

NSW Partners in Grain

A GRDC funded grower driven project that focuses on facilitating professional development activities for farming businesses

Quarterly Newsletter

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With sowing well and truly finished NSW Partners in Grain have been busily organising our winter events program for 2010. This year we continue with our objective to deliver events that provide relevant and timely information to grain growers across the state.

We have two events planned for delivery over the coming months. They are:

Grain Storage Workshops

From the 23rd – 27th of August we will be delivering five half day workshops on Grain Storage. These workshops will be presented by Philip Burrill from the Queensland Department of Primary Industries and Forestry and Joanne Holloway from NSW Department of Industry and Investment.

These workshops will cover topics including choosing the right storage option for your business, key storage strategies for cereals, pulses and oilseeds, and stored grain pest identification and control. A number of grain storage equipment suppliers will be in attendance to answer your product related questions.

If you plan on storing any grain on your farm this harvest this workshop will equip you with all the information you need to know.

Grain Marketing Forums

These forums will be held across the state from the 13th - 17th September.

They are a “one stop shop” for all of your pre-harvest marketing information.

This year they will be facilitated by Mark Martin. Mark is a Director of MarketAg, an independent commodity advice company based in both NSW and WA. He has been working as an independent advisor in commodity pricing and risk management services since 1991.

The forums will include a Grain Marketers Panel Session. In this session a number of grain marketers will outline the latest in marketing products and information on offer by their company this harvest. A complete list of participating marketers will be distributed prior to the forums.

Since our last newsletter NSW Partners in Grain have offered several scholarships to farmers to assistance them in attending key industry events. Ben Bailey from Brocklesby attended the Grain Growers Association Innovation Generation conference held in Albury. Richard Nixon of Oaklands, and Mark Swift of Parkes will both be attending the Australian Grains Industry Conference to be held in Melbourne at the end of the month. NSW Partners in Grain are proud to be able continue to provide this support to members of our industry.

Keep a look out for more information about our upcoming events, and I hope to see at one of them over the coming months.

All the best for the remainder of the season.

Ingrid Taylor

NSW Partners in Grain Coordinator



Profiling the Reference Group

NSW Partners in Grain's Reference Group plays a critical role in the development and implementation of our events. This quarter we are profiling Bruce Watson, a current Reference Group member and the immediate past Chair of NSW Partners in Grain.

Bruce Watson

Bruce Watson is a Director in his family's grain growing business based at Parkes. Prior to returning home Bruce completed a Bachelor of Agricultural Economics from the University of Sydney and also worked in the transfer pricing practice of PricewaterhouseCoopers.

Bruce joined the reference group of Partners in Grain (PinG) in 2004 and was Chairman from 2007-2008. Bruce is also on the South West Regional Advisory Committee of the NSW Farmers Association, is Chairman of the Australian Controlled Traffic Association (ACTFA) and was awarded a Nuffield Scholarship in 2009. Bruce is married to his wife Karina.



UPCOMING EVENTS

GRAIN STORAGE WORKSHOPS

Coming to a town near you!

Presenters Philip Burrill and Joanne Holloway, along with a number of grain storage equipment suppliers will highlight everything you need to know about grain storage.

Dates	Locations
23 August 2010	GILGANDRA
24 August 2010	TRANGIE
25 August 2010	CONDOBOLIN
26 August 2010	JUNEE
27 August 2010	LOCKHART

PRE-HARVEST GRAIN MARKETING FORUMS

With Mark Marin, from MarketAg, and a panel of grain marketers these half day forums will be a "one stop shop" of all the marketing information you will need for the 2010 harvest.

When: 13th -17th September 2010

Where: Moree, Narrabri, Gilgandra, Trangie, Forbes, West Wyalong, Griffith, Jerilderie and Wagga Wagga.

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For more information on our upcoming events visit our website at www.partnersingrain.org.au