



The Facts on the Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Funding

The Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund (LMDRF) is a WA emergency fund that is managed by the City of Perth. The fund is used to raise and coordinate donations to support the victims of natural disasters occurring in Western Australia. More than \$6.55 million has been raised as of February 19 (excluding Skyworks & Telethon).

Any affected persons within the fire zone can apply including owners of rural properties. The funding categories do recognize losses such as fencing and water tanks.

Applications are available from the Shire of Harvey website www.harvey.wa.gov.au.

To send a written application please post to the Shire of Harvey, PO Box 500, Harvey WA 6220 or email to recovery@harvey.wa.gov.au

If you require assistance in your application please call the Shire on 9729 0300.

Hay Deposit Locations

- Waroona:** Lot 340 Coronation Rd
Mike Walmsley 0419 946 426
 - Wokalup:** Harvey Ag, Mornington Rd
Geoff Howell 0417 681 825
 - Cookernup:** Community Hall, Riverdale Rd
Malcolm Hayes 0427 335 361
 - Coolup:** Murray Equestrian Centre, Murray St
Natalie Barr 0407 219 552
- For more information on stockfeed, donations and deliveries please contact:*
- Western Dairy:** Dairy Farmers 0435 174 719
 - WA Beef Council:** Other Livestock 0437 281 491



Fire Affected Farmers

The Pinjarra Rotary Club is seeking expressions of interest for Rhodes grass hay (10% average protein) delivered to the Harvey Waroona area This may assist farmers for later in the season before your crop grows.

For Information, pricing and ordering please contact :
Murray Chapman Coolup 0414 666 007
Geoffrey McLarty Pinjarra 0417 994 165
Willie Brown Coolup 0429 174 733



Amazing Volunteers

A big thank you is extended to so many volunteers.

We thank the Yarloop residents who went over and above in accommodating evacuees and hosting public meetings over the past weeks.

Also when 1,500 people were evacuated during the recent devastating bushfires. Collaborating organisations including Volunteering WA, Red Cross, Adventist Dev. Relief Agency, Salvation Army, Country Women's Association, Rotary Club, Lions Club Harvey, Brunswick, Leschenault football clubs and many more community groups all greatly contributed to evacuees safety and wellbeing during this traumatic emergency event.

The Shire of Harvey expresses their thanks and gratitude to these amazing people in our community, we are lucky to have you.

Asbestos is Dangerous

Asbestos after being fire affected is of great concern as tiny fibers of asbestos can be released into the atmosphere. Inhalation of these tiny fibres can result in asbestos-related disease that is deadly. It is imperative that affected properties in Yarloop are NOT disturbed. For more information on the dangers of fire affected asbestos please visit www.public.health.wa.gov.au or call the Department of Health on **9388 4999**



Alcoa Update

The January 2016 bushfires have impacted upon people residing in residential, semi-rural and agricultural properties owned by Alcoa. Rental payments for these rental properties have been suspended from the 6th January. If you have been paying rent please contact your property agent for a refund.

Alcoa is assessing the conditions of its properties and will notify tenants via property agents. It is Alcoa's intention to resume rental payments when services have been restored and people can return safely.

Alcoa will pay the clean-up and repair costs for their properties and will coordinate works with the State Recovery Committee. Alcoa is not eligible for financial assistance from the Lord Mayor's fund and other similar funds for fire victims.

Houses owned by Alcoa destroyed in the bushfire will not be rebuilt. Alcoa does not have any intentions to mine under Yarloop, such rumors are simply false and untrue.

**For further information please contact
Tom Busher on 0404 800 135**

Special Public Enquiry

Mr Euan Ferguson AFSM has been appointed by the Premier to undertake a special inquiry to examine the management of the bushfire that recently occurred. Members of the public are invited to make a submission to the special inquiry. If you wish to make a confidential submission, you must make this clear at the time of your submission. The closing date for submissions is **4 March 2016**.

Any queries regarding the special inquiry should be directed to waroonalinquiry@semc.wa.gov.au or **9482 1750**.



BUSHFIRES INSURANCE FORUM

The Insurance Council of Australia are holding an Insurance Forum for claimants affected by the bush fire on Wednesday, 24th February at the Harvey Recreation and Cultural Centre commencing at 5:30pm.

The forum is for claimants only and registrations are essential on 1800 734 621. Registrations close at noon on 24th February 2016.

BLAZE AID.COM

BlazeAid assistance has arrived to help farmers with fencing. If you need help please register online.

For more information contact the coordinator Brian Carr on

0428 984 117 or
blazeaid.waroonaa@gmail.com

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Prioritise your wellbeing. You are going through a highly stressful experience. It is normal that you might be having strong emotional reactions such as sadness, anger, anxiety and frustration. You may also be finding it hard to concentrate, think clearly or make decisions, this is also normal after an emergency event.

It takes time, but stress reactions will fade if you have the right information and look after your wellbeing. If you feel you need more individual support contact the Emergency Service resilience officer on **0417 457 583**

Rural Road Clean-up

The Shire of Harvey has cleared 50% of rural roads of tree debris. Road surfaces will also require resealing works due to heavy equipment damage. A culvert crossing on Clifton Rd collapsed earlier this week and has been temporarily made safe until a new pipe is installed. Access to Yarloop requires a permit as the town site is not safe until the asbestos debris is removed.

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