



ONE TREE HILL GRAPEVINE



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The Man in Red Very Popular At Market

The One Tree Hill Christmas Market was very popular in December with Father Christmas the main attraction. He met lots of wonderful children who assured him that they had been good all year! Father Christmas gave out lollies and gladly posed with children for photos.

Various photos from Market Day are below. There are additional photos on page 3 along with the One Tree Hill Junior Master Chef judging final for the year 2011. Next bake off is at the Market on the 4th February, the theme - good old Australian Lamingtons.



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From the Desk



This edition begins our 2nd year as the new Grapevine Team, and even with a few hiccups we have enjoyed the challenge. We hope that our readers are also happy with our efforts. We have had a lot of new and excellent input from many sections of our community and hope this continues. The Kid's page appears to be a success with the children becoming more and more involved.

The Junior Chef baking competition and the colouring competitions have been very popular. The colouring competition has once again been kindly sponsored by Office Works Elizabeth.
(Photos of winners will be published next month).

We hope that 2012 will be even better and along with the volunteers and contributors we will strive to make it so. It is excellent to see that two of our local kids have excelled in their final exams (see back page) and we also congratulate all those who completed Year 12 in 2011. Well done!

Please use the Grapevine to keep the community informed of any interesting news you may have, as many read the Grapevine to see if they know any of the people mentioned, even when they have left the area several years before.

One Tree Hill is a township that has been a part of many folks lives and as an ex resident mentioned only a day or so ago that her now 30+ year old daughter said to her this week, "Mum, I still dream and think of One Tree Hill and would love to eventually move back there, it was such a great part of my life".

To us that comment embodies how many feel about having lived in or are still living in OTH and how much this town means to them. This newsletter will continue to endeavour to generate that feeling in those who have and will come to and live in our community.

Until next month, the Grapevine Team.

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Letter from the President—February 2012

Just a quick note to acknowledge the effort and contributions of so many of the helpers that assisted in the smooth running of the One Tree Hill Progress Association.

2011 was a positive year and achieved gains in both the management and control of the Hall and Market operations, the production of the Grapevine newsletter, and the general running of the Association.

I take this opportunity to give a big thank you to all who have contributed to the successful operation of the Association over the past twelve months. There are many volunteer groups that do have an input into the community of One Tree Hill, and we also thank them for their contribution.

Thank you to the Playford Council for their input in upgrading various facilities surrounding the Institute, and the establishment of an additional storage room inside of the hall.

The assistance of councillor Joe Federico is also acknowledged and our sincere condolences on the recent passing of his father Domenico.

Finally I wish all of the readers of the Grapevine a HAPPY and PROSPEROUS 2012 from all the One Tree Hill Progress Association.

Regards Ian Slater

President of OTH Progress Association

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P.S. A big thank you to Kay and Ian for hosting a very enjoyable Christmas break up afternoon at their home for all the committee and volunteers. We all enjoyed a fabulous BBQ with an assortment of brilliant salads and spectacular sweets. Everyone who attended had a great time. OTH Progress members and Volunteers.

Don't forget the ladies lunch at the Blacksmith's Inn on the 24th February. This is the last Friday of the month. Please phone Kay Ellis to let her know if you will be attending so that she can book tables. Meals can be ordered from the menu on the day. Phone Kay on 8280 7186 or M: 0412 696 380

If you have any favourite websites we invite you to share it with our readers.

Read the Grapevine on line

If you haven't had a chance to see the Grapevine on line please go to the site:

www.onetreehillhall.com.au and go to "About Us", scroll to the bottom of the page where you will be able to select the one line edition of the Grapevine.

This is a great way to share local news with friends and family who can't get a hard copy of the Grapevine. Happy reading.

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One Tree Hill Christmas Market

Pictured below are the winners of the Christmas Bake off for One Tree Hill Junior Chef. Winners of the Gingerbread: 5-8years Division were 1st: Cody, 2nd: Kaylen, 3rd: Daniel. Encouragement Awards went to Joshua, Kiahnah and Hannah. The 9-13years Division were 1st: Samuel, 2nd: Brianah, 3rd: Caitlyn and Encouragement Awards: Abigail and Joanna. The judges Joe, Pam and Dave enjoyed the delicious gingerbread that the children baked, even Father Christmas was impressed with all of the entries. Don't forget if you would like to enter the competition for March will be Tartlets, further details are on page 17 of this edition.

One Tree Hill Junior Chef



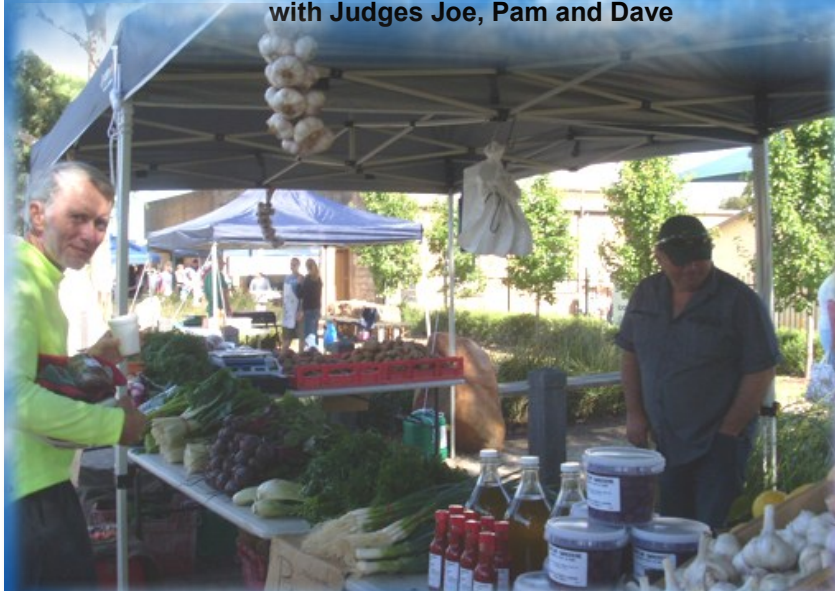
Above: Winners of the 9-13year section

Above: Winners of the 5-8year section



Even Father Christmas got into the act, he is pictured with Judges Joe, Pam and Dave

Free Face Painting at the Christmas Market



We are hoping that the fresh vegies will be a regular stall holder.



Some of the 40 plus regular stalls at the market



ONE TREE HILL GRAPEVINE CFS REPORT FEBRUARY 2012



Incident Report

The last two months have been busy for the OTH CFS, a grass fire on 3/12/11 started on Uley Road and Chapman/Viney Drive. The fire was difficult to access and required considerable resources to contain. It took a couple of hours before the situation was under control and there was the need to monitor the fire ground into the next day to ensure no outbreaks occurred. There was another fire on 1st January on the southern side of Uley Road was started in the early hours of the morning and proved difficult to access and contain.

The usual number of car fires and road accidents continued throughout the area. Unfortunately an accident occurred at the One Tree Hill Road and Kersbrook Road intersection on the 8th January, this resulted in a fatality. The intersection was closed for 7 hours which caused considerable confusion and delay to all. Please take extra care at this intersection even if you have the right of way.

One Tree Hill provided a truck and crew to fight the Wilmington fire near Pt. Augusta, the crew were away for 3 days and was involved in helping save a number of properties and to contain the fire.

In total 13 incidents have been attended by the Brigade.

Siren Use

The CFS siren may occasionally sound at various times due to testing or other reasons, (please note that it is tested weekly on a Monday at 7.30pm) it is wise to always venture outside to inspect the area for any signs of a fire nearby. While the Brigade will always strive to sound the siren when required it should not be relied upon as the sole notification of a local fire. Other methods that may be used include your local and Community Fire Safe 'Phone Trees', the CFS website, local ABC radio 89.1 or emergency phone alerts.

Reminders

The Fire Danger Season for Mount Lofty Ranges starts on the 1st December and finishes on the 30th April 2012.

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

For general information please contact OTH Duty Phone of **8280 7055** or **1300 362 361**

Councillor's Report by Joe Federico

I am pleased to take this opportunity to wish everyone **A HAPPY NEW YEAR.**

Unfortunately it has not been a very good start to the New Year with the tragic and fatal car accident at the corner of Kersbrook Road intersection.

The minutes of the December 13 Council meeting will show that I raised concerns in relation to the potential for fatal accidents to occur at this intersection and that Council has asked for a report from DPTI (Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure) in order to make an informed decision on what actions should be taken. Subsequently the Bunyip has done a story on the intersection and is in the process of doing a follow up story and the Advertiser has also done a story on the intersection. I will raise the issue again at January's Council meeting and have forwarded all of the emails I have received in relation to the issue onto Council. Please be aware that this intersection is a dual ownership intersection with both Council and DPTI having control over the intersection with DPTI having priority over Council. It may be an idea for concerned residents to also take up the matter with our local MP, Mr Michael O'Brian who the direct line to Mr Patrick Conlan MP, who is Minister for Transport.

OTH and other northern areas were subjected to a very unseasonal deluge when the skies opened up and caused areas of Flash Flooding, even in OTH. I understand that at such times people turn to their local councillor for support and action, unfortunately other than coming out to have a look at the damage and offer words of empathy there is little I can do, the best course of action is to take pictures or video of situation and if assistance is needed phone Council's 24 hour emergency on 8256 0333 or the SES and access help that way. Council has funded the installation of an emergency water supply system for the OTH CFS to use in the situation where SA Water supply is cut to the township on days of catastrophic fire danger.

Council's District Bushfire Prevention Committee identified the water supply issue as a priority and undertook to have a new system in place prior to Christmas 2011. The new double head hydrant is located at the front of the cemetery on Black Top Road and is connected via high pressure pipe to the former town water supply tank. Part of the traffic island has been removed and a section of the road painted out for CFS vehicle parking only. This will provide an efficient and safe filling point for CFS vehicles during an emergency fire situation. This initiative shows the great community outcomes possible when Council partners with other local organisations like the CFS.

I am again disappointed with the failure by Council to action the delivery of the new rural numbering addresses, I will be bringing this up yet again at Council (the previous excuse has been DTEI now DPTI have not supplied the information) if there is a hold up with the roll out yet again I will be asking the DPTI for a contact phone number or email address which I will publish in my report so as people can deal directly with the alleged culprits.

On a personal note I would like to thank the OTH Progress Association (for the lovely flowers) and all the other people who sent messages of support and condolences on the passing of my father, Domenico Federico, on the 6th January, 2012. He will be sadly missed but always remembered in my heart.

If you have any concerns or issues with or about our City, please in the first instance phone 8356 0333 or send your email to playford@playford.sa.gov.au and cc: crjfederico@playford.sa.gov.au. If you are uncomfortable with council viewing your concerns then please email me at jfederico@internode.on.net I attend the OTH Country Market each month if you would like to speak to me personally. Full Council details are on page 19.



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History of the One Tree Hill Institute

The One Tree Hill Institute was erected in 1906. It is now owned by the Playford Council and administered by the One Tree Hill Progress Association. Much interest, planning and fund raising went into the project long before the building was commenced. Until then the local school was the venue for all community functions.

In 1906 an interested group of citizens led by E. A. Kelly and R. Fiebig, encouraged by a local Member of Parliament S. B. Randal, who raised £207 towards the project. This with the promise of a loan from Arthur Thomas for the remaining amount needed, led to the hiring of Adelaide architect W. Walls to draw up plans. Later, contractors R. Hymers (masonry) and W. Wright (carpentry) were hired to begin building.

The foundation stone quarried from nearby Cornishmans Hill Road was used for the building which was completed in February 1907.

At the opening ceremony onlookers were encouraged to place donations for the project on the newly positioned foundation stone with a generous amount being raised.

The original building included a piano and furniture, total cost was £687.

The opening ceremony was performed by former Premier R. Butler who grew up in the district and it was very well attended. The event was followed by a bazaar organised by local ladies, many of the names of those involved are recognizable today by people still living in the area.

The Bazaar had things for sale, fun activities and displays which together with a 'promenade concert' in the evening raised a further £100 towards costs.



Colonel Weir performing the unveiling ceremony in 1907.

The building consisted of a hall and stage with two underground rooms connected by a staircase and was in constant demand for a variety of functions which included concerts by well-known local and visiting artists, a monthly dance, table tennis, school concerts, agricultural bureau meetings, tennis and other club meetings as well as many individual and fund raising functions.

The downstairs area was used as a library for a time but was never very successful owing to the dampness of the area and eventually the area was closed off from inside.

A monument honoring those residents who served or gave their lives in two World Wars was erected outside the building and more recently a flag pole was erected. A supper room was added after WWII with further additions in the late 1970s.

Late last century, local fund raising assisted by Council grants doubled the size of the original building; the extension was built using materials that were closely matched with the original stonework.

The Institute now boasts a fully enclosed playground and modern restrooms inside.

Landscaping around the building was performed by the Playford Council and the generous donation bequeathed to the Institute by the Clucas family.

The Institute is now a very well equipped building to cater for a variety of functions and is a valuable asset to all of the residents of One Tree Hill and districts.



Pictured above, laying the foundation stone in 1906.

Happy Birthday 105 Years Young



This old photograph of the men who helped build One Tree Hill Institute in 1906 is one of many now hanging in the Institute Hall.



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SMYG-SUNDAY MORNING YOUTH GROUP the young people in the Group meet at 10am with their Leader, in their own Room where they are able to discuss and learn. They then join the others for a cup of tea/coffee or soft drink.

There are various Groups to be involved in, such as **BIBLE STUDY GROUPS, THE DRAMA GROUP, THE MUSIC GROUP, THE FELLOWSHIP GROUP and THE CRAFT GROUP**. If you are interested in any of these, please contact Sybil on 8280 7038.

THE FELLOWSHIP GROUP is open to both men and women and the Group meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 10am in the Church Hall.

February 22nd will be the first meeting for the year. This will be a Chat Morning, when we will be handing out the programme for the coming months.

You may like to make a note in your Diary regarding our **August 22nd Meeting**.

On this day our Guest will be **Simon Bryant** - the Celebrity Chef in the series "The Cook & the Chef". **Simon will be giving us a Cooking Demonstration and you are all invited to come along.**

FELLOWSHIP MARKET STALL To be held at the Market on 4th February. This will have a variety of Cakes, Tarts etc. and lots of other things.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

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

Petition for One Tree Hill Skate Park

All over South Australia there are small towns like Gumeracha, Waikerie, Blackwood and many more who have Skate Parks. In One Tree Hill we have them in our backyards and even on the road. The kids of the town have

got together and have a petition going to try and get one built so that they can skate, scooter and BMX safely. A suggestion is that it be built at the oval on McGilp Road. If you would like to support the kids go to the Facebook page ([one tree hill skate park](https://www.facebook.com/oth.sk8.petition)) and sign it or email oth.sk8.petition@hotmail.com

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Some Very Quirky Quotes

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Now I don't know what to feed it!

I had amnesia once - or maybe twice!

All I ask is a chance to prove that money can't make me happy!

If the world were a logical place, men would be the ones to ride side saddle!

What is a "FREE GIFT"? Aren't all gifts free?

Someone told me I was gullible and, guess what....I believed them!

Experience is the thing you have left when everything else is gone!

One nice thing about egoists: they don't talk about other people!

My weight is perfect for my height - which varies a lot!

If swimming is so good for your figure, how do you explain whales!

Life is like an onion; you peel one layer at a time and sometimes you weep!

Life is like a game of poker: If you don't put any in the pot, there won't be any to take out!

Half our life is spent trying to find something to do with the time we have rushed through life trying to save!

There are only 2 tragedies in life: one is not getting what one wants, and the other is getting it!



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Kids Page

Welcome back to your page for the year 2012. I hope that you have all had a wonderful holiday and an exciting and enjoyable Christmas with your family. Hopefully Father Christmas delivered some great presents for you. Now it is time for another year of schooling, the holidays seem to last forever and I guess that you are all ready for another year at school or perhaps this will be the first year of school for you. I hope it is a good year for you. On the back page we have some young achievers for 2011, well done girls on achieving those great marks for year 12. If you have any new ideas for your special page just email the Grapevine at: oth.grapevine@bigpond.com or drop me a line OTH Grapevine c/o OTH Post Office. Until next month, have fun Auntie Bev.

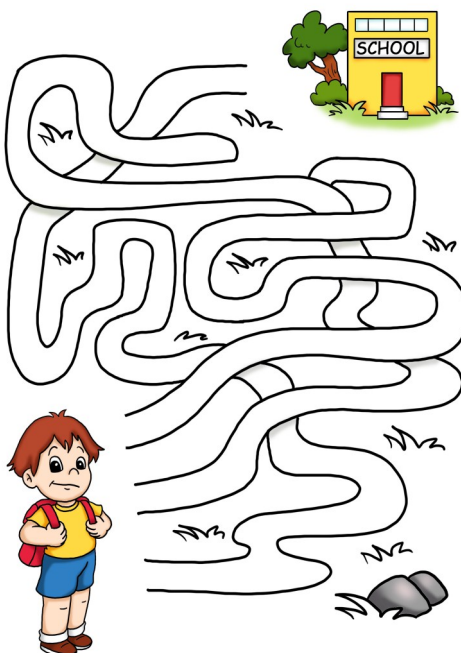


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Q: Why did the music teacher need a ladder?

A: To reach the high notes!

Q: What did the pen say to the pencil?

A: So what's your point!

Q: How do you get straight A's?

A: By using a ruler!

Q: How did the music teacher get locked in class?

A: His keys were inside the piano!

Q: What do elves learn in school?

A: The elf-abet!

Q: What object is the king of the classroom?

A: A ruler!

Q: Why were the early days of history called the dark ages?

A: Because there were so many knights!

Q: Who made King Arthur's round table?

A: Sir-Cumference!

Q: Why is England the wettest country?

A: Because the Queen has reigned there for years!

Q: Who built the ark?

A: I have Noah idea!

Q: What did you learn at school today?

A: Not enough, I have to go back tomorrow!

Q: What holds the sun up in the sky?

A: Sunbeams!

Q: When do astronauts eat?

A: At launch time!

Q: How does the barber cut the moon's hair?

A: E-clipse it!

Q: What happened when the wheel was invented?

A: It caused a revolution!

Q: What is the world's tallest building?

A: The library because it has the most stories!

Q: Why did the clock in the cafeteria run slow?

A: It always went back for seconds!

Q: Why didn't the sun go to college?

A: Because it already had a million degrees!



I hope you enjoyed these jokes, if you have any that you would like to share with readers send them in.

Crime Report – ONE TREE HILL Rural Watch – Offences reported between 19/11/11 and 23/12/11

1st December—Daylight hours: Theft **Kestel Road, HUMBUG SCRUB**
Pump disconnected from rain water tank and stolen.

3rd December Cause Bushfire **Uley Road, ULEYBURY**
Male adult arrested after driving motor vehicle in paddocks. ** Refer to media release below **

11th December: Residential Serious Criminal Trespass **Kentish Road, ONE TREE HILL**
Entry to premises, unlocked door. 2 persons disturbed inside premises. Nil Stolen. 1 male and 1 female adult located inside of house by occupant.

Overnight 11th & 12th December: Theft **Black Top Road, ONE TREE HILL**
23 Gas bottles stolen from business premises.

19th December: Illegal interference of motor vehicle **Toolunga Road, YATTALUNGA**
Vehicle parked in driveway moved into paddock.

The item below was a media release by SAPOL on 4th December

Man arrested after a fire at Uleybury

Police have arrested an 18 year old Uleybury man after a fire at Uleybury yesterday. The fire started at about 4.00pm and burnt for several hours and burnt approximately 107 hectares of paddocks. It is believed that the fire started when a vehicle was driven into a dry paddock on Uley Road, Uleybury. The 18 year man has been charged with recklessly causing a bush fire and will appear in the Elizabeth Magistrates Court in January. Police remind the public of the dangers of driving vehicles onto areas of dry flammable bush or grass.

There has been a decrease in offences in our area over the last month - let's hope this continues. SAPOL need members of the community to be proactive within their area and report anything out of place. Remember to have a pen and paper in your car and note down any rego numbers of vehicles which you don't recognise.

As always if you have any information to assist with any crime issues in the area please call Police Communications on 131 444.



The Horse Owners Garden

That useless pile of manure you have been collecting all spring can now be used.

It should have been done a month ago, but hey, it's not too late. By being in a pile, it has started to break down. Now you can spread it onto the garden where it will act as a mulch, or water retaining cover.

If you have been feeding your horse good nutrition you also have a good source of fertiliser. Horse manure has nitrogen, phosphorus and many micro nutrients; all the things you have to pay for in fertiliser. Raw urine may be too strong, but if it has sat in a heap for a month it is ready to put on the garden. Weeds only come from horse manure if the horse is being fed weeds. So remove the barley grass from his paddock and remove the Salvation Jane and buy weed free hay.

Feed micronutrients (there are many commercial mixes, of which I can personally recommend seaweed meal, Equilibrium and Mega Horse) and get a healthier horse and a healthier garden while removing your problem of too much manure. Never too much if you have a garden or trees. Fruit trees and vegies will get a boost just as they are producing edibles, so you win again.

Horse manure harbours few micro-organisms that may harm humans. Tetanus toxoplasmosis (from cats using that lovely soft pile) are the most dangerous offenders so keep your tetanus vaccine up to date and always wash your hands thoroughly when handling the manure.

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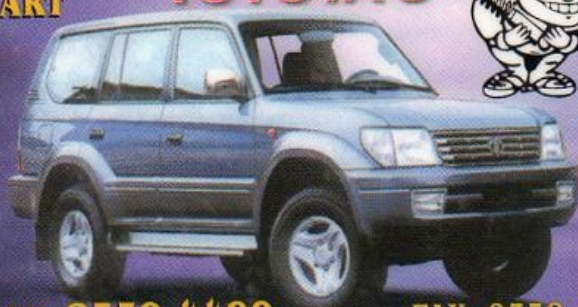
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Preparation is the key to any project and bathing your pet is no different so take the extra bit of time to set things up before the bathing actually starts. A simple example of this is when people stress out because the soaking wet pet runs through all of the rooms of the house jumping on all the beds and rolling on the clean carpet or shaping up against the wall in an effort to dry itself. There is no point in chasing and screaming at your pet for doing something that is perfectly natural so the preparation for this would be to close the doors to all areas that the wet pet is not welcome before you bath the pet. Here are a few basic hints on the bathing of common pets but you will get the general picture for many other pets as well:

DOGS

- * As a guide your dog should be bathed at least every 3 months or so, perhaps more frequently if it spends a great deal of its time outside.
- * Start by giving your dog a good brushing to remove dead hair, grass seeds or knots.
- * Place a rubber mat in the bottom of the tub as this will provide grip for the animal and reduce some of its anxieties.
- * Fill the tub with about 100mm of lukewarm water.
- * Wet your dog using a spray hose, or plastic jug taking care not to get water directly into its ears, nose or eyes. Water should be lukewarm.
- * Using a mild dog shampoo, gently massage into the coat working from the head down to the tail.
- * Use the spray hose or plastic jug to thoroughly rinse your pet once again taking care to avoid getting water directly into its ears, nose or eyes.
- * Run your fingers through its wet coat to feel for any strange lumps and bumps that may require further investigation. Any doubts, make a booking to see your vet.
- * Use a very mild solution on cotton balls to clean the outer part of the ear but do not insert anything into the ear canal.
- * Take the time to check the ears for any foul smells or debris that might suggest that all is not well within.
- * Dry your pet with a large towel or blow dryer that is set to a safe heat level.

CATS

Cats tend to do their own thing pretty well but if the situation arises where a bath is required then preparation is a must.

- * Consider the time of the day that your cat is most docile.
- * Try to tire it somewhat by playing games with it for awhile.
- * Give your cat a good brushing to remove dead hair, grass seeds or knots.
- * Trim its claws if they are particularly sharp (for your own protection).
- * Place a rubber mat in the bottom of the tub.
- * Fill the tub with about 75mm of lukewarm water.
- * Wet your cat using a spray hose, or plastic jug taking care not to get water directly into its face, ears and eyes. Water again should be lukewarm.
- * Lather up your cats coat by using a very mild cat shampoo and working it in starting at the head and working back to the tail. *Do not use human shampoos as these could lead to dryness or skin disorders.*
- * Thoroughly rinse off the shampoo to remove all traces of residue using a spray hose or plastic jug taking care not to get water directly into its face, ears or eyes. Remember to use lukewarm water again.
- * Wet a washcloth in plain water to wash about the cat's face taking care around the ears and eyes.
- * Dry the cat in a large towel. You might try the blow dryer on the low setting but don't be surprised if your cat doesn't like it.
- * If the cat has a long coat, you might try to untangle its fur using a wide toothed comb.
- * Check the ears for any foul smells or debris. If you find anything that concerns you, have it checked out by your vet.

COCKY

Bathing in natural water is a very important act for your pet cocky. If your bird is inside most of the time it could be that the artificial conditions are actually drier than what the bird would usually experience in the open.

Regular bathing keeps the feathers clean and reduces the level of body dust (dander) that the bird produces.

You may need to experiment to see what your bird likes best. Some will play along with a shower spray and spread their wings to get the full workout, others may prefer to do their own thing in a shallow bowl by dunking themselves.

REWARD

Try not to be worked up or tense whilst bathing your pet. They can sense your anxiety so try to keep everything upbeat and cheery. Make a game of it all and reward them in some way so they look forward to future baths.

The bathing of pets can be a horrid ordeal that tests the patience of both parties involved, or an opportunity to get in some further training and bonding with your pet. For both of your sakes I hope that you can turn it into the later.

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Why did the bush fires pass me by?
Why did man leave me here to die?
I can only ask, but I get no reply
But the wind sighing through my boughs.

Perhaps for a landmark I was left
While my brothers all went down,
To guide the settlers on their way
To the distant growing town.

What a home for the 'possums I have been'
What an age I am, and what sights I've seen -
How the blacks used to lie beneath my shade
While the birds on my limbs - what a noise they made!

There were cockatoos there, and parrots by scores
Of every conceivable hue;
And emus and dingoes all over the place,
With hundreds of kangaroo.

The bullock teams, too I remember well
For by me was camping place;
And oft the firelight fitfully shone
On many a bearded face.

Bushrangers, too have camped by me,
Close followed by mounted police;
But all disappeared with the morning light,
And left me alone in peace.

Crowds of diggers have halted here -
Men hardy and true and bold,
With picks and shovels and heavy packs
Hard on their quest for gold.

Runaway sailors, too, have slept
Peacefully beneath me;
Glad to be far from the heaving wave,
And away from the restless sea.

Black men and white of the days gone by -
They all loved the one-tree-hill;
Perhaps that is why I am here to-day,
And why I am standing still.

Daughters and wives of the old pioneers,
Matrons and maids of the past:-
All have drunk tea and rested by me -
Why am I left to the last?

Now all is changed, and I'm nearly done -
Aeroplanes fly o'er my head,
Engines and motors go speeding past,
And will long after I am dead.

Gone are the blacks and the kangaroos,
Emus, wild dogs, and possums:
Only the busy bees left to me,
To gather among my blossoms.

Ah! Though man has spared me so long,
And bush fires pass me by,
There is now within me the keen Waikerie
And by them I am doomed to die.

Ah! Well, I've been favoured for long, long years,
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One Tree Hill Junior Baker Competition

Conditions of entry: The item of cookery to be submitted along with size and quantity will be published in the Grapevine in the month prior to the One Tree Hill market day. One entry per person.

This will allow for seasonal baking such as Christmas and Easter.

Entries are to be delivered to the One Tree Hill Junior Baker's table at the market between 9am and 9.30am. You will be required to make 3 identical items for the theme of the month. Paper plates will be supplied and entry cards including entry number will be attached. Judging will commence at 9.30am.

There are 2 age categories: 1) Ages 5 to 8 years 2) Ages 9 to 13 years.

Prizes for each category are 1st: Blue Ribbon and \$15.00 2nd: Red Ribbon and \$10.00 3rd: Green Ribbon and \$5.00. Entries can be collected along with prizes by 1pm.

How to enter: You will need to email (oth.grapevine@bigpond.com) or complete the entry form and mail to One Tree Hill Progress Association, PO Box 196 One Tree Hill SA 5114. Or drop it into the General Store.

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December Winners in the 5-8-year group 1st: Cody, 2nd: Kaylen, 3rd: Daniel, Encouragement Award Winners were Joshua, Kiahnah and Hannah. Winners for 9-13years: 1st: Samuel, 2nd: Brianah, 3rd: Caitlyn, Encouragement Award Winners were Abigail and Joanna. Special thanks to our judges Joe, Pam and Dave.

The December Market was filled with all things festive. Santa called in to look at the beautifully decorated gingerbread. The Junior Bakes presented many colourful shapes and designs. It was a credit to all children who participated and to the families who came to support their Junior Chefs.

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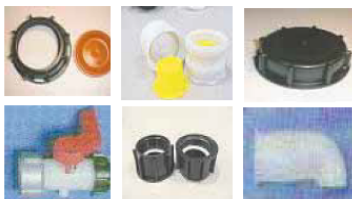
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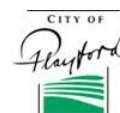
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Local Girls amongst the top in the State



Pictured below is Miranda Van Heuven who has just completed Year 12 and scored an ATAR of 99.20 (out of a maximum possible 99.95) placing her in the top 1% in the state. Miranda has lived in One Tree Hill all her life and was a former student of One Tree Hill Primary School. She later attended Seymour College in Glen Osmond to complete her Secondary Education. Miranda received a Merit for Legal Studies and has been invited to attend a ceremony at Government House where she will be presented with her Certificate along with other students who achieved perfect scores.

Miranda's Year 12 subjects were Physics, Legal Studies, Psychology and Information Technology. At Seymour College she was awarded Academic Honours and the subject prizes for Legal Studies and Information Technology.

In 2012, Miranda will begin a double degree of Law and Arts at Adelaide University and plans on pursuing a career in the Legal Industry. Her advice for future Year 12 students is to make sure they maintain a balanced life during their studies. Try and study at an even pace all year, rather than in peaks and troughs.

"There's time for everything; ensure that you keep up your sport or social events with friends, as it stops you from feeling overloaded by school pressures and deadlines, allowing you to feel refreshed and put in 100% when it comes to study time".



Olivia Salagaras who is 17 years old moved to One Tree Hill when she was 2 months old. She attended the OTH Kindergarten from the end of 1998 and later went to OTH Primary School. Her Secondary Education was completed at Trinity. Olivia played netball from Year 4 for the OTHPS and continued netball when she attended Trinity College, she also participated in the Festival of Music (Choir) from 5-10 years with the OTHPS Choir. Olivia also competed in the Tournament of Minds from year 7-10 and received Honours twice. Olivia's subjects for Year 12 were Math Studies, Chemistry, Biology, French and Research Project. Olivia's scores were Maths - 20, A+ with Merit, Chemistry - 19.8, A+ with Merit, Biology - 19.6, A+ with Merit, French - 19.2 A, Research Project - 9.3 (out of 10), A. Her ATAR was 99.85.

Olivia received various awards during 2011.

Her advice for anyone studying year 12 is "Set yourself a goal for the end of the year. My goal last year was to achieve 20s in all of my subjects and even though I knew that would be very

difficult, whenever I was studying for a test or completing an assignment, that thought was what made me push myself to complete my work to the highest standard possible".

Olivia's aim for the future is to be an obstetrician, she has wanted to be one since she was 10 years old. She hopes to be able to study Medicine at Adelaide University.



Progress and the Grapevine extend our deepest sympathy to Cr Joe and his family on the recent loss of his father Domenico Federico.



Next Country Market
Saturday 4th February
(9am-1pm Approximately)
at the One Tree Hill Institute
Black Top Road.
Great variety of goodies
available and also the Junior
Chef Lamington judging.

Anzac Day Family Picnic & Fun Day

The OTH Progress Association is considering a family fun day at the McGilp Oval on Anzac Day. Proposed start time will be from 12.30pm, to allow for people to attend the march. The idea is that we all get together, bring your own lunch, blanket, chairs and enjoy some old fashioned Fun Day events like egg & spoon races, sack races and others. Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd place. We are in the process of contacting various clubs in town to help make this a great day. Please contact Progress on 8280 7095 or email: oth.progress@bigpond.com or come to the Progress Meeting on the 9th February with your expressions of interest and any ideas. We will keep you updated in further editions of the Grapevine.

PROGRESS General Meeting - Thursday February 9th at 7.30pm.

Venue: One Tree Hill Institute, Black Top Road, One Tree Hill.

New members are very welcome.

