

Hangklip Hardcore Hackers (No. 76):

Chris Geldenhuys reported as follows re the Hardcore Hackers June activities: "The month of June 2026 provided 9 hack opportunities, but two opportunities were lost to rain. Even so, the group recorded a total of 128 man-days. Congratulations to Mike Christelis on receiving the John Whitehead Floating Trophy as Hacker of the Month. Thank you, Mike Christelis, for your energy and enthusiasm - you are a truly deserving recipient of the trophy. Thank you, Mike Christelis and James Burns, for keeping the statistics of the hacking activities. It is not only necessary to keep records of where and what has been cleared, but it indicates patterns and norms which help with the revision and reassessment. It provides indication of shortfalls and overextension and planning for the future. The report provides certain evidence that we have achieved wonderful success with the Monday Pine Hacker operations to such an extent that we have completed two phases of our three-phase approach. Secondly, is it time to conclude on the two emerging problem species, namely "Bottlebrush and Australian Prickly Tea Bush and there is a significant improvement in our follow-up operations.

The latter two issues were made possible since we have wonderful support from the Sugarbird teams (now two teams in the field). Hangklip Hardcore Hackers July 2026. It is with great appreciation that I can report that between the Monday Pine Hackers and the Sugarbird Teams, the whole area from R44, between Buffels River and the old gravel Porter Drive, the 6-7 small holdings were cleared of the aliens as part of Phase 2 of the Pine Hack effort. The focus of the efforts was on Pines and Spider Gums. In the process, the area of the two sisters, above the gravel road, was also cleared.

This was only possible with pure determination and enthusiasm every Monday morning from 6 April until 22 June 2026.