



Shire of Northam
Heritage, Commerce and Lifestyle



MAY 2019

FROM THE SHIRE PRESIDENT

With both the school holidays and Easter break having recently occurred, I hope that you have had a chance to take a well-earned break and spend time with your family and friends.

As we are now into the second school term, and wetter conditions are around the corner, please remember to be road safe, especially around all our schools.

It was heartfelt to see the number of Schools, Communities, and the RSL within the Shire of Northam hold ANZAC day services in honour of those who have served and sacrificed for our Country. Make the time and effort to remember those who have fallen, and respect those who have returned.

The Jubilee Recreation area continues to grow. Just prior to Easter, the Youth Precinct was completed and opened to the public. At the official opening, Skateboarding WA ran classes for both youth and some adults. This is a fantastic facility, and if you haven't had a chance to experience the park, head down to see for yourself. Thanks to both Lotterywest and The Shire of Northam for the funding.

During May, the Forum and Ordinary Council Meetings are being in Wundowie. The rotation of meetings across the Shire provides a great opportunity for the both the Councillors and Ratepayers to catch up, either in an informal or formal manner.

The Shire of Northam continues to recognize our rich cultural history. Between the 27th May and 3rd of June is National Reconciliation Week. There are a range of activities and events that the Shire will be participating in. Keep an eye out for when and where these events will be occurring.

There are a number of community and fundraising events in the Shire of Northam during May. To support these, head to either the Northam Visitor Centre, or the Shire of Northam Website / Social Media Pages.

You may have noticed that the Wundowie, Bakers Hill and Grass Valley Community Plans are in various stages of progress. Through these, and plans within Northam Town, you will see some developments and activities occurring.

Keep an eye out for your local Councillor at both the Shire of Northam's and Community events and functions, and feel free to say hello. There will generally be a Councillor or two at the Lions Markets or other community activities. Feel free to follow me in Instagram, maybe even get a "selfie" with me.

Look for shire_of_northam_president and use #snaptheprez.

With so much happening within the Shire, we continue to live in a great place. I encourage you to be involved, now, and onwards through 2019. Together, we continue to improve our Shire.

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

DRUMMUSTER

The next DrumMuster in the Shire of Northam is scheduled for Friday, 10 May 2019 at the Old Quarry Road Landfill Site in Northam. DrumMuster is aimed at recycling clean and dry drums from growers, farmers and chemical users throughout Australia. Eligible containers are those with the DrumMuster logo, which have been triple rinsed or cleaned with high pressure and left to dry with lids removed. The collected containers are crushed or shredded and transformed into practical items such as plastic cable covers, wheelie bins, bollards and irrigation pipes. More information is available from the DrumMuster website at www.drummuster.org.au To participate in the Northam DrumMuster please contact Susan Bury at the Shire of Northam on 9622 6113 to arrange a drop off time and advise of the number of drums you will be delivering.

COMMUNITY BUS

The Wundowie to Northam Community Transport Service will be operating Thursday's only as of May. The bus service runs from Wundowie via Bakers Hill and Clackline to Northam and return, and is designed for residents who do not have access to their own transport and need to access services available in Northam. Bookings are essential, please call the Shire of Northam on 9622 6100 or the Wundowie Library on 9573 6205 for further information and to book. The Shire of Northam encourages residents to support local business and service providers in their own community.

RECREATION CENTRE SOCIAL SPORTS

The Shire of Northam's Social Sports are once again starting up at the Recreation Centre. If you're 12 years or older and are interested in Basketball, Indoor Soccer they will be commencing late April early May. Indoor Soccer Mixed competition starts 1st May on Wednesdays from 6pm and Pick-Up Basketball commences 2 May on Thursdays from 6pm with no set teams or fixtures. Call or email the centre for Indoor Soccer and Floorball Nomination forms on 9622 5153 or recreation@northam.wa.gov.au

NATIVE TREE SUBSIDY PROGRAM 2019

The Shire of Northam is running a Tree Subsidy Program working with WA Farm Trees during the months of May and June for the 2019 up and coming winter season. Residents with a property size over 2000m² 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. Selections of native species are available to cover a range of soil types and uses and can be viewed at https://www.northam.wa.gov.au/Profiles/northam/Assets/ClientData/species_available_for_subsidy.pdf

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 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>

WHAT'S ON IN MAY

SATURDAY 4

Lions Markets

SUNDAY 5

Mothers Day High Tea

WEDNESDAY 8

Council Forum at Wundowie Hall

FRIDAY 10

DrumMuster

WEDNESDAY 15

Council Meeting at Wundowie Hall

SUNDAY 19

HBF Fun Run Northam

THURSDAY 23

Pre Schoolers Morning Event
Fundraising Auction Event

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

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.

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 open to all residents of the Shire of Northam free of charge.

GET CONNECTED

Facebook: @shireofnortham

Instagram: @shireofnortham

Twitter: @ceonortham