

Dear Members of the Hangklip Botanical Society: Hangklip Hardcore Hackers

Chris Geldenhuys reported as follows re the Hardcore Hackers March activities as follows: "There were 8 hack opportunities in March with 200 man-days. Chris reported as follows: "The Sugarbird Hangklip work team has been successfully established with a leader appointed and duties commenced at the beginning of March. The five-member team led by a designated leader undertook the water purification plant area as their first project, working five days a week with high productivity. Mike C. serves as coordinator, monitoring productivity and acting as liaison between HHH and the Sugarbird Foundation. The team's contribution is greatly appreciated.

Thank you, Mike; a great job. The positive impact of the hacking community is becoming increasingly evident. While some residents, particularly those from small holdings, were initially hesitant about the hackers' presence, many now recognise the benefits: revived fynbos, reduced fire risk, and improved property values. The recent Pine Hack exemplified the shift in attitude from this specific plot owner.

Chris goes on to say that the next hacks are planned as follows:

The planned schedule for **April includes Pine Hacks on the 6th, 13th, 20 th and 27th. Additional hacks are scheduled for the 1st (Bass Lake, Betty's Bay), 8th (MPlot, RE), 15th (Hakea?), 22nd (FCE, Pringle Bay), and 29th (Turtle Creek).**

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