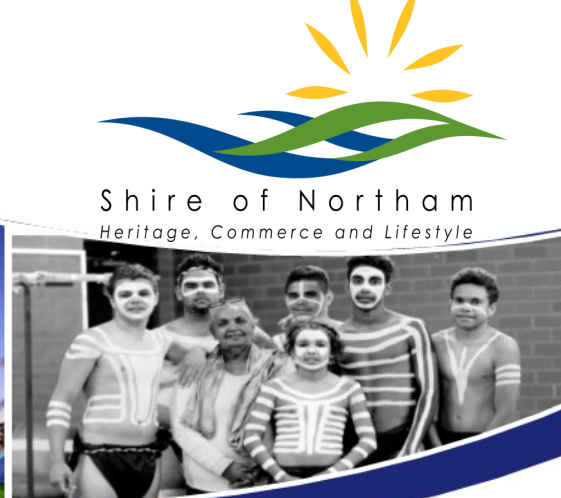




Shire of Northam  
Heritage, Commerce and Lifestyle



# JULY 2019

## FROM THE SHIRE PRESIDENT

As the middle of winter approaches, we can all see the change in the landscape from autumn colours to vibrant green. This provides a reminder to us all on how lucky we are to live in such a great part of the world.

There are many events and activities during the winter months in the Shire of Northam. Just by looking at the Events Calendar within the Shire of Northam Website, you can see how much is happening. This ranges from Senior's Morning Tea events, to Horse Racing, Lions Community Markets, Christmas in July events and Entertainment activities ranging from the localities of El Caballo to Northam.

As School Holidays approach, I trust everyone will have a safe and enjoyable break. If you're travelling, take care. If you're staying in the Shire, keep an eye out for School Holiday Activities in the Northam Village Square.

The Shire of Northam Branding, Ready, Set, Go is now more noticeable. The new branding continues to promote the Shire in a positive way. One way to see this in action is to visit the Shire of Northam Website, and look at "Spend a Day, or Spend a Weekend in the Shire"

July sees most community service groups have their annual changeover night. I would like to extend my thanks to all volunteers within the Shire of Northam, not only for their tireless efforts in making our part of the world a great place to be, but also for looking out for others. Thank you.

Apart from the Shire's developments, such as the recently completed Youth Precinct and Gordon Place, locals and visitors will notice both private and State Government developments occurring across the Shire. As these are nearing completion, they should provide additional job opportunities. The new Aquatic Centre remains on track to be completed in early 2020.

Since last month's report, we have received some significant and welcome rainfall events. This has provided welcome relief for both the farming community and the Avon Descent Committee and participants. Let's hope the good rain continues.

Keep an eye out for your local Councillor at one of the many Shire or Community events and functions. Feel free to say hello. There will always be a Councillor or two at the Lions Markets. Remember to follow me in Instagram, maybe even get a "selfie" with me. Look for shire\_of\_northam\_president and use #snaptheprez.

Take care  
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](mailto:records@northam.wa.gov.au)

## POP-UP SHOP

The Shire of Northam is looking for new and innovative business ideas to activate the CBD. The Shire of Northam Pop-up Shop is a retail space that is available to be used by private enterprise for short term experimentation of business concepts that have the potential to become new local shops.

The Pop-up Shop provides a very affordable opportunity for potential new shop owners to test the market and build interest in a product or service prior to committing to a full lease agreement.

If you would like to find out more about the Shire of Northam Pop-up Shop and how it can benefit your business venture contact Shire of Northam's Community Development Officer, Michelle Blackhurst on 9622 6100 or [cdo@northam.wa.gov.au](mailto:cdo@northam.wa.gov.au).

## CREATE 298

Create 298 is the Shire of Northam co-working space. It is a central working and meeting place that offers individuals the opportunity to work both independently and collaboratively in a shared environment.

Located in Northam's centre, the space provides a very affordable and flexible opportunity for entrepreneurs to access modern work spaces, communal areas, business networks, internet access and other member services.

If you would like to find out more about Create 298 and how it can benefit you, contact Shire of Northam's Community Development Officer, Michelle Blackhurst on 0437 139 158 or [cdo@northam.wa.gov.au](mailto:cdo@northam.wa.gov.au).



## AT THE LIBRARY

**Mondays 10:30am-11am** STEAM Activity Time for 0-5yrs. Science, technology, engineering, arts and maths for little people.

**Wednesdays 10:30am-11am** story Time with crafts 2-5yrs.

## NATIVE TREE SUBSIDY PROGRAM 2019

With the late start in rain, the program has now been extended to the 14<sup>th</sup> July to allow residents to take advantage of the subsidy. Residents with a property size over 2000m<sup>2</sup> can take advantage of this program by purchasing trays of tube stock natives for \$22 which is half the normal price. One voucher will be available per rate payer. This special offer will be based on a first come first served basis with limited stock available for selection. Landowners can apply for their discounted tube stock natives by collecting vouchers directly from the Shire administration building on Fitzgerald Street or by emailing the Northam Shire on [records@northam.wa.gov.au](mailto:records@northam.wa.gov.au) and providing owner details and location of property. Vouchers will need to be presented at WA Farm Trees to receive the discounted tray price.

For further detail on species available and how to claim your discounted native tube stock follow this link. <https://www.northam.wa.gov.au/council-business/environment/tree-subsidy-program-2019.aspx>

## INCREASE IN STANDPIPE CHARGES

Standpipe users of the impending increase in price for use of the five public access standpipes. For more information please visit our website at <https://www.northam.wa.gov.au/services/fire-emergency-management/public-standpipes.aspx>

### Thursdays 3:00pm-4:00pm

Seniors IT -Training with the Be Connected program, and staff will answer your IT queries. BYO device, or let us know if you need one

### Thursdays 4:30pm-7:00pm

Northam Music Sessions – Open to all, whatever your musical skill. Play Celtic and American tradition music or come along to listen.

### Saturdays 10am-11am

CoderDojo for 7-12yrs. Program robots and learn a computer language  
All activities are free of charge to library members

## WHAT'S ON IN JULY

**WEDNESDAY 3**  
Business Breakfast with the Nationals

**SATURDAY 6**  
Lions Markets

**SUNDAY 7**  
RSL Christmas in July Luncheon

**MONDAY 8-10**  
NAIDOC Week Celebrations

**TUESDAY 9-11**  
School Holiday Activities

**WEDNESDAY 10**  
Council Forum

**MONDAY 15**  
Champions Breakfast

**WEDNESDAY 17**  
Ordinary Council Meeting  
Women in Sports Morning Tea

**SUNDAY 28**  
Christmas in July  
Visit [www.northam.wa.gov.au/events-calendar](http://www.northam.wa.gov.au/events-calendar) for more information.



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