



## November 2018

### FROM THE SHIRE PRESIDENT

With the weather warming up, we head into bushfire season. Bushfires are unpredictable and happen every year. Take the time to prepare and answer these three questions; when will you know to leave; where will you go; which way will you go? This is a great first step to protecting your family. Head to the DFES website for more information on the 5 Minute Fire Chat and preparing against bushfires.

The Shire of Northam RoadWise Committee has been recognised for their outstanding achievement in road safety and were presented with the Safe System Approach – Complementary Initiatives Award for their 5 Week Easter Road Safety Campaign, during the 2018 WA Transport and Roads Forum.

The Awards are a joint initiative between the WA Local Government Association's WALGA RoadWise and the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasian – WA Inc.

With the Bakers Hill roadworks nearing completion, the permanent speed zone in Bakers Hill CBD has been reduced to 60km/h as of Friday 2 November 2018. Main Roads Western Australia will still be carrying out some minor works over the next few weeks, however these works will not involve any temporary speed restrictions.

Remembrance Day has a special significance in 2018. Sunday, 11 November 2018 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914-18). On Saturday 10 November the Northam RSL Sub Branch will host a Remembrance Day Dinner Dance at the Northam Memorial Hall and a Family Day on Sunday 11 November from 12pm-3pm.

Our annual family fun filled Christmas on Fitzgerald Street event will be held from 5pm Friday 30 November. With stall holders galore, visits from Santa, kids zone, a pop up bar, live entertainment and the official Christmas lights switch on there will be something for everyone.

### Major Projects Update

The construction of the Youth Precinct in the Jubilee Recreation area will begin this month. With an expected completion date of late March/early April, we will see a site fence go up and contractors move into the area over the next week.

Check out the events calendar on the Shire of Northam Website, or the Visit Northam

available for you. The Shire of Northam is incredible, and you can be an important part by joining in and promoting our part of the world.

Take Care,  
Shire President Chris Antonio

### CLIMATE CHANGE

The Shire of Northam has joined forces with other councils across Australia to slash greenhouse gas pollution and tackle worsening climate change, as the latest council to join the Cities Power Partnership. The Climate Council's Cities Power Partnership program is Australia's largest local government climate network, with over 100 councils representing almost 11 million Australians working together to find local climate solutions.

### SNAKE SEASON

The Shire of Northam would like to remind the community that this time of the year there are a lot more snakes about doing what snakes do, looking for food and water. Like most wild creatures they are more afraid of us than we are of them and will usually scurry away before we have even seen them.

However if you do see one the best answer is avoid it as most snake bites occur when we try and chase them or worse still catch or kill them! If you feel you would prefer to have the snake relocated here are some useful numbers to call as the Rangers are not authorised to deal with them.

Ray Adams (Northam Area) - 0429 910 321  
Bryan Pettersen (Bakers Hill area) - 0427864 019

### RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD

Please be advised that the Shire of Northam has now entered the restricted period. From this point on, anyone wishing to conduct a hazard reduction burn will require a permit. Please apply for permits via the Shire's website.

Should you have any queries, please contact the Shire Community Emergency Services Manager, Brendon Rutter on 0458 08 08 18 or [cesm@northam.wa.gov.au](mailto:cesm@northam.wa.gov.au)

Firebreaks are due 1st of November.

### CHRISTMAS OF FITZGERALD 2018

The Shire of Northam is currently looking for stallholders for the annual Christmas on Fitzgerald event, on the 30th of November. Attending as a stallholder is FREE (a small annual fee is required from those selling food).

Applications will be open until Friday 16 November, for further details please contact Laura at [events@northam.wa.gov.au](mailto:events@northam.wa.gov.au).

### WHAT'S ON IN NOVEMBER

#### Friday 9

Steampunk Photography Exhibition

#### Saturday 10

Class on the Grass  
Northam Farmers Market  
Remembrance Day Dinner Dance  
A Night with the Australian Eagles

#### Sunday 11

Remembrance Day Services & Family Day Out

#### Wednesday 14

Council Forum

#### Thursday 15

Seniors Week Morning Tea

#### Saturday 17

Trains on the Move

#### Sunday 18

Bikers on Hogs for Dogs

#### Wednesday 21

Council Meeting

#### Thursday 22

Seniors Morning Tea

#### Saturday 24

Northam Farmers Market

#### Thursday 29

Mad About Musicals

#### Friday 30

Christmas on Fitzgerald Street  
Mad About Musicals

Visit [www.northam.wa.gov.au/events-calendar](http://www.northam.wa.gov.au/events-calendar) for more information.

### AT THE LIBRARY

#### Mondays 10:30am-11:00am

Activity Time for 0-5yrs

#### Wednesdays 10:30am-11:00am

Story Time with Craft 2-5yrs

#### Fridays 9:30am-10:00am

Baby Rhyme Time 0-2yrs

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

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