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March 2018
Yenda Producers Co-operative and Yenda Prods Grain are pleased to announce the transition of Akazien Hof Grain and Fertiliser business into the Co-operative.

The purchase of Akazien Hof Grain and Fertiliser will complement the grain silos that were acquired as part of the purchase from Yenda Fruit and Case and will improve our ability to offer additional services to our shareholders and continue to support businesses in the local Coleambally community. Additional information can be found on the website https://www.akazienhof.com.au.

We look forward to working closely with Steve and Monika Burgess to ensure that we continue to offer a high level of service to the local farmers.

We welcome all enquiries from our members towards the new acquisition.
Lisa is new to Yenda Prods and to the town of Griffith! After too many years in the cold of Canberra, Lisa and local hubby and their 2 young boys, moved to sunny Griffith last year. To experience the smaller roundabout town - Walter Burley Griffin knows his roundabouts. She is definitely enjoying less traffic and does not miss the set after set of traffic lights.

With a background in insurance, the ATO and a study background in HR up her sleeve, she joined the Yenda Branch in Feb 2018. Lisa’s focus will be in all things Human Resources Administration.

Lisa is enjoying every minute being here at Yenda Prods and is getting use to everything being covered in red dirt in general and loves the warm of the west sun.

On weekends she loves spend precious time with her family and friends, get out and see what the Riverina has to offer. Then fit in some exercise and a swim or 2.

Thank you for making me feel so welcome!
We are proud to announce the launch of the new logo’s for Yenda Producers Co-operative Society Ltd, Spencer & Bennett - Yenda Prods, RWE - Yenda Prods Irrigation & Yenda Prods Grain, collectively referred to as the Yenda Group. With the Yenda Group expanding from Yenda Producers Co-operative it was important for us to have branding where every entity has its own identity, but still remain part of the Yenda Producers, its morals, values and mission.

Yenda Producers are joining in the fun to support the fundraiser “Give Me 5 for Kids”. The fundraiser is organised by MMM 2RG and will be raising funds for the children’s ward of the Griffith Base Hospital. This year’s event will see Jason Austin from MMM ride for 12 hours straight on an exercise bike at Griffith Central. The Yenda Group have decided to join the fun and cycle along with Jason. Whilst we all would like to think that we could ride for 12 hours straight, we are a bit more realistic. Staff members from the Yenda Group will each ride an hour to support the cause.

Leading up to the event, we will be selling raffle tickets with three great prizes to win. The first prize is a $1,000 voucher at Yenda Prods, second prize is a $500 voucher from RWE and the third prize is a $300 voucher from Yenda Pioneer Butchery, sponsored by Spencer and Bennett. In addition, the team will be raising funds based on per kilometre sponsorship. The event will be held on the 18th May 2018 at Griffith Central commencing at 6am and finishing at 6pm. We hope that all of our members are able to support this cause.
For Sale

Used Side Delivery Bins – As is
Call Kevin on 0409265853 with any questions or wish to arrange to see the Bins at the Yenda store on Mirrool Avenue.
Each bin to be tendered separately but can be listed on the 1 document.
Bins will be labelled 1 to 3 as per the picture below going left to right.
Tenders to be submitted in an enclosed envelope addressed to Yenda Producers Co-op PO Box 19 Yenda, NSW 2681. Att: Kevin Curran, “Side Delivery Tender ex Yenda Branch”.

Used Tri-axle Barker Flat Deck A-Trailer Only (Heavy Duty Model)
BPW Axles & Air Bag Suspension, Clean Skin Tyres, 7.3 mtr Deck
Toolbox, Water Tank
$27,500 GST Inclusive As is.
Contact Adam on 0269613305 or 0427566639 to arrange an inspection at the Yenda store.

• All tenders to Include GST.
• Tenders can be mailed to Yenda Producers PO Box 19 Yenda NSW 2681
• Tenders close April 30th 2018.
• Yenda Producers reserves the right not to accept the highest tender if it is perceived not to meet value expectations.
Eight leading growers and advisers have been named Australasian winners of the 2017 Syngenta Growth Awards in recognition for their outstanding efforts to pursue a more sustainable future for agriculture.

Now in its fourth year, the Syngenta Growth Awards recognise individual achievements in agricultural productivity, sustainability and commitment to community and people.

The four New Zealand regional finalists who attended the Growth Awards dinner in Sydney were: Bruce Shepherd from EastPack Ltd, Te Puke (Advisor Productivity); Pravin Hari from RC Hari & Sons, Pukekohe (Grower Sustainability); Vaughan Redshaw from Fruitfed Supplies, Hastings (Advisor Productivity); Paul Lysaght from Seed and Field Services, Rakaia (Advisor Productivity).

The eight Australasian winners were announced at a gala dinner in Sydney on 30 November 2017, and represent the very best of Australian and New Zealand growers and advisers.

Paul Luxton, Syngenta Territory Head – Australasia, said all the winners are deserving recipients.

“Syngenta Growth Award winners have been chosen from across the spectrum for their strong passion for agriculture and challenging complacency in our industry,” Mr Luxton said.

Eight leading agricultural professionals have taken out top honours at the 2017 Growth Awards

Winners were recognised across three award categories for their innovative work to ensure a sustainable future for agriculture in Australia and New Zealand

Two advisers have been named joint winners in the Productivity category, for the first time in the Awards’ history
“Their innovative work is helping to ensure a sustainable future for Australian and New Zealand agriculture, through developing new technologies, supporting their communities and making new technological advances and information available to their peers.”

The eight Australasian winners were chosen from a pool of 25 Regional Winners by an independent judging panel and were selected based on a set of rigorous criteria for each category, including their overall contribution to the industry.

With such strong competition in this year’s Awards, the judges selected two joint winners of the Adviser Productivity Award for the first time in Growth Awards history.

“The judging was a very challenging task given the high calibre of nominees for the 2017 Syngenta Growth Awards. We are proud to celebrate the forward-thinking and innovative practices of our winners,” Mr Luxton said.

The 2017 Syngenta Growth Awards winners are:

Productivity:
• Grower Productivity Award: Daniel Nicoletti
• Adviser Productivity Award: Bruce Shepherd and Luke Marquis (joint winners)

Sustainability:
• Grower Sustainability Award: Duncan Young
• Adviser Sustainability Award: Kirrily Condon

Community & People:
• Grower Community & People Award: Andrew Bulmer
• Adviser Community & People Award: Peter Calabria

Case IH Award:
• Ray Harrington

For more information please visit: http://www.syngenta.com.au/growthawards

The eight winners will now have the opportunity to participate in an industry-leading study tour to the UK and Europe next year.

The Growth Awards are presented by Syngenta in partnership with Case IH and Fairfax Agricultural Media.

The Growth Awards support the goals of Syngenta’s Good Growth Plan, which addresses the challenges of producing more with less, protecting the viability of farmland and promoting prosperous rural communities. Under the plan, Syngenta has made six specific commitments designed to increase crop productivity, improve land fertility, enhance biodiversity, empower smallholders, train farm workers and strive for fair labour conditions across the entire supply chain.
Horticulture update

Horticulture - Warm and dry weather conditions over the past 6 weeks has led to very good grape quality this vintage. Grape tonnages varied across the region, due to a number of factors including severe winter frosts and a heavy crop during the previous season. Growers need to be mindful of recent localised outbreaks of mealybug, after harvest growers have the opportunity to apply insecticide sprays, options can be discussed with your local YPC horticulturalist. Growers are also reminded to apply postharvest fertiliser before leaf fall after weather has cooled to avoid flushes in vine growth. This will ensure that nutrients are stored before dormancy and vines will have enough carbohydrate storage to push out strong healthy growth next spring.

Prune harvest is down this year as per expected from earlier crop estimates. Overall prune harvest is expected to be round 20% of an average crop. As the weather conditions begin to cool, growers are encouraged to apply postharvest fertiliser before the onset of leaf fall, so that nutrients can be stored prior to dormancy. Leaf tests have been recently carried out by YPC Horti staff. The tests revealed that macronutrients including nitrogen, phosphorus and calcium are down across the region for most growers. As each farm varies, fertiliser products or options can be discussed with your YPC horticulturist.

Citrus crop load estimation is set to be average to below average across the region. Growers should start to consider applying their autumn oil and copper fungicide sprays. Copper works as being both a protective and preventative fungicide so growers need to consider on applying this before the break in autumn rains. Different copper fungicide products and rates can be discussed with your local YPC horticulturalist. Early life stages of red scale (white caps) are currently being detected in numerous orchards. As early red scale populations begin to mature, their presence will become more noticeable within the orchard. If citrus gall wasp has been detected in your orchard management options are available during March-April period to help suppress this pest. Consult with your local YPC horticulturalist on available options to control existing citrus gall wasp populations.

Fruit fly is still being detected in traps throughout the region. Growers are advised to continue monitoring their traps and to start or continue bait spraying mature/maturing fruit.

Follow us on Facebook, Yenda Producers Co-operative Society Ltd, for news and updates.
Alternatives to phenoxies in summer fallow spraying

- Are there less volatile alternatives to 2,4-D ester that provide effective weed control?
- Are there alternatives to Garlon for melons?
- What options are the most cost effective?

**Trial details:**

- Site: Brobenah
- Sprayed: 15 Dec 2017
- Plots: 3.5m x 9m
- Weed species: heliotrope (flowering, and some 3-5 leaf), melons (>10cm), caltrop (>15cm and flowering)

**Why?**

- Timing: small weeds were controlled by Gramoxone, but larger weeds reshot
- Tank mix: burn from Gramoxone prevented glyphosate translocation
- Rate: Roundup @ 1.5L/ha alone could not control weeds, needs addition of spike.

**What we found:**

- Other less volatile options are effective
- Roundup 450 @ 1.5L/ha + Garlon @ 60ml/ha + Amicide Advance 700 @ 0.7L/ha remains most economic choice for broad range in weed control
- Garlon remains best option for melon control. Potential to increase rates of Roundup when spraying near sensitive areas for melon control.
- Roundup 450 @ 1.5L/ha + Starane Advanced @ 0.3L/ha Gly + fluroxypyr $14.80
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Russian wheat aphid (RWA) has the potential to cause significant damage to cereal crops. Trials run in 2016 - 2017 by GRDC and Cesar in South Australia found that seed treatments currently registered in Australia to control cereal aphids are effective against RWA. This was seen in the field by our agronomists last year. Trials are still yet to determine the length of protection offered by the seed treatment, however, higher rates should increase the length of protection.

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With holding period: Do not graze or cut stock for stock food within 9 weeks of sowing.

Russian wheat aphid (left) are longer and thinner than other aphids. Leaf streaking on cereals (middle) and leaf rolling (right) are common symptoms found.
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**Gason 1850 RT air cart**
New stainless pipes & delivery hoses.
4 outlet with small seed box, ground driven with Farmscan monitor.
Very good condition and always shedded.
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**6m - 20ft cole grouper HD 800**
Kohler motor, work lights, roll tarp, grain pickler, side extensions and stands to suit.
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$17,600 inc GST
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**Brett Owen Loader Contractor**

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Prune Recipe

Caramelised Pumpkin, Prune, Roast Almond, Parsley and Farro Salad with a Smoked Paprika Maple Syrup Dressing

Preparation time: 25 minutes
Serves: 4

INGREDIENTS

A delicious accompaniment to BBQ meals or with poultry, game meats, or a piece of pork or lamb.

½ jap pumpkin, diced
100g almonds with skins, roasted & chopped
1 red onion sliced firm
1 bunch flat leaf parsley
150g farro
½ baby frisee
100g Australian prunes, chopped
1 bunch dill picked of steam

Dressing

150ml maple syrup
80ml sherry vinegar
1 bay leaf
1 tbsp smoked paprika
150ml olive oil
2 garlic cloves, crushed

METHOD


2. Boil farro in 2L of salted water for 25min or until cooked. Strain and cool.

3. Strain remaining dressing into jug

4. Place all remaining ingredients in a bowl. Add farro and cooled pumpkin.

5. Add dressing and mix gently.

6. Serve on a platter and add more fresh herbs, dressing and season well with sea salt and fresh pepper

7. For a nice indulgence, sprinkle over fresh ricotta, goat’s cheese or good Persian fetta. A perfect Autumn salad.

Recipe owned by: The Australian Prune Industry Association @ausprunes