self-management techniques and find additional services and information. Bookings essential via Eventbrite.

4 Ben Wyatt in conversation with Author Steve Hawke

Boya Community Centre, Thursday 31 August, 6pm to 7.30pm. Hear Ben Wyatt in conversation with author Steve Hawke about his new novel. The Brothers Wolfe is a complex story of family relationships, secrets, greed and the ties that bind. Bookings are essential via Eventbrite.

5 Midvale Hub Parenting Service

The Midvale Hub Parenting Service is offering **free** workshops in September suitable for parents and caregivers of children aged 4-12 years.

Building your Child's Resilience
Parkerville Baptist Church, **Thursday 14 September**, 9.30am to 11.30am.

Anxiety and your Child
Parkerville Baptist Church, **Thursday 21 September**, 9.30am to 11.30am.

Bookings are essential for both events. Contact Midvale Hub Parenting Service (Perth North East). Email parentingservice@mundaring.wa.gov.au or call (08) 9290 6827 to confirm your attendance.

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