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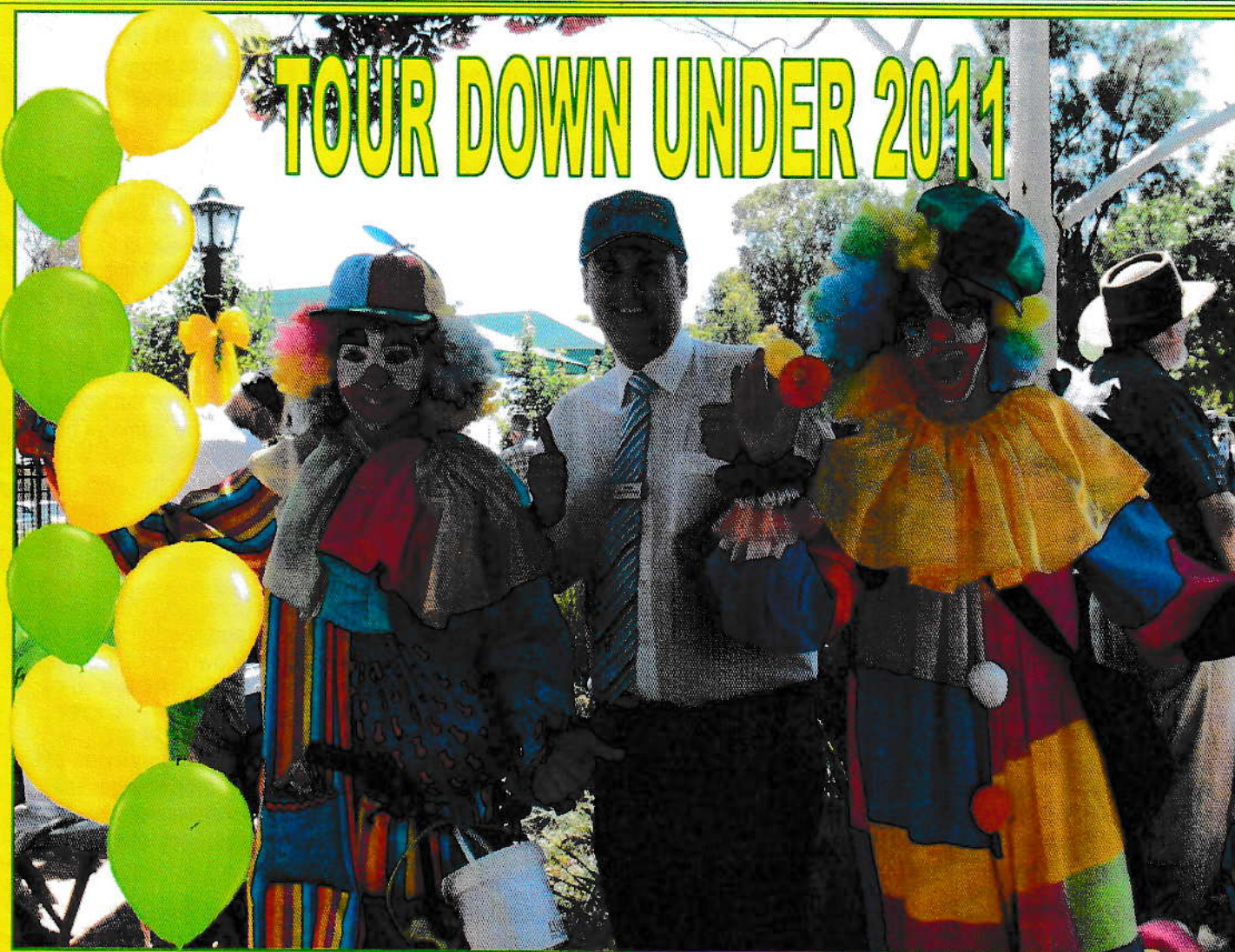
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TOUR DOWN UNDER 2011



**Keeping with the spirit of the day, Mayor Glenn Docherty captured "clowning around"
during the festivities. More on the TDU at One Tree Hill on page 3 and page 6**

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Well here we are, the 2nd month of 2011 is already here and all is a buzz in the town with Tuesday's Tour Down Under.

This edition has a few new items we hope to be regular features, The Kid's Page, Pet Care and Medical News/Alerts to name a few. Don't forget our new Pet Competition, all entries to the Fodder Store please.

We hope that you enjoy the new articles and we thank our new contributors. We also welcome those who have come on board to assist the team. The Tour Down Under has been our main focus in this edition and you will see and hear of the fun we had on pages 3 and page 6.

Please note the new email for the Grapevine, Institute and Progress. The phone numbers remain the same but are going to be diverted to a mobile so that it is more likely for you to get the quickest response possible. Any contributions, ideas or community news/events are always welcome. Please don't hesitate to contact us.

Thank you again to all of our advertisers and contributors and folders for their continued support.

The Grapevine Team Phone: 8280 7095 or Email: oth.grapevine@bigpond.com

Letter from the President

At the time of the printing of the Grapevine, Judy Mortimer OTH Progress Association President since September 2008 has advised that she has resigned from her position. The following is Judy's final report for The Grapevine.

Welcome to 2011. I trust you all had a great holiday period doing whatever was important to you. We in SA are getting off to a much better start than much of Australia. We even still have green grass in OTH to enjoy, delaying the onset of the risks of serious bushfires a little.

As I write, Queensland is suffering from floods of biblical proportions, floods claimed to be greater than anything we have known to occur in Australia. Like many I have been glued to the TV as more and more graphic, heart rending images are shown. Many of us would have visited the wonderful garden city of Toowoomba, the site of an unbelievable "inland tsunami" that caused such devastation. Not only as the wave of water tore through the CBD, but then as it raced down the escarpment into the Lockyer Valley below with ever increasing ferocity sweeping up everything and everyone in its path. Truly an amazing sight. One can only wonder at the sheer enormity of the fear and panic felt by those subsumed by these forces. The focus is now on Brisbane and although the river has peaked below expectations the damage has been massive and is escalating daily. Our hearts go out to all those who have lost family or friends in such tragic events. Anna Bligh, the Qld premier spoke, in faltering voice, for us all when she said "we weep for what we have lost, we grieve for family and friends".... but.... "we have not lost our will....we are Queenslanders". Iconic words. Ironical too as so much of the country now flooded has been drought stricken for many years. How hard it must sometimes be to love this sunburned country we call home.

To more mundane things .The last meeting for Progress was in December so there is little news to report. That meeting was another in our “dinner - meeting” arrangements and although I was unable to attend I understand it was quite a fun night. We will continue to have such meetings on occasions throughout the year and thank the new owners of the Inn for supporting us and making space available.

In my last letter I stated that I would stay on with the Grapevine until a successor was found. To date, and to my knowledge, this has not happened. However, it has been necessary for me to sever my contact with the Grapevine since the last December meeting of Progress. Hence I will no longer be involved in the production or decision making. The email address which was on my own personal account has also been cancelled and a new email address set up. June O and Beverley will continue as before. All the regular advertisers and contributors should have been contacted, by me or the others re this email address change which is published in this edition.

This has been written before the staging of the TDU and I can only hope that it went well thanks to the financial support from Progress, the efforts of the subcommittee and the community helpers. Financial and logistical support from Playford Council is also gratefully acknowledged. I myself will not be there this year to share in the fun as I have unavoidable family commitments. **Judy Mortimer. *The acting President of OTH Progress Kosta has report on page 6.***

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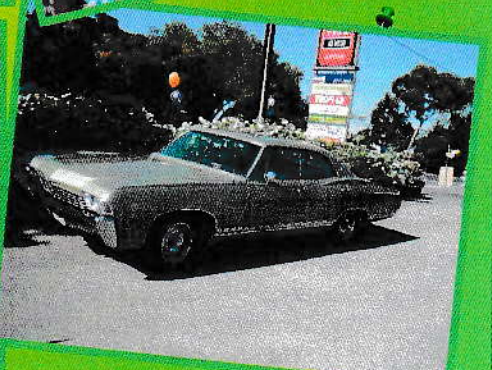
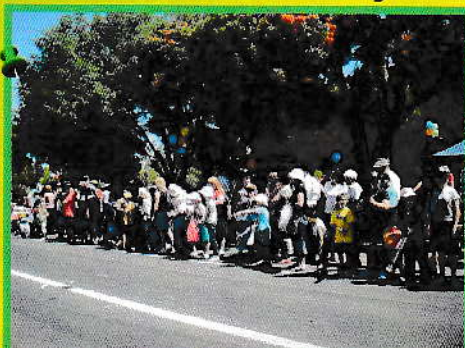
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Snapshots of the festivities in
One Tree Hill on January 18th





ONE TREE HILL GRAPEVINE CFS REPORT FEBRUARY 2011



Incident Report

The last couple of months have seen a number of grass fires in the area. Two in particular were of concern. A grass fire started by a ride-on-mower on Vivian Road, Uleybury was very difficult to access due to very poor gate design and internal fences, a number of houses were under threat. 7 Fire Units brought the fire under control.

Remember when using farm equipment to take the necessary precautions.

The other grass fire was on Starrs Gully Road, Yattalunga. This fire was started by persons unknown near a new house, the terrain was difficult to access due to the hilly nature of the land. With the aid of little wind and aerial bombers and 11 Fire Units the fire was contained after a few hours of hard work.

Remember to Plan Activities when working on the land with a view to preventing a fire.

The other main activity for the OTH Brigade has been vehicle accidents. One accident a head on collision involved considerable time and effort on Airstrip Road, Sampson Flat, requiring helicopter retrieval.

Reminders

BURNING IN THE OPEN IS PROHIBITED ACROSS THE ENTIRE CITY OF PLAYFORD DURING THE FIRE DANGER SEASON WITHOUT A PERMIT

Please remember this fire danger season still has months to run, don't be complacent.

For further information visit the CFS website at www.cfs.org.au

Councillors Report

Hi, a belated HAPPY NEW YEAR to all, I hope 2011 finds you all well and not too much heavier after the holiday seasons festivities, let's hope 2011 will be a great year for all.

By the time this edition is printed the Tour Down Under should have been and gone and council should be in full swing with a 9am to 4pm Saturday session completed on Urban Renewal and Urban Growth Planning, with another Saturday session planned for February concentrating on rates positioning, debt and the long term financial plan.

Numerous persons from rural areas made contact with me regarding Section 105F (8) notices issued by council in relation to fire breaks or the lack thereof. Some people had already made a fire break but still received a notice. This led to my asking the question of council "if I have provided a fire break, am I not compliant with the Act and if subsequent to that fire break being established due to un-seasonal weather conditions the grass re-grows should I still not be compliant with the Act?" In the first instance Yes I am compliant with the Act but in the second instance No I am not compliant with the Act as there is a clause that requires a fire break to be established and then "MAINTAINED" to the satisfaction of the council fire officer, hence some people received expiation notices even though they believed that they had done the right thing. Subsequent meetings with myself and council staff has resulted in a better and fairer methodology of notifying persons of their obligations and procedures available to them to meet their obligations even to the point of council assisting with the writing of letters to extend timelines for compliance or to explain difficulties in meeting your requirements. It should go without saying that it is in the best interests of every landowner and their neighbours, to mitigate BUSHFIRE RISKS by clearing excess fuel loads, providing fire breaks where safe and reasonable to achieve and to do what ever else can be done to achieve a safer environment for both the landowners and the CFS personnel that need to fight fires should one occur. Yes I realise that some landowners do not meet their obligations either through a lack of understanding, resources or plain stubbornness but it is not my role to police these people or report them to council so please do not ask me to do so, I do however encourage all land and business owners to consider the risks and implications involved with fires and to do the best they can to mitigate those risks and losses.

If you have any concerns or issues with or about our City, please in the first instance phone 8256 0333 or send your e-mails to crjfederico@playford.sa.gov.au this is my new council e-mail address that will ensure that council sees your concerns and then forwards your e-mails on to me. If you are uncomfortable with council viewing your comments then please e-mail me at jfederico@internode.on.net and if subsequent to that approach you do not receive a timely or satisfactory result please feel free to contact me personally.

Council's 24 hour phone number is 8256 0333 for all your enquires and or requests. Remember to get a Customer Reference Number (CRN) to ensure registration and easy identification of your communication.

Cr: Joe Federico Phone: 0417 016 164 Fax: 8280 7963 Full Council details are on Page 15.

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Letter from the Acting President:
It is with great sadness that we farewell Judy as the President of the OTH Progress Association and acknowledge the tremendous input that she has had in her many years of association with Progress. Her leadership and enthusiasm has been widely recognised by our community members and she has been a great asset to Progress.

On behalf of the OTH Progress Committee and, indeed, our entire OTH township, I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank Judy for her outstanding contributions to Progress. We wish you and your family all the very best.

From 16th January 2011, I was asked to take on the position of Acting President of Progress. As such, I would like to briefly fill you in on the exciting news of late. Firstly, as a result of the fantastic efforts of the OTH Progress Tour Down Under Committee, the many volunteers, the OTH Market, a Community Groups and our local businesses brilliant day was had by all who attended the One Tree Hill City of Playford Tour Down Under Community Event. We are very grateful to the OTH Fodder Shop for sponsoring the brochures that advertised the day. Thanks Dean, Mark, Martin and Sabine! In addition to the funding that was provided by Progress, we are most grateful for the \$2,000.00 grant from the City of Playford Council that assisted us with our efforts. We were very pleased that Mayor Glen Docherty was able to attend this great event. I am delighted to write that we have thus far been awarded "Best Dressed Town" for Stage 1 of the Tour Down Under. As I write, we await news of whether we have also been awarded "Best Dressed Town" overall! A total of \$233.10 in donations was collected for the Flood Relief Fund. Further, Progress has elected to donate a total of \$2,000.00 to the Flood Relief Fund which is our small way of contributing to assist the many people who have been devastated by the floods in Queensland and Victoria

In the next edition of the Grapevine, I will update you all on the results of the TDU awards and I will take the opportunity then, to introduce myself further and tell you about my ideas and hopes for Progress and what I can do to support our community. In the meantime I can be contacted on 0410 567 624 for any queries you may have or via the new email address oth.progress@bigpond.com

Kosta Lebessis (Acting President)

2011 Tour Down Under

Stage 1 January 18th

The Santos Tour Down Under was a successful event as always.

The involvement of local businesses in One Tree Hill was very pleasing and helped to achieve a memorable community event for the Township. The Country Market, Old Macdonald's Animal Farm, Playford Pioneers' Band, the Clowns, who distributed sweets to children, Face-Painting, the free hats, promotional flyers, street decorations all contributed in welcoming the International riders to One Tree Hill.

The entrants in the Wacky Wheels competition did an amazing job as you can see in the photos on page 3. Their efforts were judged by Mayor Glenn Docherty who also presented the prizes. Thank you Glenn for attending and helping on the day. The Uniting Church barbeque sold out of sausages and the 350 free hats ran out as well!

Our efforts were rewarded by being judged the Best Dressed Town for Stage 1 of The 2011 Tour Down Under.

Congratulations, and a big thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the preparations on the day. To Cr Joe and others, without whose untiring efforts before and after the event we would not have had this great day at all.

We also appreciated the publicity we received in the The Bunyip and other media and the many businesses who displayed our flyers. The flyers were designed by Bev our compiler. Sherrie & Jamie our printers did a great job printing the fliers all at very short notice.

Thank you one and all.

Pam Hallett On behalf of the TDU sub-committee
Pat Jones and June Owens. January 20th 2011

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News from the One Tree Hill Uniting Church



We would love to see you on Sunday mornings when we have our 10.00 a.m. Service.

We have different people to speak to us, which makes it very interesting, as there is something for everyone. The atmosphere is very friendly and welcoming, and after the Service we enjoy a cup of tea/coffee, and cordial for the children. There is no shortage of conversation there.

All children are welcome, and even though they would not be going out for their own Special Time until the 6th of February, there is a Children's Activity area towards the back of the Church, where they can enjoy drawing, puzzles etc.

SMYG – Sunday Morning Youth Group. The young people in this Group will also not be having their own Special time until the 6th of February, but are WELCOME to be a part of the Sunday Morning Service.

A VERY BIG THANK YOU to all who organized and took part in our CAROLS AND CHRISTMAS STORY evening on the 19th of December. Because of the inclement weather this could not be "Carols in the Garden" but instead was "Carols in the Church". It was enjoyed by so many people, and the Feed-back was overwhelming that it was an EXCELLENT EVENING.

ANOTHER BIG THANK YOU must go to ALL who organized and helped in the transformation of our Car Parking Area.

We now have a Metal – Mud-free -Area in which to Park. This will be much appreciated in the winter months FLOOD

DISASTER APPEAL – The Church will be having a Retiring Offering on the 16th, 23rd and 30th of January, and we are all urged to give generously, to help provide assistance to the communities who have been devastated by the terrible floods.

FELLOWSHIP NEWS – Members will have taken part in supplying and serving Refreshments for the TOUR DOWN UNDER celebrations on the 18th of January and so another THANK YOU is due to all those who have organized and supplied the Refreshments and have served them up to people. The Fellowship will also have had a Stall in the Institute, and we are grateful for those helping and supplying goods.

THE FIRST FELLOWSHIP MEETING OF THE YEAR will be on Wednesday the 23rd of February at 10.00 a.m. in the Church Hall. This will be a Tea/Coffee and Chat morning, when we will be looking at the Program for the year. These meetings are held on the 4th Wednesday of every month, and are open to both men and women. There will be some very interesting Guest Speakers during the year, and YOU ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND ALL OR ANY OF THESE MEETINGS.

WISHING YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY, SAFE, AND BLESSED NEW YEAR.

ENQUIRIES about any of the above can be addressed to Sybil Winsor on 8280 7038.

STOP PRESS: A BIG THANK YOU to the Progress Association and Playford Council from all of us at the One Tree Hill Uniting Church for organizing such a SPLENDID MORNING for THE TOUR DOWN UNDER. It was really MAGNIFICENT.

The Good Eggshell

We are often asked at the fodder shop for advice regarding poor quality eggs and in particular egg shells. Like most things in life there is usually more than one possible factor that can cause problems and so it is with the quality of eggs so I thought that we might look at what things can be done to give your chooks every chance of getting it right.

The egg shell is made of calcium carbonate (approximately 94%) and you need to ensure that your birds are able to replace what is used every time they produce an egg. If they can't, you will start seeing problems such as thin translucent shells or even eggs without shells. You can provide calcium supplements to your birds in many ways. Some people give shell grit, limestone grit or even recycled egg shells that have been crushed but if you want the efficiencies of recycling the egg shells make sure that you wash them very well first before finely crushing them. *You do not want to introduce the bad habit of egg eating to your bird.*

On hot days you will notice that your birds pant like a dog, if the conditions become intense, your birds might begin to stress and if they do, it is likely that they will naturally lose carbonate from their system. One trick to getting more carbonate into your birds in such conditions is to provide them with carbonated water to drink. So if you think that your eggshells are not up to their usual quality during hot spells, this might be worthy of a try. Vitamin D is extremely important for good egg production so ensure that your birds are getting ample sunlight during the day.

There are many good quality chicken feeds available and most try to cater for the production of sound eggshells. Once you find something that works for you and your birds try to stick with it as generally the hens do not perform well with extreme changes to their diet. In some instances dietary changes have been known to bring on diarrhoea so many people suggest small changes over a longer period of time.

You may have wondered why large eggs often tend to break easier than small eggs. The reason is that a hen is only capable of introducing a small amount of calcium to the shell each time it produces an egg. As the bird gets older the eggs tend to get larger but the hen still has only the same amount of calcium to place into the eggshell as when its eggs were smaller.

Please try to remember to not expect too much from your hens during hot spells as heat affects them just the same as it affects us and they tend to eat less which has an adverse effect to their egg production.

This article has been submitted by your local OTH Fodder Store. Each month the Fodder Store will write on care of animals and birds, this will be especially useful to the newcomers to One Tree Hill. It may even come in handy for some of us oldies that don't know it all, we are never too old to learn!



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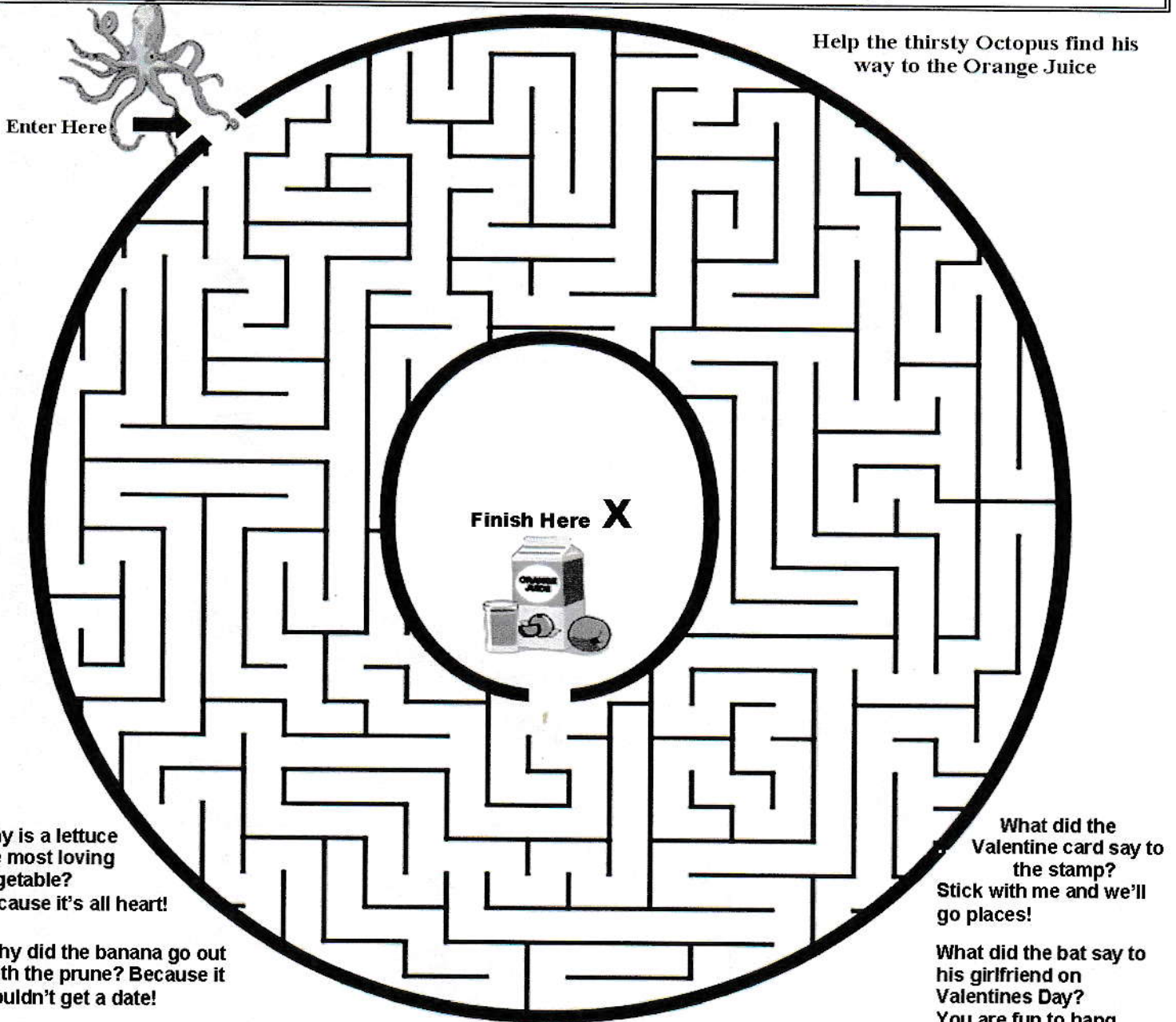
The editorial team of the Grapevine have decided to dedicate a whole page for the kids of One Tree Hill and the surrounding areas. We would love some ideas of what you would like so please contact the Grapevine by email: oth.grapevine@bigpond.com or leave your written ideas at the General Store. Well it's that time of the year again when you will be returning to school again or perhaps it will be your 1st year at school! Following are some tips to keep you safe if you travel by bus to school.

ON THE WAY TO THE BUS OR SCHOOL

- Stay off the roads, use footpaths if you can or walk as close to the edge of the road if no footpath.
- When crossing roads, cross only on corners, remember to look right, then left, then right again.
- Always wait until the road is clear before crossing.
- Walk with schoolmates whenever possible.
- **BE ALERT, AVOID DANGER AND ARRIVE SAFELY.**

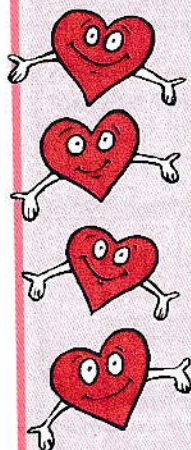
BE SAFE AT THE BUS STOP

- * Pushing and shoving can cause accidents.
- * Don't approach the bus until it has come to a complete stop.
- * Be careful when approaching the bus.
- * Always cross in front of the bus at the driver's direction; NEVER walk behind the bus!
- * Enter and leave the bus in single file.
- * Always obey school bus rules.
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- * Step away from the bus after getting off
- * If you follow all of the rules it may prevent an accident.



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| Knock knock! | Who's there? | |
| Frank! | Frank who? | Frank you for being my friend! |
| Knock knock! | Who's there? | |
| Howard! | Howard who? | Howard you like a big kiss? |
| Knock, knock! | Who's there? | |
| Pooch! | Pooch who? | Pooch your arms around me baby! |

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on my daughter's lap in the front seat of the car very relaxed
with her chin resting on the open window ledge.
All of a sudden she sat up wagging her tail profusely and gave
out a little whimper. We both looked over thinking she had
seen a bird as she is a gundog but instead we noticed a bus
driver leaning over the steering wheel of the bus looking very
bored and yawning, he glanced over to look at Lucy and
noticed that she was looking back at him with her tail wagging
and almost smiling herself. All of a sudden this bus driver had
the biggest smile on his face and couldn't take his eyes off her;
they continued to exchange smiles and profuse tail wagging
until the lights changed. Even at that time Lucy was hanging
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"Increase in Ross River Virus and Barmah Forest Virus". The Communicable Disease Control Branch has identified a recent increase in notifications of Ross River virus and Barmah Forest virus infections. These cases have been reported from a number of locations in SA with particularly high numbers in the Riverland and Murray Mallee. The increase in cases corresponds to an increase in the number of mosquito vectors and favourable breeding conditions resulting from above average rainfall in SA last year, along with high inflow to the Murray River from the number of large rainfall events in the Murray Darling basin.

- Both infections are spread by mosquitoes from infected animals (most commonly kangaroos and wallabies) to humans. The usual incubation period is between 1 to 2 weeks (range 3 days to 3 weeks).
- The severity of symptoms increases with age. Symptomatic disease uncommon in children.
- Common symptoms include arthralgias (joint pain), fevers, fatigue, headache, myalgias (muscle pain) and a maculopapular rash (a flat, red area on the skin that is covered with small raised bumps).
- At this time of the year many people are on holidays so their place of exposure may be a holiday location or when visiting friends or relatives.
- **Control and prevention:** Prompt and accurate notification including place of exposure is important to assist SA Health and the Local Government to undertake targeted mosquito control measures where appropriate. However not all mosquito breeding areas can be eliminated, so it is important that people are reminded to take measures to protect themselves and their families against mosquito bites, and ensure that water does not collect in gutters, containers or other breeding sites.

Thank you to a local GP for forwarding this and the article on page 17 to The Grapevine in the interest of community health.



Pictured above are the winning entries.

Congratulations to our winners of the Christmas Colouring Competition.

The Grapevine was thrilled to receive so many great entries. Well done to all who sent in their entries. The task of judging the winners was a difficult one and we commend you all for the effort put in. Special thank you, goes to **Office Works, Elizabeth**, who sponsored this competition, especially **Kiri** who put the prizes together for us. All of the prizes awarded were kindly donated by Office Works.

The winners were:

Outstanding achievement—Brandon

Under 8

1st Prize: Chelsea
2nd Prize: Breeanah
3rd Prize: Jasmine

Over 8

1st Prize: Janna
2nd Prize: Joanna
3rd Prize: Emily

Encouragement Awards to Brayden, Abigail and Taylor.

Congratulations once again to all of our winners. We will be bringing you another colouring competition for Easter so sharpen your pencils or crayons.

Wanted: The editorial team are always looking for new members to help gather stories and to proof read the Grapevine each month. If you have some spare time on your hands and enjoy communicating with people then why not give us a call or drop us an email. New email address is oth.grapevine@bigpond.com and the phone number is 8280 7095. We look forward to hearing from you.

Wherever man settles he needs to provide shelter and food for himself and his family; he uses whatever materials are available. Can we today visualise what this entailed?

Trees had to be felled, using pick, shovel and axes - no chainsaws were available! The timber cut to size and a rough shelter erected immediately - no easy task. The land was prepared, using a single furrow plough, with manpower, womanpower, horse or ox - power; then with seed bag hung by straps from his shoulders, the farmer walked up and down the furrows broadcasting the seed which was cross harrowed or raked into the soil.

At harvest time, the crop was cut with a hand held scythe or sickle, very often by the womenfolk, then gathered into sheaves and tied together. The wheat was threshed with a flail (made of two pieces of wood joined together with a strip of leather), until all the grain was dislodged from the wheat heads. On a windy day the heap of grain was cleaned by throwing it up into the air using a large fork; the grain, being heavier would drop down while the chaff and straw, being lighter, blew away. The grain was bagged, sewn by hand - usually by the women and children - then carted to the nearest mill or, after 1857, to the railhead at Gawler. These bags held initially 4 bushels, which was later reduced to 3 bushels... (1 bushel equalled approximately 60lbs) no wonder bad backs and heart attacks were prevalent, as they were humped by manpower.

When many of the areas were opened up for agriculture, another problem emerged - the farmer ploughed over stumps, and when the harvest was complete, the whole area was burnt to kill off the young shoots, then the stumps grubbed. "Necessity being the mother of invention" brought the stump jump plough into being, thus one problem was solved. The Ridley stripper also lightened the pioneer farmers load.

In many areas such as One Tree Hill there was the problem of rocks in the fields, stone picking was a back breaking job, usually done by the daughters of the family; the stones piled into heaps and later used to build pigsties, barns, cowsheds, stables and even fences.

Many of the earlier homes were built using up the seemingly endless supply, as each ploughing brought more stones to the surface.

Successive droughts, rabbits and mice plagues such as that experienced in 1917 were to cause the farmer and grazier of later years more heartbreak.

Homes of the Early Settlers

The early settlers built their humble dwellings from whatever was available; usually 2 roomed structures of straight timber, rammed upright into the ground side by side, the gaps filled with a mixture of mud, grass or straw, the same mixture was used to plaster the walls inside and outside. The roof was thatched with straw, often tied down by wires slung across and weighted down with blocks of wood, then whitewashed. Stones were quarried, carted, crushed then burnt to provide mortar, plaster and whitewash. Floors were tamped earth, sometimes covered with lime or flat stones. A bake oven, in which bread was baked was built of stone at one end of the kitchen, although some were built separately away from the home. In the fireplace, there were no stoves, stood a "four-footer" - (a metal frame on 4 legs with metal bars across, on which stood a large cast iron fountain and camp oven). Stew pots were often hung from hooks embedded in the fireplace wall. Furniture was home made, thus only the bare essentials, a table, benches and beds, were provided. Mattresses made from hessian or calico, stuffed with straw and the cover made from calico filled with feathers constituted their bedding. As the family increased in numbers, more rooms were added.

Their homes were lit by candles, which they made themselves - what a luxury kerosene lamps must have been when they became available!

A well was usually sunk, as well as an underground, stone lined tank from which their water supply would be drawn, by the womenfolk. Prior to this, water was brought from the nearest creek or stream. A galvanized tank, even if it had been available, would have been useless - water could not run off a thatched roof!

Without refrigeration, a cellar was a necessity, built either beneath the home or close by.

Bathrooms, as we know them today, were non-existent - once a week, usually Saturday night, the huge tub, (in which the clothes were also scrubbed on washing day) would be hauled into the kitchen, filled with hot water, and starting with the cleanest, the weekly ablutions ensued. Upon completion, the water was poured onto the garden.

Under a rough shelter, often out in the open, the housewife scrubbed, by hand, the heavy clothing of the era; the washing hung on a 'prop line' - which often allowed the clothes to fall in the dirt, then the women would have to start the task again! Scrubbing boards, heavy ribbed glass in a wooden frame, then later hand pumped washing machines made the housewife's task a little easier. The following day the best clothes would be ironed, using a box iron (a container with a heavy iron base, filled with coals from the fire - small holes at the bottom of the sides let the air in) - these were reported to be very scary to use! Flat irons were also used, they came in a set of 3 with a detachable wooden handle which clipped onto the iron base which was heated on the stove.

More about the lives of our South Australian pioneer women in next issue of the Grapevine.

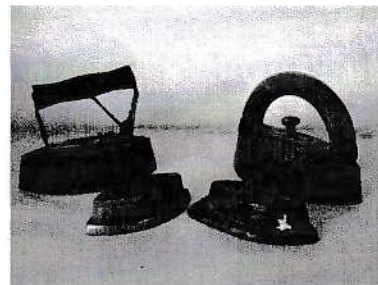
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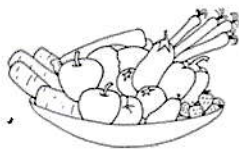


Left and Right: Farmers, working the land in the late 1800s and early 1900s.



Right: The old irons that were used. The story makes us all appreciate the conveniences we take for granted these days. How lucky we are today!





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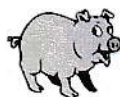
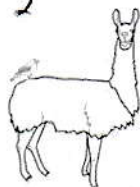
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Crime Report – ONE TREE HILL Rural Watch
Offences reported between 23/11/10 & 23/01/11
29th November 2010 - Theft - Cornishmans Hill Road, OTH - Cattle stolen from address.
12th December 2010 - Property Damage - One Tree Hill Primary - Graffiti to 5 school buildings.
13th December 2010 - Non Residential Serious Criminal Trespass/Property Damage - One Tree Hill Primary School, shed broken into, nothing stolen, damage caused to box of florescent lights.
15th December 2010 - Theft - Gawler One Tree Hill Road - Sheep stolen from the address,
20th December 2010 - Arson - Humbug Scrub Road, OTH - Stolen motor vehicle abandoned and burnt out.
22nd December 2010 - Property Damage - One Tree Hill Road, OTH - Bottle thrown at moving vehicle smashing windscreen.
23rd December 2010 - Theft - McGilp Road, OTH - Rocks thrown through shop window.

There were 2 incidents of theft of livestock over the reporting period, if you have any information please call Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000.

Vehicle fires have reduced over the last month; however vigilance is required as the weather gets hotter and drier. Operation NOMAD is in full swing and dedicated patrol will be in the area on significant fire danger days.

Look after your friends and family, report all smoke and fires as soon as possible, don't assume somebody else will. If in doubt call us out!



Horse Care for February

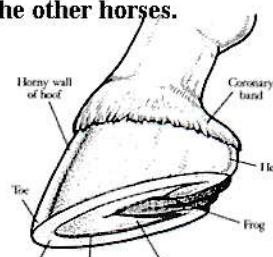


Hoof Care in Summer

Hot dry days dry the hoof. Oil at least every 2 days with a good hoof oil is recommended. I use oil as it soaks in better than grease. Now we want the horse to stand in a wet/damp spot for about 30 minutes each day, provided by having a dripper soaking the ground while you feed. Or have a bit of irrigated pasture that they can graze on for 30 minutes per day. The damp grass works well on the hooves and is good for their gut. Oils should be put on liberally around the coronet band with some onto the hoof wall, not on the sole. Shod hooves need oiling more often, at least once a day, as the shoe absorbs heat from the ground and dries the hoof. Keep the trimming up or the long toe will break off and cause further damage.

Pony's feet may not need as much care as horse's feet. Thoroughbreds in particular often have poor feet which chip easily.

I unashamedly recommend *Worlds Best Hoof Oil* after a test on my 4 horses. The one with *Worlds Best* easily had the best feet after 6 weeks of use, when compared with another leading brand used on the other horses.



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The One Tree Hill Scout group hall is located behind the Tennis courts. The OTH Scouts have had many activities such as an 'off the ground camp'. On this camp, the Scouts made two wooden platforms so that they could sleep on it for the night (in a tent). Just recently, there was a family camp at the 'Gladstone Gaol'. Everybody enjoyed themselves!

The One Tree Hill Scout group has four levels of Scouting. Joeys (6-8year olds), Cubs (8-10 year olds), Scouts (10-15year olds) and Venturers (15-19 year olds).

At the present there are approximately 20 Scouts. Joeys meet on Thursday nights from 6.30 until 7.30pm.

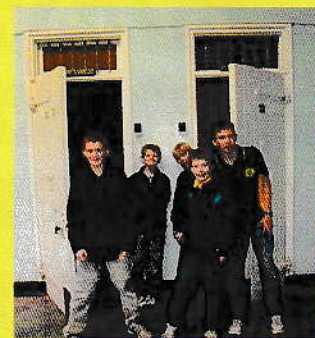
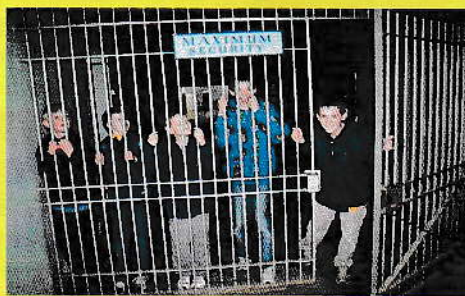
Cubs meet on Monday nights from 7.00 until 8.30pm. The Scouts and Venturers meet every Friday night from 7.00 until 9.00pm.

Scouts are suitable for both boys and girls!

On Behalf of the One Tree Hill Scouts, we would like to thank everyone who bought a tub of 'Gourmet Cookie Dough'. The money that is raised will go towards finishing our new Scout Hall.

SO COME ON BOYS AND GIRLS, DO IT ALL AT SCOUTS!

Below: Photos taken at the Gladstone Gaol



For further information please go to our website at :

www.onetreehill.sa.scouts.com.au
Photos of are of the Gladstone Gaol camp.

Many thanks to Laura for supplying information to the Grapevine.

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LEGIONNAIRES' DISEASE ALERT TO TRAVELLERS FROM BALI

Australia's Chief Medical Officer, Professor Jim Bishop, has issued an alert to travelers in Bali or who have recently returned, who experience 'flu-like symptoms such as fever and cough to consult their GPs or hospital emergency departments.

"It is important that patients advise their doctor or hospital of their recent travel to Bali", Professor Bishop said.

"Over recent months, Australian health authorities have been made aware of 11 cases of Legionnaires' disease detected in Victorian and Western Australian residents returning from holidays in the Kuta area of Bali between August 2010 and January 2011.

Professor Bishop said Indonesian health authorities and the World Health Organization (WHO) are aware of the problem and are investigating. They have taken water samples from possible sources of outbreak for testing and have advised on appropriate disinfection and cleaning of water supply systems at the hotel and buildings in the vicinity. A number of those who contracted the disease stayed in the same hotel in Kuta (The Ramayana Resort and Spa) and most had visited the same local shopping centre.

The Australian Government Department of Health and Aging is working with State and Territory health departments to ensure that health professionals are alert to the potential risk of contracting the disease from travel to Bali.

"There are specific antibiotics available to treat the disease. The time between a person's exposure to the bacteria and becoming sick is usually between two to ten days," Professor Bishop said.

"People most at risk of Legionnaires' disease are those over 50 years of age, smokers, and anyone whose immune system is suppressed by medication or diseases such as cancer, kidney failure or diabetes. These people may experience more severe disease".

Facts about Legionnaires' disease

Legionnaires' disease may cause fever, chills, a cough and shortness of breath. Some people also have muscle aches, headache, tiredness, loss of appetite and diarrhea. Legionnaires' disease is not spread from person to person.

The legion Ella bacteria occurs naturally in the environment, mainly in water and soil. It is normally in very low concentrations but can increase markedly, particularly in man made aquatic environments with warm recirculation water, such as air conditioning cooling towers.

Legionnaires' Disease is acquired through breathing in very fine droplets of water which contain the bacteria, such as spray drifts which are vented from cooling towers. Whirlpool spas and warm water systems can also lead to the illness.

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Couple are currently renting and are ready to buy in the hills. Wanting small acreage in One Tree Hill, Humbug Scrub, Kersbrook and can pay \$500,000.

Interstate people are looking to move back to Adelaide to re-join their family. They are horse people so would like some horse friendly land at least 10 acres. Can pay to around \$700,000. Good size house would be a bonus. Would love One Tree Hill area.

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Media Release: Nick Champion our Federal Member for Wakefield

Federal Member for Wakefield, Nick Champion is encouraging parents to keep the receipts from their kids back to school shopping to claim the Education Tax Refund.

The Education tax refund provides up to 50% back on a range of children's education expenses. Mr Champion said the Education Tax refund is about helping parents with the costs of educating their kids. "Buying back to school supplies can be expensive for parents so that is why the Australian Government introduced the Education Tax Refund to help take pressure off the family budget.

For the 2010-2011 tax year refunds may be as much as \$397 for every child at primary school, and up to \$794 for every child at secondary school. The amount of the refund increases each year by the Consumer Price Index.

Items eligible for the Education Tax Refund include school textbooks and other printed learning materials, home computers and laptops, home internet connections and computer software for education use.

"Parents should visit www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au to check if they are eligible to receive the Education Tax Refund and view a complete list of items they can claim" Mr Champion said.



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Community Notice Board

Do you have an upcoming Community event or a special announcement that you would like printed on this page? Keep notices as brief as possible please. Email or call with your details. Email: oth.grapevine@bigpond.com Phone: 8280 7095 Please note deadline date on the front cover for each edition.



Congratulations to Bill and Alison Sims who were married at Vardon Memorial Congregational Church, Kings Park, on the 21st January 1961.

Bill and Alison lived at Fulham for a few years until Bill's work took him to Smithfield Plains High School in 1974.

After visiting One Tree Hill, they decided that the air was clean and fresh and a great place for the children to grow up. They quit city life and suburbia and moved to One Tree Hill in 1975 with their children Alexander, David and Natalie.

Bill and Alison celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary and 35 years of living at One Tree Hill, with family and friends on 22nd January 2011.



Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary
Bill and Alison



Public Notice

A Special General Meeting will be held immediately following the General Meeting on Thursday 10th March at 7.30pm. Due to the Institute being unavailable, both these meetings will be held at the Blacksmith's Inn in the conference room at the rear of the restaurant. Members can enjoy a meal before the meetings if they wish, dinner will commence at 6.30pm.

All Welcome

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One Tree Hill Community Lunch



Our annual get together of those who were in the One Tree Hill area from the 60s till the 80s will be held again at the

One Tree Hill Blacksmith's Inn
Friday 25th February at noon

This event includes anyone who was involved in the township not only those who were school mums. It is a great chance for many to catch up with old friends who you may not get to see during the year or may have moved out of the district. Our previous gatherings have been great fun and this is the reason it has been made an ongoing event, so come and enjoy some reminiscing and laughs.

The meal is going to be 2 courses, main is a choice of 3 different meals and desert with a choice of 2. The cost is \$21 per head.

We will need the numbers for the day as soon as possible..

Contact Kay Ellis on 8280 7186 or 0412 696 380

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Spread the word, as many do not receive the Grapevine and we do not want them to miss out on this get together

ALL WELCOME!

Found:

Computer USB Hard Disc Drive on the side of Toolunga Road in October 2010.

Contains photos and home movies which may be of sentimental value to the owner.

A mum, Natalie and children Georgia and Jesse are mentioned in the folders. If anyone knows this family and can let them know I have the drive, I would be happy to return it. Keith ph.8280 7430

Next Country Market

Saturday 5th Feb
(9am-2pm Approx) at the
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NEXT PROGRESS MEETING - Thursday February 10th at 7.30pm.

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