



# Nature conservation

#### Land restoration

September is the time of drought and harvest.

In Mekse, doves are now dancing in the sky, and microclimates are designed.

In Qabb Elias, trees recover from fire thanks to Abd el-Nasser's care.

#### Scientific activities

Guillaume and Sarrah de Vaulx attended the kick-off event of the grant on Biodiversity at the French embassy and presented ARL's project: a tent in the garden, a Bedouin Tent as a centre for Biodiversity pitched in the forest garden of Mekse.

Look at the pictures of the <u>monthly report</u>

#### Education

ARL begun to manage the educational apiary of <u>Urban</u> <u>Bees</u> founded by Damien Kasper, Guillaume de Vaulx and Marin Accad, together with Action&Research associate, as a tool to introduce to the kingdom of bees and the ecology of pollinating insects.

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## September 2023



# September is synonym with: Drought

In Lebanon, global warming means first fast snow melting. The consequence is that mountains do not play their role of water tower for the Bekaa valley as before.



Hamzeh saving hundred of fish from the habitat pond in Mekse...



... before its deepening





Aamiq, summer 2022

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### In Aamiq wetlands where A Rocha Lebanon brought back the water in the 2000', the drought is there again.

September also means:

# Harvest



## Harvest (1) Honey

A Rocha Lebanon manages with Action Research Associates the educational apiary in Beirut...





... and September was the time of the harvest









## Harvest (2) Seeds

It is time to harvest and store seeds for a green and florishing spring



## Harvest (3) Know-how in building with earth

It is now time to apply what was learned in the July's workshop, and to take benefit of it









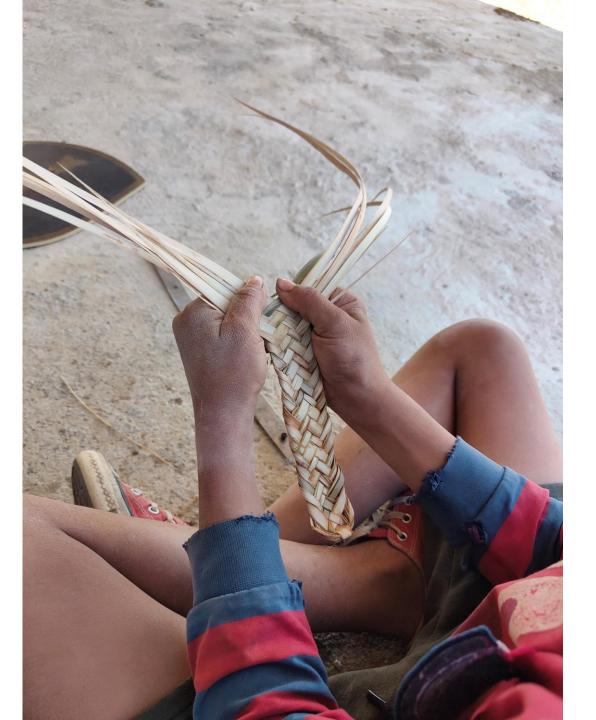
... with the building of a chicken coop and a dovecot



Harvest (4) Know-how in waving palm Last round of the training on waving palm: the art of sewing, and production of our first hats













First productions by the Mekse team

## **Miscellaneous**



The fontain of flagrances





#### Bambou and reed wind cuts to create microclimate

#### Progress of the pine forest



April 2021

September 2023

The pine forest was suffering of wet soil in winter and dry soil in summer. The digging of trenches and the end of the plowing helped to balance the humidity of the soil



When industrial projects develop next door, planting a forest can give the impression of vanity. However...



## See you next month...

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