

**NEW COMMITTEES** - As a result of the AGM's of both groups and in accordance with group policy new Chairman have been elected for both groups, details below. AT the AGM both Norman Boyer & Peter Holding were thanked for the enormous amount of work they had done for the groups.

**Harden Murrumburrah Landcare -**

**Chairman** - Neil McColl 063-867210

Vice Chairman - John Roles & Peter Holding

Secretary - John McGrath

Treasurer - Stephen Woodhead

Database Liaison - Ellis Murphy

Group Leaders - Ian McLeod, Mark Barber, Chris Duff, Dean Porter, John McGrath, Ric Knight Gregson.

Murrumbidgee Network Forum - David Cusack

Harden meet every month 7.30 Harden Bowling Club, all most welcome to attend.

**Binalong Landcare**

**Chairman** - George Elliot 06 - 227 4289

Secretary & Treasurer - Glenys Ings

Murrumbidgee Network Forum Rep. - Libby Elliot

RAPT (Rural Awareness Property Tours) Co-ordinator - Libby Elliot 06 2274289

Binalong meet every second even month 7.30pm Binalong Hall, all most welcome to attend.

**17 JUNE - BINALONG LANDCARE MEETING** to be addressed by Eric Coates, from Environmental Resource Information Centre, Canberra, discussing Catchment Planning using satellite imagery. 7.30pm Binalong Hall, all welcome.

**DATABASE - The** 1996 Database is currently being mailed and I urge those growing wheat to again participate. The information collected not only assists you with management decisions based on information previously collected but also helps the CSIRO understand what is happening across the region. Your paddocks entered provide basic research information regard yield pertaining to soil types, water usage, tillage methods etc. and therefore assists formulating information regard sustainable farming system practices. If you have not participated in the past and would like to please call me for a form. Field days will be held again this year to help you collect data and answer any questions you may have. The Harden Advisory Service is planning to hold several pre-sowing morning in paddocks to demonstrate the various types of machinery being used. I will advertise these mornings on Radio Riverina, 2CR around 6.50am and 2LF. Due to required rainfall and then time constraints I hope this will be satisfactory.

**FARM FORESTRY** - Following a very successful farm forestry conference last month in Yass, those attending were keen to establish a local farm forestry network. If you would like to be part of this network please contact Gillian Hayman 06 -2261433. A copy of the papers presented can be obtained by contacting Kim 02 2286111.

**25 JUNE - RAPT** bus trip with ACT Forests, Queanbeyan to see preparation techniques, planting demos, variety of aged plantings, spraying & fertilising, budgets at Kowen Forest, then Stromlo Forest to see different pruning regimes, Gibraltar Forest for picnic lunch and back to Yass via a Farm Forestry Venture at Gundaroo, Booking essential Cost (including lunch) \$30 by 12/6 \$35 21/6 when bookings close. Further detail contact Libby Elliot 06 227 4289

**PROGRAZE** - Another Prograze course is about to commence, if you are interested in participating please contact me. Cost will be \$ 100 /farm, and runs for eight 1/2 day sessions using group members farms as session sites. Farmers learn how to accurately access pasture and animals giving participants a greater understanding of feed quality and its value.

**DRUM RECYCLING - Drums that can be recycled are listed below *please do not leave* any drums that are NOT on this list in the 2mesh bins behind Kennett Rural Services.<sup>1</sup>**

Monsanto - Roundup, Roundup CT,(cube shape only) Turbo and Turbo P

Nufarm - Glyphosate, Glyphosate CT (cube shape only)

CIBA Geigy - Gesatop, Gesaprim, Cotoran, Cotogard, Gesagard

Farmoz - Wipeout 360/Wipeout 450, Simazine, Fluometuron, Prometryn, Promo-mix  
Abbott - Dipel (200lt)  
Bayer - Glyphos  
Agrevo - Basta

### **FARM CHEMICAL USER COURSE<sup>2</sup>**

14 farmers from the Binalong Group attended this course in March gaining a Certificate of Accreditation as a User of Farm Chemicals. It is anticipated we will hold another course in July, 1996 if you are interested in participating please contact me. The course covers Integrated Pest Management Strategies, Legislation, Product Labels, Formulations, personal & environmental safety, equipment selection, maintenance & calibration.

**CATTLECARE** - It is anticipated that a pilot Cattlecare course will commence in July/August, further details please contact either myself or Sallie Dunlop 063 844234.

### **FARM PLANNING COURSE -18 June, 1996**

Please contact me if you wish to join this group and I apologise for the change of date.

### **RIVERCARE FUNDING CLOSES 31 JULY, 1996**

The Rivercare program aims to increase community awareness of the importance of the riverine environment. Any Landcare Group can apply for Rivercare funding assistance. Funding can be used for the development of river management plans, streamside revegetation, fencing and alternative stock water projects, works to control nutrient input or erosion and for the development, enhancement or protection of wetlands connected to streams. Contact me if you would like an application form.

**BINALONG PUBLIC SCHOOL & SUPERB PARROT** - Binalong Public School with support from Binalong Landcare members has held a propagation workshop and have successfully produced 700 trees which they are growing in a green house. They plan to plant these trees on a selected site in Binalong in Spring, all varieties have been selected to enhance the local habitat for the Superb Parrot. The project has been sponsored by Greening Australia and Cathy Pacific.

### **THE MURRAY BASIN LANDCARER NEWSPAPER**

This newspaper is aimed at Landcarers in the Murray Basin and contains detailed information on landcare projects and environment issues throughout the region. You can purchase this paper from Harden Newsagency & Cons in Binalong.

**22 May - Murringo Landcare Group Meeting** 7.30pm Murringo School, Topic - Direct drilling, an illustrated talk on methods, results & machinery conversion by Ashley Mead, NSW Ag Cowra. Further information Jane Wallace 846266 - all welcome.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further information on any of the above.

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