



February 2019

FROM THE SHIRE PRESIDENT

If you've managed to take a well-earned break over January, I hope that it has been both enjoyable and productive.

With the return to school for many children and teenagers, remember to take care when driving around all towns with schools. This developing generation is our future.

The start of both the calendar year and the school year quite often sees many new faces, of families and workers. Please take the time to welcome anyone new to the Shire. This might not only make newcomers feel welcome, but they may feel like contributing to your service club, your sporting club, or many of other community events available.

Looking at the Shire of Northam's events calendar for February, it includes new things such as the Link Theatre presenting the Fringe World Festival, and the Northam Super Bicycle Criterion, along with many regular and annual events such as the Vintage Vehicle Swap Meet, the Lions Community Markets and the Seniors Morning Tea.

If you're curious about what's happening, take a look at the Shire of Northam Website or Facebook page, or visit the Recreation Centre to see what's on offer across the Shire.

Continuing with the schedule started last year, the Shire of Northam is conducting both the Forum and Ordinary Council meetings in regional locations. In February, both these meetings will be held at the Bakers Hill Sports Pavilion. This provides an opportunity for all residents and ratepayers to meet the Councillors and Staff and ask questions.

Some of what's happening around the Shire; the construction of the new Aquatic Centre has officially commenced, and the Family Park in the Jubilee precinct is getting closer to completion. The Co-work Space is up and ready for use.

Remember to remain Bushfire Aware. Be thankful and respectful of all the local emergency and community volunteers. If you haven't already, maybe look at volunteering locally some of your time or skill. You can make a positive difference to someone in need.

Congratulations to all the winners at the recent Australia Day Citizenship Awards and to all those with staging the events across the Shire.

Take Care and enjoy all that the Shire of Northam has to offer

Shire President Chris Antonio

FREE MULCH AVAILABLE

The Shire of Northam is continuing its environmental initiative of mulching green waste at the Old Quarry Road Waste Facility and Inkpen Road Waste Facility. Mulch is available free of charge to householders in the Shire and is limited in size to two trailer or ute loads. Self-loading is required. This product may contain small amounts of plastic or metal. Any queries in relation to the proposal should be directed to the Shire Environmental Health Department on 9622 6100 or alternatively email records@northam.wa.gov.au

BUSHFIRE BRIGADE RECRUITMENT

The Shire of Northam's local Bushfire Brigades are looking for volunteers to join the team. There are 7 brigades strategically located throughout the Shire of Northam that are always looking for new members to join the team and be a part of Thin Red Line protecting our community from the increasing threat of bush fire.

Volunteers are the heart and soul of any rural community, and the Shire of Northam is no exception.

If being a fire fighter on the front line isn't your thing, there are a variety of different roles that you can fill to be a part of the team.

Being a volunteer fire fighter is one of the most valuable and rewarding experiences, along with the bond that you form with your brigade members will last a lifetime.

Come and join the family, you'll never look back!

If you would like to find out more, please contact our Community Emergency Services Manager Brendon Rutter on 0458 08 08 18.

WUNDOWIE BUS TRIAL

The Wundowie to Northam Community Transport Trial will continue until April 2019, operating on Tuesday and Thursday.

This service departs Wundowie at 9.05am from the Community Hall Car park and stops in Bakers Hill and Clackline, returning to Wundowie at approximately 2pm. The cost is \$2 per return journey.

Please contact the Shire of Northam on 9622 6100 or visit the Wundowie Library to book. Bookings are essential.

This service is to assist people to access services not available in their own community, we

encourage everyone to shop in their local community wherever possible.

RECREATION CENTRE TEMPORARY PARKING

Due to the commencement of construction for the Aquatic Centre, majority of the Rec Centre car park has been blocked off.

During this period, there has been a temporary parking area put in place until new parking has been constructed, this includes the route for entry and exit of the Rec Centre.



WHAT'S ON IN FEBRUARY

Saturday 2

Lions Community Markets
Fringe World Festival

Sunday 3

Busy Bee-Federals Football Club

Tuesday 12

Chat with the Chamber CEO

Wednesday 13

Council Forum at Bakers Hill Pavilion

Sunday 17

Vintage Vehicle Swap Meet

Wednesday 20

Business Leaders Forum Breakfast
Council Meeting at Bakers Hill Pavilion

Visit www.northam.wa.gov.au/events-calendar for more information.

AT THE LIBRARY

Mondays 10:30am-11:00am

Steam Activity Time for 0-5yrs

Wednesdays 10:30am-11:00am

Story Time with Craft 2-5yrs

All activities are open to all residents of the Shire of Northam free of charge.

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