

Rooi Els Hacking report for August 2026

A big thank you to the 12 hackers who joined forces to rid the Village of alien invasive vegetation this fine winter's morning! We were all extremely grateful for Wolf's fab coffee, which helped kick-start a surprisingly demanding hack. A special thank you goes to Kevin for the trays of fresh sandwiches—they were truly the envy of the local RE baboon troop, who gathered nearby to watch us enjoy them! Experience certainly counts, and we were glad to have Richard from Betty's Bay and Chris from Pringle Bay join our local regulars. A warm welcome to our first-time hackers, Adrian and Lisa from the Village. Following a quick scout around the day before, we split into 2 groups to tackle target sites at opposite ends of the village: • The Koppie: We cleared a concentrated area of young Rooi Krans and Port Jackson shoots, along with several established trees. • Ocean View Drive: We tackled and cleared a dense, concentrated thicket of Rooi Krans on a sea-side plot. Huge thanks to Chris and Mark for filling their vehicles, as well as loading up Geof's trailer, to cart all the cuttings off to the tip. Thank you all again for your incredible effort and community spirit today. See you at the next hack!

A special thanks to Philip Kantor for standing in and running the hack in my absence and for writing the above report. Much appreciated.