Honours Award for
Cr Gina DeLuis
Cr DeLuis was on the honours list at the 2017 WA Local Government Convention held 2-4 August 2017 being awarded a “Long & Loyal Service Award” which recognises long and loyal service of a high degree to Local Government, the citation read as follows:-

“Serving 12 years with the Shire of Narembeen, Cr Gina DeLuis is passionate about community and economic development and has been a dedicated representative and community volunteer since her election to Council in 2005.

Deputy President of the Shire since 2015, Gina was involved with the planning, development and construction of the Narembeen Recreation Centre, which, when completed in 2015, was the largest individual project ever undertaken by the Shire.
Gina was involved with the planning and re-development of the Narembeen Aquatic Centre, and was the instigator behind the re-invigoration of the Narembeen Local Emergency Management Committee.

Gina is also involved in numerous community organisations, including the Narembeen Community Resource Centre and the Narembeen Fencepost.”

Congratulations Gina—an award well deserved!

VANDALISM—IT’S A CRIME!!!!
It was extremely disappointing to discover that malicious damage was committed to Shire of Narembeen assets over the weekend.
Two Rollers which were located on the corner of South Kumminin East Road & Hyden North Road sustained bullet holes to five tyres.
It is estimated that the crime occurred between the hours of 4pm Fri 4th August and 7am Sat 5th August.
The damage has been reported to the Police.
Should you have any information in relation to the crime please contact the Narembeen Police immediately.
Nominations for the WA Youth Awards 2017 are now open.

Do you know an outstanding youth group/organisation providing services and support to the State’s young people?

The WA Youth Awards were established in 1999 to recognise young Western Australians aged 12 to 25 years for their achievements and contributions to the community. The Awards also reward outstanding youth groups and organisations that serve and support the state’s young people.

Nominations are open for the following categories:

- The Minister for Youth’s Outstanding Youth Worker
- The Commissioner for Children and Young People Participate Award
- The ECU Community Leadership Award
- The Perth Theatre Trust Cultural Endeavors Award
- The Hope Community Services Active Participation Award
- The Mercy Care Organisational Achievement (Large)
- The RUAAH Organisational Achievement (Small)
- The RAC Innovation for a Sustainable Future Award

The WA Young Person of the Year will be selected from among the category winners, and will receive a $10,000 travel bursary to participate in youth-related events and activities across WA, in addition to two tickets to a European destination.

To learn more about the WA Youth Awards, the award categories, and to begin the nomination process please go to:


#MyWheatbelt Competition

The #MyWheatbelt competition is all about expressing your connection to the Wheatbelt environment. If you are aged between 6 and 35 and live in the Avon River Basin, WNRM want to hear about your experience in the Wheatbelt environment; your connection to country and your ‘sense of place’. Chance to win a drone. Closing 29 Sept.

For further information:
www.wheatbeltnrm.org.au/mywheatbelt

VEHICLE & DRIVERS LICENCE CONCESSIONS

Do you have one of the following:

- Veterans’ Affairs Service Invalid Pension card
- Centrelink Disability Support Pension card (Spouse)
- Centrelink Disability Support Pension card
- Centrelink Pension card (Carer)
- Centrelink Pensioner Concession card
- Veterans’ Affairs Pensioner Concession card
- WA Seniors card AND Commonwealth Seniors Health card

You could be entitled to a concession on your drivers licence and vehicle licence.

Please call into the Shire and speak with Ash
Associations Incorporation Act 2015 Update

Please note: the Department of Commerce is now the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety.

The new law for associations commenced on 1 July 2016. As at 31 July 2017 incorporated associations should have completed the following:

1. **Notify the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DMIRS) the association’s address – details of their current address should have been provided by 29 September 2016.**

   Associations can submit this information online. If you are confident that you have already provided your current address through Associations Online, you will not need to resubmit it.

2. **Check the eligibility requirements for members to be on the committee**

   The Act has new requirements to ensure only suitable people are responsible for running an incorporated association. It will be important to ensure that all members of the committee are eligible under the new law to hold their positions.

3. **Give all new members a copy of the rules when they join the association**

   It is a requirement for each new member of the association to be given a copy of the rules when they join. Please note electronic copies including links or electronic communication that direct the member to a copy of the rules on the organisations website, Facebook or social media platforms is acceptable.

4. **Prepare accounts that comply with the requirements of the association’s financial tier**

   The Act includes new requirements for financial reporting by associations. It is important for all incorporated associations to identify which reporting tier they fall into and consider any changes to the way they record and report on their financial affairs.

   The new financial reporting requirements apply from the first financial year of an association that commences on or after 1 July 2016. For example, an association with a financial year that runs from:
   - 1 July to 30 June must comply with the requirements from 1 July 2016.
   - 1 January to 31 December must comply with the new requirements from 1 January 2017.


5. **Start considering what changes to your rules will be required**

   The requirements of the new law mean that all associations need to amend their rules. Associations have three (3) years to update their rules to comply with the requirements of the new law. **Associations need to comply by 30 June 2019.**

   See the rule changes section for more information about this transition process.

6. **Familiarise yourself with the other changes coming**

   There are other changes to governance practices included in the Act that associations need to address, such as new requirements around making the register of members available for inspection and managing
committee member interests in decisions, however some of these matters can be addressed as and when the need arises. All committee members will have an obligation to make themselves aware of the general requirements under the new law and there is more information about these matters in the [http://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/publications/associations-transition-pack-1#mngmtcomt](http://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/publications/associations-transition-pack-1#mngmtcomt).

Other Useful Links

Checklist (PDF)

Transition resources

Associations information statement

More information about how to prepare your association or club for the new law

ASSOCIATIONS ONLINE

Clubs are reminded that information statements are required to be lodged with Consumer Protection within 6 months after the end of every financial year. The information statement is vital in demonstrating to Consumer Protection that your association is active and meeting its legal responsibilities. If your financial year ends 30 June, please lodge your 2017 statement through Associations Online before 31 December 2017.

**SHIRE OF NAREMBEEN**

“FROM THE CHIEF”

Are you thinking about becoming a Shire Councillor?

Perhaps you’re not quite sure if the role is for you? Then be sure to register for this [FREE webinar](http://walga.asn.au/Training/Our-Services/Webinars.aspx) to have all your questions answered.

Topics will include:

- An overview of Local Government;
- Roles and Responsibilities of Council and Council Members;
- Behavioural expectations of Elected Members;
- Overview of the skills required to be a successful Councillor; and
- Impacts on home life.

**Date:** Thursday 17th August 2017

To register go to:


**TOWN SPRAYING AUGUST 2017**

The Shire of Narembeen would like to advise that town spraying will occur on verges and vacant blocks throughout the month of August 2017. For any enquiries please call Arthur on 0429647330.
One in eight women in Australia will develop breast cancer in their lifetime. The best time to treat breast cancer is when it is still very small. Having regular mammograms through BreastScreen WA is one of the best things you can do to detect breast cancer early, and improve your chance of survival.

**What is a screening mammogram?**
BreastScreen WA provides over 120,000 screening mammograms each year to Western Australian women. A screening mammogram is a low dose X-ray of a woman's breast. Screening mammograms are performed on women with no breast symptoms, for the purpose of detecting breast cancer at an early stage before it can be felt or noticed.

**Why are screening mammograms important?**
Screening mammograms are performed on women 40 years or over with no breast symptoms every two years, for the purpose of detecting breast cancer at an early stage before it can be felt or noticed.

Did you know?
- Women in Australia have a 1 in 8 risk of developing breast cancer in their lifetime
- The risk of breast cancer increases with age
- A mammogram can detect up to 90% of breast cancers and is the only proven means of detecting breast cancer at this early stage
- Screening mammograms may detect a very small cancer, as small as a grain of rice, before you or your doctor can feel it
- Breast cancer cannot be prevented, but the earlier a breast cancer is detected the better the chance of successful treatment

**Summary of Screening Statistics for Narembeen 2017**

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Mobile Mammography Visit To
NAREMBEEN
NW Mobile Round 13
14th to 19th June 2017
LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS
Are you eligible to vote?

On 21st October 2017, elections will be held to elect 4 Councillors to the Shire of Narembeen.

This notice is intended to advise residents in the district of Narembeen to check their eligibility to vote (electoral enrolment) status.

To ensure your eligibility to vote, you can check your current enrolment status by accessing the Western Australian Electoral Commission website at:


Residents who are currently enrolled outside the Narembeen district, should update their enrolment details with the WA Electoral Commission. Forms to update your enrolment status are available from the Narembeen Post Office or the Narembeen Shire office.

Residents who are currently enrolled in the Narembeen district, but whose residential address within the district has changed, are encouraged to update their address details with the WA Electoral Commission.

Voters who have left the district must change their electoral roll status.

To ensure voting eligibility, applications to enrol or update electoral roll status must be received by the WA Electoral Commission by 5.00pm Friday 1st September 2017.

Anyone who requires clarification on their enrolment status should contact the WA Electoral Commission on 9214 0400.

Chris Jackson
Returning Officer

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Financial Professionals Award presented to Bonnie Cole

Bonnie Cole, Executive Manager Corporate Services recently won an award at the Finance Professionals Conference for excellence and outstanding service to local government finance.

The citation read as follows:-
“Bonnie is a committed member of the Finance Professionals Network and volunteers her time to help create professional development and training for her colleagues, as a member of the Technical Committee. Although still in the early stages of her career, Bonnie has taken on significant responsibility in her roles at Kellerberrin and Narembeen, and displayed a willingness to go the extra mile for her local government and its community. Never afraid to speak her mind, Bonnie is a forthright and assertive young woman who is shaking up her profession one account at a time.”

Well done Bonnie Cole!

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WA Local Government Convention & WALGA AGM

Cr Rhonda Cole, Cr Gina DeLuis, Cr Kellie Mortimore, Cr Bevan Thomas, Cr Bill Cowan and Chris Jackson—CEO recently attended the 2017 WA Local Government Convention held in Perth.

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COUNCIL RATES

Council rates have been distributed; payment is due on 1st September 2017, if you think you are eligible for a concession please see Bonnie Cole at the Shire office.