



## UPCOMING COUNCIL EVENTS

**25 April 2016**  
Anzac Day Dawn Service: 5.40am  
War Memorial

Anzac Day March: 10.40am  
Strickland Street

**29 April 2016**  
Extraordinary Election  
Council Chambers

**3 May 2016**  
Ordinary Council Meeting: 4.00pm  
Council Chambers

Residents and Ratepayers of the Shire are invited to attend these events, for further information please visit our website and click on the Events Calendar for full details.

## SHIRE PRESIDENT'S OPEN OFFICE

All Residents and Ratepayers are able to request a meeting with the Shire President, Councillor David Morrell, regarding any Council matter they wish to discuss. Preferred times are from 2.00-4.00pm every Thursday. To make an appointment contact Claire Thompson at the Administration Office on (08) 9848 0300 or email [ea@denmark.wa.gov.au](mailto:ea@denmark.wa.gov.au) giving a brief outline of the item that you wish to discuss.

## SHIRE INFRASTRUCTURE WORKS THIS MONTH

- Footpath Construction and Asphalt on Ocean Beach Road (stage one)\*
- McLean Park Over Flow Camping Facility Sealing
- \* Howe Road Sealing

\*The first stage of the reconstruction is currently being undertaken from Offer St to Blackburn St. Detours will change as the work progresses from stage to stage. The Shire of Denmark would like to apologise for any inconvenience caused during this time.

## DENMARK YOUTH SERVICES

**Tha House opening hours and current programs are as follows:**  
Wednesdays: 3.00-6.00pm (Art Studio)  
Fridays: 3.30-10.00pm  
Saturdays: 2.00-9.00pm

## DENMARK LIBRARY

**Better Beginnings Sing With Me!**



Did you know that every two year old child in Denmark is entitled to receive his or her very own 'Better Beginnings Sing With Me' pack? This free reading pack contains:

- A beautiful Australian picture book;
- A backpack;
- A nursery rhyme booklet with activities;
- A CD of nursery rhymes;
- A nursery rhyme puzzle magnet;
- Information for parents about reading with their child; and
- '30 Books to Read Before You're 3' booklet.

The pack encourages parents and carers to read and sing with their children every day, so please get in touch with us at the Denmark Library for more details on accessing this wonderful resource for your two year old.

## DENMARK RECREATION CENTRE

### April School Holiday Activities

The Rec Centre will be running holiday activities from Tuesday to Thursday during the school holidays for children aged 6-11 years. Activities include a trip to the Albany cinemas, basketball skills session, gym fun and lots more! Enrolments are essential as minimum numbers are required for the program to run. A program guide is available from the Rec Centre or can be found on the website [www.denmark.wa.gov.au/recreation-centre](http://www.denmark.wa.gov.au/recreation-centre). Contact the Rec Centre on (08) 9848 2044 to enrol.

### Thump Boxing

Tuesdays: 5.30-6.30pm

If you're after a tough work out then this is the class for you! The session has cardio as well as resistance work and you'll leave feeling exhausted but great at the same time. \$12/class.

### Body Stretch

Wednesdays: 10.30-11.30am

No one spends enough time stretching so we've provided this great class to give you a helping hand. Come along and get rid of tight muscles, ease away soreness and increase your flexibility. \$10/class and \$6/seniors.

### Tabata

Thursdays: 7.00-7.30am

Come in and try this fantastic 30 minute class that will get you pumped and ready for the day! Change room facilities with hot showers are available if you need to leave for work straight after the session. \$10/class and \$6/seniors.

### 'Boot It' Fitball

Thursdays: 9.00-10.00am

This class combines Bootcamp with Fitball giving you a session that will burn fat and encourage muscle tone. It incorporates core stability, balance and muscular strength. \$10/class and \$6/seniors.

## PROJECT UPDATES

### Wilderness Ocean Walk (WOW) Trail

Tenders have been called for the provision of all necessary vehicles, equipment, machinery, labour, testing and other services for the construction and completion of the WOW trail. Preliminary works have commenced in preparation for construction with Tender submissions closing Friday 15 April 2016.

### Berridge Park Jetty

Work undertaken prior to Easter included the construction of footings, installation of retaining walls and backfilling of the excavated area along the embankment of Denmark River. The installation of timber decking has now also been completed.

### Denmark East Development Project

The development of a new industrial land subdivision will occur on the west side of McIntosh Road, East Denmark. The project includes a new road and the upgrade of a number of roads in the area, as well as a new bridge crossing the Denmark River in the vicinity of Riverbend Lane.

The Shire is undertaking various data collection activities which will assist the Council and the community in deciding where the bridge will cross the river and where the link to Scotsdale road will be. A public meeting will be held, as soon as this information is available, to provide further information regarding the project and outline the public consultation that will be undertaken. It is not expected that any construction work will occur before early 2017.

## ELECTION NOTICE

An election is being held by postal vote on Friday 29 April 2016 in the Shire of Denmark, Scotsdale/Shadforth ward, to fill two councillor vacancies.

### CANDIDATES

ALLEN, Mark  
CARON, Peter  
FORD, Beverley  
MAXWELL, John  
HINDS, Adrian

**ELECTION PACKAGES** will be sent to the electors on the Shire of Denmark, Scotsdale/Shadforth ward, local government electoral roll.

**REPLACEMENT PACKAGES** can be obtained from the Shire of Denmark, 953 South Coast Highway, Denmark prior to election day and from 8.00 am to 6.00 pm on election day if the package is not received or should any papers be missing.

**POST YOUR VOTE EARLY** completed postal voting packages must reach the Returning Officer by 6.00 pm on election day, Friday 29 April 2016.

**YOU MAY HAND DELIVER YOUR PACKAGE** to an electoral officer at the Shire of Denmark during business hours before election day or at the polling place between 8.00 am and 6.00 pm on election day.

**CHIEF POLLING PLACE:** Shire of Denmark, 953 South Coast Highway, Denmark.

**THE COUNT OF VOTES** will commence at 6.00 pm at the chief polling place listed above.

**Sally THOMAS**  
RETURNING OFFICER  
Mob: 0437 611 459



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## BREATH FILMING

The 'Breath' Cast and Production Crew will be filming in Denmark and across the Great Southern Region during April and May, with the crew due to depart the area towards the end of May.

A number of local residents and businesses have been engaged to provide services and labour and Production have collaborated with local schools to provide opportunities for students to visit the set and gain an insight into a career in film and the arts.

Cast and crew will endeavour to keep impact to a minimum during filming and will maintain access to all public spaces where it is safe to do so. Should you require further information contact the Shire on (08) 9848 0300.

## RANGER SERVICES

The Shire of Denmark provides an after-hours call centre service during non-business hours every day of the year to ensure customers are able to reach a customer service representative at all times. The service can be accessed by dialling the Shire Administration Office number (08) 9848 0300.

In urgent situations and emergencies Rangers will either receive a call or be emailed directly regarding the enquiry which will be followed up accordingly. If the matter is not urgent it will be referred to the appropriate officer within the next working day.

## Wildlife

The Department of Parks and Wildlife are the agency to contact in regards to wildlife via their Wildlife Helpline (08) 9474 9055. Shire Rangers have a licence to catch and relocate snakes (fees apply) and also have a licence to euthanize injured kangaroos if required.

## Dogs

Dogs are required to be microchipped and registered with the Shire of Denmark by three months of age, and must wear a registration tag on their collar. An engraved name tag with contact details also helps to assist the Rangers in identifying dogs and return them home safely, avoiding the pound.

Please ensure your address and contact details are kept up to date with the Shire and the relevant Microchip Company and should you lose the dog's registration tag please contact the Shire to receive a new tag at no charge.

Rangers are happy to answer any questions you may have regarding pet ownership. For further information visit the website [www.denmark.wa.gov.au/ranger-services](http://www.denmark.wa.gov.au/ranger-services).

## COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS March 2016

*The following is a summary of the intent of some of Council's decisions from the March meetings. Not all decisions are necessarily recorded here, for full information and background please refer to the minutes and the Council disclaimer (the resolutions are subject to confirmation at the next meeting) which are downloadable from Council's website at [www.denmark.wa.gov.au](http://www.denmark.wa.gov.au).*

### YEAR ROUND BOAT LAUNCHING AT OCEAN BEACH

Council resolved to amend the Shire's Property Local Law Determination to permit motorised vehicles to be utilised and/or parked on Ocean Beach, immediately west of the bollards, to enable the launching and retrieving of motorised vessels throughout the entire year. Council resolved to apply for grants to fund education and infrastructure improvements and to establish a "QR" code signage and education package at both the over beach boat launching area and Ocean Beach swimming beach.

### REFUGEE WELCOME ZONE

Council agreed to sign the Refugee Council of Australia's 'Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration' and become a Refugee Welcome Zone, and determined that there would be no entry statements erected in relation to the Declaration. Council resolved to continue to uphold the values of the Refugee Council of Australia and work with the community group 'Denmark Rural Australians for Refugees' to enhance community understanding of the Declaration.

### STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Council endorsed the existing Strategic Community Plan 'Snapshot' as the guiding Strategic direction forming part of the Integrated Planning and Reporting Guidelines, and resolved to commence a major review of the Strategic Community Plan in 2016/17. The review will be undertaken in conjunction with the community before 30 June 2017, with funding allocated in the 2016/17 Budget to complete the review.

### TEMPORARY CLASSROOM FOR SPIRIT OF PLAY COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Council, as the landowner, agreed to the

temporary classroom proposal at 2 Inlet Drive and authorised the issuing of development approval with conditions (should there be no objections). Council consented to a variation of lease to include an additional 752m<sup>2</sup> of land resulting in an increase of annual rental income from \$10,500 to \$13,679.44.

### RATES WAIVER FOR DENMARK HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

Council resolved to waive the rate charge for Denmark Historical Society Inc. for 16 Mitchell Street, in accordance with the Local Government Act, for the 2015/2016 financial year. Council also resolved to add the parcel of land to the list considered for waiver each financial year in accordance with the Council Rating Equity Policy. The policy can be accessed via the Policy Manual on the website [www.denmark.wa.gov.au/governance-documents-and-forms](http://www.denmark.wa.gov.au/governance-documents-and-forms).

### 2015/16 BUDGET REVIEW

Council adopted the 2015/16 Budget Review with a projected end of year surplus totalling \$27,843.

### COMPLIANCE AUDIT RETURN

Council adopted the 2015 Compliance Audit Return noting 100% compliance.

### ANNUAL REPORT & ELECTORS MEETING

Council accepted the Annual Report including the Annual Financial Report and Audit Report for the 2014/2015 year and resolved to hold the Annual Electors meeting at 7.00pm on Tuesday, 12 April 2016 in the Council Chambers. A copy of the Annual Report can be accessed via the website [www.denmark.wa.gov.au/annual-reports](http://www.denmark.wa.gov.au/annual-reports).

### CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS WALPOLE GENERAL PRACTITIONER

Council agreed to contribute \$10,000 to the Shire of Manjimup to be used towards travel and outreach costs and to support administrative functions associated with the provision of General Practitioner services to the Walpole town site.

### APPOINTMENT OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS ON COUNCIL COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS

Council appointed Phil Runhum and Mark Blowers to the Disability Services Advisory Committee; Adrian Hinds to the Disability Services Advisory Committee; Phil Runhum to the Paths & Trails Advisory Committee; and Lee Shelley and Diane Harwood to the Ocean Beach & Peaceful Bay Foreshore Concept Plan Working Group.

### DRAFT CORPORATE BUSINESS PLAN

Council resolved to advertise the draft Plan for a six week community consultation period and will receive the final Plan for adoption after consideration of any modifications. Submissions close 4.00pm, Friday 13 May 2016 and a copy of the Plan can be accessed via the website [www.denmark.wa.gov.au/news-articles/draft-corporate-business-plan](http://www.denmark.wa.gov.au/news-articles/draft-corporate-business-plan).

### APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER - INTERVIEW PROCESS

Council resolved to interview the preferred applicants that were identified and short-listed by WALGA Recruitment and Council.