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Hello and welcome to the October Grapevine, only 3 months left in 2024!!

Are you planning your Christmas dinners yet?

By the time this reaches most of you we will be near the end of the school holidays getting ready to start Term 4.

This month has the beginning of Daylight Savings, the Labour Day public holiday and of course Halloween which One Tree Hill residents make memorable each and every year!

Be sure to check out page 14 & 15 for the article supplied by young Henry Brown of One Tree Hill. Read the introduction of the article and learn about the great things Henry is doing.

I hope that you enjoy this months magazine and as always, feel free to send me any information on things that are happening locally to share.

Kelly Fischer - Grapevine Manager

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ONE TREE HILL PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Progress Association is dedicated to supporting our community, including our sporting clubs, local school, and local businesses. We're currently reviewing our communication channels to ensure they accurately reflect our vibrant community. Additionally, we're working on logistics for the Neighbourhood Watch and Community Disaster Resilience programs.

Exciting news: the redevelopment of McGilip Oval is underway! We're looking forward to the long-term benefits this project will bring, even though we know there may be some temporary inconveniences. We appreciate your patience as we navigate these changes together.

We've engaged in meaningful conversations with many community members and truly value your feedback. Staying informed and understanding what's happening in our community is essential. Remember, we're all in this together—let's continue to support one another.

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

Take Care ,

Tabatha Pettigrew — President One Tree Hill Progress Association Inc.

president@onetreehill.org.au



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PLAYFORD COUNCIL - LOCAL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Dear Fellow Ratepayers and Residents,

The forecasted rain in spring has not been received leaving many residents low on rainwater. As we approach the summer months and many farms forecasting significant losses due to crop failures, the season has been reported as the worst since 1967. Others are indicating it is more like 1957, I cannot remember either, however it is likely that feed for livestock will be in short supply and expensive.

Speeding and Safety Concerns -Blacktop Road.

Since the last edition of the Grapevine, I have confirmed the reduction of the speed limit on Blacktop Road to be from the intersection of Blacktop Road & Yorktown Road leading into the township.

Let's be clear, I generally do not support the reduction of speed limits and find it frustrating that majority of our 100 km/h roads are being reduced to 80 km/h. I do however meet with residents and advocate on their behalf where there are fair and valid reasons to do so. In the absence of other solutions, for which I have advocated for, the speed reduction from the Blacktop Road & Yorktown Road intersection leading into the township is currently the most accessible solution.

The petition promoted on the One Tree Hill and Surrounds Community Page by Simon Morelli was factually incorrect in that it said, *"It would seem that the council would seek to reduce the speed of the road instead of invest the funds required to make it "roadworthy" on the corner near the substation, which regardless of speed needs to be fixed"*. While I agree that Blacktop Road needs fixing, the road is a Department Road not a Council Road. Therefore, falls under the care and control of the Department and not the Council and secondly the reduction of the speed limit has been confirmed by Rhiannon Pearce MP to be only the portion from the intersection and not the entirety of the road.

While we are on the topic of speed limits. In response to residents raising several safety concerns on Uley Road, Council had an independent safety audit undertaken. The report can be found on the City of Playford's internet page with many recommendations, which includes a reduction to 80 km/h. I moved the recommendation that the report be received with the amendment that the elected members be informed via an Information Session of planned implementations from the report. If anyone would like to discuss this further or form a petition, please give me a call.

McGilp Recreation Park: Summary to update as of mid-September

The City of Playford is currently advocating with the OTH Primary School to further explore parking options to accommodate the school traffic. If you have any further questions, please give me a call or alternatively feel free to visit me at the OTH Market.

- Demolition works commenced
- Retaining wall northern property boundary 50% completed
- Excavations to changeroom pad footings ongoing
- Excavations to desired levels for carpark ongoing
- Tennis court profiling complete
- Trees that needed to be removed have been cleared.

If you have a community matter, I am here to listen and advocate however I would also encourage you to join or visit the One Tree Hill Progress Association (OTHPA).

I attend the OTHPA monthly meetings where the community volunteers represent the voice of the community.

Kind Regards.



Cr David Kerrison - City of Playford

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CRIME REPORT – ONE TREE HILL RURAL WATCH

Offences reported between 15/8/24 and 12/9/24

4 September

Stolen Vehicle located

Williams Road GOULD CREEK

Vehicle stolen from Findon address located abandoned at above address

9 September

Theft

Miles Road ONE TREE HILL

Quadbike and Lawnmower stolen from address. Suspect has been nominated and further investigations to be undertaken.

Police continue to respond to several serious motor vehicle accidents (including role overs) in the One Tree Hill area over the last month. Please ensure you drive to the road/weather conditions and keep safe!

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.



SOUTH AUSTRALIA POLICE
SAFER COMMUNITIES

Darren McCue

Senior Sergeant First Class

Elizabeth Police Station



ONE TREE HILL UNITING CHURCH

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE 10.00 AM

JAM (Jesus and Me)

We are continuing this term to focussing on people in the Bible who had very bad daysand how God fixed them. 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.

Any school age child is very welcome when the programme runs during the school term

BIBLE STUDY/ GROUPS

Men's Bible Study Group

Held Fortnightly, Wednesday evenings

7.00 pm - at the Church

Next meeting dates: 9th & 23rd October

WEDDINGS, BAPTISMS & FUNERALS

The church is available for any of the above Services.

For further information regarding bookings, please leave a message on the **Church phone - 82807 951**

RED BIRD OP SHOP

Opening hours 9.30 am–4pm, Monday - Friday.

Address - 4 Hiltott Street,

Rosewood Village, Elizabeth North.

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



Enquiries – Maureen – 8280 7368

AL-RU FARM - OPEN GARDEN DAY Sunday 15th Sept 2024

What a delight it was yet again this year for the One Tree Hill Uniting Church to be able to cater for the Open day at Al-Ru Farm.

The weather was kind, in fact it was just about perfect! The sun shone and counteracted the coolish breeze effectively.

On offer for morning and afternoon tea were the homemade scones as well as the homemade carrot cake and Madeira cake.

Soup and wraps were a perfect combination for lunch, and of course the gorgeous garden setting absolutely made the food taste even better!

It takes a dedicated team both before the event and on the day, starting early, to make the day a success, from the catering point of view.

Thank you to all involved; to those at Al-Ru early setting up, those staying behind packing up, those baking and cooking in the days and weeks prior, to those in the kitchen, serving, cleaning on the day and to those who visited and bought food and drink. Thank you! It was indeed a successful day!



CFS INCIDENT REPORT SEPTEMBER 2024

Brigade attendance increased this past month to 11 callouts, including 6 trees down, 1 out of area rubbish fire, 2 vehicle accidents,

one tree fire and one hazardous material callout. With the 2nd of September being our busiest day with 4 separate incidents. The first tree down was reported on Kersbrook Rd near Karwin Rd in the afternoon of the 17th of August. The OTH34P crew conducted a sweep along Kersbrook Rd finding no sign of a tree down. After 45 minutes of searching an updated position of the tree was reported by Adelaide Fire and the job transferred to the Kersbrook Brigade.

The 2nd – 5th trees down all occurred on the 2nd of September after the wild conditions of that proceeding weekend. The 2nd tree down, call out was on Hannaford Hump Rd at 6.08am. Enroute to this job, the crew of OTH 34P located another limb blocking the road just short of the Hannaford Hump and One Tree Hill Rd intersection. The crew quickly removed this medium sized limb and proceeded to the initial callout location. The crew found a large tree blocking the entire road and quickly got to work. OTH 34 was called to the 3rd tree down at 6.18am on the Gawler One Tree hill Rd at Uleybury, however they were unable to locate the tree and proceeded to assist OTH 34P on the earlier incident. Later that day at 10.08am, OTH 34P responded again to a tree down on Blacktop Rd just east of the township near the 80km signpost. The crew made short work of this incident and were making up when the last tree down call came at 10.38am on this day. This time the tree down was on the corner of Blacktop Rd between Tyeka and Walters roads. This small tree partially blocking the inner lane of the road was removed quickly without incident.

The last tree down callout occurred on 13th September at 12.10am, south of the Uley Rd intersection on the Gawler One Tree Hill Rd. Upon arrival crews located a large tree blocking the entire road, however the crew change tactics when a vehicle was located on its side at a neighbouring property. SA Police and SA Ambulance Service were called while the crew administered first aid to the driver. After SAPOL & SAAS arrived the crew got to work clearing the large tree from the road. The road remained closed while the tree was cleared.

Para Bulk Water10 responded to an out of area rubbish fire at Waterloo Corner on the 11th of September. The crew provided additional water for Salisbury A34P. The rubbish fire was brought under control and quickly extinguished.

The first motor vehicle accident (MVA), a single motorbike accident, occurred on Cornishmans Hill Rd, north of Kaiser Dr on the 24th of August. The second, a car rollover, occurred on Blacktop Rd Rd opposite the Williams Rd intersection on 08th

of September, with OTH 34P responding to both incidents. The second MVA occurred on the notoriously uneven surface of Blacktop Rd near the William Rd intersection. Several SAAS, Elizabeth MFS and a SAPOL unit also responded. OTH 34P responded to a tree fire on the 6th of September at McGilp Rd. The resident had been conducting burns on their property when a tree fell into a burn pile catching alight. The crew quickly extinguished and made the area safe before returning to the station.

The hazardous material incident occurred on Gulf View Drive on the 23rd of August. OTH 34P responded to a council reported dumping of a vehicle LPG tank. Upon arrival the crew assessed the situation and cordoned off the area requesting Dalkieth CFS HAZMAT attendance. The crew monitored and controlled access to the area until the HAZMAT crew arrived. The LPG tank was deemed intact, no risk and the area subsequently handed back to the council for retrieval and disposal.

Community Open day.

The OTH Brigade held a Community Open day on Saturday the 7th of September. Thank you to all of you that attended and helped make the day the huge success that it was. The static appliance displays, hose lay, burn over drill, and live kitchen fire demonstration provided insight regarding some of the rolls we perform in the CFS. Moreover, raising awareness of the correct fire blanket technique to extinguish a kitchen oil fire and what can go wrong if water is used on an oil/fat fire. Smokey Koala made a surprise appearance, much to the delight of the children and those young at heart.

The Brigade also launched our major fundraising campaign to install a standpipe at the station apron so crews can safely refill and recommission the appliances without having to be on the road in front of the station. Our 2025 Calendars are part of this initiative and are on sale from the station every Monday night (except public holidays) at 7pm. The calendars are \$20, with all proceeds going towards the standpipe installation. Stay tuned for another exciting initiative to raise funds for the standpipe.

The Brigade hosted a Gawler Youth group at the station on the evening of the 13th of September. The group toured the station, explored the appliances and used different hoses to spray simulated fires (traffic cones). We thank the group for visiting and hope they found the visit enjoyable and informative.

A special thank you to ALRU farm, a long time supporter of our Brigade, who invited the Brigade to provide parking assistance for their guests at their Open Garden Day on the 15th of September. The parking proceeds being generously donated to the OTH CFS Brigade and OTH Uniting Church. Thank you to the members that generously volunteered their time.

The unusual dry conditions and the early arrival of warmer weather has seen several private burns getting away from residents in neighbouring areas. Even in benign conditions, the need for adequate fire cover and vigilance is always present.

**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 1800 362 361**

CFS REPORT CONTINUED SEPTEMBER 2024



KOALA RESCUE NEWS - Bronwyn Wilton

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*



UROGENITAL CHLAMYDIA

CHLAMYDIA PECORUM. *pecorum* is classically associated with ocular and urogenital disease in Koalas.

Four Common diseases caused by Chlamydia:

- Conjunctivitis which can cause blindness.
- Pneumonia.
- Urinary Tract Infection.
- Reproductive Tract Infection, which can cause infertility in females.

When the infection caused by chlamydia establishes in the urinary tract (including the urethra, bladder, ureter and kidneys), the infection causes urethritis, cystitis, urethritis which causes severe pain, or urinary incontinence leading to "wet-bottom" (urine staining the rump fur) as well as skin ulceration and secondary infection.

When the infection caused by chlamydia establishes in the reproductive tract, inflammation in both females and males can lead to scarring and infertility. In females the cloacae can become very inflamed, swollen and producing a discharge.



SPRING & SNAKES—REDUCING THE RISK & TREATING SNAKE BITES — Leah Meier

Living in One Tree Hill do you find your friends or family often ask you, “don’t you worry about snakes?.”

Snakes are a natural and important part of a healthy ecosystem. However, the thought of snakes evokes a strong response in most people. Although it may make us uncomfortable, it can be useful to have some information about snakes and some steps to take in the event someone is bitten.

The onset of spring is a time of increased snake sightings as they become more active after winter and start breeding and feeding again. With less natural habitat snakes, like other reptiles, can find the clutter and hiding spots of discarded building materials and wood piles very appealing. Removing these types of hiding spots close to your dwelling provides less opportunities for snakes in areas that you don’t want them to be. If you are clearing up overgrown areas after winter, don’t put your hands where you can’t see and wear thick gloves.

If you are walking in naturally wooded areas stick to paths, wear thicker pants, and use a walking stick to give snakes some warning you are around and an opportunity to move away.

Be aware around water, as snakes get thirsty too. If you are placing water for wildlife out during hot days keep it away from your home to reduce the likelihood encountering a snake.

If you see a snake, try not to disturb it, and avoid it all together. There are professional snake catches which can relocate snakes.

If you suspect someone has been bitten by a snake, remain calm and phone 000 immediately.

Treating a snake bite with the pressure immobilisation technique (PIT)

Call 000. Remain with the person and reassure.

Lay down and Keep still. It is vital to keep the person as still as possible.

Apply Pressure and immobilise the limb. Apply pressure with a compression or snake bite bandage starting at the extremity of the limb which has been bitten and working up toward the body. Use firm pressure, but don’t cut off the blood flow. Immobilize the limb with a splint, if bitten on the leg you can use the other leg as a splint by tying the limbs together with a bandage or clothing item.

Bring help to the casualty. Bring transport to the person (preferably the Ambulance) rather than moving the person. Remaining still is very important.

Be prepared to provide CPR. If the person stops breathing stop all treatment and provide Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR).

Alternatives methods to apply the PIT

There is more than one method to apply the pressure immobilisation technique. It is also accepted that applying a broad

pressure bandage over the bite first, and then applying another pressure bandage starting from the extremity of the limb and working up toward the body is an alternative method. There may be other methods too. If you don’t have a bandage, use clothing torn into strips.

Keep yourself safe while you are helping the casualty. You do not need to catch, chase to take photos of the snake or know what type of snake has bitten the person. Take note of where and when the person was bitten and pass this info on to the ambulance officers or medical staff.

Some other things to keep in mind. Don’t wash, suck or cut the bite. Don’t tourniquet a bite.

What is a “snake bite bandage” and what can I carry in my first aid kit?

If you are preparing a first aid kit and wish to be prepared for snake bites, having at least a compression bandage is a must. A snake bite bandage and some sort of splint can make you more prepared to deal with any snake bite incidents.

A snake bite bandage is a compression bandage with some additional markings. These indicator marks change shape once the compression bandage is stretched to the correct application tension and give the first aider a bit of reassurance they are applying a good consistent pressure.

Splints can be flexible aluminium splints that start folded or rolled for easy storage; or even cardboard disposable splints. You can also improvise as mentioned by tying the limbs together, or using a stick.

The biggest hazards in terms of snake bites are being in a remote area so not getting help to the person quickly enough, the type of snake, not recognising or ignoring the bite and moving the venom through the body.

Ring 000, keeping calm, applying pressure and immobilisation and bringing help to the person are very important steps any of us can take to help a person with a suspected bite. (please note this is information only and does not replace medical advice. Phone 000 in an emergency and follow the operators instructions.)

Further advice on all types of envenomation and information on snakes:

- In case of emergency phone 000
- Australian Venom Research Unit: avru.org
- Poisons Information Centre: phone - 13 11 26
- Australian Resuscitation Council: resus.org.au
- Snake and habitat information: <https://cdn.environment.sa.gov.au> (fact sheets available)

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BIRDS IN MY BACKYARD Julie Buttery, Humbug Scrub

Sulphur-crested cockatoo, *Cacatua galerita*

Who could mistake the cocky? Noisy, large (up to 1 kg in weight), destructive, almost always in large flocks these birds have been kept as pets for many years. Unfortunately they usually outlive their loving owner who then passes them on to a sanctuary or an unwilling relative.

Cockatoos and corellas are very closely related, all being *Cacatua*. Black-cockatoos are a distinct species. I will not be mentioning them again as I have never had the privilege of seeing them at home. Please note the hyphen between Black and Cockatoo.

The sulphur-crested cockatoo with their distinctive crest is a common sight in eastern Australia, extending well inland through NSW and Victoria but barely touching SA except from Port Augusta and southward. They prefer open edges of woodlands, not thick bushes or dense forests. They feed in the trees and on the ground, eating seeds and fruits, bulbs and occasional insects.

In my experience they tend to turn up late afternoon or early morning. Where they go for the rest of the day I do not know. My biggest objection to their presence is their tendency to tear pieces from small trees and throw the bits down. As far as I can tell they do not eat any part. Perhaps they are searching for insects.

Although I have flocks (or maybe the same flock) fly over periodically they don't seem to stay here for long. In other areas where there are a lot of cockys, there seem to be few small birds.

If you are lucky enough to find a crest feather you will notice it curls.

The sulphur-crested cockatoo seems to be all white but has a pale yellow over ear coverts and under wings and tail.

From the author: When I began this series of articles I had identified 48 species who visit. That count is now up to 57. There are several reasons for the increase.

I spend more time birding.

I have finished searching and editing all my photos. I kept about 1200.

The bushes have increased the desirability of the area. If you remember the original photo of the property you will know there were no bushes. Now you can't see the house from where the original photo was taken from.

The bird baths have encouraged birds to be in an area I can easily photograph them.

I believe I am better able to identify the birds.

But this increase has made me realise that I cannot keep writing about one species each article or I may never finish. So from now on I will try to put several species together, such as when I spoke of three thornbills in the one article.

I post these articles to my Facebook page, in PUBLIC setting so anyone may view it. I will be adding new photos which are of better quality or otherwise more interesting so feel free to take a look. No need to Friend me.



WHAT'S FLOWERING IN MY GARDEN

Heather Fischer, Humbug Scrub

It's mid September. The sunshine has been very welcome after a cold Winter but where, oh where, are the Spring rains? Where are the moisture laden cold fronts and the strong winds associated with the cold fronts? The grass may be green but, sadly, there are patches of grassed areas that are dying off.

There are many beautiful Spring flowering plants in bloom and the garden is such a delight to walk through and enjoy at this time of the year. It's just beautiful. The jonquils and daffodils have completed their flowering season and the majestic blooms of the tall bulbous blue iris now dominate the bed of bulbs. The tall Hakea bucculenta and taller Hakea francisiana are showing off their large cylindrical red and pinkish red flowers, attracting many nectar loving birds. Many Grevilleas with their brilliant red, orange, yellow and bright pink coloured flowers are brightening up garden space surrounded by the many glossy leaved Correa calycina and Correa Barossa Gold rounded shrubs. Many Thryptomenes with their drooping stems of tiny pale pink flowers just soften the scene.

Grevillea Winpara Sunrise is now in full flower mode attracting many bees and New Holland Honeyeaters, Red Wattle birds as well as the Lesser Honeyeaters. This smallish rounded shrub will attain a height of up to 3m and spread to about 2m wide and will grow in well drained sandy soils. The many branches, as thick as a pencil, support many stunning luminescent clusters of brilliant red, orange and bright pink spider like flowers. When in flower the small mid green leaves that are a few millimetres wide but up to 25 millimetres long are well hidden by the masses of the stunningly beautiful clusters that this Grevillea hybrid can produce. The colour of the flowers truly reflect the colours of some of our brilliant sunrises. Grevillea Winpara Sunrise is a very hardy plant once established and is available from all good nurseries. Plant one or more in a prominent position and enjoy the magnificent flowers for up to six weeks during Spring. Grevillea Winpara Gem and Grevillea Winpara Ruby are also very welcome additions at any small garden. Find one or more, plant them, establish them and enjoy them for many years to come.

Grevillea Winpara Sunrise,
Just absolutely beautiful.



Dear Grapevine,

"A lot is happening in our community and we'd all like to hear about it
- send us a short letter about something going on locally"



Let's all join Tanya in having a fun spooky Halloween in 2024!!

COUNTRY MARKET



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NEXT MARKET:

SATURDAY

OCTOBER 5th 2024

8.30 am - 12.30pm

Do you want to have a stall at the market?

Contact Heather for information on 0457 107 817 or EMAIL: market@onetreehill.org.au

COUNTRY MARKET REPORT

A very successful Country Market was held on Saturday 7th September with many visitors attending the Market as well as the Open Day at the One Tree Hill CFS shed. Parking in the main street of the township was at a premium. Wow! The Gawler cyclists stopped by for a break and refreshments and quite a few bigger machines (motorcycles) were lined up outside the Throttle shed. One Tree Hill was a hive of activity for a few hours.

At the next market you will find your favourite coffee and munchies at the General Store, the Blacksmith's Inn and the Throttle Shed. Come along for a browse, a chat to the market stallholder and the locals.

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COMMUNITY RUG PROJECT

More squares have been knitted and crocheted and now need to be all joined up to make a rug or two or three. Well done to those who have created the squares and BIG thankyou. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

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 & picturesque garden areas which are ideal for photos.

An ideal location for Weddings, Engagement Parties, Birthday Parties, Reunions and Meetings.

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

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<https://onetreehill.org.au/index.php/hall>



What's on in OCTOBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
School Holidays		1	2	3	4	5 
6 School Holidays 	7  Labour Day	8	9 WALK	10 Progress Association Meeting 	11 WALK	12 
13 Term 4—Week 1 WALK	14 BACK2SCHOOL  WALK	15 Grapevine Deadline 	16 WALK	17 	18 WALK	19 
20 Term 4—Week 2 WALK	21  WALK	22	23 WALK	24 	25 WALK	26 
27 Term 4—Week 3 WALK	28  WALK	29	30	31  		

Saturday	5th	OTH Country Market
Sunday	6th	Daylight Savings begins
Monday	7th	Labour Day Holiday
Thursday	10th	Progress Assoc Meeting
Monday	14th	Back to school TERM 4
Tuesday	15th	Grapevine Deadline
Thursday	31st	Halloween!

- School weeks - SA Government Schools

REGULAR COMMUNITY EVENTS

Mondays 9.30am-11.30am

OTH Playgroup



Saturdays 8.00am-12.00pm

Mt Pleasant Farmers Market



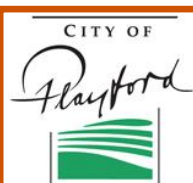
Mon, Wed, Fri & Sun 8.00am

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

Contact 8256 0333 for information

YOUTH IN EMERGENCIES PROGRAM

Henry Brown, One Tree Hill

Introduction

My name is Henry and I have been part of the 'Youth in Emergencies Program' run by the Australian Red Cross for several months now, where I am working towards my Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award. For the skills section of the award, the Red Cross has created a series of online learning modules with the CFS that teach us about natural disasters that effect Australia and how to prepare for them. The main point of the programme is young people learning how they can help their community become more resilient during an emergency or disaster. For this project I have chosen to learn about bushfires as it is something that greatly effects One Tree Hill, and I want to share the knowledge I have gained to help my community.

Preparing for Bushfire Season

This month I am sharing some things you can do before bushfire season starts to help cope with a future emergency.

Bushfire Survival Kit

A bushfire survival kit is what you need ready to take with you when a bushfire threatens our community. When preparing a bushfire survival kit, it's essential to include items that will ensure your safety. Things to pack in your bushfire survival kit are water, food, medications, a torch, batteries, a battery-powered radio, and a first aid kit. It is also a good idea to bring important documents that are difficult to replace such as passports and birth certificates, and it is useful to have insurance papers too, all stored in a waterproof container. Cash is also sensible to have, because electronic payment systems may be disrupted because of the fire. Also, consider packing comfort items like books, treats and cuddly toys for children to help with emotional well-being during this time of stress.

Bushfire Plan

All of One Tree Hill is in a Bushfire Risk Area, so having a plan for where you'll go if you need to leave your home is crucial. You need to make the plan before bushfire season and consider everyone in the family and different scenarios. Children might be school, or at home during the holidays, adults might be at work and your pets at home, so you need to have different plans where everyone in the family knows what to do. You should identify multiple

evacuation routes from your home and establish a safe meeting place for your family and stay informed about the locations of evacuation centres. Bushfire Safer Areas are built up areas, and the nearest safer places are Blakeview and Elizabeth to the west of both Adams Road and Yorktown Road. Most of Gawler, and Golden Grove south of John Road, are also Bushfire Safer Areas. (Hillbank and Craigmore are not Bushfire Safer Areas and there is no Bushfire Last Resort Refuge in One Tree Hill, so it is important to know where to go.)

If you go to <https://www.cfs.sa.gov.au/plan-prepare/before-a-fire-be-prepared/bushfire-safer-places/#bushfireSaferPlace> then you can type in One Tree Hill and zoom in on a really detailed map that shows the Bushfire Safer Places in yellow and any emergency Bushfire Last Resort Refuges in green. (see pic on next page)

Prepare Your Property

Preparing your property can significantly reduce the risk of bushfire damage. You can do this by tidying up leaves and trimming branches overhanging your home or branches that are less than 2 metres above the ground, removing dead branches, and making sure the lawn is mowed. Remove wood piles from near the house and regularly clean gutters to prevent the accumulation of leaves and debris that could catch embers and set fire to the roof. Consider upgrading any wooden fences to metal, which are less likely to catch fire and can help protect your property from fires. On a catastrophic day remove door mats and things like washing from a washing line and move outdoor furniture away from your home.

Getting Information and Staying Informed

Staying informed about bushfire risks and conditions is critical for effective preparation and response. Regularly check the Country Fire Service (CFS) app for fire alerts and updates specific to our area including the Fire Danger Rating. Also download the Alert SA app and set up your watch zone as these two apps are the quickest way to find out about a bushfire. You can also monitor the BOM weather app to stay updated on wind conditions and heat levels, which can influence fire behaviour. Pay attention to fire danger ratings to gauge the risk level, these are published at 5pm the day before but preliminary ratings are posted up to 4 days early on the CFS website. This will all help you take appropriate actions based on the current threat.

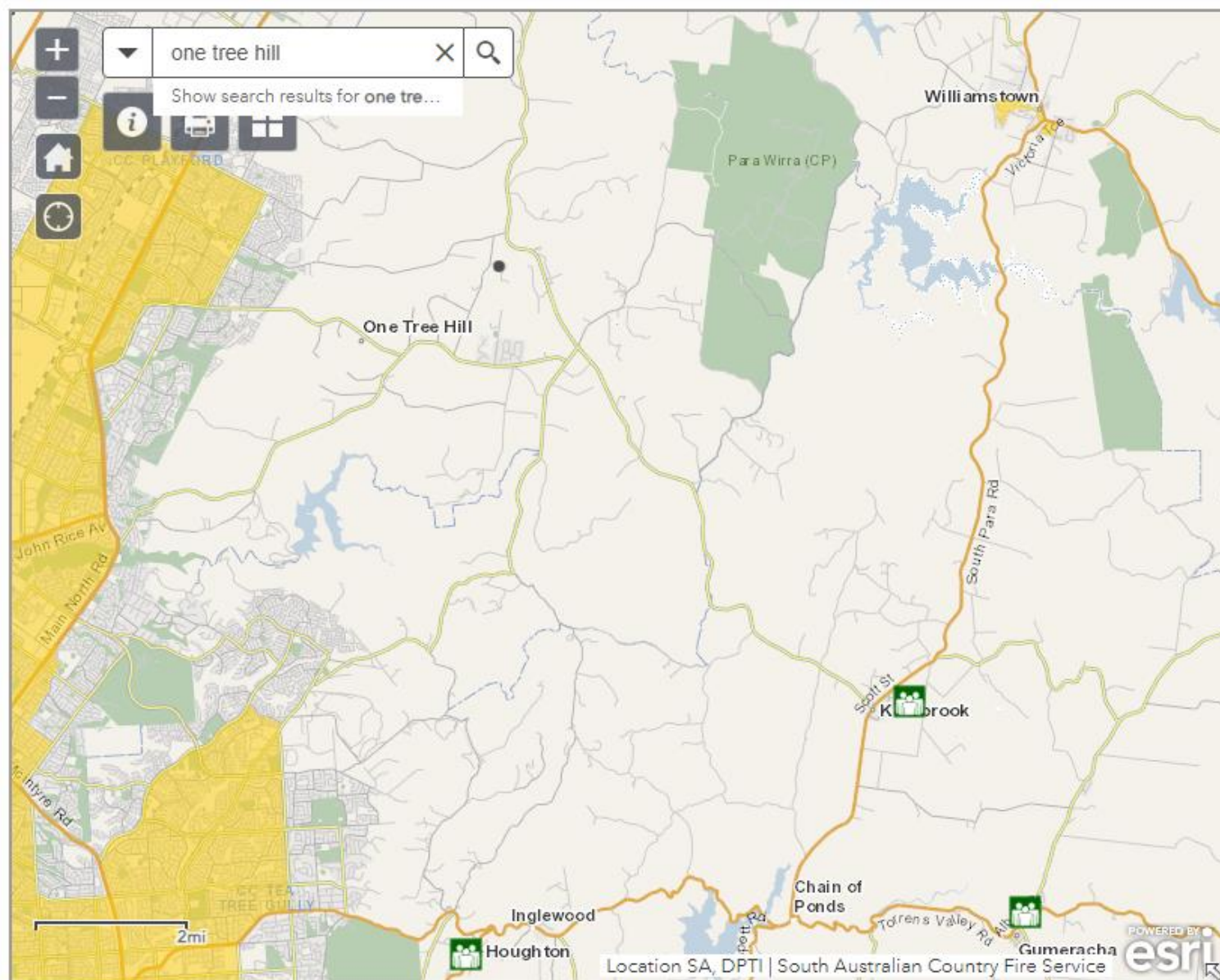
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Knowing When to Leave

Knowing when to evacuate can be a matter of life and death. On a catastrophic total fire ban day, it is better to leave One Tree Hill early and not wait for a fire to start. Monitor local alerts and notifications as it's safer to evacuate before conditions become severe, rather than waiting until the last minute. Having a clear evacuation plan can help ensure a safer and quicker departure from your property.

Next issue I will be writing about what to do if a bushfire happens.



-  Bushfire Safer Places are identified by yellow overlay on map
-  Bushfire Last Resort Refuges are identified by green icon on map
- Other areas on map can be bushfire risk areas



Bugs Bees & Butterflies

The benefits of insects for your garden, farm and the bush



The often unsung heroes of our ecosystems, invertebrates are critical to the continuation of our diverse systems. Join us for an evening where we will explore the world of insects with their varied abilities to pollinate, recycle nutrients, fend off the bad guys and help us in our biodiversity efforts.

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- The role of beneficial insects such as pollinators and predatory species
- Habitat needs, ecology and impacts of pest species on ecosystems
- How they work collaboratively with us on a larger scale

Guest presenters:

Kristen Messenger – Science educator specialising in invertebrates. Founder of Bugs and Slugs, providing education and resources for schools and the wider community.

Dr Michael Nash - An applied invertebrate ecologist, Dr Michael Nash aims to provide crop protection solutions that are based on how species within productive ecosystems interact with each other and their surrounding urban and natural environments.

For enquiries and registration
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When: 7pm Tuesday 29th Oct 2024
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Cost: Gold coin donation

After hearing from our guest speakers enjoy meeting other like-minded people over a delicious light supper.

Look Out! Have you seen me?

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



Khaki Weed (*Alternanthera pungens*), a ground cover that can spread into a dense mat. It has reddish stems, green oval-shaped leaves, and straw-coloured burr seeds that remain viable for many years. This emerging weed is notifiable and needs to be controlled. **Please contact Green Adelaide for assistance with khaki weed.**



Fountain grass (*Cenchrus setaceus*) a highly invasive green leafed grass once popular in the garden trade. Distinctive once flowering with its mass of fluffy pale pink-purple seed heads. Not to be confused with the less fertile purple leafed variety. More recently plants have been popping up further into the One Tree Hill area. **Needs to be controlled.**



Gazania (*Gazania* spp.) an escaped garden plant and an 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 control method for your situation i.e. control in a pasture will be different from control in areas of native vegetation. Care should be taken to avoid damaging native and desirable plants and always check plant identification as some native species may look very similar. If using herbicide always read the label to ensure it is suitable for its intended purpose and can be used safely.

Learn more

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

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

For more information on these weeds and control advice contact Rebekah Przygoda on 8256 0411 or rprzygoda@playford.sa.gov.au

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Tree:

Rowan, Maple, Walnut

SPRING IS A GREAT TIME TO SELL

With warmer and longer days, gardens in bloom and the grass looking just a little greener, Spring is an excellent time to sell your property. Buyers will always buy property when they need to, whether that is for a move for work, to upsize or downsize or other personal reasons. However, historically buyer activity increases during the months leading up to Christmas as sellers choose to sell when their properties look their best.

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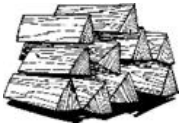
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