



The Shire Flyer



Friday 10 February 2017

Old Skate Park



Demolition of the old skate park started this week after a Special Council Meeting confirmed Council's decision in December to remove the skate park. Work was delayed at the request of the Esperance Miniature Railway to ensure it did not disrupt summer holiday activities. A park will be created to accommodate younger inexperienced skaters who are learning the basics. This is yet to be designed and Shire Officers will research what will best suit skater's needs in liaison with the Ralph Bower Adventureland Park Working Group. The new skate park has become very popular over the school holidays and has been a drawcard for locals and tourists.

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Defibrillator Training

There will be a FREE information session on Defibrillators and their usage provided by St John Ambulance as part of their First Responder Program. There will be a session targeted at sporting clubs in our community on Friday 24th February from 7.30am to 8.30am. There will be two other sessions on Thursday 23rd February from 4.30pm-5.30pm and Friday 24th at 6pm. All sessions will be at the St John Ambulance Sub Centre on Windich Street and will feature guest speaker Sally Simmonds. All members of the public are invited to attend.

RSVP by calling 9071 1618 or email shane.tobin@esperance.wa.gov.au by 17th February

Summer Gives Us Wild Weather

We have had some wet weather over the last few days and more is forecast to come. Our roads will be wet and have received a lot of water, some roads have been damaged and some have been closed. Please visit the Shire's website and Facebook page for updated information and drive safely to the conditions. During a storm, if you need the SES, please call 132 500. If you need help in a life threatening emergency call 000.



Upcoming Meetings

- Agenda Briefing:** 1pm, Tuesday 21st February, Council Chambers
- Ordinary Council Meeting:** 4pm, Tuesday 28th February, Council Chambers
- Ralph Bower Adventure Land Park Working Group:** 3pm 8th March, Council Meeting Room
- Esperance Roadwise Committee:** 3pm 13th March, Council Meeting Room

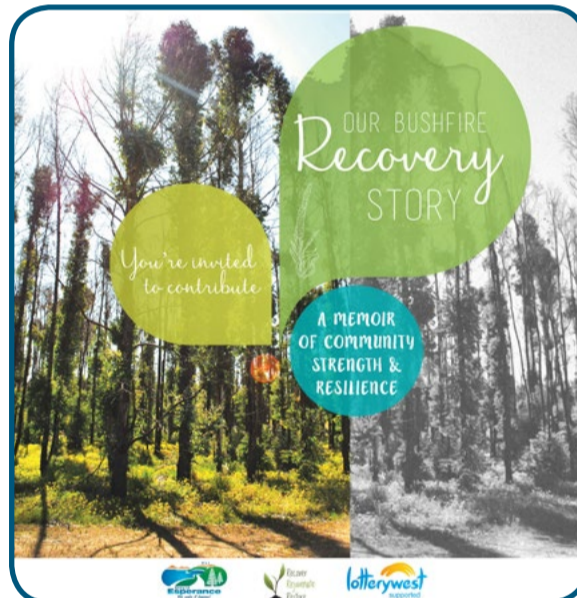
Our Recovery Story

What was your experience during the fires? Did you volunteer? Were you impacted? Did you see or hear something that inspired you?

We are reminding members of the community that they are welcome to contribute their story as a memoir of Esperance's November 2015 bushfires. The collection of stories, tributes, testimonials, poems & images are to be published in the form of a book.

This book will be gifted, in appreciation, to the firefighters, visiting brigades, community & organisation volunteers, and most importantly those directly affected by the fires. The publication will also be made available to the community.

To submit your contributions, find out more about supplying your story, or to have a representative meet to take down your experience, please contact Amelia 675 or email: amelia.rolton@esperance.wa.gov.au



What will Esperance look like in 10 years?



Whether you see a booming tourist hub, a FIFO town, or a bustling city, we would like to hear your thoughts. Be on the lookout for information about creating our future in your mail box. We need your input on how you would like to see Esperance in the next 10 years. What challenges and opportunities do you see for our town? This information is vital for planning the future and it is important everyone's voice is heard. Head to our website for more information.

Do you have the Shire on Social Media?

The Shire of Esperance has Facebook and Twitter accounts which are updated regularly. We have also recently launched an Instagram account which is another point of contact you can have with us ([shireofesperance](https://www.instagram.com/shireofesperance)). You can find links to all our social media accounts on the Shire website.

Do you pick up after your dog?

To ensure you do your bit to keep the community safe and healthy, it is important to observe dog-walking information signs, walk your dog on a lead at the appropriate times and tidy up after your dog.

Dog behaviour training courses are offered locally by the Esperance Dog Club. Dogs also need to be securely contained at your property, both town and rural properties, so that they cannot escape and become harmed or hurt others. Remember, when you get a dog you become 100 per cent responsible for its actions.

