

# NEWS FROM PEACEHAVEN

July 2021

## AGM TO MARK ANNIVERSARY

This year's Annual General Meeting of the Friends of Peacehaven will double as the celebration of an anniversary. It will mark 15 years since Peacehaven Botanic Park officially opened.

Work began in early 2005 to convert the farmland that Stan Kuhl had generously donated into the beautiful park he envisaged. At first this work was undertaken solely by the then Crows Nest Shire Council. But in February 2006 a meeting was held to form a community group that would assist the council, and the Friends of Peacehaven was born.

By the end of August that year Stage 1 of the park's development was complete, and the Friends organised a special event for the official opening. This took place on Sunday 24 September 2006. Hence the date of this year's AGM and 15th birthday celebration: **Friday 24 September 2021.**

## FEATURE: Our youngest volunteer

When Harry Baker signed up as a nursery volunteer earlier this year, he reduced the average age of the nursery staff significantly.

14-year-old Harry is a Year 9 student at Toowoomba Christian College, where he has chosen to set himself some extra challenges by enrolling for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

It was our gain that Harry decided to channel his interest in plants and gardening into the Voluntary Service component of the award, and chose our native nursery as the place to volunteer. A quick learner with a friendly manner and ready smile, Harry has become a valued member of our team. We congratulate him as he nears completion of the Bronze level of the award.



Harry Baker



## DATE CLAIMER: TAVERN TALK

The next Tavern Talk is scheduled for August. The topic is yet to be finalised, but we can guarantee another interesting talk in this popular series. Watch this space for more information.

**Date:** Thursday 12 August

**Time:** 6 pm for a 7 pm presentation (dinner and drinks at your own expense)

**Place:** Highfields Tavern

## NEXT MEETING OF FRIENDS

The management committee will meet in July and August, and the next General Meeting of the Friends, which will be the AGM, will take place in September.

**Date:** Friday 24 September

**Time:** yet to be announced, but the meeting will take place in the early evening and will be followed by a celebratory social gathering.

*Winter colours in the park*