



# The Shire Flyer



Friday 22 December 2017

## Merry Christmas

On behalf of all Councillors and staff at the Shire of Esperance, we wish you a safe and Merry Christmas and all the best for 2018! Enjoy the time with family and friends and if you're on the road, remember to 'Slow Down and Enjoy the Ride.'

Waste and Recycling collections will remain unaffected during the Festive season. Please put your bins out on normal scheduled collection day by 5am.

## Safe Holiday Feasting

What would the Christmas holidays be without food? There's no better way to enjoy the sunshine and the company of friends and family than with something delicious to eat and share together.

Although food poisoning is a danger all year round, the holiday season poses a particularly high risk. Bacteria that are normally present in all foods can easily multiply and reach unsafe levels when the temperature rises. Being prepared is the key to making sure everyone gets through the holidays without any bouts of sickness. If you are hosting or attending a large gathering, these extra food safety tips will help reduce your risk of illness:

- Transport food in a portable car fridge, insulated cool box or an esky with plenty of ice
- Keep food cool outdoors
- Don't overload your fridge. Keep low risk items such as cool drinks, alcohol and water in eskies to free up fridge space
- Always cover meats and store in the fridge at or below 5 °C

If food that should be kept cold or hot has been left at temperatures between 5 °C and 60 °C for a total of:

- less than 2 hours – it must be refrigerated or used immediately
- more than 2 hours, but less than 4 hours – it must be used immediately
- more than 4 hours – it must be thrown out.

If eating outdoors make sure mosquitoes are not welcome guests by using mosquito coils and other similar products and use a repellent containing picaridin or DEET.

## Upcoming Meetings

Agenda Briefing: 1pm, 16 January, Council Chambers

Ordinary Council Meeting: 4pm, 23 January, Council Chambers

Want to know what is happening in Council each month? The agenda includes all reports Council will make decisions on, minutes from Council and committee meetings, monthly financials and an operational report. To read the full the Agenda and Minutes please go to the Shire's website.

## From the Ordinary Council Meeting

Ordinary Council Meetings are always open to the public and provide an opportunity for members of the public to ask questions. Last month's Ordinary Council Meeting took place on Tuesday 19 December, Council resolved to:

- Accept the 2016-2017 Annual Report and convene the Annual General Meeting of electors for 7pm Tuesday 30 January 2018 at the Esperance Civic Centre.
- Award the Request for Quote for the detailed design and development of the Esperance Indoor Sports Stadium to Wells Building Designers

Head to the Shire website to read the minutes which are uploaded within 10 working days of the meeting.

## Keep your Pets Safe

1080 baiting programs may be underway so be mindful when travelling with pets. Those travelling along the Eyre Highway from Southern Cross to Eucla and in the Pilbara, Kimberley and Carnarvon regions should be particularly aware to prevent accidental poisoning. The 1080 baits are used in WA's agricultural and pastoral regions to control feral pests such as foxes, wild dogs and rabbits. If poisoning occurs, please seek immediate medical attention, veterinary assistance or contact the Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26.

## Vacancies

We are looking for an Environmental Officer to provide specialist environmental advice to Council and community, undertake research, prepare environmental plans, reports and funding applications, and coordinate environmental projects. Applications Close: Monday 15 January 2018. We're also looking for Customer Service Officers and a Swim School Team Leader at the Bay of Isles Leisure Centre. Applications close Friday 12 January. Visit the Shire website for more information.

## ONE AND ALL Community Program

MONDAY 8 - FRIDAY 12 JANUARY

**CHESS**  
Monday 8 January  
10am - 12pm  
Whale Tail, The Esplanade

**DRUMMING**  
Tuesday 9 January  
10am - 11am  
Whale Tail, The Esplanade

**WHEELCHAIR SPORTS**  
Tuesday 9 January  
2pm - 3.30pm  
Indoor Stadium

**ULTIMATE FRISBEE**  
Wednesday 10 January  
2.30pm - 4.30pm  
Soccer Fields, Jane Street

**BRICKCLUB**  
Thursday 11 January  
10am - 12pm  
Civic Centre, Council Place

**STREET FOURS SOCCER**  
Thursday 11 January  
3pm - 4.30pm  
Soccer Fields, Jane Street

**BYO SPADE AND BUCKET**  
**SAND ART**  
Friday 12 January  
10am - 11.30am  
Whale Tail, The Esplanade

This program is all about making sport and recreation fun with a variety of activities, games and challenges.

It's free and suitable for all ages & abilities.

Come dressed to participate and don't forget to slip, slop & slap!

To register, please contact Shane Tobin on 0418 557 397 or email [esperanceinclusive@gmail.com](mailto:esperanceinclusive@gmail.com)



## Shire of Esperance 2017 Christmas Operating Hours

We wish you a safe and happy festive season!

Hours are as normal, unless listed below.

**Administration Building**  
Closed 15 Dec from 12pm  
Closed 23 Dec 2017 - 1 Jan 2018

**Airport**  
Operates as normal

**Bay of Isles Leisure Centre**  
Closed 15 Dec from 11.30am  
Closed 23 Dec - 26 Dec  
Open 9am-4pm 27-29 Dec  
Closed 30 Dec - 1 Jan  
No Creche or Health & Fitness classes 23 Dec - 14 Jan

**Esperance Civic Centre**  
Auditorium Closed 18 Dec - 1 Mar

**Esperance Home Care**  
Pre-Rostered Services Only.

**Esperance Museum**  
Closed 23 Dec - 26 Dec

**Esperance Public Library**  
Closed 15 Dec from 12pm  
Closed 24 Dec - 1 Jan

**Esperance Visitor Centre**  
Closed 15 Dec from 12pm  
Closed 25 Dec

**Volunteer Resource Centre**  
Closed 15 Dec 12pm - 8 Jan

**Wylie Bay Recycling Facility**  
Closed 25-26 Dec  
Closed 1 Jan

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**For Emergencies please call 000**  
After Hours 9083 1530  
For other urgent calls:  
Chief Executive Officer 0418 924 132  
Asset Management 0417 345 426  
Esperance Home Care 9083 1800  
Ranger Services 9083 1533