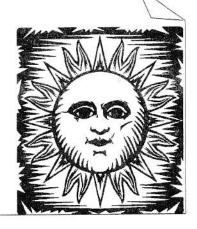




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EDITORIAL

I am back home again after an eventful trip to the wilds of Northern Europe. Many thanks to Ann Davenport for standing in for me. We first went to Finland and stayed with Lasse and Irja the parents of our former Exchange student Paivi. Paivi was there too and it was great to see her again and meet her current boyfriend Janne. They all gave us a very good time including a special crayfish supper and salmon cooked a special way on wooden boards which are then cooked slowly near an open fire. Very nice! I even got a birthday cake, present, balloons and flowers because Paivi thought my birthday had not received proper celebration in Australia! What it is to have a 'daughter'! Needless to say all had to be washed down with vodka! We slept for 12 hours when we got to Oslo! Then it was off to Longvearbyen on Svalbard and you will probably have to get your atlas's out to find it. Just keep going north of Norway and you will find it above the Arctic Circle. Svalbard didn't used to belong to anyone and lots of different nationalities came to mine there. Eventually they decided that Norway could administrate them. It is a very wild, barren looking place with lots of glaciers and rushing rivers from the melting snow. As it was summer, daylight was just about for 24 hours. Polar bears are very plentiful here and extremely dangerous as they like to eat people. No one goes outside the town without carrying a rifle, not to shoot the polar bears as they are protected but to scare them. Sometimes they do have to be shot and two were shot a week before we got there. From this exciting place we went aboard the "Professor Multanovskiy", a Russian ice strengthened ship and set off for Greenland. We were at sea 24 hours when a passenger had a heart attack and a helicopter was sent to rescue him. As you can imagine this was not the easiest of operations on a rolling ship in foggy conditions and they could not land on the deck but they were extremely skilled and the passenger and his wife were uplifted safely.

The Greenland coast loomed tantalisingly ahead but we couldn't reach it because the pack ice was so thick and out from the coast about 30 kms so we made a decision to go to Iceland instead.

Iceland proved to be rugged, mountainous, very volcanic, with neat fishing villages and full of Viking history. They heat their houses from the hot thermal springs and also get their electricity from the thermals. Rivers of cooled lava flow for miles with tunnels under the lava where the outlaws kept warm 1000 years ago when the lava was just cooling down! The small population appears to be very prosperous and the children have lots of freedom to roam around and have fun without any dangers. The trees there grow to about three foot maximum. If you get lost in an Icelandic forest you just stand up! We explored a lot, by bus and hikes - I didn't walk too far as I've injured my knee, so I sat a lot and absorbed the scene! One highlight was seeing the Northern lights, a strange phenomenon only seen at high latitudes. Another for me was sitting in a little church on an island called Flatey Island, once the centre of Icelandic activity, now almost deserted and playing the little old organ.

It is a long journey from Iceland to One Tree Hill but I have to say there's no place like home!

Getting back to more mundane issues, it seems we upset the Playford Council by publishing Jack Webb's letter last month. Anything we publish in this newsletter does not necessarily reflect the views of the editor or the Progress Association. However I believe that people have the right to express their views freely so long as their views are not libellous or personally unkind. This appears to be a more tricky area than I had previously realised.

QUOTABLE QUIPS

If you're feeling low, don't despair. The sun has a sinking spell every night, but it comes back up every morning.

ONE TREE HILL PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

We shortened our September meeting in order to participate in a workshop about the Playford Council's Developmental Review, which is one of its main planning documents and guides the future development of the council area. It is the Development Plan that establishes the different zones. A Scoping Plan has already been developed and this reviews all strategic documents affecting Playford and assesses whether the Development Plan's current policies are appropriate. If you want to read this, it's available for inspection at Council's libraries and Service Centres or by contacting council's Policy, Strategy and Advocacy Unit on 82540222. I also have a copy which you can borrow.

Council wants to involve residents in the Review process and is inviting them to send in comments on issues they think are important, particularly in regard to the following:

- Economy How to attract new businesses and create jobs in the region.
- Transport How to update the Plan to allow for a more effective and economic transport network.
- Elizabeth Regional Centre What needs to be done re this?
- Ecological Sustainable Development How do we ensure any development is environmentally friendly?
- Residential and Heritage How much new development is appropriate, what redevelopment is needed and what heritage places protected?
- Advertising What guidelines are needed to control advertising signage in the area?
- Agriculture What policy reviews are needed here?
- Community Development What's needed by way of recreation spaces and improving access to buildings and other facilities for people with disabilities.
- Townships What do they need to maintain their special character, their community "feel" and perhaps to promote tourism?
- Tourism How can this be promoted in the Playford Council area?

If you would like to attend one of these workshops others are to be held on:

- ⇒ 6 October 7.30 9.30 pm at Civic Centre, Gapper Training Room, Warooka Drive, Smithfield
- ⇒ 8 October 7.30 9.30 pm at Angle Vale Community Hall, Heaslip Rd, Angle Vale.

Later in the year there will be a public hearing at Council Chambers and people who have made submissions will be invited to speak. This hearing will be advertised in The Messenger and The Advertiser.

For further information ring Claudelle Martin, Policy Planner, City of Playford on 8254 0201.

If you would like to make a submission, address it to Claudelle at Warooka Drive, Smithfield SA 5114.

Ann Davenport

President

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CFS NEWS

I am pleased to announce that One Tree Hill CFS has taken delivery of a new vehicle. The TOYOTA HILUX DUALCAB bought by the Brigade two years ago has been updated to a TOYOTA LANDCRUISER STATION WAGON. The change over was again fully funded by One Tree Hill Brigade. I congratulate and thank the brigade members for their dedication with our fundraising, particularly the hopper and bottle recycling, which has made this possible. I thank the Community for their support at hopper days, bottles and various money donations.

We raise money so we can better serve you.

Vince Cozzitorto

Captain

News: The Brigade had a busy weekend where the AGM was held on the Friday night (Congratulations to all continuing and new position holders), the Saturday was spent at the hopper and cleaning all the appliances, for the Sunday where we commissioned the OTH24 appliance. Thank you to everyone in the catering team, and those who attended to make the afternoon a success.

We are hoping Mayor Marilyn Baker doesn't pursue her question "maybe I could take OTH24 for a spin sometime?"!!!

Bottles: Please leave any soft drink/beer/wine bottles or cans on the concrete slab near to the smaller sheds, behind the station, at any time. As you can see by our newest purchase above, the bottles are one of our main fundraising activities.

Hopper: The hopper operates on the second Saturday of each month between the hours of 8.30 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. (approximately - when the last bin is full, we close). Please do not leave any rubbish in the bins or surrounding area outside these hours. The bins are separated into general rubbish, paper and cardboard and the metal bins. Recently, general rubbish has been ONE TREE HILL SCOUT GROUP dumped in the metal bins after the Saturday hopper day which makes it a difficult and tiresome sorting job for the removal company. Please bring identification (rates notice, drivers licence etc. stating you are a resident of the One Tree Hill area) with you as it may be asked for. Please place donations for use of the hopper in the helmet.

Dawn Leonard

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GARDENING NOTES FOR OCTOBER

Saving Vegie seeds - is it worth it?

Many gardeners prefer to save their own seed but there are pitfalls and the few cents saved may not be worth the disappointing crops. Many vegetable varieties are F1 Hybrids. F1 Hybrid seed is carefully produced by crossing two inbred parents to obtain offspring of superior characteristics. Saving seed from hybrid plants will not produce similar plants next season. Cross pollination can occur in some crops. Cross pollination does not affect the growing crop but resulting seed will not be true to type. Most packet seeds are treated with a fungicide to prevent seed borne and damping off diseases. Home grown seed can transmit disease.

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MIKE STEVENS REPORTING BACK

Firstly, I must apologies for not being at the last Progress Association meeting - my work has been taking me away from Adelaide for weeks at a time. The contract I have will not last for much longer so I should be able to come to future meetings. I am not absolutely sure but I believe that Matthew too has had work commitments.

Things are fairly quiet on the Council at the moment, with mostly routine matters being considered. I guess the next big issue will come with the approval or otherwise of the Medlow Road dump.

The Independent Living Units proposal was considered at the Council Committee meetings in September and was passed onto the full Council. At the time of writing, I did not know the outcome.

The potential problems to domestic underground water supplies from the increasing number of vine plantings in the area are being discussed with the various authorities and will be resolved soon. Work is also continuing on the problem of what to do about OTH's water service.

It was good to hear that the repair of Paines Road was resolved to the satisfaction of all concerned, after several phone calls got the problems talked through. The overgrowth in the road side verges in several places around the area, and the fire hazard increase and road safety problems that may result, has been brought to my attention and I had preliminary discussions with the relevant Council staff in the process of resolving what options exist.

I have been pleased to be asked to become involved in these issues in our area and I welcome any questions you may have. Mike Stevens.

SIMON'S PET CORNER

Simon's big news is that he has a new dog, a female Irish setter called Erin. She is aged 6 months, still a baby and is giving Simon sleepless nights as she sleeps in his room and delights in ripping off the blankets and howling in the middle of the night! Simon has had her for about a week and she delights in swimming in muddy ponds and digging holes in the garden! She is also eyeing up the birds!

Simon now has heaps of chooks including 4 Chinese Langshans, 3 golden Pencil Hamburgs and 3 Pekin bantams, one of which is the unusual colour of cuckoo - a grey/black. He also has some Silkie bantam crosses coloured black, black and gold.

He did very well at the recent Royal show. With his pigeons he won Champion Birmingham Roller, Reserve Champion Birmingham Roller, Best Young Birmingham Roller, Champion King, Best Young King, Reserve Champion King, Champion Parlour Tumbler, Best Young Parlour Tumbler, Champion Australian Performing Tumbler, Reserve Champion Performing Tumbler. With his chooks he was also successful. He got First for Light Breed Cockerel, First for Light Breed Pullet, Third Heavy breed Cockerels with his Langshan Rooster. He was very happy with his efforts.

Simon also has two new fish. Erin likes to lick them through the glass of his tank! They are called Green Forest Cichlids. They are big fish, green in colour with fleuro blue dots on their throat and body, and colourful fins. They are also carnivorous which means they have a tendency to eat other fish but he has managed to keep his Kribensis fish with them although they fight a bit.

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

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Roy and I would like to say goodbye to all the people we have met and friends we have made in our 14 years at Shillabeer Road and 4 years at William's Road, Hillbank. We have sold our house and when our caravan is ready in a couple of weeks we are heading off to tour Australia for as long as it takes starting with our own state. Our association with One Tree Hill and its residents has been a wonderful part of our lives, but now we feel we would like to see a lot more of our country before old age creeps up.

Goodbye, Teresa and Roy Williams, c/ - 9 Luscombe Way, Craigmore, Ph 28557733

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By Karlee Taylor

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First Prize of a Book Token value \$30, Awarded to Rebekah Clezy for her story "A Snake Named AKE"

This story was very imaginative and fun and Chas summed it up in one word "beaut!" Second Prize of a Book Token value \$20. Awarded to Callan Taylor for his story "Cave Conundrum"

This story had a long start, a short middle, and a quick finish just as we were getting into it, but showed lots of promise.

Third Prize of a Book Token value \$10. Awarded to Victoria Chappell for her story "Professor Microchip".

This story showed lots of talent and the author's active mind! Honourable Mention (No prize unfortunately) to Christina Leonello for her story "Space Explorer"

There was no mention of One Tree Hill, an essential for the competition but it had lots of potential so please enter next year won't you Christina!

Section Two for children in year 8-12 of High School.

There were no official entries in this section unfortunately. However one of the entries in the Open Section was written when the entrant was in year 8 so The Judges decided to award her the prize.

First Prize of a Book Token value \$40 awarded to:

Laurie Anna Talbot for her story "The Ghost of Pepper Tree Cottage"

A friendly story -like the ghost! Section Three, Open Section,

First Prize, A Book Token value \$50, awarded to:

Sybil Winsor for her story "All Alone" This was written as a children's story, a difficult task to do well. Sybil's story was excellent.

Second Prize a Book Token valued at \$40, awarded to:

Ann Davenport for her story "New chums in One Tree Hill, and how we learnt to milk cows".

This was a funny account which others will identify with we're sure.

Third Prize of a book token valued at \$30, awarded to:

Julie Buttery for her story "Room with a view"

All our hearts can share this story. Honourable mention (No Prize unfortunately) awarded to:

Mary Burridge for her story "The Birthday present".

This story had a great start, with lots of promise. Better luck next time.

The stories will all be published in the Grapevine each month starting next month. This month Chas has written a story for you all. It is called

"No Farewell"

It was worse now, the itch behind his eyes increased the tempo of The Meteor was well off the coast to the west and reports from his aching head and dulled his presence of mind. The temperature another aircraft despatched for reconnaissance were unsettling. In of the Meteor cockpit was uncommonly warm and prickly heat the failing light of day the stricken pilot had inverted the plane as caused further annoyance under his flying suit.

to plan- his discomfort had started on the return leg. Buzzing the Meteor's present attitude caused the aircraft to lose precious height afterwards his trouble started.

Pilot Officer Barry Morse, as a young pilot, knew the importance of directly towards R.A.A.F. Base Edinburgh. set procedures and reported his dilemma to the Edinburgh tower. As the sea gave way to land and lights from the new city of report from the Meteor cockpit gave the veteran controller cause for Pilot Officer Barry Morse knew he was going to die. alarm.

Commanding Officer, as Senior pilot, was called to the control late. tower. The pilot's physical dilemma was consistent with oxygen He managed to drag the nose up and his purpose was set. He must starvation which, unchecked, could have grim consequences.

instruments had ceased to be reliable. Not a problem, he thought-a over One Tree Hill the flame went out. seat of the pants' job.

did...was this a joke? Now his CO, a voice who he'd been trained to Author's note- Although 'No farewell' is a story of fiction, I would trust, starting issuing incorrect orders, orders that could have detrimental effects on both his aircraft and, more importantly, on one Barry Morse.

from the Meteor pilot had grave connotations. instructions, but to no avail.

his visible horizon vanished.

The trip out to Woomera had been good and the morning exercise Barry Morse had turned east and sought to gain ceiling height. The outback train was almost a ritual and he'd chuckled then, but and head west but later, on a leg of his own making, Barry turned due east. By some strange phenomena his aircraft was now headed

The duty controller, in turn, had the sense to alert his superior. The Elizabeth twinkled their welcome, Barry Morse's world came once senior controller, Squadron Leader Mike Albright, questioned the more, into focus. The Meteor was sluggish now, the engine vibrated pilot and asked for an instrument check. A disjointed and garbled in objection as the plane slowed to a dangerous speed. Suddenly

From the tower they watched as the aircraft came in from the coast. Disorientation had rapidly become the jet pilot's number one enemy Although once more 'sunny side up' the Meteor was travelling far as Mike Albright well knew. When the young pilot complained too slow and at a perilous height. The Commanding Officer wanted about his own physical state, Mike declared an emergency. The desperately to scream out the order to eject-but now it was just too

overfly the houses. He must not give his plane the chance to kill any In his cocoon of flight, Pilot Officer Morse was blissfully unaware others. The foothills were dangerously close now and the tall that his report had caused so much excitement at R.A.A.F. Base eucalypts seemed to reach out, like anxious fingers, at the aircraft's Edinburgh. In fact, he felt a little better now, although his exposed belly. Crouch's Hill loomed up and as he fought the aircraft

'I'm sorry Daphne! I'm sorry Mum-Dad! No time now to say

like to dedicate my work to the memory of a young aviator. Pilot Officer A.J.C.Bierman of No 2 Air Trials Unit died on the 21st October 1958 when his aircraft-Meteor Mk7 WN321-crashed into To the people gathered in the Edinburgh tower, the lack of response Crouch's Hill, Upper Hermitage, Houghton, South Australia.

Still the A funeral service for Pilot Officer A.J.C.Bierman took place at Commanding Officer pleaded with the pilot to follow his Dawe's Road Chapel with full military honours on the 24th October



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ONE TREE HILL PLAYGROUP

If anyone is interested in joining playgroup, or just coming along to see what it is all about, please phone Katrina on 8252 3725 or Julie on 8255 9202 for further details and session availability.

ROTARY CLUB OF TORRENS VALLEY

Meets at Gumhaven Wednesday at 7.00 for 7.30 p.m.

Unluckily the club had to change its venue because of the advent of Pokies. A lot of Rotary clubs have suffered from this problem since pokies were introduced. Gumhaven is proving to be an excellent venue and the food is very good.

Lisa our exchange student from Germany has given her first talk at the club telling us about her life in Germany. Luckily her English is very good so we do not have to learn German. If you travel much in the world you will find that somebody always speaks English. Lisa spoke to us about her home town, her family and her love of horses. She had slides of her various activities and her talk was enjoyed by her host parents and the rest of the club.

Our President Viv has, due to great pressure of work and a great deal of stress asked for leave of absence from the the club. We hope that Viv will be able to return sooner rather than later.

See you at the sauasage sizzle at the market.

Contacts:

Secretary Ivor McLatchie Ph 8280 7214

President Elect Heather Fischer Ph 8280 7104

ONE TREE HILL EQUESTRIAN AND PONY CLUB.

One Tree Hill Equestrian and Pony Club (situated on Precolumb Road) wishes to advise its members that there is a newly formed club known as the One Tree Hill Pony Club Inc.

The original club which has been established in the One Tree Hill area for many years is still operational and is open to riders of all ages. Any queries please contact the Public Officer, Trish Hergg, w. 8340 0259.

Congratulations to our young riders Danielle and Robert Hood, Chelsea Palmer and Haley Rivers who passed their Pony Club D Certificate for riding and horsemanship.

Coming Events: -

North East Riding Clubs Gymkhana at Monday October 5th. the Salisbury Riding Clubs grounds. Three hack rings, showjumping, and novelties for all ages from led riders up.

Club Rally October 11th. Improve your dressage tests - Pat Hutchens. Cross - country practice. Texas Barrel competition.

Club Rally October 25th. Riding instruction - Pat Hutchens. Dressage competition. Tests OA, 1A, and 1F Showjumping practice and BBO lunch.

Lessons and activities are available for all age and levels of riding. Any enquires, please contact Helen Duncan, Secretary, ph 8280 7461.

JOKE OF THE MONTH

A puzzle for golfers. What do you do when your opponent claims to have found his ball in the rough and you know he is a liar because you've got his ball in your pocket? (from Rotary Down Under Dec

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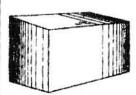
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

We are pleased and proud to announce the formation of the One Tree Hill Pony Club Inc. The aim of our club is to encourage young people to ride and to learn to enjoy all kinds of sports connected with horses and riding, but we are happy to see older riders as well. We are always pleased to welcome volunteers and family members since we see ourselves as a family oriented social group accepting members from every discipline and level of riding ability.

Our first rally will be held at the grounds on Precolumb Road on October 4th. Registration for riders at 9.30am. A visiting rider fee applies.

The people listed below would be pleased to receive any enquires.

President Angela Grant 8522 6157
Secretary(Hon.) Julie Buttery 8280 7374
Treasurer(Hon) Chris Walsh 8280 7710.

ONE TREE HILL PONY CLUB INC.

Lot 5D Alexander Avenue, Bibaringa, 5118.

Dear Editor,

They say competition is good for business, well that may be so, but there is such a thing as fair trade. The O.T.H. Garden Centre pays rent and all costs that apply to running a small business and once a month we have to put up with five commercial nurseries setting up shop virtually at our front gate. These nurseries all come from outside our area. We're here all the time. We have absolutely no objection to local Church or fund raising groups selling plants, we have in the past donated plants for them to sell and will do again in the future. All we ask is that before you buy plants from the market, come and compare our prices. If you see anything we don't have, give us the opportunity to get it for you. We are building up our stock all the time, but if we don't get our own community's support we can't keep improving. Check out our market day specials - tubes 50 cents and the \$1 rack.

Irene Peryman, One Tree Hill Garden Centre.

PLAYFORD LATE STARTERS BAND

It's never too late to start playing a musical instrument even if your musical knowledge is totally lacking. The Playford Late Starters Band has started! The band is meeting regularly on a Wednesday night at the old Fremont High School music centre on Leonard St Elizabeth Park. If you don't have an instrument you can hire one. This band is for all ages and it is lots of fun. (There are two One Tree Hill residents involved so far!). Just contact Shirley Gordon on 8262 2360 and she will be able to tell you all about this exciting concept. The Late Starters Band is a community band with the focus on Wind, Brass and Percussion instruments. It only costs \$5 a night and you get good tuition.

BLACKSMITH'S INN SOCIAL CLUB

The Social Club had a very successful Quiz night recently. A Brunch is planned for 11/10/98 starting at 10.00am. This will be followed by the A.G.M.

Enquire at the bar if you are interested in joining the Social Club, or talk to Steve Lindsay on 8280 7666.

PUZZLE CORNER

Answers elsewhere in the Grapevine.

Who doesn't belong in this list, and why?

AROSE, HANDY, MANNA, FIRED, TRICK, TRUTH, SKATE, MALICE, GLANCE

VETERINARY NOTES FOR OCTOBER

Feline Lower Urinary Tract Disease (FLUTD)

Recently you may have noticed more and more pet food companies have been promoting the benefits of specialised foods to maintain the urinary tract health of cats.

Feline lower urinary tract disease is a clinical condition resulting from inflammation of the bladder (otherwise known as cystitis). The clinical signs of a cat with this condition are frequent urination, which can also have blood present, prolonged amounts of time spent squatting and straining trying to urinate, and a painful abdomen. Complete blockage of the urinary tract may occur.

If left untreated, FLUTD can be fatal. If you suspect your cat may have this complaint, it is important that veterinary attention is sought as soon as possible. The treating veterinarian may perform various teats to confirm the diagnosis. These tests may include physical examination, urine analysis, radiography (X - Rays) and blood analysis. Additional tests may need to be performed during treatment to monitor progress of the patient. Treatment usually involves hospitalisation and the passing of a urinary catheter under general anaesthesia to release the urine blocked in the bladder. The catheter is left in place for a number of days whilst the cat is treated for any infection present.

There can be many causes of FLUTD. Age, gender, the weight of the patient and diet can be key factors in the occurrence of FLUTD. Diets high in magnesium can provide favourable conditions for crystals to form causing the bladder to become blocked.

Once a cat has been diagnosed with FLUTD, the veterinarian may recommend a specialised diet. These diets are formulated to assist in controlling urinary crystals to prevent further episodes of this disease.

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RURAL WATCH NEWS FOR OCTOBER

Well it's started again. The warmer weather has arrived and along with it so have the crooks. Offences in our area are up again with shedbreaks on top of the list. This is the time of year when we all need to be observant and take note of any suspicious vehicles or persons near our property. Over the last month I have received about 10 phone calls about suspicious vehicles and persons. This information has been passed on to the C.I.B and Detectives are following up details. The amount of information coming from people within our community is pleasing and indicates Rural Watch is an organisation which people want to be active within our area. For this to continue we need YOUR support, so come along to the meetings, meet new people and find out what is going on in your area.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

Sheep for sale. Any number from 2 - 60 Mums and babies Phone 8254 1191

Missing often - black male cat, desexed, microchip tattoo in left ear, long hair, scruffy. Vicinity - corner of Uley Road and Chapman Drive. Longest gone up to 3 months. Phone 8254 1191 if he lives with you sometimes.

PS. If someone is missing a similar cat in the vicinity, I buried it a few months ago thinking it was our Basil.

Would anyone like a pet female goose? The children are now older and have lost interest. She is penned up in a small area and needs a bit more space and love. I have promised to try and find her a good home. Please contact Jill McLatchie on 8280 7214 if you are interested.

PEST PLANT OF THE MONTH - BRIDAL CREEPER

This plant was introduced from South Africa and is a pest because it invades healthy patches of bush and competes heavily for resources with our native plants. It is a climber with bright green foliage. It has heart shaped, glossy leaves with distinct parallel veins. The leaves are paper thin have no stalk and are evenly spaced along the stems and branchlets. It has a creamy white flower and can usually be seen flowering from August to October. It produces red berries which are eaten and transported by birds and animals. It fruits at the same time as the native cherry. This is often the plant under which Bridal Creeper will first appear. In its native environment it is a small plant but it thrives in Australia and can climb to heights of two metres or more, effectively smothering the plants underneath. Also it forms a big mat of tubers under the soil surface. This plant can be hard to control. Try bundling the stems together and spray with Round up, Nogrow etc. Pull the stems to prevent fruiting if it is not taking up the spray. Dig up the underground tubers carefully. Watch the spot every year!

ONE TREE HILL RURAL WATCH NEWSLETTER AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 1998

Unfortunately due to a mix up this information did not arrive in time for the September Grapevine but the information was so useful we have included it in this month's edition.

ADELAIDE GAOL VISIT

The date of Friday November 27th has been earmarked for this visit. A fee of \$5 a person will apply with Rural Watch paying for tea/coffee/biscuits. A bus has been organised to leave from outside the General Store at 6.15 pm and will be returning about 9.30 pm. Only 40 seats are available so get in early and book your seat. Bookings can be made by contacting Lance Walter, ph 8280 7259.

OPERATION IDENTIFICATION

Note: Operation Identification is still in operation so "engrave it and save it". Engraving tools are available for loan through the OTH Rural Watch.

Answers to three of the most commonly asked questions about engraving are:

Where do I engrave?

Engrave the back of your appliance or object in the top right hand corner if possible. The engraving needs to be in a place where it is easily seen if checked. Once engraved, place the Neighbourhood/Rural Watch marking sticker on the front of the item.

What do I engrave? I don't have a driver's licence. Can I engrave my Medicare Number on my property?

No. Driver's licence numbers are recommended as SA Police have 24 hour access to these through property tracing. Engrave S for South Australia and your drivers licence no, e.g. S 123456 or S B2345. If you do not have a licence then you can engrave that of a close relative (with their permission) or obtain a proof of age card from the Department of Transport, Registration and Licence Section office for \$20.00.

3. What do I do if I want to sell the engraved item?

Cross through the engraving, to show that it is no longer valid, and place the new owner's number next to it. It is a good idea to give the person a receipt to prove the sale of the item.

Neil Smith

Area Co-Ordinator

Ph: 8280 7731

POLICE REPORT

Incidents in our area between 10/7/98 - 19/9/98

- 14/7/98 Shedbreak & Larceny, Humbug Scrub Rd, Garden Equip. \$500.00
- 19/7/98 Property Damage, Humbug Scrub Rd, Vehicle Damaged. \$200.00
- 3. 20/7/98 Property Damage, Cross Hill Rd, Vehicle Damaged. \$200.00
- 4. 21/7/98 Housebreak & Larceny, Taylor Rd, entry by unlocked door, electrical and jewellery, firearms. \$3000.00
- 5. 22/7/98 Housebreak & Larceny, Gulf View Dr, entry by window, alcohol. \$50.00
- 6. 25/7/98 Property Damage, McGilp Rd, School building damaged. \$200.00
- 29/7/98 Larceny, Bassnet Rd, gate stolen \$200.00
- 8. 7/8/98 Shedbreak & Larceny, Blacktop Rd, cut padlock, lawnmower. \$500.00
- 8/8/98 Property damage, Humbug Scrub Rd, Vehicle Damaged. \$300.00
- 10. A Holden Gemini was stolen from Gawler on 25/7/98 and dumped on Gawler Scenic Route the following day.
- 11. Between 14/8/98 &18/8/98 Blacktop Road, O.T.H. Housebreak and larceny. Entry by smashing rear window, Fridge, lights, fire grate, \$320.00

- 12. 27/8/98, Taylors Road, O.T.H. (day time) Housebreak and larceny. Entry by forcing window. Jewellery, cash, electrical \$5000.00.
- 13. Between 2/9/98 & 3/9/98, Blacktop Road O.T.H. Larceny. Vehicle broken into and garden tools stolen \$4200.00
- 14. 3/9/98, Gawler Scenic Route, O.T.H. (daytime) Trailer stolen from private property \$1200.00
- 15. 3/9/98 Kentish Road O.T.H. (daytime) Shedbreak and larceny. Garden tools and equipment \$2300.00
- 16. Between 5/9/98 & 6/9/98 Bassnett Road O.T.H. Illegal interference of motor vehicle. Nil stolen.
- 17. Between 13/9/98 & 17/9/98, Kelly Road O.T.H. Shedbreak and larceny. Entry by unlocked and open shed. Power tools \$800.00
- 18. Between 15/9/98 &16/9/98, Blacktop Road O.T.H. Housebreak and larceny, Television \$400 (unknown entry point)
- 19. Between 4/9/98 & 5/9/98 Alexander Ave, Bibaringa, Motor vehicle stolen \$850.00
- 20. Between 23/8/98 & 27/8/98, Karwin Road, Humbug Scrub, Boundary fence cut and timber stolen \$800.00
- 21. 15/9/98 A Holden Commodore Sedan was stolen from Elizabeth and located on Blacktop Road O.T.H.
- 5/9/98 A High Speed Pursuit occurred in the O.T.H. area. The pursuit commenced at Smithfield where a Holden Commodore Station Wagon with two male occupants were seen by Police, acting suspiciously. Police directed the vehicle to stop but the occupants sped off. The pursuit travelled along Uley Road and then onto the Gawler Scenic Route towards Gawler. The driver of the vehicle lost control of the vehicle about 600 metres North of Alexander Ave, Bibaringa and hit a tree. Two male adults were arrested by Police for Illegal Use of a Motor Vehicle and Traffic offences. These two male adults were wanted over a home invasion at Croyden Park on 5/9/98 where it is alleged they broke into a house, assaulted and tied up the occupant and stole his vehicle. The vehicle which was stolen was the vehicle which was chased by the Police, however the number plates had been changed. These offenders were further charged with Robbery With Violence. In relation to this incident a Big Thank you to the One Tree Hill C.F.S. who attended the scene and assisted Police in blocking off the road and ensuring safety of all persons at the scene.

ROAD RAGE

There have been several incidents where members of the community were confronted by strangers. These confrontations happened whilst driving vehicles and are commonly known as 'Road Rage'. As part of the Rural Watch 1998 Action Plan, a campaign targeting Personal Safety has been launched. Part of this campaign refers to 'Take care - Be Aware' in the car. The following things are points to remember if you are ever involved in an incident of Road Rage.

- 1. If another road user is being aggressive, stay calm and drive to a safe place, e.g. 24 hour petrol station, hospital, police station.
- Always drive with your doors locked.
- 3. If a stranger approaches your car, speak with them through a small opening in the window.
- Never pick up hitchhikers.
- Be careful when stopping for broken down cars in isolated areas.
- Report all suspicious activities to police. Obtain the registration number, description of the driver and any distinguishing features.

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Police Co-ordinator

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YELKI VINEYARD DEVELOPMENT

Recently I had a chance to talk to Mr. Angelo Di Cesare who, with Mr Vince Scaffidi has purchased and is developing the Yelki property, and feel that the following information, which he willingly and enthusiastically provided, could be of some interest to the One Tree Hill community.

First the facts as I understand them.

1. Vinevard area.

75 hectares over the next two years with a possible future expansion depending on market development.

2. Water usage.

- Max, during development at 25l per vine per week. With 2000 vines per hectare this comes to a bit less than 4 Ml per week.
- The Department of Primary Industries and Resources has carried out tests on the three bores which have been sunk (out of the five approved) and it seems likely that one bore will satisfy the requirements and that the effect on the water table of the expected maximum draw is negligible. (The approximate cost to the developers for these tests was \$10,000!)
- The salt content of the water is about 1600 parts per million which means that it is not really suitable for normal domestic or garden usage.

3. Fertilizer use.

Superphosphate and organic manure are applied fairly heavily at planting. After that the expected rate is 50kg, of nitrogen fertilizer per hectare per year.

4. Chemical use.

- Insecticide. No insecticide is normally used in a vineyard. The most likely pest is brown apple moth. If there is an infestation then an environmentally safe control such as Dipel would be used.
- Fungicide. Copper and sulphur compounds only.
- Weedicides. A pre emergent at planting and then Glyphosate (Roundup) as a winter weed control around the base of the plants.

5. Bird control.

None planned, i.e. No gas guns or other forms of noise pollution even if birds become a problem.

Some comments.

The crop from this vineyard is contracted to Southcorp for the first 12 years of production and is destined for their premium wine production. Consequently it is highly unlikely that the water DID YOU KNOW? demand will continue beyond the establishment period as the aim will be for quality rather than quantity of grapes which usually means limited watering after establishment (Probably about 3 to 4

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years) and then only when extreme weather conditions force it.

As a further consequence of the end use of the grapes for premium wine it is probable that the use of any of the chemicals mentioned above would be kept to a minimum.

My personal opinion is that this development has a number of advantages for the community

- It acts as a buffer between the urban creep and our area.
- 2. It is less polluting than almost all other uses of the land except fallowing.
- It is likely to provide some local employment.

Jo. Mount

CHILDRENS CONTRIBUTIONS

On Saturday Dad and I made a jumping board. It was made out of metal. Then my Dad saw a bird. I went to pick it up. I went to tell Dad. He told me that it was a Honeybird. It was near the dam. I felt happy with it. By David.

On the weekend my Mum, Dad, Josh and me went to the footy. I got a toffee person. So did Josh. Then we went to the tree. A person was breaking it. My Mum told them to stop it. I felt good when I climbed the tree. By Talia.

On Sunday my brother and I made a micro - machine base. I went inside to get some breakfast. I helped to paint the micro - machine base. On Tuesday afternoon I painted the water and a bit of the hill and it is great. By Simon.

(More weekend adventures next month!)

ONE TREE HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

On Sports day before recess we had five events. My favourite was the obstacle race because it had a lot of swinging, jumping and climbing. Our team came third. After recess we had another three events. I liked the Fire Fighter's relay because we got to play with the water. The fun part was that Luke splashed his sister, Kylie, with a bucket of water.

After Sports Day we did our class events. I liked Eggs in the Nest because you get to steal other people's eggs.

I did not like the Easter raffle because I didn't win a prize. The winning team was Red. It was a good day. By Joseph V.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLE CORNER.

The answer is FIRED. Every other word yields a boy or girls name when the first letter is removed.

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HEARD ON THE GRAPEVINE

It seems everyone has a story to tell about the big storm and I think there were a few sleepless nights as dogs and kids piled into bed with mum and dad! Also we heard that someone called Fred was out chasing scared horses round paddocks too!

KIDS JOKES

What do you get if you cross a homing pigeon with a woodpecker? A bird that not only delivers the mail but knocks on the door too.

When is a piece of wood like a king? When it is a ruler.

Where do you go to weigh a whale? A whaleweigh station.

NORTHERN CARERS NETWORK INC

Are you a carer or do you know someone who is?

Northern Carers Network is an organisation set up to support carers who are looking after family or friends at home. Caring is a physically, mentally and emotionally challenging role and carers can often feel isolated, exhausted and in need of a break. This is where Northern Carers is a great help. It offers links to other services including respite care, support groups, outings, craft groups, discussion groups, information sessions and counselling.

For more information phone 8284 0388.

NCN is located at Elizabeth Field Shopping Centre, 130 Peachy Rd, Davoren Park.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH:

Death is a challenge. It tells us not to waste time... It tells us to tell Bobridge, Mary Martin, Eric Leiper, Ann Davenport. each other right now that we love each other. (Leo F. Buscaglia)

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ONE TREE HILL UNITING CHURCH NEWS

On Sunday October 11th at 11.00am

The One Tree Hill Church will welcome members from the One Tree Hill Senior Citizens Club, for a special service. This will be followed by a lunch in the Church Hall. <u>YOU</u> are invited to come along and share this celebration

PROGRESS ASSOCIATION ENVIRONMENT - SUB - COMMITTEE

The focus of the meeting held on 27th August was the proposed development of the roadside picnic/rest area off Blacktop Road on the western outskirts of the township.

At present this area is an unofficial parking area covered with weeds, native and exotic trees and shrubs. Through consultation with Playford Council a picnic/rest area is being proposed for this site. The plan includes: an entrance leading to a parking area designated by perma - pine bollards and covered with quarry rubble, approximately three picnic settings with bins in random locations, a path constructed to give access from car park through picnic area and lead on into township.

The aim of the committee is also to improve this location by adopting a manageable flora planting and maintenance program. While establishing and maintaining this area for use as a safe public picnic/rest area the aim will be towards minimal disturbance of the soil and established flora while allowing for the removal of particular trees and shrubs for safety, pruning for aesthetics, removal of sapling pines and olives and any damaged or dead vegetation. The use of natural weed control has also been proposed. Following a preliminary response from Council it has been determined that there are safety issues to be examined before approval to commence this project can be given. Therefore, Playford Council is at present consulting with Transport S.A. and ETSA. We will continue to keep you informed on the progress of

In the meantime, Committee members will become registered volunteers with the Council. This will enable the volunteers to make use of the expected fine weather over the next few months to organise working bees to work on Bushcare sites in the area and nature reserves in the township. Anyone who is interested in becoming a volunteer to not only enjoy our local environment but to get to know other like - minded community members please phone 82807604.

Chris Myles (Convener)

this proposal.

Committee Members: Paul Smith, Heather Fischer, Karina Bobridge, Mary Martin, Eric Leiper, Ann Davenport.