

# Revegetation of Mt Brown



The Mt Brown Reserve is popular with locals and visitors to the district of York, and at its entrance, “The Triangle” was a historically cleared piece of land. The Shire of York and Friends of Mt Brown applied for a 2011 Community Small Grant from Wheatbelt NRM to revegetate this piece of land. It was weedy with only a sparse covering of indigenous flora. It needed a co-ordinated approach to revegetation and weed control. Success with this project will help highlight the awareness of weed management issues and value of local flora at Mt Brown. Seedlings of locally native plant species were grown by the Avon Branch (York) of the Wildflower Society including Jam Wattle (*Acacia acuminata*), York Gum (*Eucalyptus loxophleba*) Manna Wattle (*Acacia microbotrya*) and Rock Sheoak (*Allocasuarina huegliana*). These plants provide protection and buffering for the biodiversity of Mt Brown Reserve, improving the long term sustainability of Mt

Brown’s native vegetation by reducing the weed threat, and restoring the native vegetation. As a result it should also restore habitat for native fauna.

“The Triangle” was cleared deep ripped and then planted with the seedlings and scattered with wild-

flower seeds. The timing and plentiful rain was crucial to the success of the growth of both the tubes stock planted and the scattered seeds. The wildflowers bloomed in spring and the seedlings have tripled in size. This was a collaboration between Friends of Mt Brown, Shire of York, the Wildflower Society and York DHS. It was said, “**Teamwork created a realisation of the conservation and protection of an environmental asset in York.**”

## **Wheatbelt NRM Small**

### **Community Grants 2011**

**Recipient:** Shire of York for Friends of Mt Brown

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**People Involved:** 40



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