



Lebanon A ROCHA – August 2023

Aana



Above Aana – location of ARL's office – a landowner, Carlos Eddé, enclosed a large area of land to raise gazal. In the same time, sheperds became a few in the area, limiting the grazing outside the protected area. It results in a contrasted landscape, with a grazed part with fast erosion and but fire, and a ungrazed part with limited erosion but frequent fires on the slope of Mount Lebanon.

Mekse

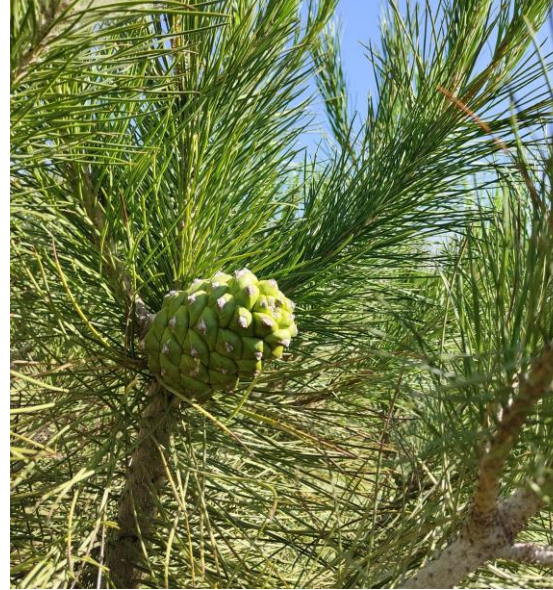


A new shelter: the Sannine hut





The path that has been opened by the hands of men is
now ready for your walk around among the wild oat



Pine trees are finally growing up, offering their first cones, a shelter for sparrow's nests at Spring, and a stage for the cicadas' singing during the summer.





The cicadas spend between 1 to 9 years underground as a larva (up to 15 years for some North American species) before metamorphosis and a summer singing on pine trees.

Unidentified cicada



The art of waving is now mastered



Our new team of
young fellows
(Souher, Amar,
Mona, and Daher)





Having taken benefit from the training on waving, Amar improvises a new design for the reception room





In August,
the sun can knock even the toughest and bravest men out.
It is time of all dangers...



... indeed...

Qabb Elias

*Qabb Elias educational garden,
with the refugee camp in the
background.*

This garden is the result of
an ARL project of land
restoration (2015-2018).
After the handover, it
remained closed. In July, we
fixed the irrigation system
and began negotiations with
the municipality to find a
solution, but one night...







Luckily, the fire was
contained...

... and the garden found
his guardian angel.
August is the time of the
brave men.

For more details on this
epic event, read:
“[On wildfires](#)”





See you next month