

WHAT'S ON

10 October, 1997 - MARKETING TO THE FUTURE, GRAIN & WOOL INDUSTRIES

8.30am - 5.30 pm Harden Bowling Club Cost \$35/person \$45/+partner (includes morning and afternoon tea but bring your own lunch & calculator) conducted by FarMarCo and Trish Murphy, - sponsored by R&N Gebhardt, Marketing & Transporters of Grain plus NSW Farmers (Harden). Topics to be covered include Commodity Markets, Trade Ethics, payment security, developing a selling strategy, how the price variations are determined, outline of the origins of futures trading, how the futures markets works, users & uses of the Futures Market, options, basis, risk management service industry.

16 October, 1997 - Computer Software Demonstration Day

Cost \$10/family detailed take home folder included, Cootamundra Town Hall -further information B.Vanzella, Coota Landcare 02 69424977

24 October - Chandlers IAMA & HMLG Database Field Inspection No. 3

Topics to be covered include CSIRO trials, NSW Agriculture variety trials, Nitro-humus, resistance and disease.

31 October, 1997 - EMERGING OPPORTUNITIES IN AGRICULTURE CONFERENCE

organised by Australian Institute of Agricultural Science & Technology and HMLG to be held on the grounds of Murrumburrah High School. Early registration available \$50 by 17/10/97 or \$65 on the day. Topics to be covered are *Cereals/Pulses* - winter wheat, triticale, chickpeas and marketing pulses for human consumption in Asia, *Oil Crops* - mustard seed/industrial oil crops, eucalyptus oil, tea tree, lavender, jojoba *Native foods and flowers*, Bush foods, a restaurant perspective and a production and marketing perspective, native flowers and native animal foods. *Fruit and Nut trees* - Table nuts, pistachios, olives, persimmons, *Fruit and Vegetables* - Asian vegetables, bramble and berry fruit, vineyards (large and small scale) *Agroforestry* - high value timber, joint venture plantations, firewood and farm trees *Other Crops* - Seed crops, herbs, spices and garlic *Livestock* - Sheep milk, realising lamb's potential, goat meat, deer *Exotic animals* - Aquaculture, Alpacas, rabbits, worms *Multi commodity topics* - doing your own research, Internet for farmers, access to water, organic/biodynamic production.

Official opening speech - Ross Garnaut, Key factors in the development of new enterprises - Keith Hyde, An innovative farmer's experience - Tom Rankin and commercialisation of new enterprises - Dr. Rob Fletcher and Marketing to Asia.

If you do not receive a registration form in the post please do not hesitate to contact me.

17 November - Succession Planning

Speakers - Lyn Sykes, Dubbo - a consultant & mother of five sons, family meetings, communicating within families, getting the processes underway

Rhys Gray, Bird Cameron - Accountants - Transferring the family farm, how capital gains affects the farm transfer, eligibility for government assistance & pensions, use of family trusts.

Bill Thompson - Commins & Hendriks - Solicitors - the legalities of transferring the farm, business structures, wills and estate planning, best time to transfer the property, plant and livestock.

Cost \$30/person or \$35/+partner

MEMBERSHIP - Why not consider joining HMLG, cost is only \$5, *become involved* in the management of our local environment and work towards a sustainable use of the district resources.

Reminder from Ron Duggan, Rural Lands Protection Board to contact him if you find a 'healthy' dead rabbit, the Calicivirus is now wide spread within the Harden Shire.

For further information and booking for any of the above, please contact Louise Hufton, Harden Murrumburrah Landcare Coordinator 02 63868218 (ph) or 02 63868212 (fax)