



## Community Recovery Meeting Wednesday 9th March

At our next Community Recovery Meeting the Yarloop Clean Up Coordinator Rene Baur will be providing an update on the clean-up process and will be available to answer questions.

**Where:** Harvey Recreation Centre  
(entry off Tom latch Drive)

**When:** 5.30pm

## Understanding the Affects of a Bushfire

People are affected by the recent fires in many different ways, including physically, emotionally, socially, spiritually, financially and behaviorally. Everyone who lives in the Shire of Harvey is probably 'fire affected' in some way. Let's face it, emergencies are incredibly stressful and we all react to and manage stress in different ways. We cannot predict how much any person will be affected by measuring physical or financial loss. Many of us were, or know others who were evacuated, have been physically impacted or are working to support those affected. As a community we need to join together to support everyone who is 'Fire affected' without judging the level of impact. There is an enormous variety of needs and many people are struggling with huge challenges, it is not all about physical loss. Let us be as inclusive as we can and support **everyone** who needs help.



## Demolition Permit Fees

The Shire of Harvey will waive demolition permit fees associated with the clean-up of properties damaged in the January bushfires. Council made the decision at its meeting on 1st March and owners will be contacted regarding the issue of demolition permits.



## Yarloop Clean-Up Update

The State's Project Manager Rene Baur is based at the Yarloop Primary School and is in the process of procuring contractors to undertake the clean-up. While site stabilisation has been undertaken to reduce the risk of asbestos and other contaminants, there is still a risk to those residing in their homes during clean-up activities.

Residents are advised to find alternative accommodation for the period of the clean-up. Contact the Department for Child Protection and Family Support for temporary accommodation options on **0417 457 583**

Residents are encouraged to contact the clean-up team to ensure their contact details are up-to-date and accurate so they may receive all information related to the clean-up.

**Please email [firecleanup@dpc.wa.gov.au](mailto:firecleanup@dpc.wa.gov.au) or phone (08) 6552 5335.**

## ANZAC Day in Yarloop

The Yarloop war memorial was unveiled in 1922 and has been a prominent feature in the town for more than 90 years. Although the fence of the War Memorial was fire affected, the Memorial itself was not significantly damaged. The Shire of Harvey has approved the proposal from Harvey Water in conjunction with Yarloop Bush Fire Brigade to replace the fence and landscape around the War Memorial. As in previous years a 'Dawn Service' will be held on the morning of Anzac Day on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> of April 2016 from 5am followed by a morning tea at 'One Tree Park' until 10am.

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## Fencing Aid for Farmers

BlazeAid is encouraging all farmers in the Harvey Shire who have lost fences in the recent bushfires to register for assistance. This can be done by contacting;

**Vida:** 0488 718 774 or

**Brian:** 0428 984 117 or

**Email:** [blazeaid.waroona@gmail.com](mailto:blazeaid.waroona@gmail.com)

*Registration is easy, and you'll be glad you did it – there's no red tape and it can be done in as little as 10 minutes.*

They will have a few quick questions for you – your name, phone numbers, the address where the fencing needs to be done, an approximate idea of distances of work – clearing, rebuilding and new fences – the type of fencing and how soon you can start. If you have livestock issues, let them know and they can prioritise your job. You will need to provide your own fencing materials although they can re-use and recycle as much of the old wire, posts etc. as possible if requested.

### Blaze Aid Update

BlazeAid currently have 72 properties across both the Shires of Harvey and Waroona registered for assistance and are urging more affected property owners to come forward.

BlazeAid have already commenced work on 43 properties and have completed work on 13. In total, BlazeAid volunteers have removed 63 kilometers of damaged fencing and assisted farmers to rebuild 53 kilometers of new fence.

They are working on anywhere between 7 and 11 properties per day depending on volunteer numbers.

## Get in Touch

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**shire@harvey.wa.gov.au**



## Feed on Hand

Management of your pastures at the break of season will depend on a number of factors. The condition of your seed bank is a critical consideration. The viability of remaining seed will depend on the heat of the fire in those paddocks that were burnt. Paddocks with significant standing feed are likely to have burned hot, severely impacting the pasture seed bank. Paddocks where minimal combustible material was burned, may have received a cool burn, with pasture seed still viable. The early germination of seed due to the rainfall shortly after the fire will not have helped. Simple germination tests from a number of points in your affected paddocks may indicate how much viable seed you still have. For more information please visit [www.agric.wa.gov.au](http://www.agric.wa.gov.au)

## Applications are Now Open



Applications for the Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund (LMDRF) are now open. Applications forms are available from the Shire of Harvey website [www.harvey.wa.gov.au](http://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](mailto:recovery@harvey.wa.gov.au)

## Emergency Drinking Water Replenishment

Remember if you are in the fire zone and have contaminated household stored tank water you must register with the Shire of Harvey Environmental Health Officers to receive assistance. This will allow you to facilitate storage clean up and receive an emergency once off 12,000 litre delivery of drinking water. To enquire email the Shire on [shire@harvey.wa.gov.au](mailto:shire@harvey.wa.gov.au)

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