



Mark - Harnessing the planting power of Scouts

What was your goal and what did you achieve?

I wanted more Scout groups to help plant trees from Trees for Life for landowners or groups. I've planted about 300 trees in Iron Knob which is in the middle of nowhere, with 15 youth and four adults helping me, and also I sent out a letter to my group leader and district commissioner to send me Scout groups that are willing to help plant trees for landowners.

How have you promoted this work?

I'm doing it with Scouts, which really does promote it with the community, and being noticed by Trees for Life putting me in their Releaf magazine (*source of the photo above*), being in the Coast City Weekly Messenger on the front page and being in the Whyalla News.

What is your biggest success so far?

How many people have expressed interest in helping plant.

Next steps

I'll be continuing it. With the Iron Knob project it will definitely be going ahead because it's going to be a thing that's constantly going through my Scout Hall.

What did you enjoy most?

Seeing how many young people are interested in helping plant and grow trees and to help the environment.

Your advice to other students?

Just work hard and if you really want to do it, just research a lot and find contacts that would help you.

This case study was transcribed from an interview. These are Mark's words and opinions.