

# NEWS FROM PEACEHAVEN

March 2022

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

### Invitation to all members

In a change from tradition, the next meeting of the Friends of Peacehaven will be held in the early evening. We recognise that holding meetings on a midweek morning prevents those who are at work during the day from attending. So we will trial evening meetings in March, April and May, with the aim of benefiting from the views and ideas of a broader cross-section of members.

The March meeting will be a planning meeting. Our objective will be to clarify the focus and investment of the Friends over the next couple of years. The meeting will start at 5.30 pm and should finish by 7.30 pm at the latest. Nibbles will be provided.

It will be preceded by a management team meeting, starting at 5 pm, at which all members are welcome to 'sit in'.

**Gus Hamilton, President**

## WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE

The good news is that the recent deluge has at last brought all three of our local water-supply dams – Perseverance, Cressbrook and Cooby – up to full capacity. The much worse news is that lives have been lost, some roads are still cut, and many people are stranded in places far away from their homes.

Peacehaven Botanic Park came through the extreme weather more or less unscathed. A few channels have appeared where there weren't any before, but the lake is full and the frogs are happy.



*This new planting near the lake is thriving after the rain.*

## NURSERY NEWS

A call-out to volunteers: one or two more helpers are needed on the roster for several Saturdays in March and April. Please check your diaries and see if you can assist.

The nursery has a good range of *Eucalyptus* species available at present, growing quickly and looking lush. There are also plenty of *Westringia* and *Philotheca* plants, as well as a few grafted grevilleas. And fresh stock is expected this coming Thursday, 3 March.



*This isn't how the path near the nursery is meant to look!*

## TAVERN TALK

The Tavern Talk postponed from February is now scheduled for May.

The presenter will be Dr Nikki Seymour, from the Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, and her topic will be 'Making and Using Compost'.

**Save the date:** Thursday 12 May

## MUSIC IN THE PARK

Funding has now been approved for our popular Music in the Park events during 2022.

Weather permitting, the first performance of the year will be by the Ted Edwards Trio on the second Sunday of this month.

**Date:** Sunday 13 March.

## NEXT GENERAL MEETING

The next General Meeting of the Friends of Peacehaven is to be a planning meeting, and will be held on **Wednesday 9 March** in the evening.

**Time:** 5.30 pm (straight after the Management Committee meeting, which will begin at 5.00 pm)

**Place:** Nursery Shed

All are welcome.