



# Shire of Mt Marshall

— THE SANDALWOOD SHIRE —

15 August 2022

## DIARY DATES

### 30 August 2022

Recycling Collection

### 20 September 2022

Ordinary Meeting of Council @  
3pm in Beacon Town Hall,  
Hamilton St, Beacon

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - PARKS AND GARDENS OFFICER

The Shire of Mt Marshall is seeking a competent and enthusiastic Parks and Gardens Officer to provide attentive care for our numerous parks and gardens, recreation centres, fully grassed reticulated oval, caravan parks, and botanic gardens. The job is based in Bencubbin and involves a diverse range of duties and will be ideal for you if you like variety in your work and are self motivated.

The role includes the following benefits:

- Complimentary Gym Membership
- Housing Allowance - \$105 per week
- Matching superannuation contribution up to 5%
- 22 days annual leave
- Fortnightly RDO
- Annual Bonus
- Uniform Allowance
- Loyalty bonus payable after 12 months of employment

A 'C' class driver's license is a minimum requirement for the position and annual remuneration is \$55,486 with a loyalty bonus scheme commencing after 1 x years service.

Applications are now open and please contact Nadine Richmond on 08 96851202 or [ea@mtmarshall.wa.gov.au](mailto:ea@mtmarshall.wa.gov.au) for a copy of the position description. Applications addressed to the Chief Executive Officer can be emailed to [ea@mtmarshall.wa.gov.au](mailto:ea@mtmarshall.wa.gov.au), received by mail or delivered in person to the Shire office.

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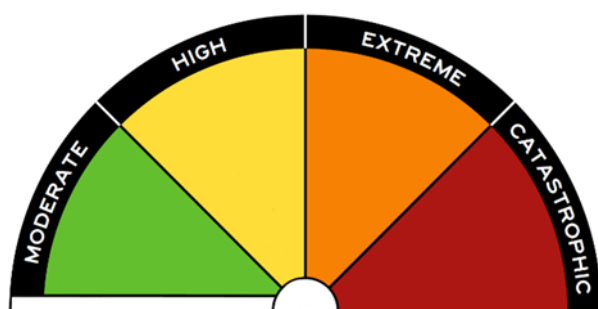
## NEW FIRE DANGER RATING LAUNCHING 1 SEPTEMBER 2022

Shire of Mt Marshall residents are advised that the current Fire Danger Rating system will be changing to a new Australian Fire Danger Rating System (AFDRS) backed up by a new Fire Behaviour Index (FBI) from 1 September 2022.

The change will see ratings decrease from six to four and will be displayed in a uniform format on signage across the nation with consistent colours, signs, and terminology. This means that wherever you go in Australia, you can understand the level of threat and what you need to do to stay safe.

The current Fire Danger Rating System is largely based on science that is more than 60 years old. New technology and research have greatly improved our ability to predict fire behaviour and the potential threat more accurately to the community. The new fire danger rating system is designed to deliver more precise and timely information by utilising the latest science and community input.

The AFDRS will have four levels with action-oriented messages to encourage people to take action. The ratings and high-level messages are:



**MODERATE**  
Plan and prepare

**HIGH**  
Be ready to act

**EXTREME**  
Take action now to  
protect life and property

**CATASTROPHIC**  
For your survival, leave  
bushfire risk areas

Supporting messages, including localised information, will clearly explain what community response is required at each level.

The AFDRS also introduces an 'off' or 'no rating' level (white strip under Moderate) for days where no proactive action is required. This does not mean that fires cannot happen, but that they are not likely to move or act in a threatening way.

Name/Colour	Fire Behaviour Index Range	Suppression difficulty
<b>MODERATE</b> (Green)	12-23	Most bushfires in this category. Fires typically suppressed with direct, parallel or indirect attack.
<b>HIGH</b> (Yellow)	24-49	Initial attack success critical to prevent large fire development. Defensive suppression strategies.
<b>EXTREME</b> (Orange)	50-99	Defensive suppression strategies. High levels of threat to life/property. Safety of firefighters and community paramount.
<b>CATASTROPHIC</b> (Red)	100+	Unsafe for firefighters and community. Without initial attack success, likelihood of very large fire development is very high. High probability of loss of life and property.



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Fire danger ratings are crucial as they provide people with important information so that they can take action to protect themselves and others from the potentially dangerous impacts of bushfires. It aims to improve public safety and reduce the impacts of bushfires by:

- Improving the scientific accuracy behind fire danger predictions.
- Improving the way that fire danger is communicated.
- Providing government and industry with better decision-making tools.
- Reducing the costs associated with bushfire impacts.

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