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# **GRAPEVINE**

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### EDITORIAL

I believe that I have upset some members of the SA Police Force with my comments in last month's Grapevine. That was certainly not my intention, and I apologise to them if I upset them. We are fortunate to have dedicated and hard working members of the Police Force amongst us who contribute a great deal to our community and give their time to Rural Watch especially. The aim of the 'Heard on the Grapevine' article was to highlight problems a member of our community had been having, and to alert everyone to the presence of some nasty people, so we could also assist our overworked and under resourced Police (My opinion). We are all part of this community and need to share responsibility for things that happen in it. I did not wish to cause any offence or suggest in any way that our Police were not doing their job.

Many thanks to the many people in the community who supported me in the annual 'Walk Against Want'. I walked at Gawler in the pouring rain, but was pleased to raise \$286.10 which will go to projects in the Sudan.

Please feel free to contribute to this newsletter with news, views, items of interest, poems, stories, letters, quotations, or any other news which you feel might interest people. However because of the increasing number of articles which are coming in and because our space is limited please try to keep your news brief and to the point. Items sent electronically save me heaps of work so please email me <imclatch@camtech.net.au>. Please send all electronic items in Plain Text Format. NO FORMATTING PLEASE, except tabs, and hard returns, but only for paragraphs, not end of lines. We usually have to reformat items when they are put into the Publisher programme for final setting out. Other items can be left at the General store for me any time during the month. Advertisements are also welcome. Please contact me on 8280 7214 for prices. The closing date for next months edition will be 19/4/99.

I would like to wish everyone a very happy Easter!

Jill McLatchie, Editor.

This monthly newsletter is published by the **One Tree Hill Progress Association**. The views expressed in this newsletter are not necessarily those of the One Tree Hill Progress Association. Its purpose is to share local news, views and events. We want to encourage local people and groups to share what they are doing and to pass on items of interest to one another. A 50 cents donation to the cost of printing the Grapevine would be very much appreciated. (Donation tins are available in some of the local shops). We are happy to include some advertising from local businesses, and small classified Ads from individuals. Please contact Jill McLatchie, ph 8280 7214 for details of the cost. Maximum size for advertisements is one quarter of a page. Deadline for the next issue is **Monday April 19th 1999** at 6.00pm at the Deli. Please leave items in an envelope marked Grapevine at the General Store or email to <imclatch@camtech.net.au> well ahead of the deadline if possible.

## ONE TREE HILL PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

The aims of the OTH Progress Association are to:

- ⇒ foster community spirit and promote the welfare of the One Tree Hill community;
- ⇒ promote and assist the expansion, improvement and maintenance of educational, sporting and other facilities for the benefit of the One Tree Hill community;
- ⇒ administer the One Tree Hill Hall;
- ⇒ stimulate and maintain an active interest in all district matters;
- ⇒ do such things as may be incidental to the attainment of such objects.

Progress meets on the third Thursday of every month at 7.30 pm in the supper room of the Institute.

New members are always welcome. We have a variety of ways in which you can be involved: attending regular meetings and providing your views and practical assistance; joining the environment subcommittee and participating in working bees; assisting with the publication and distribution of *The Grapevine*; helping with events or repairs to the institute as required.

The next meeting will be on **Thursday April 15<sup>th</sup>** and we are inviting our new Playford council liaison person, Domenic Marta, to attend.

Key points coming from the March 18 meeting were:

- ⇒ good attendance at the follow up meeting re the new rating policy and the submission of over 50 OTH names to attend the public hearings.
- ⇒ concern that local police had taken comments in the last Grapevine personally when they were certainly not intended as criticisms of their role
- ⇒ fantastic attendance by youngsters at the soccer coaching session organised by the new soccer club - (Great to see!!!)
- ⇒ organisation of helpers for the Family Fun Day on Saturday March 27 from 11 am - 3.30 pm
- ⇒ bookings for the 1999 Bush dance. It will be held on Saturday June 19 from 7.30 to 11.30 pm in the Institute. Mark it on your social calendar NOW.
- ⇒ clarification that the path from the subdivision to Blacktop Road will be maintained even if the reserve land is sold.

**WANTED** - ideas for events/projects for actioning during the year 2000. Please send them in via the Grapevine or to Progress c/o Hans Van Heuven, PO Box 271, One Tree Hill, SA 5114.

Unfortunately Sally McKay was ill and unable to attend, so the discussion on a number of fire safety issues was postponed till the next meeting.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Jill McLatchie for the wonderful job she does (completely voluntarily), in editing the Grapevine newsletter and trying to provide an opportunity for people in the community to have a voice on issues that concern them. It's not an easy task and there are, and always will be, occasions when the views of some residents will conflict with the views of others. This is the way in a democratic country. We try to ensure that facts are correct, but have to accept that people's perceptions of a situation do vary. So please, if you disagree with anything you read, write a letter giving your position objectively. Please don't abuse our editor - she does not deserve it.

Ann Davenport, President (Ph 82807188)

## PROGRESS ASSOCIATION ENVIRONMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

It was encouraging to have a few new interested residents attend the first meeting for this year, as well as the Playford Greening Officer who was accompanied by a project coordinator.

The Playford Greening Officer Bill Doyle who is the coordinator for the Volunteer Programme attended to discuss the 'Buffers-to-Bushland' scheme. This scheme organised through the City of Playford and the Urban Forest Biodiversity Program, is intended to increase and protect the range of local native species found in the region. To achieve this any patches of relic scrub or forest need to be protected by planting barriers of native vegetation to act as buffers to reduce erosion, weed invasion etc. Approx 3,900 indigenous plants suitable for the One Tree Hill area have been grown by Trees For Life. The scheme is seeking landowners with some remnant vegetation or those just interested in revegetating their property to consider being involved.

There is more information on this scheme in this edition of the Grapevine or contact the Project coordinator Ms. Georgina Haynes on 8285 3529.

By the time you read this article the group will have had their first working bee. After a break over the warm summer months volunteers were keen to get started. On the 21st March the bushcare management of the roadside reserve along Precolumb Road commenced. This will be an on-going project. It will enable volunteers to improve their knowledge on plant and weed identification, and the skills of Mary and Eric who have now been trained in brush-cutting will be used.

Anyone interested in being involved with the group please phone 8280 7604

### Next Environment Working Bee

Sunday April 11, 1999 At Precolumb Rd

Task: Beginning to clear weeds and introduced species identified for us by Bill Doyle from Council.

All welcome. Bring gloves, hat, sunburn cream, a drink, secateurs, mallet and plastic rubbish bag. You will need to fill in a registration form (for insurance purposes) and take note of our safety instructions.

It's good fun and an opportunity to meet some of your community while making a positive and observable difference to our environment.

### ONE TREE HILL SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

Well we started our year with a good lunch on Pancake Day, Feb 16th. Well done ladies!! The March game of 10 pin Bowls was won by Reg, 2nd Les and 3rd Hazel. This was followed by a lunch at the Rose and Crown Hotel, it was enjoyed by all.

We welcomed two new members into the club this month, Arthur and Florence Blower.

On Friday the 19th the club went by coach to the Capri cinema, Goodwood and was entertained with an organ sing along, followed by the film 'Brassed off', I found it a very moving film and with excellent Brass Band music.

After the film we all enjoyed an excellent smorgasbord meal at the Carina Buffet Restaurant at Port Adelaide. I know that I ate more than I should have!! We also had the company of 8 Elizabeth Para Probus Club Members, who helped to swell our numbers for the coach.

I wish all of One Tree Hill residents a Happy and Safe Easter, and don't eat too many chocolate eggs!!

President, B.Saunders.

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## ONE TREE HILL INDEPENDENT LIVING UNITS.

Over the last three years you have heard much about the Senior Citizen's efforts in trying to get some units built at One Tree Hill. There has been two submissions to Council, a Council Survey of One Tree Hill residents, a visit to the Minister of Local Government, numerous letters to Council and to the Minister and a Council proposal to dispose of a portion of reserve 137, i.e. the reserve adjoining the Institute boundaries.

As a result of the last proposal, notices were inserted in the Government Gazette, The Advertiser and the local Messenger newspaper. The resulting comments are expected to be considered by Council at their April meeting. It is unfortunate that the scale of the map published in the Council notices was a little small to be able to discern actual measurements. The article published in last months Grapevine by the President of Progress Association has also created a false impression as to the area of the reserve that the Council is proposing to relinquish (Subject to the Minister's approval).

In order to clarify the situation the following is the situation in relation to the reserve:

1. The present frontage of the reserve on Black Top Rd to a depth of 20 metres will remain as reserve.
2. The existing 3 metre wide cement access way between Black Top Rd and Wood Crescent and all land to the East of the access way will remain as a reserve.
3. The entire land abutting the Northern boundary of the Institute land to Leonard's boundary will remain as a reserve.
4. The area which has been requested to be occupied by 7 single story units and an access road from Wood Crescent is approximately 30% of the existing reserve.
5. In addition Council employees have stated that whoever takes over ownership/control of the area for units will also have to take over another 20% of the area which is subject to easements to (a) E.T.S.A. (b) The Playford Council and (c) The Minister of Water Resources. It is understood that these areas would still be available for greening.
6. From the above 5 items it can be seen that at least 50% of the existing reserve will remain as a council reserve.
7. It is most unlikely that Council would charge an unreasonable price for the land such that the price for the units would be financially out of reach of senior citizens.

All that has been stated above is still not definite. The outcome still depends on Council's consideration of any submission made by the public, and then their recommendations to the Minister, and finally his reply.

Don Needham for O.T.H. Senior Citizens.

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## CHURCH NEWS

Chivalry is not dead. On Sunday morning the 21st of March, a lady on her way to O.T.H. Uniting Church, had a puncture in one of the rear tyres of her car, and had to pull off the road opposite the cottage which was formerly an Inn, near the junction of Yorketown Road and Blacktop Road. She was inspecting the damage, when a young man in the vicinity asked if he could help. When she explained what the trouble was, he proceeded to jack the car up, and changed the wheel with her spare wheel. After that, because he was late for his own Church service, he joined the congregation at One Tree Hill. The congregation are very grateful, on behalf of one of their members.

Thank you to the Good Samaritan.

### One Tree Hill Church - Easter services:

Sunday April 4th. - Easter Day -

6.30 a.m. - Dawn Service.

11.00 a.m. Easter Service, and Holy Communion.

## ST CATHERINE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH,

Corner Docket and Midway Roads, Elizabeth Downs.

Palm Sunday 28th March. 9.00am Sung Eucharist .

Maundy Thursday 1st April, 7.00pm Sung Eucharist and Stripping of Alters

Good Friday, 2nd April, 9.30am Litany of the Cross.  
11.00am Stations of the Cross.

Easter Vigil, Saturday 3rd April. 7.00pm Lighting of the New Fire with Solemn Eucharist. (Incense will be used)

Easter Day, 4th April, 9.00am Sung Eucharist.

## ONE TREE HILL SPORTS AND RECREATION CLUB

Already another month has gone and we are getting closer to our kick off on the 10th April. Let me tell you of all the busy days we have enjoyed. The registration days were busy with Mums, Dads and boys and girls coming to put their name down to play for the club. Then on the Wed. 10th March we had our first 'Come and meet your coach' evening starting at 4.30 and finishing when we could pry the ball away from the eager feet (6.30). One more sleep, Thursday 11th was the big day. Alex Tobin came to Town. Well the oval was a hive of excited children and parents (pretended not to be but a lost cause). We had at 4.30pm, the U6s and U7s in a group, with Alex showing them the skills needed, and they practised with him. Then they had a sausage sizzle, drink, a piece of fruit, a quick play and by 6pm tired but happy home to bed. But did they go to bed? Next day reports were that parents couldn't get boots off and balls away from feet. They did even more practice. Do I know that feeling-bang on the wall, bang on the wall...

The U8s to U15s enjoyed from 5.30pm till 7pm with Alex. He showed more skills and then a game where he coached. Did they work well, didn't hear the score, just excited soccer information. Then Alex was presented with a Thank You and he took a ball home to the Zebra Clubrooms and had it signed for us to raffle, so watch out for those tickets, well worth the prize. Yes it was a busy day - even the babies, Daniel, Alec and Jacob played soccer with a teletubby ball, our new up and coming stars in 4 years time.

We had another training night on the 17th March and the children were eager and enjoyed it even more. We have 2 under 6's and 1 under 7 team. We need to have a few more 7 year olds to play in the under 8's, and a few more 8 years to play in the under 9's. For more information phone Vicki 8280 7452. We also need a lot more helpers with the club, so if you can spare some time on Saturday mornings we have a canteen to man, sausage sizzle for fund raising to cook each Saturday, general committee work or help with the children. If any one out there has a small rainwater tank they might want to donate, the children could make use of it for fresh rain water. We would greatly appreciate it. Training night is Wednesday night 4.30-6.30pm.

[Contact phone numbers for other committee members as follows: Lorraine Vingerhoets on 8280 7680 or 8280 7818. Glenda Rogers on 8280 7470.

### THANKS FOR DONATIONS

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## ONE TREE HILL SCOUT GROUP

### Why I am a Scout, by Rebecca Lewis

My friends sometimes tease me for being a Scout, but instead of getting angry at them, I try to tell them what fun I have at Scouts and why I think they should join. So far this year I have been on a water activities camp at Barmara. I had lots of fun sailing, canoeing, rowing and riding on a donut behind a speed boat. As it was a hot weekend I also did a lot of swimming and messing around in the water with my friends. It was a really great weekend.

Each week at Scouts we learn something new. So far we have had a First Aid night, knotting and splicing ropes ready for a camp, a night at Mt Thebarton, and once a month the Scouts set up and clean up for the One Tree Hill market.

Next term we will be doing things like a Water Safety night, checking our tentage (for camp), a night at Comedy Capers, a long weekend camp at Woodhouse, a night at the Pistol Club, shooting and learning gun safety, a night of open fire cooking, games night, a camp at Mt Crawford and finally a communications night. Not once do I help a little old lady cross the road (I would do if she needed help!).

If you want to join Joeys, Cubs or Scouts, come along and give it a go. It really is good fun!

Joeys	Thursday	6.30-7.30	6-8 years
Cubs	Monday	7-8.30	8-11 years
Scouts	Friday	7-9.30	11-14 years.

## HEARD ON THE GRAPEVINE

### Wedding in the Rain

Dion Stutley, son of Brian and Karen married Amanda Spykers, daughter of John and Maja in a garden wedding at Al Ru Farm One Tree Hill at 3.30pm on Saturday the 6th of March. A reception followed at Roseworthy College. Amanda was attended by Charmaine Hughes, Kirsten Stutley and Lisa Blackmore. Dion was attended by Roger James, Grant Haebich and Darren Peter. The rain added to their special day and they say to be married in the rain is a sign of a long and happy marriage.

Daniel Underwood, aged 10, from the One Tree Hill Primary School has been nominated for a Westfield School Sports Award. Daniel has already played 50 games for Eastern Park Football Club for Under 10's age group and has represented his school in SAPSASA football. He plays basketball at Golden Grove Recreation Centre. Daniel has also represented his school in a local SAPSASA swimming carnival and won the 50 metres breast stroke. Good luck in your sporting activities Daniel!

## THE GREAT ONE TREE HILL SHORT STORY COMPETITION

We are now pleased to present the story which came second in the Senior section:  
**NEW CHUMS IN ONE TREE HILL AND HOW WE LEARNT TO MILK COWS**  
*by Ann Davenport*

It was the 70s and we were children of the times devoted to its general themes: back to nature, communal living, home grown vegies, your own chooks, a cow - you know, self sufficiency.

And so the decision was made. We sold our city dwellings, bought up in One Tree Hill and became the Stevens/Davenport household. We built the house, planted the vegie garden and orchard and bought the chooks and the cow. But we were as green as the grass on the hills - and we reckon Goldie our cow knew it and used it for all it was worth!

We bought Goldie and her calf (don't name it if you're going to sell it) from Stan Watson and his wife. They delivered them one Sunday afternoon along with some good words of advice: "great cow, lots of milk twice a day, bottle of molasses if something or other goes wrong, milk her like this, call her and she'll come and stand for you."

Ha! What a joke! Mornings were spent following Goldie over 10 acres coaxing her back to the house. Once there, we used lucerne to keep her there. We'd put it out and set to work milking while she ate. Invariably she'd finish before we did and would walk off. It's hard milking a cow on the move - so we

gave her more. It became a race. How much lucerne could she get from these silly folk in one milking!!

"Tie her up" was the advice from our Mum - an experienced milker 50 years ago, "and tie the back leg." This was our next strategy. But Goldie hated restraint: she kicked out knocking over both us and the milk.

This was when the idea of the milk stall was born! Terry approached the task with great enthusiasm. He planned, measured, sawed, nailed and chiselled. A wonderful structure emerged with a box for lucerne at one end with a wooden rail that would come down to hold her head firmly in place, two sides to restrain the sideways shuffle and a spot for the stool and the milker. We were set! It took all day to build, and by afternoon milking, it was ready. Goldie was coaxed (more lucerne) back to the house paddock and into her new bale. She seemed most impressed by it, especially the feed box at the end. So the rail was secured and the milking begun.

Terry milked and Goldie ate - and ate. She was still operating on the old assumption that if you finish first, you get more. But we had new rules: ONE box of lucerne per milking - the head rail and bale would see to that!

Crunch time came when the pail was about  $\frac{3}{4}$  full of white foaming, creamy milk. The box was empty and Goldie wanted more. She could not leave in protest so she lifted her foot and planted it firmly in the bucket, knocking it over! Terry leapt back then, undeterred, resumed the milking. At least he'd get enough for the day! But Goldie had other ideas! She kicked out again and, fatal mistake, trod down on Terry's toe. Now remember, he was tired after such a long day's creative work and not good at seeing his dreams - or toe - so easily crushed. He let out a curse, "You stupid cow!" - plus other words to that effect! Then he picked up the bucket and threw it, and the rest of the milk, at her!

That was when it happened! Goldie bolted and took the prized cow bale with her. Legs kicked out and sides fell over. Head went up and nails pulled out. Cow ran off... and behind her lay the remains of the day - a pile of wood, an empty bucket and a heap of wounded pride.

We sold Goldie soon after. Carton milk's not bad really!

### NATURAL RESOURCE CENTRE FOR NORTHERN MOUNT LOFTY RANGES

As Education Co-Ordinator with the Land Management Program, Karen Parry facilitates Land Management Courses for Landholders. The courses provide practical information that can be immediately applied to improve the management of a property and topics include: soil properties, weed identification and control, watercourse and dam management, pasture management, revegetation and property planning. The next course is starting at One Tree Hill on 22/4/99 (see advert).

Ian Becker's role as Small Property Management Advisor with the Land Management Program is to provide free land management advice to owners of small properties as well as directing them to additional specialist services. Ian also organises field days on current land management issues.

Liz Millington is the new community Landcare Officer for the central and northern region of the Mount Lofty Ranges. Liz will provide Landcare and other natural resource management groups

with the support and information they need to be successful with their activities.

There is a strong interest in developing the Mount Pleasant Office as a Natural Resource Centre available to everyone in the region. Centres elsewhere in the Mount Lofty Ranges offer access to resource materials and computers, meeting space and public exposure for all individuals and groups working to improve land management in the Mount Lofty Ranges. These possibilities will be explored for the Mount Pleasant office over the coming months. Contact the Centre on 8568 2047 if you are interested!

### PUZZLE CORNER

What feature is common to romanistic morticians, ruthless hustlers, and Etruscan centaurs?

(Answers elsewhere in the Grapevine)

### QUOTE OF THE MONTH:

Reach for the stars. You may not get there but you won't come up with a mouthful of mud either (source unknown).

## RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Here is some ideas for using up your zucchinis:

### Zucchini Lasagne

You will need 250g of minced beef, 1/2 cup of chopped onion, 1 1/2 cups Paul Newman's tomato sauce, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon oregano, 1/4 teaspoon basil, 1/2 teaspoon pepper, 4 medium zucchini, 1 cup cottage cheese, 1 egg, 2 tablespoons plain flour, 125g Mozzarella cheese, grated to sprinkle on top.

In a frying pan, brown the meat and onion for about ten minutes. Drain well. Add tomato sauce, salt, oregano, basil, pepper and heat to boiling. Reduce heat and simmer for 5 minutes. Slice zucchini thinly. Combine lightly beaten egg and cottage cheese until well mixed.

In a shallow lasagne roasting pan, place a layer of zucchini, sprinkle with one tablespoon of flour. Top with cottage cheese mixture and half of the meat mixture. Repeat with remaining zucchini and flour.

Sprinkle with mozzarella cheese and remaining meat mixture. Bake at 180C for 40 minutes. Let stand 10 minutes before cutting. Serve with crusty french bread and salad.

### Zucchini Slice

375 gms of zucchini, 1 large onion, 3 rashers of bacon, or strips of red pepper, 1 cup grated cheese, 1 cup wholemeal SR flour, 1/2 cup oil, 3-5 eggs, salt and pepper.

Grate unpeeled zucchini coarsely, finely chop onion and bacon. Combine zucchini, onion, bacon, cheese, sifted flour, oil and lightly beaten eggs.

Season with salt and pepper. Pour into well greased lamington tin (base 16cm X 26cm) and bake in moderate oven for 30 to 40 minutes or until browned.

Serves 4 to 6.

## TOP OF THE TORRENS GALLERY

Adjacent to the National Motor Museum, Shannon Street, Birdwood. Open 7 days a week from 10.00am-4pm.

The next major exhibition will be WILDLIFE ARTISTS to be opened by Bob Myers, Landcare identity and amateur naturalist, on Sunday April 11th 1999 at 3pm.

A beautiful mixed exhibition of paintings, drawings, pastels, silk embossing, bronzes, wood carvings, ceramics and more. Artists represented are from Ernabella Arts in S.A.'s deep north and selected work from members of the Wildlife Art Society of S.A.

Secretary Janice Garnham, 83893189 can be contacted by anyone wishing to display work at the Gallery and examples of work can be delivered to the Gallery any day between 10am and 4pm for consideration by the Exhibition committee.

A subcommittee is also organising for art classes to be held at the Gallery. Plans are in hand to hold classes in basic drawing, watercolours and lino printing. Negotiations are taking place with the South Australian Country Arts Trust to subsidise these to keep the costs to a minimum.

## MARKET REPORT

Would you believe it after all those weeks of fine weather it rained on Market Day! Everywhere was busy until the rain began to fall. There will be a market on Easter Saturday, so you still have time to stock up on Easter Goodies.

## POETS CORNER

### Smiling

*Smiling is infectious  
You catch it like the flu  
Someone smiled at me today,  
I started smiling too.  
I walked around the corner,  
And someone saw me grin,  
When he smiled I realised  
I'd passed it on to him.  
I thought about the smile,  
And then I realised its worth.  
A single smile like mine  
Could travel round the earth.  
If you feel a smile begin,  
Don't leave it undetected,  
Start an epidemic quick,  
And get the world infected.*

(Mrs O.E.Berkshire)

### "The little monkey"

*I am a little monkey  
Swinging on my bar,  
I hate it when I'm hungry,  
I could even eat a car.  
I'm glad tomorrow's Monday,  
It is my fav'rite day,  
As long as I remember,  
That's the day they change my hay.*

By Matthew H.

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### "The little monkey"

*I am a little monkey  
Swinging on my bar,  
I hate it when I'm hungry,  
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I'm glad tomorrow's Monday,  
It is my fav'rite day,  
As long as I remember,  
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By Matthew H.

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Vegetable mates companion planting.

Asparagus likes tomatoes, parsley and basil.

Beans get on well with cucumber, cauliflower and cabbage.

Beetroot loves onions.

Carrots like peas, lettuce and leeks.

Celery gets on with beans.

Onions and garlic have an affinity with beetroot, strawberries and tomatoes.

Peas are pals with turnips, radish and beans.

Pumpkin and sweetcorn are winners.

Spinach likes strawberries.

Squash and nasturtiums, sunflowers and cucumbers, and tomatoes love marigolds.

Happy gardening!

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor

It has taken me about six months to write this letter as I have been coming to terms with the fact that Sam our beloved dog brown Corgi X is no longer in our life and to write this letter without becoming a emotional mess.

Sam was ten years old and I had always taken Sam to a vet in Gawler (as we used to live at Cockatoo Valley) if and when she was sick. After noticing that Sam wasn't her usual self and a couple of visits to the Gawler vet, we were advised that she had lymph cancer and the prognosis was not good. Knowing how much we both loved Sam the Gawler vet assured us that pain killers given to her would stop the pain for a day or two and we could take her home to say our last goodbyes. We took Sam home and unfortunately she took a turn for the worse on a Saturday night, we knew we had to have her put down. The vet who had been treating her was unavailable. She was such a wonderful dog and the thought of keeping her alive for our benefit (even for a short time) weighed heavily on our hearts. We also knew we would not be able to see our normal vet until Monday.

As we are One Tree residents who read the Grapevine regularly we were aware that Dr Alan Irving was a One Tree Hill resident. Sam had been such a faithful friend to us and the thought of taking her back to the vet to be put down or prolonging her life when she clearly was not well upset us greatly. We were so distressed about Sam's deteriorating condition that my husband rang Dr Irving at home on a Sunday morning and discussed Sam's situation. Dr Irving came away from a family barbecue and put Sam to sleep. It may seem silly but we had peaceful music, candles and she was in her own home. We were with her until she peacefully went to sleep and from both our hearts we thank you Dr Irving for your compassion for our pet.

Dr Irving was an absolute gentleman. As I was very distressed he said goodbye and left us to grieve over our great loss. Not once did he discuss payment for his services and we received his bill sometime later.

Thank you again Dr Irving for your compassion and thoughtfulness. It means so much to us both that Sam was in her own home and did not have to endure a long car ride to Gawler. She is now at peace and buried in our garden under my favourite Lemon Scented Gum. Not a day goes by without me thinking about her.

Thank you again from the bottom of our hearts.

Gina and Martyn Pearson

Grateful One Tree Hill residents

Dear Editor

The "Heard on the Grapevine" article in March edition of the One Tree Hill Grapevine was very interesting, and raises a number of issues that I would like to address.

The article refers to several incidents, which have occurred within the township and in particular Burnett Drive. A member of the One Tree Hill community reported the incidents to the Police, and in response a special Police operation was conducted. I am happy to report that the offenders have been reported and have been charged for the offences.

However I was deeply concerned by a statement that could be misinterpreted, in particular the statement that "the Police have been informed but seem to be busy on other matters and do not take these things seriously". This statement has both a positive and a negative spin, so I would like to assure the community that the Police do take these matters seriously and are aware of the incidents which have been reported. As you are no doubt aware, the Police are very busy and have to prioritise their effort and respond to the most serious incidents. If resources are available, they will be provided. Clearly any information provided by the community may be of great help in clearing up incidents quickly and efficiently.

I do agree with the point raised in the article that the Police do need to be aware of all incidents which occur, otherwise resources cannot be allocated. If you require Police attendance, or an immediate police response, or wish to report suspicious activity, please phone the Police Communication Centre on 11444. If you have general information or are seeking assistance, please contact Elizabeth Police on 8207 9411.

This is where the importance of community organisations such as Rural Watch comes into place. The Police use Rural Watch as a tool to both inform and seek information from the wider community. If the community do not provide the information, then the Police cannot target the problems occurring in your area. As you are no doubt aware, One Tree Hill falls within the geographic boundaries of the Elizabeth Police District, which has a number of areas with a high crime incident rate. Fortunately One Tree Hill has a relatively low incident rate, but as a consequence, it is not always possible for Police patrols to be present in the One Tree Hill area. However, patrols do visit the area on an ad hoc basis, and are specifically dedicated to the area on days of extreme fire danger.

In response to the comment from the Editor about psychological damage, I would like to say that the Police are definitely aware of this problem, and recognise that victims suffer both material and psychological damage. SAPOL have introduced Victim Contact Officers who contact victims of crime to provide counselling and assistance if required. When I stated in the Rural Watch incident report that there was no damage caused by a certain incident when a vehicle was targeted, I was referring to material damage. All incidents have some psychological impact, but I am not permitted to speak about psychological injury as I am not a qualified psychologist and cannot make objective assessments. There are certain procedures that I must follow when releasing information to the community about crimes, which have been committed in their area. I do release this information when I am permitted.

The One Tree Hill area is unique when it comes to policing. Because of it being a rural area attached to a metropolitan police station, it highlights the importance of Rural Watch and the role the community plays in policing itself. The Rural Watch committee is very active in informing and seeking information from the community, and in organising meetings and special events for bringing the community and Police together. However Rural Watch needs your support and energy to keep going. If you are concerned about incidents in the area and your own safety and security, then please attend the Rural Watch meetings and support the organisation. Without your support, the organisation may fold.

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which would be devastating for the One Tree Hill area.

In closing, let me assure you that the Police do take matters all matters reported to them seriously. I hope this clarifies some of the issues raised by the Editor in the last edition of the Grapevine.

On 19/3/99 a vehicle was stolen from the main street in One Tree Hill. This vehicle was detected by Police and involved in a High Speed Chase that started at Pooraka and finished at Davoren Park. Three persons have been arrested over this incident. This, along with the apprehension of four offenders who broke into Para Wirra National Park on 18/3/99, shows that the Police have had a successful week in catching crooks in One Tree Hill. Please keep the information flowing.

Darren McCue, One Tree Hill Rural Watch Police Coordinator.

### **SIMON'S PET CORNER**

Simon had a very successful day at the recent Mount Pleasant Show, which also happened to be his 14th birthday! Congratulations Simon! With his pigeons he won Champion Birmingham Roller, Champion King, Champion Young Utility, and Champion Utility. He had a \$20 Fish voucher from his sister so he made a lot of his male fish happy by buying them females! He bought a female guppy, 2 female mollies, a female Kribensis and a female swordtail. Simon is happy to report his male Siamese Fighter is still alive. He has put him in a separate bowl. Apparently they are hardy fish and can live in stagnant water. They can breathe in air through a labyrinth organ which is like lungs. You can't keep a male and female together in a small tank because the male chases the female often making her jump out. They need a big deep tank with lots of places for the female to hide and lots of plants.

Simon has a new fish book. It was one from school but his dog ripped it up so he had to pay \$25 for it. However he has stuck the pages together, apart from one which still has a hole in it, and finds it very useful!

Let's hear news of your special pets! Write to the Grapevine and tell us about them or phone Jill on 8280 7214

## LETTER TO PLAYFORD COUNCIL

City of Playford  
Attention Chief Executive Officer  
Dear Mr Jackson

At the open meeting of ratepayers held at One Tree Hill on the evening of Monday March 8, 1999, a number of issues relating to Council Rates and Rating Policy were discussed, and the motions below were passed unanimously by the ratepayers present.

Will you please ensure that these motions are brought before the Council as expressing the considered views of the One Tree Hill Community as represented by those present at the meeting.

The presence of six elected council members at the meeting was greatly appreciated by the ratepayers present, and it is the expectation of the ratepayers that they will be fairly represented.

**Motion 1.** Moved: J Lewis, Seconded: S McKay

"That council rates are a "fee for service" and should not be considered a form of taxation".

**Motion 2.** Moved: S McKay, Seconded: A Davenport

"That adoption of a rating policy by Council be deferred until such time as:

1. it has provided the community with substantive information including

(1) modelling examples of each possible option showing the rate figures for a range of property values.

(2) evidence of ratepayers capacity to pay - e.g. grazing properties, mortgaged properties, etc. so that ratepayers are able to participate in an informed manner; and

2. full use has been made of the period provided for in the new Local Government Act amendments."

**Motion 3** Moved: Peter Watson, Seconded: Albert Baggs

"That the names of all ratepayers at this meeting be conveyed to The Playford Council as persons who wish to make a formal submission to elaborate at a Public Hearing of Council. These persons ask to be registered to do so and ask to be advised of the time and place of the hearing."

(The list of names and addresses has been forwarded to the Rating Policy Officer earlier today)

**Motion 4** Moved: J McDowall, Seconded: J Lewis

"That:

1. total rate income be held at 1998/1999 levels; and
2. expenditure reduction to achieve this be in areas other than road and drainage works and waste management; and
3. that Council's Total Liabilities be kept at or below current levels until 30th June 2010; and
4. in the event that waste management become the subject of a separate charge total rate income shall be adjusted accordingly."

**Motion 5.** Moved: S McKay, Seconded: K McKenzie

"That this meeting appoint a deputation to meet with the Minister of Local Government to represent to the Minister the One Tree Hill community concerns in relation to the Playford Council"

The deputation elected by acclamation is:

S McKay, P Watson, J Nolan, E Leiper, J McDowall.

Yours faithfully

Bill Sims

Meeting Chairman

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## One Tree Hill Rural Watch

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1. 2/3/99	Property damage Williams Road, Gould Creek, stolen vehicle driven through fence.	\$100
2. 10/3/99	(daytime) Shedbreak and larceny, Medlow Road Uleybury. Entry by forcing locked door, Power tools	\$300
3. 22/2/99	Churchbreak and larceny. Blacktop Road. Entry by removing window. Musical items	\$500
4. 26/2/99	Larceny, McGilp Road. Windows stolen from building	\$10
5. 2/3/99	Larceny, Blacktop Road. Cash register and calculator stolen	\$400
6. 7/3/99	Motor Vehicle stolen, Blacktop Road. Vehicle stolen from driveway	\$8000
7. 7/3/99	Motor vehicle stolen Blacktop Road O.T.H. Vehicle stolen from driveway	\$4200
8. 10/3/99	Larceny, Medlow Road Uleybury. Power tools stolen from rear of house.	\$900
9. 13/3/99	Larceny, Uley Road O.T.H. Letterbox stolen	\$150
10. 14/3/99	Arson, Blacktop Road, O.T.H. Stolen vehicle dumped and burnt out.	\$8000
11. 17/3/99	Arson, Blacktop Road O.T.H. Stolen vehicle dumped and burnt out.	\$3000
12. 18/3/99	Officebreak and larceny, Parra Wirra National Park. Electrical items	\$3000

\*\*4 persons were located at the Park and arrested for the break-in on the office. All property stolen had been recovered within the park area.

Darren McCUE, Police Coordinator

Police attendance 11444

Elizabeth Police 8207 9411

### 'BUFFERS TO BUSHLAND' IN THE CITY OF PLAYFORD

The City of Playford and the Urban Forest Biodiversity Program will be running a 'Buffers to Bushland' scheme in the hills district of the City of Playford in 1999.

#### The Aim of the Scheme

This scheme is specifically intended to help to maximise biodiversity for the locally native species to be found in the region. Biodiversity is simply the range of species, both plant and animal, that inhabit a given area. In order to maximise biodiversity patches of relic scrub or forest must be preserved and enhanced wherever possible. 'Edge effects' along the borders of this vegetation, for example weed and feral animal invasion, often have a significantly negative impact, both on the vegetation itself, and the native animals that inhabit it.

Hence this scheme intends to 'buffer' these remnants with a planted barrier of native vegetation, lessening these impacts for the vegetation behind, and contributing to the overall biodiversity.

The native plants provided will consist of tubestock plants as raised for the City of Playford by Trees for Life. Allowances have also been made for the utilisation of Direct-seeding techniques.

Additional materials such as tree guards for protecting tubestock and mulch mats are also available, as is some volunteer labour. These matters will be negotiated on a case-by-case basis according to the site.

#### Identification of Planting Sites

Patches of remnant vegetation suitable for buffering may occur on private land, roadsides or the various reserves throughout the region. We are seeking nominations from private landowners and managers, and from community groups, for sites in the Playford district suitable for inclusion in this project. We appreciate that there is not a lot of remnant vegetation left in much of the region. If you are a landowner interested in revegetating your property but don't believe you have any scrub areas nearby suitable to buffer please nominate yourself anyway, as this scheme will be used to rank donations of plants and/or materials for revegetation purposes generally.

We also appreciate that it is not always easy to identify remnant vegetation or assess its value – each nominated area will be assessed and ranked by the Project Coordinator, Urban Forests, and a Playford Greening Officer.

Project Coordinator

Ms. Georgina Haynes

Phone 8285 3529

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e-mail [bdoyle@playford.sa.gov.au](mailto:bdoyle@playford.sa.gov.au)

Landholders and Community Groups interested in participating in the Buffers-to-Bushland scheme in Playford should contact the Project Coordinator, Ms. Georgina Haynes. The project coordinator for Buffers-to-Bushland in Playford is a volunteer position. Georgina is pursuing a degree as a Bachelor of Applied Science, Environmental Chemistry and Biology, at the University of South Australia.

Georgina will be assisted by Fiona Chambers, Urban Forest Biodiversity Program Northern Project Officer, and Bill Doyle, Greening Officer, City of Playford.

#### Tubestock Plants from the City of Playford

The City of Playford Greening Office ordered 10,000 indigenous plants from the Urban Forest Biodiversity Program, to be grown by Trees for Life, on the 17th of September, 1998. This order will be delivered to the City of Playford's Bishopstone Road Depot on March 28 and 29, 1999. 78 boxes of plants of specific provenance for Playford hills will be arriving, giving a total of approximately 3900 plants, given a 50 plants per box average. All will be in standard TFL black plastic bags. Details of these plants can be obtained from the project Co-ordinator..



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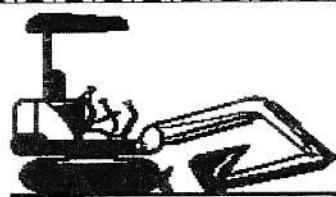
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## VETERINARY NOTES FOR APRIL

### Pancreatitis

The pancreas is a gland in the abdomen producing enzymes which assist with the digestion of food. The pancreas is also responsible for producing hormones such as insulin which are released into the blood.

Pancreatitis is a severe inflammation of the pancreas. It can occur suddenly (acute) or be an ongoing problem (chronic). The main symptoms of pancreatitis are loss of appetite, vomiting and diarrhoea sometimes with blood present, increased thirst, vomiting after drinking, weakness, reluctance to exercise and abdominal tenderness or pain. Pancreatitis results in damage to the pancreas allowing digestive enzymes to leak. These enzymes can actually begin to digest the pancreas itself, causing intense inflammation and the symptoms as listed above. Pancreatitis can be caused by obesity, infections, trauma and hyperlipideamia (a condition where there is an abnormally high level of fat in the blood)

Pancreatitis is diagnosed by your veterinarian based on history, clinical signs and physical conditions of your pet. The common nature of the clinical signs may mean that diagnostic tests such as blood testing are necessary to confirm the diagnosis.

Treating pancreatitis will depend on the nature and severity of the disease. Hospitalisation, medicines and dietary modification all play a part in treating pancreatitis. Proper dietary management can help prevent pancreatitis from recurring. A long term dietary plan may be recommended to minimise the risk of a relapse.

Dr Alan M Irving, Al-Ru Farm.

## ONE TREE HILL EQUESTRIAN AND PONY CLUB INC

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Programme for April 1999.

April 11th. North East Riding Clubs Dressage and Show Jumping Competition, at Salisbury Riding Club Grounds, Kings Rd., Salisbury. Come along and support our club teams.

N.B. NO RALLY AT CLUB GROUNDS.

April 18th. Ride-a-thon, -Para Wirra Recreation Park, come and join in the fun, we start at 10am.

April 25th - Club Rally.

Riding Instruction - Pat Hutchens - \$3.

Show Jumping Instruction - Linda O'Leary - \$5.

Juniors Instruction and games - Mary Beentjes.

May 2nd. Club Dressage School - Pat Hutchens \$25 hour. Lessons must be booked with Karen Hood 82897178 ah, one week prior to the lesson.

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Many congratulations to Adel Palmer on achieving 3rd place in her first One Day Event. Well done. Congratulations also go to Karen Hood for 6th place, and daughter Danielle for achieving 2nd place in the Pony Club section, great work!. Now that they have been bitten by the eventing bug we are sure to see more of their efforts in this column!. Our club offers top level riding instruction at a reasonable cost and we offer something for everyone. Rallies commence at 10am sharp and continue until about 1 pm.

Enquiries about the club should be made to Karen on 8280 7148, who will be pleased to help.

The club will be at the OTH Fun Day on the 27th March SEE YOU THERE!

## ANSWERS TO PUZZLE CORNER.

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## NEWS FROM NATHAN

Nathan is settling in to life in Japan and here are some extracts from a recent letter.

'Did I tell you that I went to sleep one night with my hand out of the blankets? Well I was awoken by a sharp pain in my arm around 4 am. When I lifted my hand to investigate, I couldn't feel it, I could see it but it would not respond, it was frozen solid, I sort of panicked a bit, it was rather scary, I touched it with my other hand and it was freezing. I had to lift it into bed with my useful hand to defrost it! It took five minutes for it to start working again, it was amazing, but since then I have slept with my hands in the bed always! I'm too scared to leave them out!'

'I can read Japanese very well and sometimes write what I am trying to say'

'My name in Japanese is said neisun uuoon (wo and th, an, na do not exist). I thought Naisan would be more appropriate but that means older sister in Japanese!'

'Big news over here at the moment is the introduction of ATM's actually and 24hr ATM's have just been proposed, believe it or not!'

'The only thing I'm missing is fishing at the moment and thinking of all the fishing I'm missing from back home'

(Thanks Nathan, we look forward to more of your news, Ed)

## BLACKSMITH'S INN SOCIAL CLUB

The Annual Bonfire is tentatively planned for the 5th of June but this is not definite yet.

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## KIDS JOKES

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Well I'll be dammed!

What do monsters do when they lose a hand?  
They go to a second hand store.

What do you get when you cross a camel with a cow?  
Lumpy milk shakes.

Why is a river rich?  
Because it has two banks.

What is a musical fish?  
A piano tuna

What did the necklace say to the hat?  
You go on ahead, I'll hang around here.

## CHILDRENS CONTRIBUTIONS

*Soccer*  
*Exciting, brilliant*  
*Loud, kicking, heading,*  
*Comfortable, enjoy, yell, wonderful.*

*Dog*  
*Sly, excited, quick.*  
*Streaking, barking, running*  
*Soft, tail wagging, intelligent(mostly).*  
*Pet.*

Both cinquain poems by Ben Cummings.

## LOST EDITIONS OF GRAPEVINES.

Thank goodness for the hoarders in our Community! We have recovered a large number of the missing editions thanks to Sybil Winsor, Ruth Gibb and Martin Lindsell. I am still missing:

December 1979, March and August 1982, November 1983, February 1985, November and December 1986. Still to only lose 7 editions in 21 years isn't too bad! If any one out there still has these editions please let me know.

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