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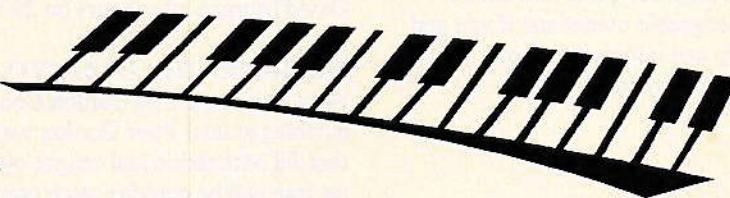
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Jill,

In the last edition of the Grapevine there was a reference to small ponies such as Shetlands being a bit "nippy" (prone to biting or nipping). It is disappointing that in our horsey area, this myth still exists. The Shetland pony is a "horse", as are Thoroughbreds, Welshies, Riding Ponies, Arabs et cetera. Shetlands must be handled and educated in the same manner as their taller relatives. Most parents would not purchase an Arab for a small inexperienced child and leave child and pony together unsupervised. This would be courting disaster. However, because Shetlands are small, very friendly and undoubtedly cute (yes, I'm biased), this is often what occurs. Child and pony are left to their own devices; uneducated pony, unsupervised child, and non-horsey parents. Naturally problems occur, but this would happen with any child/horse combination. The Shetland is a wonderful child's pony and excellent for harness work. It is strong enough to carry an adult. They are easy to educate and willing to learn. They are bred for their unflappable friendly nature. A Shetland seldom needs shoeing as it has tough hardy feet. They do, however, need the same worming and general care as larger horses. Shetlands have been used by the Riding for the Disabled Association, and prove their worth time and time again. I have had many children in my paddocks with my mares, foals and geldings and the ponies are always gentle. Their size makes them easier for children to handle. Myself and other owners and breeders have taken our ponies out into the community many times to events such as "Talk to the Animals" where the ponies were literally swamped by children, but did not put a foot wrong and certainly did not show their teeth! So, when considering a pony for your child, please forget the fallacy of the Shetland being nasty, it is unfounded. Buy from a reputable breeder or knowledgeable owner and if you and your new pony lack experience, get help and information from someone experienced as you would a larger horse.

Regards, Gillian Moorey,

Solitude Shetland and Miniature Stud,
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MORNING TEA GROUP

Hello again. July's morning tea was very interesting. Elsa from the Children's Services Office informed us about Protective Behaviour for children. In August we are being visited by Estee Lauder thanks to John Martins. We are having facials. It is free of charge and there is nothing for sale, so come along and be pampered. 10.00am sharp start so lots can be done. In September we are having Dawn Leonard and Linda Cozzitorto from the CFS come and talk to us about their active roles in firefighting. In October the morning tea is in the School Holidays so we are having a Kid's Party, so bring the kids along for some holiday fun. Hope to see you there, first Tuesday of

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HEARD ON THE GRAPEVINE

Have you heard that Gordon Cooksey has had success with his rat catching at last! Poor Gordon was feeling very put out by the fact that Jill McLatchie had caught over one hundred rats in her Magnus rat trap and he couldn't catch one! However it turned out his rat was not any ordinary apple eating rat but a bird muncher who liked eating parrots! So when he baited his trap with a bit of raw chicken he caught the monster! Congratulations Gordon! Recently a local resident was discussing with our Councillor Matthew Hayden about the difficulty of seeing where the Church was in the dark and whether it was possible to have a light put outside it. Matthew was very quick to say that more people would attend Church if they could see the light! Congratulations to Simon Squire for winning two trophies. the Poultry and Kennel Club Show at Strathalbyn for the best young Birmingham Roller Pigeon, and the best Roller Pigeon. He also won another trophy again for the best Birmingham Roller Pigeon at the S.A. Fancy Pigeon Society Annual Show. He has a number of shows coming up in the next few weeks so we wish him lots of luck. There is going to be an interesting Rural Watch Meeting on August 21st at 7.30 pm. at the Institute about Victims of Crime. By the way does any one have the phone number of our Area Coordinator for Rural Watch, Neil Smith? Congratulations to Phil and Dawn Tschirn on the birth of their baby boy, Liam Patrick.

RETURN THANKS

Sandie, Wayne, Jodie and family wish to thank our neighbours and friends for their messages of sympathy following the loss of their son and brother, Jarrad. 25/6/95.

LEARN THE ART OF FLOWER ARRANGING

There will be a teaching session on Thursday, 10th of August in the One Tree Hill Church Hall from 9.00am to 12.00 noon. ALL WELCOME. For further information ring Sybil on 280 7038.

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There will be a Festival of Flowers at the One Tree Hill Church on Saturday the 9th of September and Sunday the 10th of September. The Church will be open for viewing on Saturday the 9th of Sept. from 10.00am to 4.00pm. and on Sunday the 10th of Sept. from 2.00pm. to 5.00pm. Devonshire Tea will be available. The Festival will culminate in a service at the Church on Sunday evening at 7.00pm when nominated hymns will be sung. Any one wishing to present a Floral arrangement or to have one prepared should get in touch with Sybil Winsor on 280 7038. The Floral Arrangements can be in memory of someone or to commemorate an event. This Festival should cheer us all up after the long wet weeks!

EQUESTRIAN CLUB

August 6th - No Club Rally August 12th and 13th Metro. Zone Pony Club Camp at Bob Hennig's property at Reeve's Plains. Activities will include Cross Country, Show Jumping, dressage, show preparation, novelties, vaulting, bareback riding, road rules, and six bar show jumping under lights. August 20th - North East Riding Club's Time Trial changed to Sept. 17th at Warrondi Stud. Club Rally. Riding instruction, show jumping and games practice. August 26th and 27th - Metro. Zone Pony Club zone at Westwind Woodville Pony Club grounds. September 3rd - Dressage instruction Margaret Williams, jumping and games practice.

CHURCH NEWS

One Tree Hill Church - Please note a change of time for the 9.30am service. This service will now begin at 9.00am from Sunday July 2nd. This is a service well worth getting up early for. The 11.00am service remains at the same time and is also well worth attending. Families welcome at both services. Sunday School for children is integrated into these services. Minister: Rev. John Blanksby. Tel. 284 0202. One Tree Hill Uniting Church will be celebrating its 128th year at a special anniversary service to be held on the 6th of August (Sunday) at 11.00 am. There will be a lunch to follow. All welcome.

ONE TREE HILL UNITING CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

Fellowship meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 10.00am in the Church hall. Meetings are varied with guest speakers, craft demonstrations etc. On the 26th of July there was a guest speaker from Red Cross explaining some elementary first aid. At the next meeting on August 23rd, we have organised a luncheon at a member's home. Meetings are open to all (male and female), so come along and enjoy a time of fellowship with us. For any enquiries please contact 280 7135.

MUNNO PARA AUSTRALIA REMEMBERS COMMITTEE
Have you any photographs taken during World War 2 or news cuttings and other mementos which the Munno Para Australia Remembers Committee could borrow and copy for display? The committee would like to hear from Munno Para residents who served in the armed forces during the war, or their descendants and also civilians who were involved in supporting the war effort and have kept such items. Borrowed items will be returned to their owners after copying. The committee are also interested in postcards and other memorabilia connected with the war. There is going to be a locked showcase for special items. If you feel you could contribute to this project, the committee would very much like to hear from you. Items are needed by the end of August if possible. For further information please contact Pat Cole, tel 254 0172 or Gillian Pearson tel. 254 0176 at the City of Munno Para.
Shirley Wissell, Chairperson, Australia Remembers Committee.

COUNCILLOR MATTHEW HAYDEN'S UPDATE

It's raining, it's pouring, and I hope for many residents within the One Tree Hill Ward, you are happy to see the rain falling, filling tanks, dams, creeks and eventually raising bore water levels. Thanks to the OTH CFS for attending a number of callouts, in conditions that were very different from a fire, but just as hazardous on Saturday 22/7/95. It is unfortunate that this weather also brings to light, a number of problems for some residents and if this has been your experience, I would like to hear from you, so that Council can assess whether or not remedial action can be taken to stop the same thing happening again. A decision about Trinity College Bush Campus going ahead or being rejected should come before Council at the August 8th meeting. The Yorktown Rd, Blacktop Rd, intersection is now



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complete and I hope the improvements made will prevent any further accidents. For those of you who were unaware, Council received funding from the Dept. of Transport for the upgrade but all design work and construction was performed by Council employees, a job well done.

ENGINEERING DEPT. Install guide posts; Jordan Drive, Medlow Rd/Remove rubbish; Blacktop Rd, Johnson Rd, Walters Rd, Williams Rd, Willison Rd/Remove tree stumps; McGilp Rd/ Drill holes for Rec. Services; Uley Rd/Remove path and level for pavers: Clubroom McGilp Rd/Linemark and install guide posts; Gulf view Drive/Construct rumble bar island; Gulf view Drive/check all lights and signage; Blacktop Rd/ Pick up dead cow; Uley Rd/ Clean sump and make new lid and install; McGilp Rd/clean up job site ready for kerbing contractors; McGilp Rd/ Construct pipes and head walls; Medlow Rd/ Provide service to upgrade intersection; Blacktop Rd/ Provide service to construct road pave; Medlow Rd/ Saw cut bitumen; Blacktop Rd/ Shift mounds of dirt; Johnson Rd/ Fill in sinkage; McGilp Rd/ Patrol Grade; Bassnet Rd, Karwin Rd Eaglesnest Drive, Highfield Rd, Somerton Rd, Spring Rd, Humbug Scrub Rd, Johnson Road, Tyeka Drive, Medlow Rd, Shillabeer Rd, Williams Rd/ Profile road; McGilp Rd/ Erosion control School Carpark; McGilp Rd/ Repair potholes; Scenic Route, Goulds Rd, Kurrajong Rd, Sampsons Flat Rd, Williams Rd/ Repair bitumen road edge; Scenic route, Goulds Rd Medlow Road, Sampsons Flat Rd/ Replace sump lid cover; Jordan Drive/ resheet road; Humbug Scrub Rd, Walters Rd/ Cut kerb for stormwater outlets; Jordan Drive.

PARKS AND RECREATION Inspect water level and pump; Blacktop Rd/Mowing and slashing; Kentish Rd, Uley Rd, Alexander Ave, Eagles Nest Drive, Eckerman Ave, Scenic Route, Highfield Rd, Potts Rd, Somerton Rd, Spring Rd, Ifould Court, McKenzie Crt,

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Contributed by Cr. Matthew Hayden, 4 St John's Court Blakeview, S.A. 5114. Ph 254 2247.

EDITORIAL

It looks as if I can go away on holiday in September leaving the Grapevine in the capable hands of Pat Beck and the Parker Family. Thanks very much for your offers of help and I hope you enjoy editing it as much as I do. You get to talk to so many interesting people which makes it a lot of fun. Such a lot goes on in One Tree Hill and I know I don't get to hear most of it! Many people are still asking me about my dogs but sadly I have not found them. I have been contacting animal shelters and councils again with the idea that

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maybe at Registration time they might turn up but so far no success. I appreciate your concern. It helps to make up for the other kinds of people in this world. Last week I was contacted by the dog pound at Gawler as they had a border collie there. Although he was not one of our dogs I have brought him home. We have called him Joe. Many thanks to our advertisers and sponsors, without your continued support we couldn't exist and thanks to all those who put a donation in the tin.

ONE TREE HILL TENNIS CLUB

This Club meets at the OTH Oval grounds opposite the OTH Primary School. Our Club has both Senior and Junior team competition in Gawler and District Association played on Saturdays- Juniors for two hours in the morning(2 time zones) parent roster supervised. Seniors played 1.00pm start. Our club requires NEW SENIOR PLAYERS for the coming season commencing OCTOBER 95. (teams are graded the first week in September.) New Senior members please contact Secretary prior to open day if possible!!!

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ROTARY NEWS

1. CLUB NOTES On July 5th Ivor McLatchie was inducted as Club President for year 95/96. At this meeting Past District Governor Trevor Graske replied to the toast of "Rotary International". Munno Para Mayor Martin Lindsell was elected Honorary member of the Club, and Progress Association President Ann Davenport was presented with a cheque for the value of the new table in the Playgroup area of the Institute grounds. Amongst the 40 people present were Gumeracha Mayor Milton Checker, District Governor Nominee John Downing and past members Ian List, Mike Stoakes, Barry Playford, Greg Little and Karl Wipf. A highlight of the evening was a poem written and recited by Jill McLatchie on "friendship" the Rotary theme for 94/95. Past President Jim Dahl gave his third consecutive club report and President Ivor outlined his plans for the year which include support for outback aboriginal communities.

2. BRING-BROWSE -BUY At each monthly Community Market the Rotary Club will be organising a Bring-Browse-Buy stall in aid of the Australian Roary Health Research Fund(ARHRF). The idea is for

people to donate any items for sale either completely or for 50% of the price obtained for the item. Donors mark their items with the price they think is reasonable. ANY ITEM OF VALUE IS WANTED. This is a great way to pass items you don't need to others who do, and at the same time help a really worthwhile cause- the ARHRF. ACT NOW. Bring all you can on Saturday 5th August.

3. THE AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH RESEARCH FUND

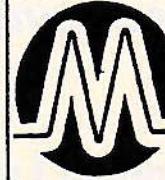
This fund supports health research by providing research grants through a committee of renowned medical experts. Unfortunately more than two thirds of the applicants are refused support owing to a lack of funds, but a total of \$600,000 is spent on those selected each year. Great results have resulted from this health research in areas of cot death, care of the aged, adolescent health and currently family health. This research is funded by Australian Rotary Clubs with money raised from Australian sources and is likely to benefit many Australians. The lives of about 200 babies each year are saved as a result of just one of the grants. Much of the research is reported and utilised overseas providing benefits worldwide. For further information on Rotary contact Ivor Ph.280 7214.

DANGER ALERT

Are you aware of the proposal to build a residential school in the Humbug Scrub area, at the end of Frank Barker Rd adjacent to Para Wirra National Park. There are a number of issues that are of concern:-

1. Rezoning. For this development to go ahead the area has to be rezoned. Once rezoned, usage of the area may change, and there is always the possibility that rates may increase.

2. Fire risk and safety. There is only one access road. During wet weather this road is unsuitable for vehicular traffic. CFS are unable to reach the area in less than 25 minutes and cannot guarantee safe evacuation. This area is virgin scrub and is according to a CFS



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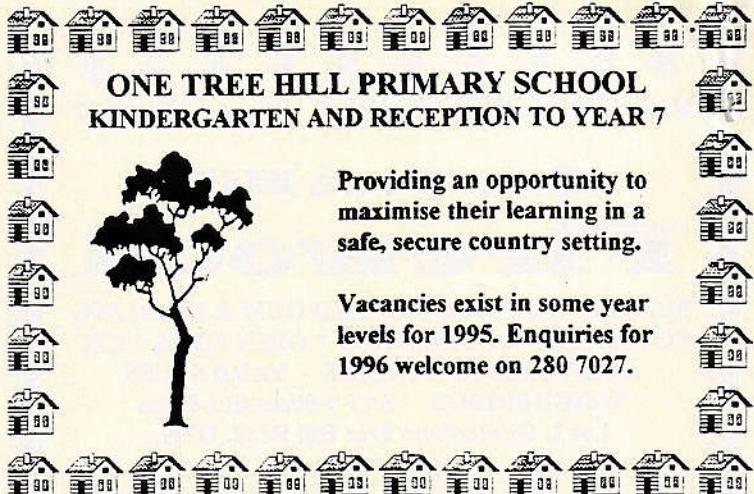
spokesman, "a fire waiting to happen". The area adjoins huge areas of National Park and is a major fire risk at all times due to its inaccessibility. With fire fighting water at a premium a large group can only intensify the situation.

3. Water. Humbug Scrub is not on mains water supply. In the last two drought years supplying people with water has already become difficult with local bores, wells, billabongs and dams becoming dangerously low. A sudden escalation in the water use could intensify the problems.

4. Access Road. Numerous accidents occur on this road because of the hilly terrain which creates blind spots on a very narrow road. The road is only partially bitumised and the remainder of the road is extremely slippery and dangerous. Anyone who has concerns about this project is asked to attend the Council Meeting, at which it will be discussed on AUGUST 8th 1995.

NEWS FROM THE PAST

Recently we had the misfortune to have our archway to McGilp Road knocked down. Some of you may be wondering how we came to have an archway there in the first place. Here is an extract from the "Grapevine" in October 1987, which explains the history. The McGilp family donated the land on which sporting facilities were established in 1929. The archway was constructed many years later by members of the community and the Progress Association. The finance was raised by a youth group which had disbanded prior to the opening. The archway was officially opened as a tribute to the McGilp family on Saturday 27th October, 1962. An equestrian event was held on the oval after the opening ceremony. All entrants paraded through the archway after the ribbon was cut by Mr Lachlan McGilp and his daughter in Law, Mrs Neil McGilp. A commemoration ball was held that evening in the Institute. Are we



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going to have a similar opening ceremony when our archway is replaced? What do people think?

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PLACES TO VISIT AROUND ONE TREE HILL

How many people realise that we have a beautiful Recreation Park right on our doorstep? The Park has wonderful walking trails which look great at this time of year with the wattles coming out and the little creeks all flowing. There is a lovely lake which you can picnic by and walk all round. There are gas barbecue facilities in five different locations. Each barbecue has three hotplates, enabling different groups to share the same barbecue. Cost is by donation. You can also hire Tennis courts, ring 280 7049 to make your booking. There are 20 courts available. There is a well equipped kiosk where you can buy a variety of refreshments. The North Oval has a cricket pitch and football goal posts, while the Gawler View Picnic Ground has an area the size of a soccer pitch. Large family groups and social clubs can hire these facilities and get the use of a stone shelter shed as well. There are also plenty of toilet facilities, some catering for disabled people. One big plus for this park is emus and kangaroos are plentiful and easily seen. Emus like sausages so watch out for your barbie! Contact The Whittington family at the kiosk on 280 7049 if you'd like any more information.

GOAT NEWS

Now your doe is in kid she needs to have her feed altered to a "rising plain of nutrition". Slowly increase the amount and quality of her concentrate until she is getting a full milkers ration about a week before she is due to kid (145 to 155 days from mating). The rule of thumb is for a doe to get half a kg for body maintenance and 1 kg for every 2 litres of milk she produces. She should also be getting quality hay, about 2 to 3 kg per day, and some grazing and/or browse. Prevent pregnancy toxæmia by providing molasses, approx. 1 tablespoon per day, every day in the last 4-6 weeks. It can be fed by adding to her feed, or mixed with warm water as a drink, increasing to 3 tablespoons if she starts to show symptoms. Symptoms are swollen ankles, loss of appetite, lassitude, a smell of acetone (nail polish remover) on the breath. If the symptoms are there, she probably needs a vet. Large doses of glycerine, molasses and tempting titbits can save her if you move quickly. Now the grass is

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coming up, we have another possible problem-enterotoxaemia. This can best be prevented by ensuring the animals have plenty of hay, especially before grazing wet or very lush grass. It is caused by the rumen becoming overful of cold soggy feed, and toxins are produced. Sudden increases in or changes to concentrates can also bring on entero. There is a vaccination available and this can help prevent it, although good husbandry is still essential. The vaccine is available as a 2-in-1, 3-in or 5-in-1 pack in combination with various other vaccines. All contain the vaccination for tetanus, and are therefore very useful, but the 5-in-1 has some doubts attached to it when used for goats, especially white goats. More information on goats and contact numbers of other goat owners, can be obtained from the Goatkeepers Club of South Australia. Membership is \$4 per year and includes a quarterly magazine of tips and news from the goat world. The secretary is Sue Plush, C/O Post Office, One Tree Hill.

(contributed by Julie Butterly)

ONE TREE HILL CRAFT SHOP

In September of this year the craft shop will be thirteen, so lets go back to its beginnings. By 1982 One Tree Hill was in the early stages of sub- division into small holdings and there were quite a lot of refugees from the suburbs seeking the quiet life, me included. Dr Joy Bryant, who lived in the Blacksmith's cottage, now the Tavern, and practised in a house that was where the car park is now, thought it would be a good idea to have a central place where people could meet, chat over coffee, and get to know one another. She negotiated the lease of the empty shop, and with the help of her staff (Maureen Garrett and Gloria Chester) and a handful of local residents we began. We started with a few borrowed chairs and tables, Institute cups and saucers, a couple of trestles, some Hessian, bricks and planks. No capital, no money, no floor coverings but lots of enthusiasm. Later on the shop came under the sheltering wing of the Progress Association although we operate as an independent organization. There have been many people who have worked hard to keep the shop operating over the years. I will not mention any names in case I miss out someone and that would be unfair. We are still operating as a co-operative. We are non profit making. We are still running on a shoe string. We still rely on volunteers to man/woman/person the shop and keep the door open, to serve the community. Our volunteers come and go as their personal lives dictate. We always welcome new members, as there are always spaces on our roster. Some members carry extra roster duties just to keep your shop open for the convenience of the community. Care to join in? Come into the shop and find out more. Liz Mount.

HAVING TROUBLE WITH YOUR NEIGHBOURS STOCK?

Most of us have trouble occasionally with our neighbours' animals wandering in to our place. This can usually be quickly resolved with discussion and neighbourly co-operation, but sometimes disputes arise. A particular nuisance occurs when a bull jumps fences and impregnates a neighbours animals or a stallion gets in with mares. There are certain laws regarding the keeping of bulls and stallions. Owners must have fences to contain their bull or stallion and they are responsible for paying for them. If a strange bull jumps into your place you should notify the owner preferably in writing that their bull is wandering and they must contain it. If possible take photos of the bull in your place. If you contain the bull you can charge the owner feeding fees etc and damages. Owners of animals have a responsibility to fence to keep their animals in their place. It is not the responsibility of the neighbours to have to fence to keep animals out. (This information was obtained from the Munno Para Council Offices)

JOKE OF THE MONTH

Here is a joke to make you all groan (you can laugh too!). One strawberry said to the other strawberry "I wouldn't be in this jam if we hadn't been in the same bed together!"

Contributed by Ivor McLatchie. Please send your jokes to the Grapevine, your Editor is getting desperate!

PUZZLE CORNER

This sequence of seven words is rather special. Can you say why? Guessing won't count. You must have one exact reason for your answer! TON, WOE, THE, FORE, FURS, SIEVE, VIXEN

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ONE TREE HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Some of the most critical years of growing and learning occur in the early years of school - the Primary Years. Our children at One Tree Hill Primary School are fortunate in being able to spend these years in a refreshing country setting, with staff who really care for their welfare and who are dedicated to providing a broad based curriculum which aims at developing each child's maximum potential. Providing an environment where children can experience success at their level of learning is essential in developing the desire for ongoing learning. The learning of all whether adult or child is similar. Consider how you best learn.. Is it: when expectations and guidelines are made clear to you? When your contribution is valued? When you have time to think out, discover and reflect on your own learning? When you have the opportunity to share your learning? When you feel safe, secure, knowing you will not be ridiculed for your efforts? When you feel you have been successful? When you have fun? These are ingredients for empowering children to become learners for life and the basis of our philosophy and teaching practice at One Tree Hill Primary School. By Barbara Anderson, Principal, (reproduced from the One Tree Hill Primary School newsletter)

CHILDRENS CONTRIBUTIONS

Here are some more excellent stories from children at the One Tree Hill Primary School. Contributions are always welcome from children. Here are some very short ones.

On the cold night a truck carried a bulldozer to work and then it was busy. By Tom.

A giraffe is very tall so they can reach the leaves that they need. They have four big feet. By Wayne.

We planted seeds in cups. By Shane.

On a cold and misty night, a dragon came out of his cave in the middle of the desert and (tore) some dingoes to pieces and ate them. By Leon.

One day a man was climbing a hill. He nearly fell, he was lucky to have survived. By Peter.

MARKET REPORT

The monthly market was a bit quieter than usual probably due to the cold weather. Nevertheless there were lots of interesting stalls with a very wide variety of goods so come and have a look on Saturday 5th August. A special feature was our Councillor Matthew Hayden who braved the cold and chill spending a number of hours talking to people and explaining what the Council are doing and listening to peoples points of view. It was great and hopefully he will come regularly. There are spaces for more stalls so come and join the fun!

ANSWER TO PUZZLE CORNER

The seven words are an anagram of the first seven numbers. Look at the sequence again and you will see ONE TWO THREE FOUR FIVE SIX SEVEN only slightly rearranged!

SIMON'S PET CORNER

Simon is hoping that One Tree Hill children will write or phone in news about their favourite pets. We will all enjoy hearing about them so please don't be shy! This month Simon would like to talk about Guinea Pigs. He reckons they make really good childrens pets. They are really called cavies. They don't have any tails. While they grow quite big they are not as big as rabbits. Simon housed his guinea pig in a converted babies cot! He put a roof on and a door and had perspex round it to keep the wind off. He fed his guinea pigs on bird seed special pellets, grass and greens. They were moved around the garden as mobile fertilisers. Simon says they come in all different colours and if you cross a white one with a golden coloured one you might get a lavender colour. There are several predators who might

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want to harm your guinea pig such as rats, cats, foxes and dogs so it's not a good idea to let your guinea pig run loose without supervision. You can show guinea pigs and there are special cavy clubs you can join. Simon says don't house your guinea pigs with rabbits as they might catch a disease from them.

VETERINARY NOTES FOR AUGUST

Passing the Pinch Test. Is your pet too fat? Run your hand over or her rib cage: if you can't feel the ribs, then your pet may be overweight. Obesity is common in pets. It contributes to many chronic medical problems including: -arthritis -back problems including "slipped disc" - breathing problems when exercising -heart problems -skin complaints -constipation -anal gland impaction and infection. Obese pets are also less resistant to disease and at an increased risk for anaesthesia and surgery. They have a reduced life span and enjoy life less too. At least 90% of cases of obesity are caused by overfeeding. Lack of exercise, hormonal imbalance and lowered metabolism make up the balance. The pet owner must plan a diet program for their overweight pet and feed a balanced diet that will maintain the correct weight. Special diets are available to help our pet friends achieve and maintain a healthy weight.

Dr Alan M Irving Veterinary Surgeon.

Here is a question for our Vet. How can I help my dog overcome her fear of thunder storms?

PEST PLANT OF THE MONTH

This is a new feature to help us all identify and remedy those pesky plants that sneak into our paddocks and gardens as soon as you turn your back! First pest is the Artichoke Thistle which is a large spiny thistle growing up to 2 metres high. It has large spiny purple flower heads. This is an obnoxious prickly pest with no grazing value and if left tends to spread and dominate pastures. You need to destroy old plants and stop seeding. An effective kill may be obtained with ordinary table salt. Just stamp on the emerging thistle to break open the crown and pour a tablespoon of salt on the broken crown. For further information contact the Adelaide Plains Animal and Plant control Board. They are currently situated on Redbanks Rd Willaston but are relocating to Freeling. Current phone Number is 085 22 4721.



What are these silly pictures doing here?