

Australia Day Breakfast and Community Awards Sunday 26 January 2025

The Community Awards were held at the Australia Day Breakfast on Sunday 26 January 2025. Congratulations to all nominees and award recipients.



Citizen of the Year - Ronald Tuckett

Ronald has supported the community for over 55 years. He has volunteered for numerous organisations within the Tonebridge area, is a member of the Country Music Club of Boyup Brook currently holding the position of Vice President and served as a Shire Councillor from 1986 to 1993. Ronald is a keen sportsman, playing football, tennis, golf and swimming, championing the social, mental and physical benefits of all sporting activities.



Kevin Henderson Memorial Award - Volunteer - Doris Thompson

Doris is an exceptional member of our community who has volunteered for over 10 organisations including significant time with the Upper Blackwood Agricultural Society and Country Music Club of Boyup Brook seeing her awarded life membership with both organisations. Doris has also volunteered at the Tourist Centre including the committee, CWA committee, Badge Secretary for Girl Guides and Boy Scouts, and various sports.



Young Achiever of the Year - Hayley Hester

Hayley has made an impact in our community through her dedication to netball. As an assistant coach for the Bridgetown Netball Association, Hayley mentors young players, developing their skills and confidence. Hayley's dedication and talent has seen her selected in the under 16's Fevers program for the last three years along with the Under 18's South West Jets and Donnybrook Blackwood Ravens Under 16's and Under 18's teams.



Sports Person of the Year - Devon Larkworthy-Darke

Devon's passion for sports has led to his selection for the Lower Southwest Football Development team for the past two seasons and playing in the under 14's and 16's basketball teams for the last five years. He represented Western Australia in javelin in 2024 and again this year in 2025, competed in state athletics for seven years, and played for National Athletics and has represented other local and southwest clubs.

Congratulations! to all award nominees and recipients



Australia Day

Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.

Shire Office
Monday - Friday
8:30am - 4:30pm



✉ PO Box 2 Boyup Brook 6244
(08) 9765 1200
✉ shire@boyupbrook.wa.gov.au
🌐 www.boyupbrook.wa.gov.au

Department of Transport
8:30am - 4:00pm

Medical Centre
Monday- Friday
8:00am - 4:30pm
9765 1026

Recycling Dates
Wednesday 12 February 2025
Wednesday 26 February 2025
Wednesday 12 March 2025

Transfer Station
Thursday 10:00am - 2:00pm
Saturday 10:00am - 2:00pm
Sunday 11:00am - 2:00pm

Waste Collection
Every Wednesday
After Hours
Trees on Road
0448 833 102
Harvest & Vehicle Movement Ban
9765 1543

Australia Day continued



Award nominees left to right: Ronald Tuckett, Doris Thompson, John Ritson, John Walsh, Hayley Hester, Anne Deas, Devon Larkworthy-Darke



Rhonda Parker OAM with Neville Parker



Breakfast in the park



Award recipients left to right: Devon Larkworthy-Darke, Ronald Tuckett, Doris Thompson, Hayley Hester, .



Afternoon fun on the inflatables at the pool



Rylington Park Storm in a Teacup

'Whether the Weather'

Friday 14th March 2025

As our "Storm" is now a teenager, she prefers to get up a little later and wants to try new things, so we are starting later at 10:00am and finishing later with a cocktail demonstration and a cocktail for each lady.



Tickets are only \$70 each which includes morning tea, lunch, glass of wine, entertainment, take home goodie bag and a cocktail. Tickets are available at the Shire Administration, Boyup Brook Co-op, online at <https://www.trybooking.com/CYOBV> or scan the QR code.



Speakers include Jessica Lingard – Bureau of Meteorology and early morning ABC radio presenter, Emma Krause – "It's time to start living a fabulous life" – Comedian, teacher, facilitator, dog lover, twin mum, Louise Hay fan and Heal your Life trainer, and Warren Pensini – local farmer "Blackwood Valley Beef". Lunch is by "The Queen of Boyup Brook" with a glass of "Beulah Wines".

Signature painting by local artist Tina Matthews will be auctioned on the day with proceeds going to the Boyup Brook Evacuation Centre/Sporting Precinct.



Introducing Dr Nilesh Devadason



Dr Nilesh Devadason

Hello! I'm Nilesh, a dedicated doctor with 14 years of clinical experience. My journey in medicine has taken me to many rural towns, including the Pilbara and the Kimberleys, and even to an island hospital in northern Borneo where patients arrived by boat. I have a special interest in rural medicine and emergency medicine, which has driven my passion for providing healthcare in unique and challenging settings. My wife, a nurse, and I have a 1-year-old son, and we cherish the rural lifestyle. We plan to raise our young family in the serene community of Boyup Brook, embracing the simplicity and close-knit nature of rural living. I'm passionate about providing healthcare in these unique settings and look forward to contributing to our new community.



Dr Nilesh is available for appointments Monday to Friday, 8:30am - 4:30pm. Please phone Boyup Brook Medical Services to book your appointment on 9765 1026.

Capture the Beauty of the Southern Forests & Valleys Photography and Videography Competition



The Warren Blackwood Alliance of Councils is thrilled to announce the Southern Forests & Valleys Imagery Competition! This exciting competition invites photographers and videographers to capture the unique beauty, culture, and landscapes of our region, with a \$3,000 prize pool across two main categories: People and Places. Entries open 1st November 2024 and close 1st March 2025. Entries may include static images or videos (10 seconds to 2 minutes in length). Imagery should be taken within our region, covering the towns of Balingup, Boyup Brook, Bridgetown, Donnybrook, Greenbushes, Manjimup, Nannup, Northcliffe, Pemberton, and Walpole. Multiple entries are encouraged! For more information scan the QR code or visit <https://www.wbac.net.au/photography>



Rural Tip Passes

Did you know Rural Tip Passes are only valid to the end of the year they are issued?

Rural Tip Passes are issued to rate payers who own rural property in the Shire of Boyup Brook.

If you received a Rural Tip Pass for the current 2024-2025 financial year, it is valid until 31 December 2025, meaning it is valid for up to 18 months.

Rural Tip Passes issued prior to the 2024-2025 financial year are no longer valid and therefore cannot be accepted at the Boyup Brook Transfer Station.

This is not the same as purchasing a Tip Pass from the Shire Administration Office for use at the Transfer Station.



Non-potable water available

The Shire of Boyup Brook will once again be providing non-potable water at a subsidised cost to assist farmers within the Shire. The program is available on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8:00am - 12:00pm. If you would like to access this program, please contact the Shire on 9765 1200. Please note this is non-potable water and is not for human consumption.

Stay Bushfire Ready This Season



With summer upon us, it's crucial to be prepared for bushfires. The Shire of Boyup Brook website is your one-stop shop for all essential information, including emergency services contacts, firebreak requirements, and the latest Bushfire Brigade news. Visit www.boyupbrook.wa.gov.au to stay informed.



We also encourage you to download two valuable apps, the Emergency WA app for real-time alerts and the Bushfire Ready app, especially useful for those in remote areas.



The Shire is actively undertaking bushfire risk management treatments in and around town and Wilga to improve safety and emergency vehicle access. Remember, maintaining your firebreaks and managing fire hazards is your responsibility. Inspections will continue throughout the season.



Water conservation is vital in Boyup Brook during summer. We urge all households to conserve water and consider having a dedicated water supply system for fire protection. Local businesses can offer advice on suitable options for our area.



For any questions or guidance on bushfire safety, please contact the Shire on 9765 1200 or email shire@boyupbrook.wa.gov.au



\$400 Waterwise Toilet Rebate

Does your home have a single flush toilet? Water Corporation is currently offering customers in regional WA a \$400 rebate to flush away single flush toilets.

The type of toilet you have can make a big difference in water savings. Old single flush toilets can use as much as 12 litres every flush compared to the 3-4.5 litres used by a WELS 4 star rated dual flush toilet.

To find out more visit www.watercorporation.com.au/toiletrebate



Ordinary Council Meetings 2025

Shire Council Chambers
55 Abel Street, Boyup Brook



All Council meetings (unless otherwise decided by Council) are open to the public. Residents, ratepayers and other interested parties are welcome to attend. Meetings commence at 6:00pm.

30 January	27 February	27 March	24 April	29 May	26 June
31 July	28 August	25 September	30 October	27 November	

*Dates correct at time of publication, please check the Shire website for any changes

Your Councillors

Cr Richard Walker (Shire President)	0429 661 051	Cr Helen O'Connell (Deputy Shire President)	0427 653 146
Cr Sarah Alexander	0417 941 744	Cr Philippe Kaltenrieder	0429 700 708
Cr Charles Caldwell	0418 913 531	Cr Darren King	0417 796 298
Cr David Inglis	0418 651 088	Cr Michael Wright	0427 191 785



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