

Bayview Village Mariner PI Hawthorn Tree Update

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Mariner Hawthorn Update

Two years ago, the Vegetation Management Committee looked into options for reducing the expense of annual flat-topping while also enhancing the natural beauty of the hawthorns. Several residents opted to have hawthorns removed from their property. On the common area at the Mariner cul de sac, the VMC decided to let the five hawthorns grow into their natural shape and to reassess at the end of two years. This week, members of the VMC reassessed the result of their experiment and are pleased with the results:

- The hawthorns have grown into beautiful, healthy, natural trees as the VMC anticipated.
- First year growth improved the shape of the hawthorns and provided more shade to the area.
- Second year growth further enhanced beauty and shade, plus produced beautiful healthy blooms, which have attracted delighted honeybees. On quiet, sunny days, the bees can be heard buzzing as they collect nectar. By the way, honeybees generally do not sting unless provoked or are defending their hive, so let them be.

The VMC will continue to let these trees flourish.



