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From the Editor...

Hello everyone, welcome to the October grapevine. Can you believe its October already?

Check out page 9 for the winners of the colouring competition! Hope all the dads and special people had a great day.

The end of October sees Halloween and One Tree Hill has a special night planned - see page 5 for more info! - Can't wait to see the photos!

Have a great October and as always feel free to send in pics, articles or community announcements to pop in the Grapevine for November!

Kelly Fischer - Grapevine Manager



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ONE TREE HILL PROGRESS ASSOCIATION - PRESIDENT'S REPORT

At our September Progress Association meeting we unveiled our new signs. These replace the current signage in front of the Institute and on the corner of Precolumb Rd and Black Top Rd. Thank you to Gillian and Graham, these signs look great and will be a welcome addition to our township.

We are still looking into a Neighbourhood watch program for One Tree Hill and encourage you to reach out to us if this is something you are interested in being involved with. Community safety is important so the more people connected and communicating about these issues the better.



Finally the McGilp Oval upgrade is currently in second stage design we will be sure to keep you updated as we know more.

As always, stay connected through the Grapevine and our socials and you can reach out to us via email, website or coming along to our monthly meetings.

Tabatha Pettigrew

OTH Progress Association - MEETING

**THURSDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2023 @ 7:00PM FOR 7:30PM START
ONE TREE HILL INSTITUTE, BLACK TOP RD**

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PLAYFORD COUNCIL - LOCAL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Dear Fellow Ratepayers and Residents,

The City of Playford is now rolling out its Food Organics Green Organics (FOGO) green bin service and it is free of charge to all rateable properties that do not currently have one. To obtain the FREE bin (option of 140L or 240L), residents are required to agree to the FOGO pledge which is a commitment to use the bin solely for discarding of compostable waste, and an understanding that failure to do so may result in their FOGO bin service being cancelled.

The roll out is planned over several years and I encourage interested residents to register ASAP. Registrations via NAWMA on 82592100 or through the online form www.nawmasa.sa.gov.au

The Fremont Park upgrade (Stage 3) has recently been completed. The Eastern end of the park now featuring an extended event space, 2 brand new dog parks (large and small), a new carpark and toilet block, relocated and new rotunda, an extended walking loop path, plus native garden and vegetation. The City of Playford is looking forward to celebrating the new space with a Community Fun Day Activation Event with a range of free activities for our community to enjoy and celebrate the opening. Come along and join the celebrations, Saturday the 7th October 2023 from 11am to 3pm, Fremont Park – Eastern end Corner Yorktown and Ifould Roads, Elizabeth.

The Verge Mowing Program is behind schedule due to the later start to the season and resourcing. As a result, I have requested an updated Rural Roadside Mowing -Tractor Slashing Program. The Hillbank area is due to commence as I am completing this report on the 18th September to the 23rd September, One Tree Hill - 25th September to 30th September, Uleybury -3rd October to the 7th October and Yattalunga / Bibaringa - 9th October to 14th October. It is planned that the others areas of OTH (Sampson Flat, Humbug Scrub, Gould Creek) will be done in between the schedule listed above and completed by the 14th October.

The application for the One Tree Hill School bus service has a few hurdles to manage, there is more involved than anticipated. Thank you again to Kystal, Principal of the OTH Primary School for keeping me updated, the work to date and the further consideration of the bus service.

I am planning a meeting with interested local residents at the **Uley Cemetery, Uley Road, Uleybury on Saturday the 14th October at 10am**. The Chapel was built by Moses Bendle Garlick in 1851 and the cemetery holds significant history with some of our earliest settled names. I'd like to hear your thoughts and ideas on respectfully improving the cemetery. Hopefully see you there.

I will continue to be at the One Tree Hill Market on the first Saturday of every month (excluding January) to engage and discuss local matters. You'll find me at the community table inside the hall from 9:30 to 11:30 am, hopefully see you then.

Keep safe and kind regards,



Cr David Kerrison - City of Playford

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Cr David Kerrison / Phone: 0478283879 / Email: crdkerrison@playford.sa.gov.au



Tuesday 31st
October
FROM 6:00PM



Halloween Trick or Treating has become a big event for the kids of One Tree Hill (and surrounding areas). Each year it is something that the children love and look forward to.

For several years now I have been organising trick or treating, however, this year due to business commitments, I will not have the time to canvas the area to add homes to the map for kids to visit. I am asking the residents of One Tree Hill, to once again generously open up their homes to kids visiting. If residents are prepared for kids to knock on their door, it would be fantastic if you could put a decoration in your front yard. Also if you could contact me I can add your home to the map. If anyone has time to canvass the area, or even a few homes around your own, let me know and I can give you the info to hand out.

If you are happy to register your home as one that the kids can visit, or can help me out, please contact Tanya on 0414 828 981.

For children wanting to go trick or treating, meet in the Institute Playground at 6pm.

Thanks in advance and we look forward to the wonderful costumes and fun of Halloween!



ONE TREE HILL UNITING CHURCH

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE
10.00 AM

The children's church program - "Jesus and Me" (JAM) is held during the school term each Sunday morning at 10.00 am whilst the Service is being held. All children are very welcome.

Enquiries:
Maureen - 8280 7368

MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

Held on the 4th Wednesday morning, every 2nd month.
Next meeting 22nd November, 10.00 am
Everyone Welcome

BIBLE STUDY/FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Held on the first Thursday of the month
at 1.00 pm.

WEDDINGS, BAPTISMS & FUNERAL

The church is available for any of the above Services. If you would like further information, please phone the church on – **8280 7951**

RED BIRD OP SHOP

Opening hours 9.30 am–4pm, Monday - Friday.
Address - 4 Hilcott Street, Rosewood Village,
Elizabeth North.

Donations of second hand clothing are always appreciated, and can be dropped off at the shop.

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CFS REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2023



Since the last report, One Tree Hill CFS has responded to 5 callouts. The first on 16th August was to assist the SA Ambulance service with lifting and retrieving a patient who had fallen off a motorbike in boggy ground. On the 25th we responded to a vehicle on fire near the top of Williams Rd outside the entrance to the SA Water treatment plant. On the 4th September, our Bulk Water Carrier (BWC) was responded to assist the MFS with our specialized foam capability at a large structure fire at Alberton, however ultimately wasn't required and returned to station after a short visit. The crew managed to snap a great photo though! Vehicle accidents are something we regularly respond to and to round out the callouts we responded to a 2 car accident on the 5th September on the corner of Yorktown Road and Blacktop Road, fortunately there were no serious injuries, and then on the 12th another accident near Riggs Road near Gawler. One Tree Hill's response area extends all the way to Riggs Road, and in the southerly direction to the bridge on "Snake Gully" Road just to give you an idea of the large area we cover, not to mention all the way down to the edge of Craigmore/Hillbank.

1st September our new position holders commenced in their roles, I did forget to pass on the brigade's thanks last month to Alex Thomson our previous Captain for "steering the ship" over the last 2 years, Alex did a great job. Alex is also a volunteer trainer with CFS and attends other brigades and the State Training Centre in Brukunga to assist with running training courses, so he might have a bit more time for that now!

With the warmer weather starting up, crews are training hard preparing for the coming fire season, and we hope that residents are doing the same, by cleaning up their properties and making sure they have a Bushfire Survival Plan. If you don't have a plan, jump on to the CFS website for some tips. *There will be an information session*



coming up along side the November OTH Market for local Farm Fire-Fighting Units (FFUs) (refer advertisement on page 7) Cleaning up your property should also include making sure roads and tracks within your property have sufficient clearance for our trucks, if your entrance to your property can only just accommodate your car, then we won't have much hope in the truck.

Article: Ian Fordham

If our trucks won't fit,
we won't go in.

CFS fire trucks require a minimum:

- 3.5m width
- 3.5m height
- wide turning clearances
- large turning entrances
- bridges and pipes rated to 15 tonne weight loadings

Summer's almost here.
Be Bushfire Ready.
Make room for us now.



For general information
please contact OTH Duty

Phone on 8280 7055.

You can also visit the

CFS website at

<http://www.cfs.sa.gov.au>

or phone 1300 362 361.

ONE TREE HILL RURAL WATCH - CRIME REPORT

OFFENCES REPORTED BETWEEN 15/8/23 AND 15/9/23

Between 19 and 26 August

Illegal Dumping

Shillabeer Road SAMPSON FLAT

Large amount of used vehicle tyres dumped on public and two private properties. Further tyres dumped on Gawler One Tree Hill Road.

25 August

Arson

Williams Road GOULD CREEK

Vehicle stolen from Salisbury North and located on fire at Gould Creek.

29 August

Theft and Property Damage

Wilson Road GOULD CREEK

Shipping containers located on property forced open and various tools and equipment stolen.

SAPOL/SAAS and CFS have attended numerous vehicle accidents within the One Tree Hill area over the last month. The number of collisions is abnormally high and this may be due to weather conditions and/or driver inattention. The current road toll for South Australia is 1/3rd higher at this time of the year compared to the same time last year. Please drive to the weather conditions and in the absence of any blue tooth connection for your mobile phone – ignore the call/text until you come to a complete stop in a safe location. One poor decision can cause immense ongoing impact to many people.

As always if you have any information to assist with any crime issues in the area please call Police Communications on 131444 or the undersigned.

Darren McCue - Senior Sergeant First Class

Elizabeth Police Station



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ONE TREE HILL CFS FARM FIRE UNIT DAY



REGISTRATION & INFORMATION

**Station open from
9am-12pm**

**FFU Info session
at 10:30am**

Free Morning Tea

*Contact
OTH Duty Officer
for more information
0408 082 118*

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 4
ONE TREE HILL CFS STATION**



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WHAT'S FLOWERING IN MY GARDEN

Heather Fischer, Humbug Scrub

Spring has sprung! We've had a few days of light rain followed by days of sunshine with warm days and cool nights. The weeds are on the move sending up their stems of seeds. It sure is time to tackle the weeds and stay on top of the unwelcome weeds. The garden is a magnificent sight with many Philothecas, Melaleucas, Chamalauciums, Thryptomenes and many others all providing a wonderful display of flowers. So much to see and enjoy.

Calytrix tetragona is currently flowering profusely and being a locally growing plant, it can be seen at Para Wirra National Park and along our roadside verges. It grows up to 80cms high and approximately 60cms wide. Bearing pale pink flowers that cover the many branchlets that are held along many stems, many pollinators and honey bees are attracted to the lightly perfumed flowers that produce pink pollen.

Occasionally you may see a patch of darker pink flowering Calytrix tetragona plants. One variety which

is propagated commercially and available from good nurseries has rich pink flowers. This variety with it's very bright hot pink flowers, really stands out in the garden bed and is a great plant to fill in space between other plants. All flowers of Calytrix tetragona bear small pointed pink buds which open up to reveal beautiful five petalled star shaped flowers. This plant produces most interesting seeds that sometimes are held along the branchlets creating much colour after flowering has finished. This plant responds well to annual pruning and the cut prunings can be used to propagate new plants. Calytrix tetragona whether it has pale pink, mid pink or rich pink flowers is a very welcome addition to a garden of native plants.

Calytrix tetragona,

Just beautiful.



BIRDS IN MY BACKYARD

Julie Buttery, Humbug Scrub

It's duck drowning season, and I think it is time I mentioned the water birds that frequent our dam.



"Duck drowning season?" Yes, that is our expression for the flapping and squawking that goes along with mating. I am not sure which species is responsible for all the noise but I suspect it is the Pacific Black Duck (PBD).

Anas superciliosa is a duck with a very wide range across most of Australia and into SE Asia. Unfortunately it is also close enough genetically to other *Anas* species to interbreed with them and the PBD is in danger of being bred out with many hybrids occurring throughout Australia. PLEASE do not release your Mallard ducks into the wild as they will dominate the PBD and cross breed them out of existence.

When describing bird plumage, the supercilium is the stripe from beak to back of head, immediately above the eye. In the PBD this is particularly noticeable. Indeed, PBD has 3 stripes: white above the eye, black through the eye and white below the eye. No wonder it got the species identifier *superciliosa*. I think it makes the duck look supercilious. (according to my dictionary "disdainful, haughty, lordly").

The PBD tends to look a freckled brown or black but it has vivid green feathers along the edge of its wings that flash in the sun if it flies or stretches its wings out.

If they feel threatened they will dive, to reappear some distance from where they went under. One of our first dogs almost drowned by trying to catch a duck, swimming to exhaustion while chasing the disappearing duck. We eventually managed to catch said dog, who was told in no uncertain terms to "Leave the Ducks alone!" Unfortunately we have not been able to convince the local foxes or feral cats. Every year we watch as a clutch of 12 or more ducklings are slowly whittled down to 3 or 4. We have cut a channel along one side of the dam, creating an island, where they have some sanctuary in tall grasses.

The male has a black head while the female is dark brown, but it is hard to pick at a distance. Both parents are attentive to the young.

With a wing length of about 250 mm and body weight of around 1 kg, it is one of the larger ducks. They are filter feeders, dabbling along the bottom of the pond.



GRAPEVINE FATHERS DAY

COLORING COMPETITION

CONGRATULATIONS

JAMES AND NICOLA



Other entries shown are just amazing, I love seeing all the coloring skills you all have!



MESSAGE: _____
FROM: Claire



MESSAGE: _____
FROM: Lehny



MESSAGE: _____
FROM: Ella



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MENTAL HEALTH - PREPARING OUR KIDS FOR THE PATHWAY OF LIFE

One of the recurrent themes I hear in my practice goes something like this...

'Mum and Dad were never much good when it came to me trying to make sense of my feelings ... they just weren't good with the emotional stuff. Now I'm older I'm having life experiences and emotions that I struggle to make sense of, so I shut down. I just want to run away ...'

One of *the* most important roles we have as parents and caregivers is to support our children in understanding their feelings. Children are not born with emotional regulation skills – these skills are taught – and so as caregivers, we are in the pole position to do the teaching and to help our kids navigate this space.

That doesn't mean we need to be experts or use fancy words; we simply need to take notice and acknowledge what's happening for our child, and to think about ways forward. Together, those simple actions will give our kids a head start at recognising and regulating their emotions.

If our kids don't have someone to help them validate their emotions – that is, to give the things they are feeling a name – they can feel awkward and confused. If it happens over and over, or if they are left to deal with loneliness, grief or anger on their own, it can become a real challenge for them. Over time, this can lead to more confusion, unsettled friendships, inappropriate reactions to events, depression or anxiety.

As a caregiver, it's often tempting – and very easy – to jump into solution mode. We feel the need to tell our kids to 'move on... they don't deserve it... find different friends'. Or we simply tell them not to be 'silly'.

While this may offer an easy way out at the time, it doesn't equip our kids with the life skills they need to manage future encounters.

It would be better if we were to acknowledge and *name* what is going on for them before we moved on to solutions. This could be as simple as saying, 'You seem to be feeling a bit sad' or 'I can hear this is making you feel lonely or left out'.

After we've acknowledged their feelings and let them sit with those feelings for a bit, we can chat about the im-

pact those feelings are having on them and how they might keep moving forward. This style of parenting is really effective at building resilience in kids.

There is a lot to be said for preparing our children for the pathway of life, rather than preparing the pathway for them!

Recently, I had a parent contact me to support their 16-year-old son. The parents said he was losing sight of his capability, spending too much time gaming and on his phone, and wasn't very clear about the kind of job he wanted. The parent despaired that he had always been a straight A student and was now getting B's.

After a couple of sessions, I got to know him and his perspective. I heard a very clear message. All he wanted from Mum and Dad was love and support. He felt as though they didn't listen to him and had no understanding of the emotional pressures in his head. He wanted to do well at school; he wanted to talk to girls; and he wanted to contribute at home by doing his chores.

But his head was spinning, and he didn't feel as though he had anyone he could talk to about what he was feeling or any way he could clear his head.

The support I provided was centred on coaching him to develop his emotional regulation skills. He needed to recognise the range and depth of emotions he was experiencing and learn mental and physical strategies to employ when these emotions kick in! A key part of this was recognising the opportunity to communicate better with his parents

Making sense of emotions and feelings is a skill set I can teach, but giving our kids a head start on understanding emotions during childhood would help so much.

Please feel encouraged to *just talk to your kids as much as they will allow*. You might be amazed at what a little acknowledgement and old-fashioned brainstorming can do.



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You're Invited... To Hop Into Adventure!



Are you 5, 6 or 7 years old?

One Tree Hill Joeys have vacancies now!
We invite you to Come & Try Joey Scouts
FOR 3 FREE VISITS

Come along and find out what
Scouting is all about.

When: Wednesdays 6:15 – 7:30pm

**Where: One Tree Hill Scout Hall
McGill Road (behind the tennis courts)**

We hope to see you there!!



Joey Scouts are boys and girls aged 5, 6 and 7 years old who like having fun and making friends.

The Joeys Scout theme is HOP – Help Other People! You will learn to jump in and HOP, and to share with your friends.

We hope you can come along and join in the fun! If you have a great time and want to come back again, we welcome you for 2 more free visits to try out more Joey adventures.

When you join Joeys you will be part of a Unit. You will play games together, sing songs, share adventures, make food and create works of art. You'll find out about nature and learn about native birds and animals. You might go on a scavenger hunt, go camping, bushwalking, or rock climbing!

When you join in different activities and learn new things, you and your mates in the Unit can earn special badges to sew onto your Joey Scout shirt and blanket.

For more info please RSVP to Annette 'Rainbow Lorikeet' 0412 190 965 / jordhamnetty@gmail.com

Adventure Friends Nature Fun



ONE TREE HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL SUSTAINABILITY GROUP TAKES THE LEAD

Students at One Tree Hill Primary School have been working on their sustainability actions. A group of year five leaders have been planning practical actions we can take around the school to make it a better place and look after our environment.



One important action is to reduce the amount of waste that is going to landfill, led by a group called the Waste Warriors. We are currently developing our composting and making a worm farm to help with organic waste.

Our three Waste Warriors, Ayla, Sienna and Indi (pictured below) have recently represented the school at the Sustainability Leaders Forum run by Green Adelaide. They had the opportunity to talk about our plans, and meet like-minded students from other schools.

We are excited about continuing our work on waste!

KOALA RESCUE NEWS Bronwyn Wilton



Koala wants a wife



REMEMBER: Do not pick up a sick koala, it can still inflict serious injuries with its teeth and claws. If you see an injured, sick or orphaned koala please ring our free 24/7 hotline on 0474 737 283

BOYS ON THE MOVE AGAIN

Koala wants a wife highlights that it's that time of the year once again. Koalas especially males are more active during this time.

What we can do to help try and keep everyone safe during this time is very important.

Drivers need to be aware on roads, make sure there is a safe passage for the Koalas to move through your yard by keeping dogs in at night.

Please be aware it's not just male's that could be crossing roads and moving through back yards. In most cases females are not looking for a "boyfriend" and could be trying to get away from the male.

A female with a Joey could be cornered by a male and with his persistence could end in the female and Joey being separated. If this happens sometimes intervention may be a course of action and removal of the male from area to get mum and Joey back together again.

During the breeding season the dominant male's move from tree to tree checking whether the females are ready to mate. This is also a very vulnerable time for them they may have to cross busy roads or yards to find a female.

In South Australia Koala breeding season is from September to February when you will hear the sweet serenades of a male looking for love.



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COUNTRY MARKET



• CRAFT • COOK • GROW • FRESH

SATURDAY
7TH OCTOBER

8:30AM—12:30PM

ENQUIRIES:

HEATHER 0457 107 817

MARKET@ONETREEHILL.ORG.AU

ONE TREE HILL PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

COUNTRY MARKET REPORT

The September Market was a great success with many visitors attending. Martyn attended his first ever market offering beautifully crafted wood turned items. Gail has returned from her overseas trip and has a very good range of papers and card for those who wish to create their own cards. Are you looking for a living gift for a birthday or Christmas? Neal is growing delightful succulent mini gardens all held within hand made pottery pots made by local potter Jan. There is so much variety at our local market.

Catch up with the locals as well as our Councillor, David Kerrison.

P.S. The Blacksmith Inn is open from 9.00am on market mornings.



One Tree Hill Country Market

ONE TREE HILL INSTITUTE HALL HIRE

The One Tree Hill Institute is a beautifully maintained building with two inter-joining large halls, a complete kitchen and bar area.

The hall has a new surround sound system, TV, microphone facilities, and heating and cooling.

Outside you will find a sheltered playground that leads to picturesque garden areas which are ideal for photos.

The One Tree Hill Institute is an ideal location for Weddings, Engagement Parties, Birthday Parties, Reunions and Meetings.

Why not come and have a look or check us out?

Ph: 0459 105 045

hall@onetreehill.org.au



Enquiries can now be made online at <https://onetreehill.org.au/index.php/hall>

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What's on in OCTOBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 WALK	2 WALK	3	4 WALK	5	6 WALK	7 OTH Market
8 WALK	9 WALK	10	11 WALK	12 Progress Association Meeting	13 WALK	14 Mount Pleasant FARMERS MARKET
15 WALK	16 WALK	17	18 WALK	19	20 WALK	21 Mount Pleasant FARMERS MARKET
22 WALK	23 WALK	24	25 WALK	26	27 WALK	28 Mount Pleasant FARMERS MARKET
29	30	31 TRICK OR TREAT				

1st - 15th October	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
Saturday 7th	OTH Country Market
Thursday 12th	OTH Progress Meeting
Sunday 15th	GRAPEVINE DEADLINE
Monday 16th	Back To School TERM 4
Tuesday 31st	OTH Halloween night

REGULAR COMMUNITY EVENTS

Mondays 9.30am-11.30am

OTH Playgroup



Saturdays 8.00am-12.00pm

Mt Pleasant Farmers Market



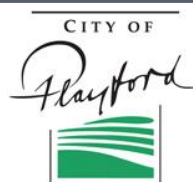
Mon, Wed, Fri & Sun 8.00am

The Walkie Talkies



Thurs/Fri

Which Bins go out



Mobile Library

Opposite Blacksmith's Inn
Black Top Rd, One Tree Hill

Alternate Fridays:
3:00pm—4:00pm
6th & 20th October



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ONE TREE HILL SCOUTS / FRIENDS OF PARA WIRRA



2023 WHACK A WEED DAY



On Saturday 19th August, 21 One Tree Hill Joeys, Cubs, Scouts with 5 Leaders and 8 family helpers joined Friends of Para Wirra again for the 2km trek to our Endangered Peppermint Box Woodland patch for another round against the invading boneseed. This activity was the final stage of a project funded by Green Adelaide: *"Eucalyptus odorata Woodland Protection in Para Wirra CP by Removal of Woody Weed Threats"*.

We were able to celebrate the success of last year's efforts, finding only scattered tiny boneseed where last year there were thickets filling in spaces under the Peppermint Box trees. Now we have opened up the ground for Painted button quail, Robins and other woodland birds to forage and sustain themselves.

After tidying up last year's patch we dealt with another dense area of about 0.5ha, clearing 2.5ha in total, adjoining further woodland areas cleared of boneseed by contractors. A remarkable effort topped off by scouts drilling and poisoning one big olive on the way out.

By the time we got back to the lake, the sausages were ready with tea and coffee supplied by Rangers and we all enjoyed a chat and well-earned lunch.

FOPW is really grateful for the support of the OTH Scouting community and the OTH Grapevine in this important work to look after our local and very special Conservation Park. Both groups have enjoyed weed whacking for several years now and there are plans for a different and interesting venue next year!

If you would like to help look after Para Wirra, our amazing local Conservation Park, please contact friendsofparawirra@gmail.com We meet for working bees at the Para Wirra office at 9.00am on the first Thursday and third Saturday of the month.

If you would like to find out more about getting involved in scouting to help support our community and the environment by taking part in opportunities such as Whack A Weed, please contact Group Leader Mike Branson on 0430 422 895 or onetreehill@sa.scouts.com.au

Thank you to Darren Williams for the excellent photos



ONE TREE HILL JOEY SCOUTS went to Climbing World at Funtopia Prospect to try out the interactive climbing walls.

The Self Belay system and self-descending features make climbing safe and fun for young Joey Scouts and new climbers.

Joeys scouts had lots of fun and challenged themselves to climb higher and faster.

We saw many brave and proud moments as they tried new things and found new confidence.

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Weeds to watch

This spring, several declared weeds are spreading and emerging into areas not seen before. You can help stop the spread.



Cape tulip one-leaf (*Moraea flaccida*) and two-leaf (*Moraea miniata*) are highly invasive and toxic 'bulb' weeds of native vegetation and pastures with new observations of plants in paddocks in the One Tree Hill district. *Needs to be controlled.*



Coolatai grass (*Hyparrhenia hirta*) is a highly invasive, large tussock grass weed of pastures, native grasslands and grassy woodlands that has established in some zones of the foothills. More recently young plants have been popping up further into the One Tree Hill area. *Needs to be controlled.*



Gazania (*Gazania* spp.) is an escaped garden plant and a highly invasive weed of roadsides and coastal dunes. Well established in One Tree Hill town centre garden beds and verges, this weed is on the move along hills roadsides and into areas of remnant native vegetation. *Needs to be kept contained to gardens.*

Weed control

Select the appropriate method and herbicide for your situation. What may suit pasture control may not suit control in areas of native vegetation. If using herbicide always read the label to ensure it is suitable for its intended purpose and can be used safely. Care should be taken to avoid native and desirable plants and always check plant identification as some native species may look very similar.

Learn more

For advice on chemical options please refer to *Controlling declared weeds in SA* at: www.pir.sa.gov.au/biosecurity/weeds.

Observations of weeds can be entered into **iNaturalist**, an app which can assist with identification. www.inaturalist.org/

For more information on these weeds and control advice contact Monica Seiler on 8256 0411 or mseiler@playford.sa.gov.au



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- Create fire breaks.
- Prune tree limbs and branches which overhang your home.

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- Removal of bark, heavy mulch, wood piles and other flammable materials close to your home and shed.
- Regularly cleaning your gutters.

Going the extra mile

- Clearing vegetation further than 20 metres from your house for fire prevention with a permit from the CFS. (Native vegetation is protected by law, under the *Native Vegetation Act*, and permission is required to clear it on your property.)
- A swimming pool or additional water tank (of at least 5,000 litres) can act as an alternative water supply in a fire emergency.

If you're planning any mowing or alterations on roadsides, bear in mind that this requires permission from Council in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1999*. The City of Playford will conduct flammable undergrowth inspections prior to the fire danger season to ensure landowners comply with the *Fire and Emergency Services Act*.

For more information

Dave Watson, Fire Prevention Officer, City of Playford, on **8256 0333**

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