

# ONE TREE HILL GRAPEVINE



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## Winners are Grinners!

Pictured below are the winners from the Easter Colouring Competition



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## **From the Desk**



Welcome to this months edition of The Grapevine, we certainly are kept busy these days, no sooner do we finish one edition and its time to start preparing for the following months edition. We hope that you like our front page this month, it's dedicated to the talented artists who won prizes from our Easter Colouring competition. What a thrill it was to meet all of these children at the market where they were presented with their prizes that were donated by Officeworks Elizabeth. All of the children are delighted with our new kids page and there have been suggestions as to what they would like to appear on their page, this month we have noughts and crosses because of Brandon's request.

On page 3 we have a story that we hope you enjoy reading, we think it's one that you need a cuppa and a few minutes to take in the story, it must have been a very scary ordeal for Lorraine.

With our share of natural disasters in Australia this year it makes you appreciate not living in a country that is prone to major earthquakes, it would be so hard for us to comprehend the damage that the quake caused in Japan and also in Christchurch, New Zealand.

As always, let us know if you have a story that you would like to share with our readers or any other suggestions as to what you would like to see as a regular feature.

Details of how to read The Grapevine on line are on the back page. Yes we finally have it organised thanks to Alex Sims who helped Bev with the fine tuning. We will try to get some back issues on line so that if need to refer to a past article it will make things easier. Until next month, The Grapevine Team.

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**L**etter from the President. May 2011 Ian Slater  
Hi everyone. We recently held our Annual General Meeting, 12/05/2011 where several new committee members were elected. Following a subsequent committee meeting I was elected to be the current President, with Dave Campbell Vice-President, June Owens as Secretary, Tracey Manser as Treasurer, Stuart Manser as Public Officer and the following people as the Management Committee: Ian, Dave, Tracey, June, Pam, Pat, Kay and Bill.

For those who don't know me, I have lived in the district for most of my life and I feel quite honoured to take on the role of President as I will be carrying on a tradition - both my parents Glen and Ronda Slater served on the One Tree Hill Progress Association for well over 30 years.

The committee look forward to creating a positive and forward focused Progress Association and will all apply ourselves to achieve the association's objectives of fostering Community spirit and promoting the welfare of the One Tree Hill Community.

I must take this opportunity to thank those who have given their time and energy to the association in the past. Community service and volunteer organisations are notoriously undertaken on a minimal thank you basis and generally left to the active few.

With the above in mind, should you have a good idea that could prove useful or feel you would like to contribute in anyway, please feel free to contact any of the committee people on the list above.

We also have some good ideas and, subject to the usual hurdles of limited funds and volunteer input, hope to get some of these into action over the next few months.

One of our new ventures is One Tree Hill Junior Bakers - a competition for local children to enter their cooking creation, to be judged at the August Market Day - details to follow in the July edition of the Grapevine.

In the meantime, I hope your weed control and gutter cleaning is well underway as we enter into the winter period, we had our first power blackout last night, rushing around trying to find candles to light, it certainly makes one aware of just how many electrical appliances we all have in our houses now.

Regards, Ian Slater President of One Tree Hill Progress Association.

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Dear Grapevine Team,

Can you please inform residents of One Tree Hill that Telstra have requested customers complain to them if they are experiencing slow Internet speeds.

Many people in the One Tree Hill area may be experiencing slow broadband connections, especially during evenings and peak times, because there is a congestion problem at the One Tree Hill exchange.

Unfortunately Telstra inform me that they are unable to fix this problem until they have received "enough" complaints of slow Internet speeds from customers at One Tree Hill. They encourage residents to make complaints to them.

You can lodge a complaint directly to Telstra in any one of 3 ways:

1) Fill in a form on-line at <http://www.telstra.com.au/abouttelstra/commitments/telstra-complaints-policy/>

2) Phone 13 2200 and say "complaint" clearly

3) Write a letter to "Telstra", Locked Bag 20026, Melbourne, VIC 3001

Telstra also suggest that you inform your Internet provider (if this is not Telstra). Internet providers can confirm exchange traffic congestion and also lodge a complaint on your behalf to help Telstra action solution to this problem.

Please can everyone in One Tree Hill do their bit to help Telstra achieve its quota of complaints in order that they can take action to fix the One Tree Hill exchange? Otherwise during peak hours Telstra will be unable to deliver the Internet speeds that they like to guarantee for those close enough to the exchange to have been given broadband. Sincerely, OTH Resident.

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## Japan Earthquake Relived by a One Tree Hill Resident

Long term resident Lorraine Hughes was in Japan visiting her son Shaun, wife Mariko and granddaughters Emi and Yuki at the time of the Japanese earthquake on Friday 11th March. Shaun's family live near Tokyo but Lorraine was spending time with her quilting friend Tanya in Utsonomiya and was due to travel by train back to Tokyo on that fateful day. Lorraine went for many interesting walks during her stay in the area and had seen the forests, snow capped mountains and the farmers preparing for planting their rice in May. The fields are very small and the use of every piece of soil is very important. All was ready for the flooding. The roads in the area are very narrow and it is difficult to stop and look at the many interesting aspects so Lorraine enjoyed being able to study the little buildings and large farmhouses, interesting roofs, colours, materials used etc. At the time she was certainly not noticing how the methods of construction were based on the stability to withstand earthquakes. As a gesture Tanya had offered to take Lorraine anywhere that she would like to visit before going to the train station for her train ride back to Tokyo at 3pm to catch the plane home to Australia. Lorraine had admired the structure of a particular building that had been constructed of large cut blocks of stone and close to local farm houses. The building had a decorative roof and on the end wall there was always a window which had differentiated it from all others - carved stone arches or plaques etc. Lorraine learned from the excursion to the building with Tanya that the area was famous for a stone called Oya. Lorraine and Tanya had lunch in a renovated stone storehouse and Tanya explained how the stonemasons have for years carved out stone from under the countryside until the area is catacombed with huge areas under the earth. In years past some of the older quarries have even collapsed with farmhouses disappearing into the earth....but that was a long time ago. The quarry that they visited was maintained by the city and it has a little tourist course that leads down into the depths. A small museum and gift shop stands outside the entrance and the area is surrounded by interestingly shaped mountains that have been carved away. After entering the museum they started down the well lit stairway that lead into the bowels of the earth. The steps were steep and the railing was helpful for visitors. The 1st tunnel stairway opened out onto a huge empty area, this was used by a factory to construct aircraft many years ago. The further they descended the colder it become, once they were at the bottom the cave sloped lower and there were different catacombs where the city sometimes holds concerts because of the mystical surroundings and interesting acoustic effects by the straight cut walls. Staring up at the window cut into the roof with a touch of natural light they suddenly heard a sound that was so loud it could have been a train coming or a plane engine starting...this sound became louder and louder, then they noticed that the chain guards surrounding them were swinging to and fro! Next Tanya screamed EARTHQUAKE as she grabbed Lorraine and dragged her up the stairs, the shaking was becoming stronger and stronger, it was almost beyond their strength to hold onto the rail while progressing up the steps. Upon reaching the museum area they collapsed from exhaustion. The building manager came to them and said that the building may collapse and that they would be safer in the open. The open was not a pleasant option but visitors who arrived after the quake told of the collapse of a mountain that they had admired not long before.

The reality started to register, cell phones weren't working, no signals, 15 minutes of strong movement was now more spasmodic and they learned that they had been over 25 metres below the ground! Finally the cell phone information said that the quake had been 8.8 with an epicenter north east of Oya. The journey back to Tanya's was horrific, roof tiles were flung from roofs, stone walls were rocking to and fro and many had collapsed. Upon reaching Tanya's house there was little damage outside, however inside was a shambles, heavy furniture like the piano had shifted away from walls, photos and pictures were smashed on the floor, luckily Tanya's pets were safe and well. They spent a restless night with the torch and cats for company. The next morning Shaun reached them by phone and they assured him that they were ok although very shaken. The nuclear plant was only a few hundred miles north of them and they were advised to shelter from any rain as the radiation from the plant may affect them.

Despite Lorraine's willingness to stay with Tanya to keep her company, Lorraine needed to return to be with her son and his family. Some trains were now running but it took several changes of trains to arrive in Tokyo, some of the trains moved at snail pace so it was a very long journey. Lorraine was relieved to finally be with Shaun, Mariko, Emi and Yuki who were all safe.

**Lorraine said how incredible the people of Japan are, they had no choice but managed to carry on with the life style suddenly thrust upon them. At no time was there any fear of looting or taking advantage of vulnerable people.**

Below are some of the photos taken from the excursion to the building that intrigued Lorraine.



If you have a story you would like to share with The Grapevine please email your story along with photos to [oth.grapevine@bigpond.com](mailto:oth.grapevine@bigpond.com).

We wish all of the people in Japan a quick recovery and all the best for the future.



## ONE TREE HILL GRAPEVINE

CFS REPORT JUNE 2011



### **Incident Report**

**The Brigade has found it very quiet over the past month which is pleasing to report. No major road accidents and with a change in the weather no fires. The only activity has been assisting land owners carrying out a number of burn offs.**

### **Reminders**

**As the colder nights are starting to become apparent, please remember to have your chimney/flue checked for excessive buildup of soot etc.**

**Chimney fires can be very disconcerting.**

### **DO YOU LIVE A FEW MINUTES AWAY FROM THE CFS STATION?**

***All residents expect a CFS Truck will turn up when needed,  
that will only occur with enough volunteers.***

**THE CFS NEEDS YOU!**

**It's that time of the year that the CFS starts to accept new recruits into the service, for the next fire season. It can take up to 6 months to train an individual to become competent in fire ground techniques. If you are over 18 years of age and like being a part of a team, why not consider joining us at One Tree Hill Station.**

**We train every Monday night at 7.30pm. (Not including Public Holidays)**

**For general information please contact OTH Duty Phone of **8280 7055****

**You can also visit the CFS website at [www.cfs.org.au](http://www.cfs.org.au) or Phone **1300 362 361****

### **C**ouncillor's Report

The Draft City Plan, Draft Assets Management Plan and Draft Final are now ready for public consultation, please refer to add by the City of Playford giving information on how you can access these documents and have your say or make a submission. Of particular interest to ratepayers will be the actual rate increase of 9.4% this financial year followed by an anticipated 7.1% the following year as explained last issue and further anticipated rate rises of 8.0%, 7.7% and 7.7% the following years. U sat anticipated rate rises because these rises only pay for the current unfunded services and new or enhanced services flagged in the Draft Plans, any further services or increase in services will need to be funded by one of or a combination of the following three alternatives:

**Alternative 1:** Would be to increase debt i.e. borrow more money, this means that the interest would have to be serviced through other alternatives and that the services provided and enjoyed by ratepayers today will have to be paid for by the ratepayers of tomorrow, the current Draft financial plan indicates that the City debt will peak at \$104 million in the 2015/2016 financial year so at one would assume that borrowing more monies would be a least preferred option.

**Alternative 2:** Would be to Increase Rates above the anticipated rate increases flagged above.

**Alternative 3:** Would be to Reduce or eliminate some existing services and not introduce new services, there is a feeling amongst some elected members that Council should concentrate on providing Core services and leave, employment, child care, learning etc initiatives to the respective State and Federal Governments and provide a high level of services that compliment the Cities appearance and maintains the services needed to make the City function properly. At the end of the day the decision rests with Ratepayers as to which "Alternatives" and services if any they wish to implement, so it is important for you to consider these Draft Plans and have your say to give Council direction for the future.

Last issue I reported that "On another note the **NEW Rural Numbering System** is due to be actioned and completed this financial year" well surprise, surprise whereas I was assured that the information was correct at the time of placement, things have changed and it is now anticipated that the system will be rolled out by the end of the calendar year but don't hold your breath as Council is relying on the Department of Transport and Infrastructure (DTI) to supply it with the information needed to complete the roll out. Council with have started if not completed re-sealing of Kentish Road by the time this edition is out and should have started widening shoulders on the Sampson Flat Road between Blacktop and Shillabeer Road and replace the damaged guard rail.

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 [playford@playford.sa.gov.au](mailto:playford@playford.sa.gov.au) and cc to [crjfederico@playford.sa.gov.au](mailto:crjfederico@playford.sa.gov.au)** this 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 [ajfederico@internode.on.net](mailto:ajfederico@internode.on.net) if subsequent to that approach you do not receive a timely or satisfactory result please feel free to contact me personally. However I cannot guarantee that I will be able to get any better results but will at least have council reassess their position and provide an explanation as to their resolve and in some cases reach a compromise that is acceptable to all parties concerned.

**Cr: Joe Federico Phone: 0417 016 164 Fax: 8280 7963**

**Full Council details are on Page 19 of The Grapevine.**







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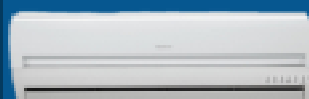


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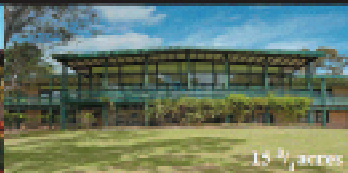


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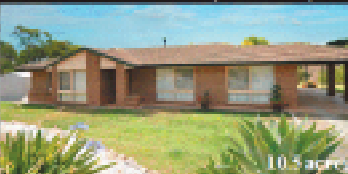


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We really look forward to seeing you on Sunday mornings when we have our 10.am Service. We have different speakers each week, which makes it very interesting, as there is something for everyone. The atmosphere is very friendly and welcoming, and after the Service we enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and cordial for the children. The children (as well as the adults) also enjoy the cakes and biscuits. There is no shortage of conversation there.

All children are welcome, and after staying in for the beginning of the Service, they then have their own Special Time of learning and fun, with good Leaders.

**SMYG - Sunday Morning Youth Group** The young people in this Group meet at 10am with their Leader, in their own room, and then join others for a cup of tea/coffee.

There are various Groups to be involved in, such as THE DRAMA GROUP, THE MUSIC GROUP, and THE FELLOWSHIP GROUP, and lots of things have taken place since our last Newsletter, such as "The Big Cuppa Morning Tea" held at St. Stephens Uniting Church, Elizabeth North, which raised money for the Cancer Council, and the Movie Night on May 23rd when we saw "Water for Elephants" - All of the money raised at that Film was to support the children in New Life Homes, Nairobi, Testimony Faith Homes and Neema Homes in Eldoret.

#### **FELLOWSHIP NEWS**

Our meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month and begin at 10am with a cup of tea/coffee and conversation, a small amount of business and then the Speaker. On Wednesday May 25th we were privileged to have a Speaker from "Angel Flight". This is a marvelous organization, where very dedicated Pilots fly people who do not have any other means of transport to urgent medical appointments. This service is entirely free. OUR NEXT MEETING will be on Wednesday June 22nd and this will be the Fellowship A.G.M. Still into Flight - On that day we look forward to hearing a Speaker from "Mission Aviation Fellowship", another wonderful organization. ENQUIRIES about any of the above can be addressed to Sybil Winsor on 8280 7038.

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#### **SOME BASIC ALPACA INFORMATION Submitted by Mark from the One Tree Hill Fodder & Rural Supplies**

**S** You don't have to drive very far through the Adelaide Hills area before you come across properties with at least a couple of Alpacas. These intriguing creatures with their woolly coats and big heart melting eyes have become a very popular addition to many farms speckled around the hills and its not just because of their cute looks.

At the Fodder Store, due to the increasing demand, we are stocking more and more products and feeds that are used by Alpaca owners. Their popularity seems to be pretty high at present and so I thought that I would look into the basis of this popularity. Firstly a little on their history and general information. They are said to have been domesticated as far back as 6000 years ago in South America. Pre-Inca cultures are recorded as having kept Alpacas as a source of food and clothing.

The Alpaca is very closely related to the Llama, which also originates from the same regions but the Alpaca is a small more curvy shape. They mature to heights of about 1.5 m and weigh upwards of about 65 kilos. Their gestation period is approximately 343 days and whilst the female can reach sexual maturity at 12 months the male takes 24 months to reach its sexual maturity.

There are two types of Alpaca, the more common Huacaya and Suri. The Suri has a fleece of pencil thin staples of locks which part along its backline falling downwards whilst the Huacaya's fleece grows outwards from its body with a crimped look that looks similar to that of the Merino sheep's fleece.

So why keep Alpacas? They are an animal that can be easily handled, does not require specialised fencing or pastures, suffers from very few diseases and has a very broad array of natural colours in their fleeces. The Alpaca is ideal for small farms and holdings as they can make the very best of available deeds whilst being very gentle to the terrain as they graze. They have a life span of about 20 years and can produce offspring for about 15 of those years. The Alpaca is capable of significantly reducing the effect of fox strikes on sheep with Australian reports quoting improvement in lambing percentages of 15% to 20%. If a fox survives an encounter with a pair of Alpacas they will not return to the same paddock in a hurry. They do not suffer with the problems of fly strikes and as such do not require crutching. Their special needs are very few, they originate from a part of the world with long days of daylight so during a local Australian winter a vitamin D supplement is recommended to be given twice. A vaccination program of "6 in 1" the same as for goats and sheep is also recommended.

The fleece of the Alpaca is usually taken off once a year in Australia and is much sought after for yarn and fabric production.

**Further Information:** I strongly suggest that if you are interested in owning an Alpaca that you seek advice from The Australian Alpaca Association and look on the Internet at the huge amount of information that exists about these creatures. There are also people within our local community who breed and sell Alpacas that we at the Fodder Shop may be able to put you in contact with. As always, please let us know if we can assist in anyway.

Pictured on the right  
is a Huacaya Alpaca



Pictured on the left is  
a Suri Alpaca

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### Horse Care - Weed or Feed?



Good pasture does not mean oats, lucerne  
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good feed in small quantities.

Good feed weeds include: milk thistle (dandelion), dock,  
wire weed. These must only be available in small  
amounts. They contain valuable nutrients but can cause  
other problems if eaten in large quantities.

Bad weeds include; salvation Jane (I prefer the NSW  
name "Patterson's Curse"), bracken, kangaroo apple,  
potato weed, nightshade, mallow, catsear dandelion  
(hypochoeris radicata) which is the upright yellow  
flowered one.

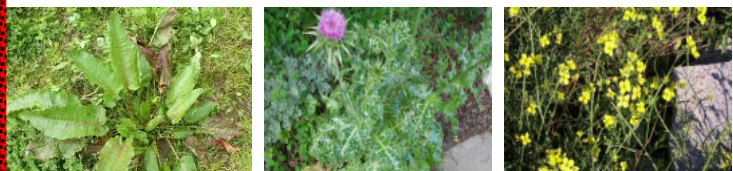
Not good but tolerable: capeweed (sometimes called  
black eyed susan or daisy chain daisy by children) has  
too much water, triggering diarrhoea and starvation, but  
will not poison.

For more information on poisonous weeds in South  
Australia, refer to the RIRDC publication "Plants  
poisonous to horses: an Australian field guide".  
Wild horses choose to eat a variety of plants. By  
covering large areas, they select from a smorgasbord of  
edibles. When we restrict their movements we control  
their feed. Sometimes this results in a less than ideal  
mineral and vitamin intake. If we allow "good" weeds to  
grow in their pasture, we help to address this  
imbalance.

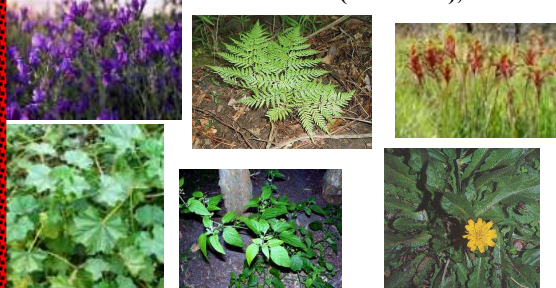
Horses that are well fed and have a variety to choose  
from are very adept at selecting only those they fancy.  
They may appear to take in plants but often slip them  
sideways out of their mouth with lips and tongue,  
leaving them out of their mouthful. Don't cut their long  
whiskers off; they are part of the selection tools.

**If you have a question for Julie please email:**

**oth.grapevine@bigpond.com**



Some of the GOOD weeds from left Milk  
Thistle (dandelion), Dock and Wire weed.



From left some  
of the BAD  
weeds, Salvation  
Jane, Bracken,  
Kangaroo Paw,  
Mallow, Potato  
weed and  
Catsear  
Dandelion.





## Extra muscle in the quest to control **olive** invasion!

To provide support in the local fight against olives, the Northern Foothills Biodiversity & Land Management Program Committee (NFBALM) are considering subsidising up to 50% of the cost of a Tree Popper for landowners that are able to demonstrate an ongoing commitment to controlling olives on their land.

The Tree Popper, a specialist tool that uses the leverage principle (see [www.treepopper.com.au](http://www.treepopper.com.au)) makes removing olive seedlings and other woody weeds a whole lot easier, especially when done during the wet seasons while the soil is damp.

Many bush care groups and individuals now prefer to use the Tree Popper in their quest to control young olives than other available options as it is quicker, cheaper, requires no chemicals and results are permanent.

While Tree Poppers can be borrowed for short periods from local Natural Resource Management offices, this requires some forward planning and pickup and drop off during office hours. The poppers also need to be available when landowners have the spare time needed to tackle olive removal.



Tree popper

**If you are concerned with your property in turning**

**From this**



**To this**



Then for more details about the Tree Popper subsidy scheme or how else the NFBALM Program may be of assistance please contact the Project Officer,

Monica Seiler on 85246 0411

or email [mseiler@playford.sa.gov.au](mailto:mseiler@playford.sa.gov.au)

To receive the subsidy, conditions will apply.



# Kids Page

Welcome to the Kids Page once more. It was great to meet some of our readers at the One Tree Hill Market on the 7th May. I had the privilege of presenting prizes to the talented artists that had winning entries in the Easter colouring competition. It was wonderful to meet some of the smaller folk of the town along with parents and grandparents. I am sure that you are enjoying your prizes, they were brilliant and kindly donated by Officeworks Elizabeth. I've had a couple of suggestions and one was for noughts and crosses. Thank you Brandon, I have included some especially for you to play with.

Remember if you like doing a particular puzzle let me know and I will try and source them for you.

Enjoy this months puzzles and I hope to hear from you with any suggestions for next month.

Email: oth.grapevine@bigpond.com or drop any ideas on paper to the General Store.

Until next month, Auntie Bev.



## Items you can find in a house wordsearch

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Quilt  
Rice

Sink  
Table  
Umbrella  
Vacuum Cleaner  
Washing Machine  
Xbox  
Yarn  
Zipper

When you have found all of the words in the puzzle all of the remaining letters left to right, top to bottom will help you learn an interesting fact about a household item.

Help guide this lost cow to his friends.

Q: What did the red light say to the green light?

A: Don't look I'm changing!

Q: What do you call a penguin in the desert?

A: Lost!

Q: When is a door sweet and sticky?

A: When its jammed!

Q: What do you call an old snowman?

A: Water!

Q: Which is the gate we can't enter?

A: Colgate! (Toothpaste)

Q: In which room cant we live in?

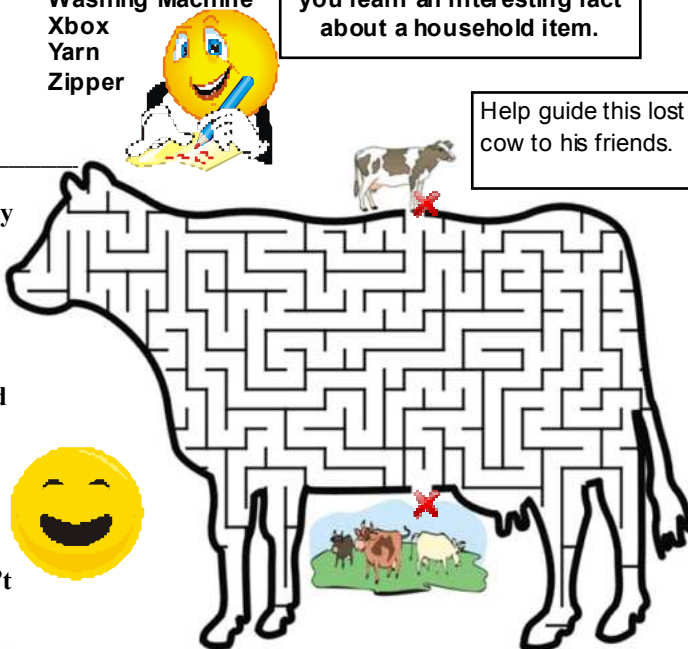
A: A Mushroom!

Q: What do 2 oceans do when they meet?

A: Nothing, they just wave!

Q: What is the best type of Ship?

A: FRIENDSHIP!





# **COUNCIL PLAN - YOUR CHANCE TO HAVE YOUR SAY**



The Council's priorities for the next four years are set out in the Council Plan.

The Plan includes the annual budget for the first year which will fund the activities and services the City of Playford is committed to delivering. The Council Plan paves the way forward for the organisation and provides a strategic framework for addressing our four goals, Community Wellbeing, Economic Prosperity, Environmental Care and Organisational Excellence.

## **Community Consultation**

The draft Council Plan is available for public consultation from 25 May to 14 June 2011.

During this period you can also provide feedback on Councils Long Term Financial and Asset Management Plans. You can have your say in a number of ways:

- Online – visit [www.playford.sa.gov.au/goto/councilplan](http://www.playford.sa.gov.au/goto/councilplan) to view the Council Plan and download a feedback form
- In person –
  - ♦ attend a Community Café workshop to ask questions and give your feedback on 9 June at 7.00pm at the Playford Civic Centre, 10 Playford Blvd Elizabeth.
  - ♦ attend a public hearing to present your submission on 14 June at the Council Chambers, Playford Civic Centre, 10 Playford Blvd Elizabeth at 7pm.

To register please contact Rachel Paterson on **8256 0333**.

Your views are important and will help shape Council's long-term direction.

Further information on the Council's Plans can be found at

[www.playford.sa.gov.au/goto/councilplan](http://www.playford.sa.gov.au/goto/councilplan) or by contacting the call centre on **8256 0333** or Emailing [Playford@playford.sa.gov.au](mailto:Playford@playford.sa.gov.au)

## One Tree Hill Fodder & Rural Supplies PET OF THE MONTH

Chelsea F. is the winner for last month with her pet Flosse who is a Golden Retriever.

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Flosse is the winner for May

If you would like to enter next months "Pet of the Month" competition, take a photo of your pet along with a short story and drop it into the OTH Fodder Store by 17th June. Winner will be announced in the July edition of The Grapevine.



Make Your Pet a Star



## News from OTH Scouts



The OTH Scout groups Annual General Meeting was held on Friday at the scout hall where an invitingly warm bonfire was enjoyed. The cubs displayed their cooking talents by making bacon, eggs and pancakes for everyone. Not to be outdone, the scouts made some scrumptious baked apples in the open fire. Yum!!

The most prestigious of all awards for a cub is the "Grey Wolf Award" and at the AGM Sam Maloney and Bowen Hawkey were our most recent cubs to work hard and receive this honour. Well done boys! As with any AGM some business needed to be attended to amongst the fun and at the beginning of the nights, the section leaders gave their reports and the committee was re-elected ready for another terrific year of scouting.

## Friends of Para Wirra Recreation Park

Para Wirra Recreation Park (1409 hectares) was dedicated in 1962. Do you know the meaning of Para Wirra? It is an aboriginal phrase meaning river with scrub. Para Wirra Recreation Park is beautiful bushland reserve with many walking trails including The Knob, Lizard Rock, Devil's Nose and Hissey Loop. There are also scenic drives, recreation facilities and native animals. The Park offers many attractions for a day in the Adelaide Hills. Who are the Friends? The Friends are people who: Care about natural and built heritage, Enjoy the friendship of others, Share their skills and talents, Help to preserve the Park for future generations, Feel concern for the plight of nature, Seek to protect and promote flora and fauna, Have an appreciation for history and folklore, Help others to learn about the Park and locally contribute to the preservation of the Park. What do the Friends do? Volunteer to assist in fields such as: Revegetation and weed control, Information and guiding, Maintenance of walking trails, Environmental education, Wildlife and flora research and monitoring, Signage, brochures and displays, Restoration, maintenance and presentation of heritage sites within the Park, Waterwatch and Frog Census, Collection of data about macro-invertebrates, Befriending and encouraging the staff of the Park and Historical research. The friends meet at Para Wirra on the first Wednesday and third Saturday of each month at 9.00am.

**FREE TRAINING:** Introductory Workshops: Saturday 25th June at Callington  
Saturday 2nd July at Norton Summit

**ADVANCED WORKSHOPS:** Including Basic Plant Identification, Broadleaf Weed Control in Grassy Ecosystems and Grass Identification and Management and a 2-day Brushcutting workshop.

For more information and to book a place in these workshops please contact Liz Millington by phone on 8273 9126 or email: [Liz.Millington@adelaide.nrm.sa.gov.au](mailto:Liz.Millington@adelaide.nrm.sa.gov.au)

If you would like to know more about the Para Wirra Recreation Park please call 8280 7048 or come and see us RSD Humbug Scrub Road.

Opening hours: Open every day from 8am to sunset (except Xmas Day).  
Entry fees apply.

Facilities offered: Walking trails, sports oval, picnic area, Gas BBQ's, Toilets (wheelchair access)  
Accommodation (1 Hut available)



**Pumpkin Soup - A Winter Warmer**  
**750g Pumpkin (I used Jap Pumpkin)**  
**4 Cups water**  
**15g Butter**  
**1/4 Cream**

**1 Large chopped onion**  
**2 Chicken stock cubes crumbled**  
**2 Chopped bacon rashers**



**Method:** Skin and seed pumpkin and cut into small pieces. Melt butter in a large saucepan, add onion and bacon. Stir over heat until soft. Add pumpkin, water and stock cubes, bring to boil. Reduce heat and simmer for 30 minutes. Remove from heat and blend in blender until smooth. Return to heat and stir in the cream, stirring constantly without boiling. When serving add a swirl of cream to each plate along with a sprinkling of grated parmesan cheese. Zucchini can be substituted if you have a plentiful supply of them. Carrots can also be added for extra flavour

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**Impossible Pie - A Quick Meal**

**3 Eggs, well beaten**                      **1 Small chopped onion**  
**1½ Cups Milk**                                **1½ Cups chopped bacon**  
**¾ Cup Pastry Mix**                           **½ Cup grated cheese**

**Topping:** Parsley, finely chopped **1 Tomato** thinly sliced

**Mix all together and put in a greased pie plate.**  
**Sprinkle with parsley and sliced tomato. Bake at 180° for ¾ Hour**  
**Corn can also be added for extra goodness.**



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**N**ew from our Federal Member for Wakefield Nick Champion has successfully lobbied the Federal Government to introduce a pilot programme of "Income Management in Playford", just one of five sites selected nationally. The programme is being trialed to help ensure welfare payments are spent in the best interests of vulnerable people, carers with children etc. assisting them with the management of purchasing the essentials of life including food, clothing and medical care. The selection of Playford was a result of consistent lobbying from Mr Champion since October 2010. Well done, some good news for those in need in our area. Centrelink benefit recipients can voluntarily join this programme by contacting their local Centrelink Office.

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The above is quoted from my renewal of registration sheet. What does it mean? If you have any, even only one, of the above types of animals, then BY LAW you must have your property registered and have a Property Identification Code (PIC). Failure can result in big fines. More importantly, it may mean that disease control efforts fail because your animal inadvertently passes on disease even if they do not leave your property. An example of this is the recent Equine Influenza, or EI, where it was carried by the wind and incubated in unlisted animals, to be passed on to others further down wind. Only by door-knocking the entire affected area could all animals be traced. Thanks to brilliant efforts, it happened. Next time, there could be major compensation claims against anyone not listed and cause disease spread. If you are a landowner who has animals on your property, even if they do not belong to you, then you must register. Those who agist are covered by the landowner's PIC but must expect the cost of registering to be included in the cost of agistment. Contact details of the owners must be given by the landowner to PIRSA. **Submitted by Julie. B**



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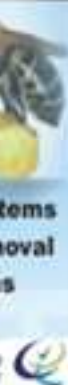
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### Elizabeth GP Plus Health Care Centre

The new GP Plus Health Centre has recently opened. Some of the services provided at the centre include the following: To see a Doctor, To see a Dentist, Immunisations, Physiology, Blood tests, Baby hearing test, Breast mammograms, Physiotherapy, Wound dressing, Podiatry, Speech pathology, Respiratory clinic, Healthy lifestyle. All of these services are provided FREE of charge, apart from a small co-payment for adult dental services. To make an appointment, call the centre on 7485 4000. Referrals from your GP are required for some services. The centre is open on weekdays from 9am to 6 pm, except for pathology who start at 7.30am. The centre will be open after hours and on weekends later this year. People are especially encouraged to visit the GP Plus Health Care Centre Elizabeth rather than the hospital emergency department for non-urgent health conditions such as cold and flu. A family Health Open Day is on Sunday 19th June from 10.30am more details for the open day are on the back page of this edition.

### Playford Council Contact Details

24 hour Emergency & Lost/found dogs

8256 0333

General Enquiries and Burning Permits (seasonal ) 8256 0333 Email: [playford@playford.sa.gov.au](mailto:playford@playford.sa.gov.au)

Libraries: Elizabeth 8256 0334

Munno Para 8254 4600

When telephoning council with a request please remember to get a Customer Registration Number (CRN) to ensure registration and easy identification of your communication.

You can also phone or email your local Councillors.

Joe Federico Ph: 0417 016 164

Email : [jfederico@internode.on.net](mailto:jfederico@internode.on.net)

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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.



## OPEN DAY

GP Plus Health Care Centre Elizabeth is holding an open day on **Sunday 19th June from 10.30am**. The open day will include tours of the centre, stalls and displays, free health checks and health related activities for adults and children. The centre is designed to provide a host of health services at the one location and to help ease the pressure on busy hospital emergency departments.

Details of what the centre has to offer appear on page 19 of this edition.

All families are encouraged to attend the open day.  
**16 Playford Boulevard, Elizabeth. (next to the library)**

Its been a while since we have had a **BRICKBRAT** but this is one that could lead to someone getting hurt!

McGilp Road residents have noticed an increase in the number of cars that are travelling well in excess of the speed limit. Last week wheelie bins were damaged and rubbish strewn all over the road by one hoon! Clubs and residents that use the facilities at the oval are urged to reinforce to their members and visitors that it is a residential street and that a 50km per hour limit applies. Number plates will be taken and passed on to the police if the bad behaviour continues!



## WANTED



**Junior Chefs to enter our latest Progress Association competition.**  
Full details will be in next month's edition.  
Get the cook books out and start practicing for round 1 at the August Market.

### Next Country Market

**Saturday 4th June**

**(9am-1pm Approx) at the OTH Institute Blacktop Road OTH.**  
Great variety of goods available including the outstanding Russian ladies with their wonderful array of food on offer. Come early to avoid missing out!



**A Tree of Peace has justice at its roots!**

## Cabaret/Dance

Neighbourhood Watch in South Australia is celebrating 25 years by holding a Cabaret/Dance

**VENUE:** Norwood Town Hall  
**DATE:** Saturday June 25th 2011

**TIME:** 7.00pm to 11.30pm

Take Nibbles AND a Supper Supplied  
Refreshments & Bar Service will be available to purchase

**OPEN TO ALL**

Come along and dance to the music of the Full Complement of the renowned "Band of the South Australian Police"



Tickets  
\$35.00 for individuals  
or a table of 10 for \$32.50 per head

Booking fee  
\$5.85  
**BOOK AT BASS**  
Phone:  
131246



The Grapevine team is happy to announce that we are now on line. If you have family living overseas, interstate or too far from One Tree Hill they can now catch up on the news from the town by simply going to the Institute web site at **www.onetreehillhall.com.au** go to the "About Us" tab and you will see the link for The Grapevine. Over the coming weeks we hope to put other editions of The Grapevine on line just in case you missed an edition. Feed back on the site would be great to hear, email us at **oth.grapevine@bigpond.com**

If we never make mistakes we never make anything!

**PROGRESS General Meeting - Thursday June 9th at 7.30pm.**

**Venue One Tree Hill Institute, Blacktop Road, One Tree Hill.**

New members are very welcome.

