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## 2021

Mildura Field Days 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May 9am - 5pm & Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 9am - 4pm

Mildura Racecourse, 53 Racecourse Road, Nichols Point

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# Welcome to the 2021 Mildura Field Days!

THE challenges of 2020 were faced by us all, but it did give an appreciation of the importance of iconic events such as the Mildura Field Days.

From an economic perspective it is fabulous to be back at it doing what we all do best, but even more importantly is the ability for people to be together, to socialise and to enjoy everything that is.

We are all operating in a new COVID-normal world and whilst it creates some extra layers, I spare a thought for other countries that are still grappling with the virus and whom are looking at Australia and wishing they were able to do the same.



Please observe the COVID social distance and hygiene principals and let's have a wonderful and safe event.

Special thanks must go to our media partners, WIN TV,

Mildura Weekly, Triple M & Hit FM, River 1467 & Wine Titles for their fabulous support.

Huge thanks must also go to Dried Fruits Australia, who established and developed

the event and who continue to support us.

And lastly, thank you to our dedicated volunteers, our committee and the Mildura Racing Club team and to our fabulous exhibitors. Without you we wouldn't have an event and it could not have been done without all these wonderful people.

Let's Have a Field Day

**Jo Rodda**  
Mildura Field Days  
Coordinator

**The Field Days are a place to keep up with technology and new farming concepts. It is also about families. Families having time out, time off and coming together to enjoy a day out and to share the best of horticulture with the broader community.**

**From the challenges presented in 2020, it is wonderful to be able to again stage our event in 2021. The Mildura Field Days committee welcomes you to the 2021 event and hopes you enjoy everything the event has to offer.**

**The committee thanks all exhibitors, volunteers and attendees for helping us to make the Mildura Field Days the great community event it is.**

**We hope you find that special deal, or come away with a new idea or opportunity and enjoy all of the free entertainment and activities at this year's event.**

Mildura Field Days  
Committee

David Lyons, Daryn Gardner,  
Allan Lyell, John Hawtin, Van  
Nixon, Brendan Cockfield and  
Kaye Grivec



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# The 2021 Mildura Field Days at a glance...

**WHEN:** Friday 21st & Saturday 22nd May

**WHERE:** Mildura Racing Club, 53 Race-course Road, (off Cowra Ave) Nichols Point

**SPECIAL NOTE:** NO DOGS or other pets please - the crocodiles may eat them

**OPENING TIMES:** 9am to 5pm Friday & 9am to 4pm Saturday

**CAR PARKING:** The main carpark is located in the centre of the racing track, with disabled parking at the main gate. Follow the signs and the directions of our helpful parking attendants.

**ENTRY PRICES:** \$10 for adults, \$5 for Aged Pensioners and free for students and children (under 18).

**CATERING:** a range of catering options are available on site including gluten free and vegetarian fare.

**WIN:** Patrons will receive a free entry ticket into the gate prize of a John Deere lawn tractor from our friends at Haeusler's and for \$1000 worth of fuel from Tasco.

**The kids will love:** Being entertained by Get Your Groove On, the Future Farmers Walk, free face painting, the huge children's play area, Hand's on Pets & lots more.

**For the big kids:** The Mildura Racing Club Bar will be operating.

**Entertainment for all:** The amazing Walter Whip and The Flames, the "Guru" of camp oven cooking, Ranger Nick and crowd favourite, Black Snake Productions with their wildlife display. Learn how to make and crack a whip at the Whip making & whip cracking workshops. See the art of traditional hand forging of steel, check out the ute's from the Mallee Sunset Ute Club.

Check out the Mildura Entertainment performers on the Dried Fruits Australia Stage & the Outback Whips & Leather Whip Cracking Competition & the huge range of Emergency Services and vintage vehicles on display.

Mildura Field Days are proud supporters of local charity C.H.A.I.L.I.S. (Children Having An Illness Living In Sunraysia). C.H.A.I.L.I.S. will be collecting donations at the gates and you are invited join us in supporting this very worthwhile charity that supports local families.

**12.30pm** Opening ceremony & cutting of the 70th Anniversary Cake Friday May 21st.

**2.30pm** Major Gate Prize raffle draws, Best Site Awards presentation & the Dried Fruits Awards for the "Best Fruit of the Season" Saturday May 22nd.



# Cracking good time for all

Outback Whips & Leather are proud sponsors of the inaugural whip cracking competition to be held at the Mildura Field Days.

The competition will comply with the rules and regulations of the Australian Whipcrackers and Plaiters Association with the contestant's skills being showcased in several categories

## These are:

Novice (All Ages) must not have won a competition before. A Novice cannot enter in another section.

- ♦ Pee Wees 8 years & Under- up to five tricks, 30 seconds freestyle
- ♦ Juvenile 12 years & Under- five tricks, 30 seconds freestyle
- ♦ Junior 17 years & Under- five tricks, one minute freestyle
- ♦ Ladies 18 years and over - five tricks, one minute freestyle
- ♦ Mens 18 years and over- five tricks, one minute freestyle

♦ Over 45s, five tricks, one minute freestyle

Entries must be made on the official entry form and MUST be accompanied by the appropriate entry fee.

Prizes will be awarded to first, second and third placegetters, and trophies awarded to the champions in each section.

Prizemoney for the Pee Wee, Juvenile and Juniors will be \$20 for first, \$15 second and \$10 for third place.

For the novice, ladies, mens and over 45s the prizemoney will be \$40, \$30 and \$20 respectively.

The competition promises to be a spectacle for those attending this year.



## Entry Form



**Name:**

**Email:**

**Phone:**

**Section:**

## Outback Whips & Leather Whip Cracking Competition at the 2021 Mildura Field Days

### Sections:

1. Pee Wee, 8 years and Under
2. Juvenile's 12 years and Under
3. Junior's 17 years and Under
4. Novice-Any age
5. Ladies- 18 years and above
6. Men's- 18 years and above
7. Over 45's

(Sections held will be dependent on entries):

Ages are as of the day of competition.

Maximum time allowed per person is two minutes

**Chief Steward:** TBA

To be held on Saturday 22nd May 2021.

To be judged on skill and accuracy

**All Competitors must wear protective eyewear**



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# What's on

**Dried Fruits Australia Stage** *10am to 11.30am:* Paul Trevaskis

**Friday, May 21** *11.30am to 12pm:* Get Your Groove On (Kids Show)

*9am to 9.45am:* Music

*9.45am to 10.45am:* Old Dogs New Tricks

*11am to 11.30am:* Get Your Groove On (Kids Show)

*11.30am to 12.15pm:* Jett Charman

*12.30pm:* Opening ceremony with National Anthem & cutting of the 70th Anniversary Cake

*1:15pm to 2pm:* Old Dogs

*2.15pm to 2.45pm:* Get Your Groove On (Kids Show)

*3pm to 5pm:* Nev N Toni

**Saturday, May 22**

*9am to 10am:* Music

*12pm to 1pm:* Cornell Davitt

*1pm to 2pm:* Shadow Duo

*2pm to 2.30pm:* Get Your Groove On (Kids Show)

*2.30pm:* Major Gate Prize draw raffle drawing & Best Site Awards presentation, Dried Fruits Awards "Best Fruit of the Season"

*3pm to 4pm:* Dave & Lyndsie Duo

**Get Your Groove On Schedule**

**Friday, May 21**

**Show One:** 11am to 11.30am

**Show Two:** 2.15pm to 2.45pm

**Saturday, May 22**

**Show One:** 1.30am to 12pm



L- R Mildura Racing Club manager Jarratt Farley Mildura Field Days Co-ordinator Jo Rodda committee members, David Lyons, Brendon Cockfield and Alan Lyall with Field Days volunteer, Sue Curran.

**Show Two:** 2pm to 2.30pm

## Ranger Nick Schedule

More than just a cooking show, there are 3 camp oven cooking demonstrations on each day of the event with tasty samples avail-

able. Ranger Nick will cover topics such as heat control, different heat sources, cleaning and caring for the camp oven, camp oven storage and the different types of camp ovens.

The three daily shows generally

incorporate an entree, main meal and dessert with three different heat sources and run between 45min - 60min.

**Friday, May 21:** 10am, 12pm, 2pm  
**Saturday, May 22:** 10am, 12pm, 2pm

# What's on

## Black Snake Productions - 30 Minute Shows

Mike from Black Snake Productions will provide wildlife education talks, meet a dingo, endangered bettongs and owls or hold a crocodile and python!

Check out them out at site G100

## Black Snake - Friday Program

**Friday, May 21**  
10.30am to 11am  
12pm to 12.30pm  
1.15pm to 1.45pm

**Saturday, May 22**  
10.45am to 11.15am  
12.45am to 1.15pm  
2.15pm to 2.45pm

**Note:** Each show/workshop runs for 30 minutes. There will be a number of hands on activities

between each workshop and show for the audience/crowd to explore as well

## Hands on Pets

All day both days

## Ute Competition

Display Friday, comp Saturday

## Walter Whip & The Flames

Walter Whip and The Flames, whip cracking shows have taken the art of Whip Cracking to a whole new level. Joined by the "The Flames" in the show, Walters crowd pleasing, spectacular show is sure to amaze.

Join Walter for his 2-3 hour whip cracking workshop from noon each day and then prepare to be amazed by his spectacular flaming whip cracking show each day.

**Friday, May 21 - 4pm**  
**Saturday, May 22 - 3pm**

## Copley's Custom- Hand forging demonstrations at site K-100

Prepare to be amazed as Bailey demonstrates the lost art of hand forging as he makes knives, fire pokers and other metal goods.

Demonstrations will be ongoing on the two days of the event

## Hands on Pets

will be operating on both days of the event

## Outback Whips & Leather- Site G-100

Pop down to Site G-100 and leather craftsmanship at its finest. Over both days of the event Ron will be giving Whip making demonstrations.

## Outback Whips & Leather Whip Cracking Competition

### SECTIONS:

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5. Ladies- 18 years and above
6. Men's- 18 years and above
7. Over 45's

**Saturday, May 22 - 11.30am**

## Mallee Sunset Ute Club

**Friday:** Vehicle display  
**Saturday:** Ute Competition

### CATEGORIES:

- ◇ Best Ford
- ◇ Best Holden
- ◇ Most Accessories
- ◇ Best Chick's Ute (owner/driver)
- ◇ Best Farm Ute (Does NOT need to be Road-registered)
- ◇ Best Geriatric/Old Farts Ute (owner/driver 60+ yrs)
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# AL TSA’s Laboratory facility a valuable community resource

ANALYTICAL Laboratories & Technical Services Australia’s (AL TSA) Merbein South facility is going from strength-to-strength, with the company recently commissioning their new Microbiology and Molecular Biology laboratory.

AL TSA General Manager Ray Harris said: “This new laboratory enables us to conduct state of the art DNA testing to detect microbes in food, water, soil and plants and so we are delighted that this laboratory is now up and running.”

“With these tests now available in addition to pesticide (MRLs) and heavy metals, we can offer local growers of fresh produce the complete range of tests required for them to sell into domestic and export markets,” Mr Harris said.

“And when you add to that our existing soil and plant nutrition testing capability, that’s a far more comprehensive offering than competitor labs in capital cities, so we now consider our facility a one stop local service for growers and food and beverage processors/manufacturers with turnaround times for all testing being only days, not weeks.

“Of course, it’s also far more convenient and time saving to have a locally based lab facility that customers can just drop off samples to, rather than having to pack and freight samples to a far-off multinational capital city lab and hoping the samples don’t go missing or deteriorate along the way.”



Mr Harris said that another benefit of being able to offer microbiology testing is that AL TSA can test drinking water, including domestic



water in homes and businesses generally, as well as pool water.

“We can test for the presence of microbes like E.coli, coliforms and other micro-organisms (which can cause gastroenteritis), heavy metals and blue green algae toxins in drinking water,” he said.

“Heavy metals can be sourced from plumbing itself and can be associated with causing brain damage and reproductive difficulties – even a new tap or water filter could be a source of heavy metals as a result of leaching and corrosion.

“And as we know the threat of blue green algae seems to be an ongoing risk nowadays. We have already tested water for a lot of local mums who just want to be sure that the water their family is drinking is safe for consumption. Is my water safe? - well you really don’t know unless you test it.

“So whether you have children or employees there is an obligation that you look after everybody who is drinking that water and ideally test that water regularly to confirm it is safe.”

Mr Harris stressed that the integrity of Mildura’s urban water supply is beyond reproach. “It’s what happens to it after it reaches your home that can be a concern” he said.

“If you’re on a remote property, and you rely on let’s say, rainwater from a tank, or water from a channel or river, maybe you’re putting it through your own treatment facility – it’s even more important that you should get it tested occasionally to check it is safe,” he said.

Mr Harris said the AL TSA facility is NATA accredited, which is the highest quality recognition that a laboratory facility can achieve.

“Early this year we were also formally recog-

nised by the Japanese government to test pesticides (MRLs) for grapes being shipped into Japan,” he said.

“All of this means that our customers can have confidence in the accuracy and reliability of our tests and that we can provide testing for growers seeking accreditations with Freshcare, Global GAP and HARPS which are required for the selling of fresh food products domestically or internationally.

“We see ourselves as being partners with all agricultural industries and we are gradually working to service every sector of the industry.

“For growers in particular, we believe we have a better feel than our capital city competitors for what’s needed because we are literally on the ground here and we can directly interact with and get a lot of feedback from growers.

“That is a big advantage for us and of course benefits their industry as a whole.

“We are approachable, we aren’t just some voice at the end of a phone in a capital city and if by chance there is a test that AL TSA can’t do here currently, we will go out of our way to find a means to make it happen in most cases.”

Mr Harris said that AL TSA is also more than a laboratory - they are a resource.

“We are a resource for local industry that operates in the Sunraysia and Mallee and indeed across Australia,” he said. “We can provide advice and consultancy, particularly in regard to legal compliance.

“For example with pesticides, we have set up a comprehensive database which details the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for any country to which a grower may be exporting to.

“With our colour coded MRL reporting system we make it easy for growers to check for MRL compliance. And we can offer not just a full comprehensive scan but a targeted scan for a particular pesticide or pesticides.”

Mr Harris said that another example of AL TSA being a resource was that they had provided a free service to growers this year to check their refractometers are reading accurately.

“Growers use refractometers to test the sugar level – sweetness of the grapes – so it is important that the equipment they are using onsite is giving them an accurate indication of when is the best time to pick” he said.

Mr Harris added that AL TSA is also planning to introduce environmental testing, legionella testing, asbestos testing, and now offer home gardener testing. “People might have a garden vegetable patch that isn’t doing too well so we can provide tests on their soil and maybe their tomato plants for example, and we can show them very simply using the same colour coded reports as major growers receive, what nutrients are deficient, balanced or excessive in their soil or plants,” he said.

“That’s a service which up until now, hasn’t really been available in the district. There isn’t any reason that our services can’t apply to someone’s backyard, just as it does to a large-scale grape, citrus or almond operation.”

Mr Harris added that AL TSA is also looking forward to the resumption of their school science student tour programs that we had operated prior to COVID shutting things down.

“The schools really appreciated having the opportunity for their science students to get a feel for what a job in science involves,” he said.

“We are planning to establish a science museum, which will acknowledge the past horticultural research history of this site and we hope to include some student facilities within it that can be used in support of STEM programs in schools (science, technology, engineering and mathematics).

“We also have a fantastic conference facility, which is available to be hired by the agricultural sector, schools and other industry groups.

“Importantly, we are here to meet a need in our community that has been lacking for too long, and we are only going to continue to grow and employ more people because we are needed.”

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## Walter Whip and The Flames a Field Days highlight

A not to be missed entertainment at this year's Mildura Field Days is the Walter Whip and the Flames show.

Walter was born in Brisbane in 1987 and had a passion for the Australian country lifestyle despite growing up in the heart of Brisbane.

Walter purchased his first stock whip at 10 years of age and spent many hours practicing all kind of whip cracking styles.

He then added more and more whips into his whip cracking routine. He then developed the skill to crack six whips at once and performed in front of crowds at school fetes and The Australian Woolshed.

In 2015, Walter had thoughts of taking his whip cracking skills to a show level again, then approached by someone on the Australian rodeo circuit to re-start his show he has come back in full swing with his new show 'Walter Whip and The Flames'.

He has now taken whip cracking shows in



Australia here to a new level, introducing his fellow performers 'The Flames' into the show.

Walter now performs crowd pleasing, spectacular shows cutting roses from the very trusting girl's hands and mouths. Walter Whip is also a fire whip artist and performs fire stunts including entering a burning ring of fire, cracking 2 whips on fire. His shows are active, spectacular and a must see performance especially with those great balls of fire throughout his fire stunts.

## Ranger Nick a real character

Another of the many great entertainment attractions at the Field Days is Ranger Nick.

A camp oven bushman, considered a dinky-di Aussie character who walks his talk with no dull moments, Ranger Nick's colloquial language and unique sense of humour have earned him the reputation of the entertaining Bush Cook. Keeping heritage and traditions alive, he combines educational information with bush poetry, yarns and ballads during his camp oven cooking demonstrations. Appealing to young and old, he leaves a lasting impression wherever he goes and is a conversational point long after the show has finished.

Drawing crowds at his performances around the country, Ranger Nick is practicing what he preaches, showing how to eat like royalty, whilst roughing it in style around the camp fire.

Ranger Nick cover topics such as heat control, different heat sources, cleaning and caring for



the camp oven, camp oven storage, different types of camp ovens and of course Ranger Nick's unique sense of humour will entertain.

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The result produces sustainable agriculture that is both healthy and profitable to the growers.

- ◇ Innovation in soil and plant technology requires commitment, investment and research into product development, nutritional testing and education.
- ◇ As both a developer and manufacturer of plant nutrition products, NESA is in the position to respond directly to farmers' requirements quickly and effectively, leading the way as a next generation Bio Fertiliser company.
- ◇ NESA partner internationally with companies at the forefront of science in crop nutrition (Austria, Spain, UK and the USA).

### Challenges faced in our growing area

- ◇ The biggest challenge we face in our area is our extreme climate and more specifically how it induces thermal stress in crops.

Water prices reached record highs during the last growing season which significantly impacted grower input costs and cash flows.

The prevalent soil chemistry could also prove challenging, with significant amounts of calcium carbonate (limestone) present in our soils. The resulting high pH's locks up nutrients in insoluble precipitates like carbonates and phosphates, makes it very difficult for the plant to take up nutrients.

However, these challenges are not insurmountable. For example, in 2019 NESA obtained the manufacturing and distribution rights to manufacture Hydronium acid. This is an acid with a pH of below 0, while at the same time being totally non-corrosive and safe to handle. Precipitates, particularly calcium carbonate and calcium phosphate, are easily solubilised, making calcium and phosphate more plant available.

Other nutrients such as magnesium and trace elements also become more available for plant uptake due to the lower rootzone pH induced by the acid.

Thus, it better utilises the existing soil nutrient reservoir. Another benefit is that irrigation lines are kept clean from mineral

deposits as precipitates are immediately solubilised.

### Importance of a science-based approach

- ◇ Different crops need different nutrients at each specific growth stage for optimal growth and it is important to not adversely affect yield and quality by applying the wrong nutrient.
- ◇ Nutrient synergism and compatibility, ratios between the different nutrients, mode of action and application methods are some of the important parameters to consider when formulating a new product.

A product can be formulated and manufactured in a couple of minutes, but rigorous trials are undertaken to make sure that it has the desired effect on yield and quality parameters. If the product is applied as a foliar spray, compatibility with pesticides is important as it saves the grower time if one spray could be done instead of separate sprays. Trials also need to be undertaken to determine the potential of phytotoxicity.

### Using a NESA fertiliser program

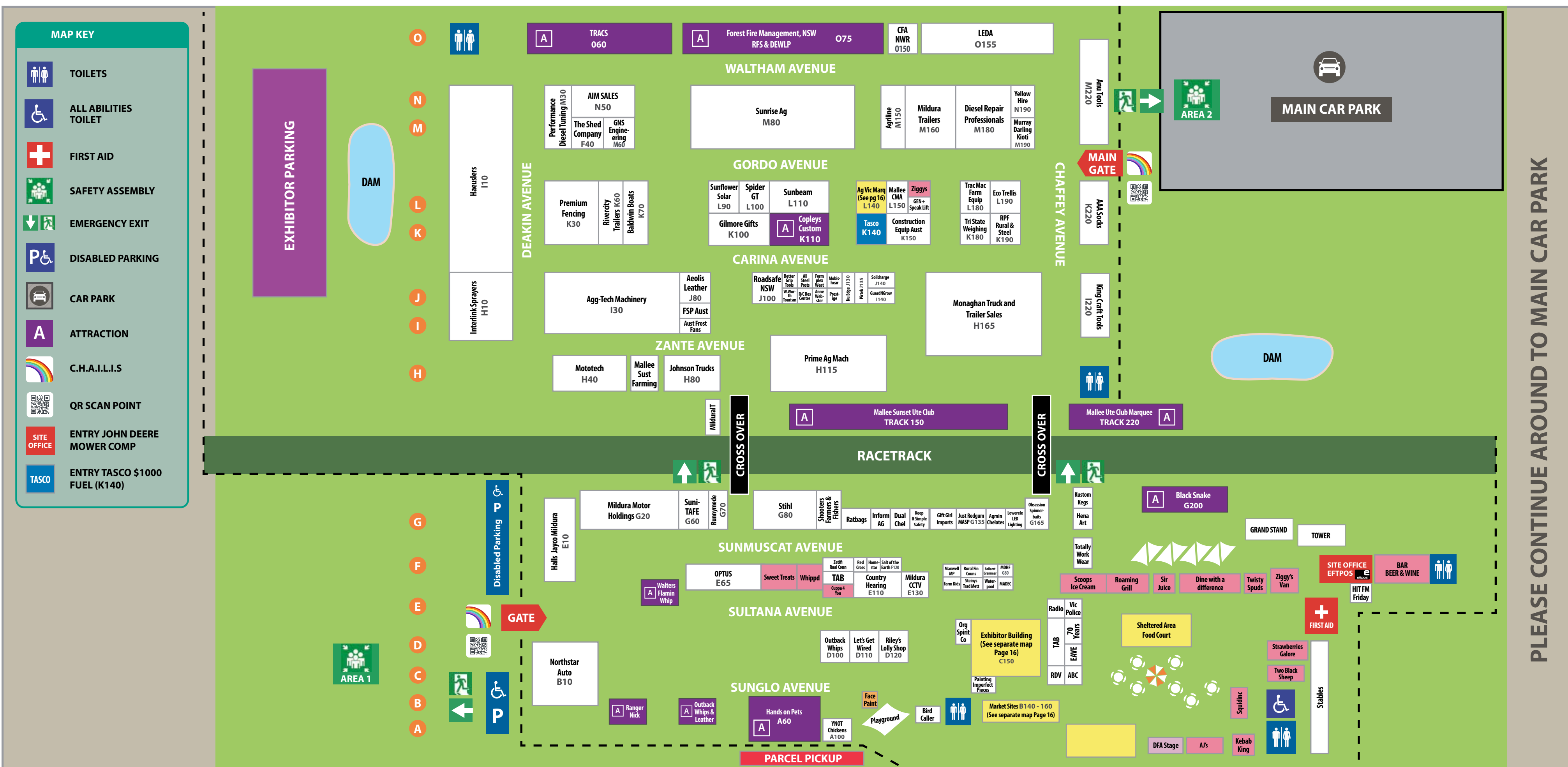
- ◇ There is a strong synergism between products recommended for a crop in a specific growth phase. The right product, at the right time, in the right quantity and in some cases in combination with another product, whether nutritional or biostimulant.
- ◇ NESA's products are developed and formulated specifically for our crops and soil types.
- ◇ Some of the products are properly chelated to increase uptake by plants – whether through fertigation to combat sub-optimal soil chemistry, or as a foliar spray to penetrate the leaf more effectively.
- ◇ Some of the products are produced specifically with our soil pH in mind. Providing nutrition in an acidified state significantly increased plant availability.
- ◇ Instead of using a 'shot gun' tactic by which products are used with no science behind the approach, we rely on R&D and approximately 50 years combined experience to customise nutrition programs for all the crops cultivated in the Sunraysia area.

### The role of the Agronomist

- ◇ Agronomists play an integral role in product formulation and keeping up to date on the newest developments in crop science.
- ◇ The agronomist's experience in a wide variety of crops over many growing seasons, elicits problem solving skills when biotic or abiotic factors throw curve balls.
- ◇ Agronomists with a feet-on-the-farm and eyes-on-crop approach, combined with experience in both the successes and failures, develops their problem solving skills. For example, NESA has done a lot of work on calcium nutrition. There are huge amounts of calcium in our soils, but almost all of it is complexed as limestone. The increased availability of calcium and subsequent role in strengthening the plant's vascular system for better water and nutrient uptake, has been significantly downplayed in the past.
- ◇ It is imperative that a multi-layered approach is followed by an agronomist regarding crop nutrition and manipulation. More specifically, there are several variables that need to be taken into consideration to make informed and science-based decisions. Leaf tissue analyses, soil sampling, fruit/nut size, tree vigour, pest and disease parameters, short- and medium-term weather forecasts all need to be layered and cross referenced at various stages of the growing season. This, together with varietal differences within a specific crop, requires a hands-on approach.







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<b>M30</b>	Performance Diesel Tuning

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<b>E145</b>	Rural Financial Counselling Service

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<b>I80</b>	Australian Frost Fans
<b>L150</b>	Construction Equipment Australia
<b>M180</b>	Diesel Repairs Professionals
<b>M60</b>	GNS Engineering Pty Ltd
<b>I10</b>	Haeusler Group Pty Ltd
<b>H10</b>	Interlink Sprayers Pty Ltd
<b>O155</b>	Leda Ag Pty Ltd
<b>J125</b>	Mobishear Australia
<b>M190</b>	Murray Darling Kioti Pty. Ltd.
<b>H115</b>	Prime Ag Machinery
<b>L100</b>	Spider GT
<b>M80</b>	Sunrise Ag

<b>L180</b>	Trac Mac Farm Equipment P/L
<b>K180</b>	Tri State Weighing

## Arts & Crafts

<b>G180</b>	Henna Art
<b>B140</b>	Painting Imperfect Pieces

## Auto Supplies, Tyres & Accessories

<b>L100</b>	Spider GT
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## Banking, Finance & Insurance

<b>F160</b>	Mildura Health Fund
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## Boating, Marine & Fishing

<b>K70</b>	Baldwin Boats
<b>G165</b>	Obsession Spinnerbaits

## Caravans, Camping & Canvas

<b>E10</b>	Halls Jayco Mildura
<b>H165</b>	Monaghan Truck and Trailer Sales

## Cars & Utes

<b>G20</b>	Mildura Motor Holdings
<b>H50</b>	Mototech
<b>B10</b>	NorthStar Automotive Group

## Chainsaws & Lawn Mowers

<b>I10</b>	Haeusler Group Pty Ltd
<b>H115</b>	Prime Ag Machinery
<b>G80</b>	Stihl Shop Mildura

## Chemicals, Fertilisers & Agricultural Products

<b>G190</b>	Agmin Chelates
<b>C150</b>	drumMUSTER/ChemClear
<b>G125</b>	Duel Chelate Fertilizer Pty Ltd
<b>G120</b>	Inform Ag
<b>J130</b>	Nu Edge Solutions Australia Pty Ltd
<b>J140</b>	Soilcharge

## Clothing & Accessories

<b>K220</b>	AAA Quality Socks & Uggs
<b>J80</b>	Aeolis Leather
<b>D110</b>	Letz Get Wired
<b>D100</b>	Outback Whips & Leathers Oz Trend

## Community Service

<b>J100</b>	Community Roadsafes Mildura/ Roadsafes NSW & VIC
<b>G130</b>	Keep It Simple Safety
<b>J115</b>	Red Cliffs Community Resource Centre
<b>F110</b>	Red Cross- Drought Relief
<b>C150</b>	Sunraysia Carers Support Group Inc

## Computers & Office Supplies

<b>TRACK65</b>	MilduraIT
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## Domestic Products, Furniture - indoor & outdoor etc

<b>G145</b>	Just Redgum
<b>G180</b>	Kustom Kegs Wine Barrel Furniture
<b>B140</b>	Painting Imperfect Pieces
<b>C150</b>	We R Furniture

## Earthmoving

<b>L150</b>	Construction Equipment Australia
<b>O155</b>	Leda Ag Pty Ltd
<b>L100</b>	Spider GT
<b>N190</b>	Yellow Hire

## Education & Schools

<b>F155</b>	Ballarat Grammar
<b>G130</b>	Keep It Simple Safety
<b>C150</b>	Lincoln College Inc
<b>C150</b>	St Marks College
<b>C150</b>	St. Patricks College
<b>G60</b>	Sunraysia Institute of TAFE
<b>C150</b>	Wilderness School

## Employment Services

<b>L150</b>	Madec Harvest Trail
<b>J125</b>	Prestige Staffing

## Energy/Solar Suppliers

<b>C150</b>	Buzzout Electrical
<b>C150</b>	No.1 Solar
<b>K90</b>	Sunflower Solar

## Engineers & Manufacturing

<b>K110</b>	Copley's Custom
<b>G125</b>	Inform Ag
<b>G145</b>	Keep It Simple Safety
<b>O155</b>	Leda Ag Pty Ltd

## Estate Agents & Water Brokers

<b>E155</b>	Waterpool Trading
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## Fencing & Fencing Products

<b>J115</b>	All Steel Posts
<b>I80</b>	FSP Australia
<b>K30</b>	Premium Fencing

## Food Drinks & Refreshments (on-site catering)

<b>Food Ct</b>	AJ's Eventuate
<b>E100</b>	Cuppa4You
<b>Food Ct</b>	Dine With A Difference
<b>Food Ct</b>	Kebab King
<b>Food Ct</b>	Roaming Grill, The
<b>Food Ct</b>	Scoops Ice Cream
<b>Food Ct</b>	SirJuiced
<b>Food Ct</b>	Squid Squad
<b>Food Ct</b>	Strawberries Galore Pty Ltd
<b>E85</b>	Sweet Treats
<b>Food Ct</b>	Twisty Potatoes
<b>Food Ct</b>	TWO Black Sheep
<b>E90</b>	Whipped
<b>Food Ct</b>	Ziggys Café
<b>L160</b>	Ziggys Café

## Foods and Domestic Products

<b>C150</b>	Back 2 Basics Traditions
<b>C150</b>	Original Spirit Co
<b>D120</b>	Riely's Little Lolly Shop
<b>K190</b>	RPF Rural & Steel / Cat's Chilly Bits
<b>F145</b>	Steins Traditional Mettwurst Pty Ltd
<b>B140-160</b>	Twins Pantry

## Fuels, Oils & Greases

<b>O155</b>	Leda Ag Pty Ltd
<b>K140</b>	TASCO Petroleum

## Gifts & Accessories

<b>B140</b>	Alon Toys
<b>B140-160</b>	Fred Mac Designs
<b>G135</b>	Gift Girl Imports
<b>F115</b>	Homestar Promotions Pty Ltd
<b>B140-160</b>	Love Indah
<b>G110</b>	Ragbags
<b>F120</b>	Salt of the Earth
<b>C150</b>	Smart Vic
<b>E140</b>	Total Farm Kids
<b>A120</b>	Wiener, Sol-Bird Caller

## Government Services

<b>L140</b>	Agriculture Victoria
<b>C150</b>	Copper, Ali M.P
<b>C150</b>	Energy Safe Victoria
<b>L140</b>	Lower Murray Water

<b>L150</b>	Mallee CMA (next to Ag Vic)
<b>F140</b>	Maxwell, Tania MP
<b>L140</b>	Murray Darling Basin Authority
<b>C150</b>	Seasonal Worker Programme Regional Pilot
<b>G100</b>	Shooter, Fishers and Farmers Party of Victoria
<b>I120</b>	Webster, Dr Anne MP - Federal Member for Mallee

## Grower Organisations & Industry Representatives

<b>L140</b>	Australian Table Grape Association Inc
<b>L140</b>	Dried Fruits Australia
<b>C150</b>	Victorian Farmers Federation

## Health & Beauty

<b>E110</b>	Country Hearing Care
<b>B140-160</b>	Every Body Jojoba
<b>B140-160</b>	Lisa's Heat Bags
<b>L140</b>	National Centre for Farmer Health
<b>C150</b>	Niagara Medical Therapy
<b>C150</b>	TurmeriX by Connie
<b>C150</b>	Ultramatic Adjustable Beds + CPAP Machines

## Home Improvements & Home Equipment

<b>J120</b>	Formplex Weatherboards
<b>K100</b>	Gilmore, Bridgette
<b>C150</b>	No.1 Solar

## Hydraulic Equipment & Suppliers

<b>J135</b>	Pirtek Mildura
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## Irrigation Equipment & Services

<b>L150</b>	Construction Equipment Australia
<b>G120</b>	Inform Ag

## Leisure & Entertainment/ Tourism

<b>C165</b>	Mildura Regional Development- Friday Only
<b>B140-160</b>	Wentworth Military Collection Inc
<b>I110</b>	Wentworth Regional Tourism

## Motor Bikes & ATVs

<b>O155</b>	Leda Ag Pty Ltd
<b>H50</b>	Mototech

## Nurseries & Nursery Products

<b>I140</b>	GuardnGrow
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## Organic Products

<b>I80</b>	FSP Australia
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## Packing, Containers & Packaging Equipment

<b>C150</b>	Axon Corporation Pty Ltd
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## Packing Houses & Dried Fruit Processing

<b>L110</b>	Sunbeam Foods
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## Pest Control

<b>L140</b>	Greater Sunraysia Pest Free Area
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## Posts & Trellis Materials

<b>K190</b>	Eco Trellis
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## Safety Equipment/Emergency Services

<b>O145</b>	CFA NWR Community Safety
<b>O80</b>	Forest Fire Management
<b>G130</b>	Keep It Simple Safety
<b>O75</b>	NSW Rural Fire Service
<b>G70</b>	Runnymede Safety
<b>D175</b>	Victoria Police

## Sheds, Garages , Carports & Other Buildings

<b>M40</b>	Shed Company, The
<b>E65</b>	Sherlock Shelving

## Sport & Recreation

<b>H165</b>	Monaghan Truck and Trailer Sales
<b>O30</b>	Tractor Restoration and Appreciation Club of Sunraysia

## Telecommunication & Internet Service Providers

<b>E130</b>	Mildura CCTV & Data
<b>E65</b>	Optus Mildura- Media Planet Rep
<b>F100</b>	Zetifi - rural connectivity solutions

## Tools & Workshop Equipment

<b>M220</b>	Anu Tools
<b>M150</b>	AgriLine Pty Ltd
<b>J110</b>	Better Grip Tools/ I Like It Direct
<b>I220</b>	King Craft Tools PTY LTD
<b>O155</b>	Leda Ag Pty Ltd

## Trailers

<b>M160</b>	Mildura Trailers
<b>H165</b>	Monaghan Truck and Trailer Sales
<b>K60</b>	Rivercity Trailers

## Trucks & Transport

<b>H80</b>	Johnson's Truck & Coach Service
<b>J100</b>	Road Safe NSW & VIC
<b>L100</b>	Spider GT

## Water Tanks & Water Treatment

<b>I80</b>	FSP Australia
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## Work Wear, Hats & Boots, Other Clothing

<b>F175</b>	Totally Workwear
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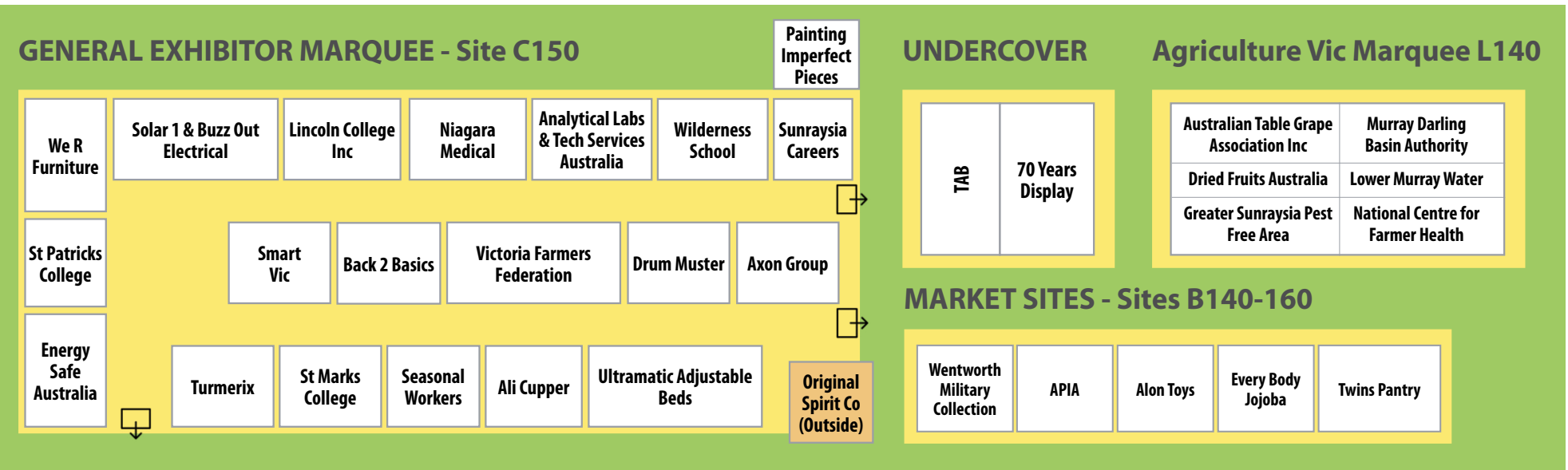
## Farm Animals

<b>A100</b>	YNOT Chickens
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## Special Interest

<b>C175</b>	ABC Radio- Friday
<b>G200</b>	Black Snake Productions
<b>K110</b>	Copley's Custom
<b>B110</b>	Funtastic Face Painting
<b>DFA Stage</b>	Get Your Groove On
<b>A60</b>	Hands on Pets
<b>E230</b>	HIT (Friday)
<b>Track</b>	Mallee Sunset Ute Club
<b>D100</b>	Whip Cracking Comp sponsored by Outback Whips & Leathers
<b>A30</b>	Ranger Nick- Camp Oven Cooking
<b>D170</b>	RIVER1467 (Friday & Saturday)
<b>E50</b>	Walter Whip & The Flames

# Market & Marquee Sites







Picture: University Student Accommodation for Country Students

## WHERE WILL YOUR ATAR TAKE YOU?

So after working hard all year, handing in assignments and sitting challenging exams, you have finally received your ATAR score. Congratulations! Perhaps it was about what you expected, or perhaps you did better or worse than you'd hoped. There are so many options on the table now that your results have arrived. If you're thinking about university in Adelaide, you should be thinking about living at Lincoln College while you study. Here's just a few reasons why.

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## Ali welcomes the return of the Mildura Field Days as it celebrates 70 years

Member for Mildura Ali Cupper has urged the community to fully embrace the Mildura Field Days as the event enters its 70th year.

Ms Cupper will be attending the Field Days for the second time as state MP and said the event had grown to become an important day on the region's calendar.

“It was disappointing that like many events across the electorate, the Mildura Field Days was postponed last year due the COVID-19 pandemic.”

“This is why it is important for locals and visitors to support this year's event.”

Ms Cupper says she is looking forward to returning to the Field Days where she will be establishing a pop-up

electorate office, with the Mildura MP and members of her staff on hand to speak directly with locals.

“Earlier this year we launched the RateGate campaign, asking the Victorian Government to address the scandalous disparity between rural/regional and metropolitan rates. As part of the campaign we also launched a petition to give ratepayers a direct voice to Government and to add strength to the advocacy effort.

“I encourage all visitors to this year's event to drop by our pop-up office to sign the petition.”

Ms Cupper says that the Mildura Field Days is an important way for her to connect with the community, especially with those in the

horticultural and agricultural sectors who contribute so much to the state's economy.

“As we know, when our farmers do well, we all do well.”

“Even if you are not a farmer, the Field Days is a great way to connect with farmers and farming families – who are the engine room of our local community.”

“My team and I are looking forward to meeting with you at the 2021 Mildura Field Days.”



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## Team Zetifi - rural and remote wireless innovation

For most of us, communications technologies are becoming an increasingly important part of everyday life.

That extends to those on the land, but our primary producers often live in rural and remote areas that are not always well serviced by conventional means.

Zetifi, a wireless networking company based in Wagga Wagga are bridging this digital divide with a suite of innovative connectivity solutions specifically designed to meet the needs of farmers.

Zetifi's products provide fast, reliable and affordable internet and long-range Wi-Fi right across the farm to support improved phone coverage, remote monitoring or precision agriculture applications.

Their proximity to progressive

agribusiness operators across the Riverina has allowed Zetifi to involve farmers in the product development and testing process, resulting in durable and ruggedised products which are now providing Wi-Fi connectivity to farms right across Australia.

Zetifi CEO and founder, Dan Winson explains it was one of these conversations many years ago that sparked his quest to provide farmers with better connectivity solutions.

"My background is in wireless computer networks and a few years ago I was teaching a course on networking at TAFE when I came across a story about a Queensland farmer that had installed huge towers on his property to improve connectivity," Dan said.

"I invited him to dial-in and present to my class and we struck up a friendship and kept in touch.

"His towers worked really well but it seemed ridiculous that this was his only option and since then I've been committed to developing fit-for-purpose solutions that are easy to deploy, affordable and reliable so that all farmers have access to reliable connectivity, both at home and out in the field."

The years since have seen Zetifi grow to a team of 12 full-time employees and an impressive record of farm installations, Government-backed projects and awards that are helping them to take its technology to the world.

Zetifi was recently announced as a service provider for the

Federal Government's Alternative Voice Services Trial Program, has received \$1.47 million from the NSW Physical Sciences Fund to scale their Wagga Wagga manufacturing facility, and was awarded US\$500,000 in the Cornell University Grow-NY agribusiness competition that will support its launch in the US market later this year."

We're passionate about what we do and it's incredibly rewarding to be able to solve these problems for farmers, many of whom have had years of frustration and delays that have stopped them from modernising their operations because of poor connectivity," Dan said.

Talk to the Zetifi team at this year's field days, site F100.



## Copley's Custom Creations brings excitement to Field Days

Bailey Copley of 'Copley's Custom Creations', a blacksmithing business based in Coomealla will be wowing crowds at this year's Field Days with demonstrations of his blacksmithing technique.

Bailey does metal fabrication, blacksmithing and knife-making through his business, which has been running since late 2019.

He uses traditional blacksmithing technique to manipulate steel into an end product.

"I was at a friend's one day and we made a 'fire-poker' which ignited a passion in me for turning a normal piece of steel into something incredible," Bailey said.

"Being able to do that, to turn steel into a great piece, it's amazing."

While others in his line of work may resort to more modern techniques to make knives or other items, Bailey ensures all of his products are made by hand.

He doesn't solely create items from scratch either, with the experienced blacksmith able to fix broken knives, sharpen knives and other items, and re-handle items like axes.

"I like to keep the old traditional sort of style of blacksmith-made items, they're all forged by hand through a gas forge," Bailey explained.

"I can do pretty much anything someone may need done with an item and mainly at the moment I'm moving into custom knives and providing that service because there's really no one else doing this."

Bailey will be demonstrating his skills at this year's Field Days and is guaranteed to excite crowds of onlookers with his traditional techniques.

"I really enjoy doing events like markets and now Field Days and have people come up and say 'oh wow he's an old blacksmith!'," a lot of people really love it," Bailey said.

"It's very rewarding to be able to provide some amusement for the community.

"Where else are you going to go to something like this and see a blacksmith making stuff there and then?"

If you would like to contact Bailey for his services, contact <https://copleyscustom.com.au/contact/>.

You can see Copley in action at stand K110.



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## Integrated tech company links farm business components to “future proofing farming”

As digital technology develops, farmers have increasing access to systems which can enhance their production and ROI.

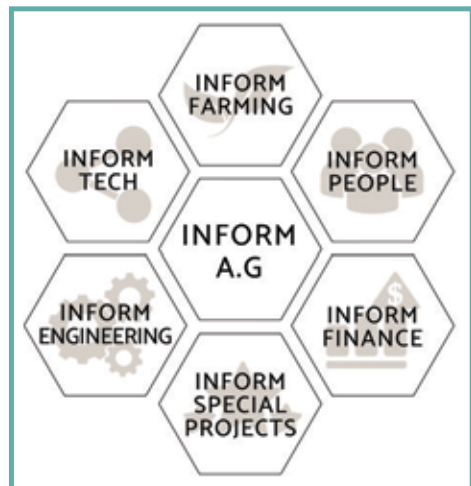
However, sorting out which ones to adopt often means figuring out what areas of the business require an upgrade.

Australian company Inform A.G is taking that confusion away by implementing its own approach comprising of farming, engineering, IT and technical solutions which covers many bases at once.

This allows the farmer to choose which solution is best while working with a company that can work with the grower from the farm development phase into farm management and right through to supply chain.

At the core of the business is the motto: “Future proofing farming”, with its aim to provide robust farming technology solutions for growers that will continue to evolve with the farm and production capacity.

There are several strands to the Inform A.G model, including:



Inform A.G can assist with some of the cutting edge parts of modern farming such as robotic applications, scouting, drones, automation, data analytics, GPS, integration, irrigation and traceability to name a few, all designed and deployed to meet the needs of the individual farm.

The autonomous filling of sprayers and remote irrigation control and system checks are just some of the on-the-ground operations that come under the Inform A.G brand, whilst the solution also takes into consideration the human elements required to keep

an agricultural operation moving ahead, so the Inform People branch can assist with sourcing and recruitment of the right people for the tasks required to deliver an efficient and effective operation.

From the pack-house to the paddock, there are many aspects of primary produce production which can benefit from the inclusion of new technologies and computer involvement, therefore with the future in mind, Inform A.G utilises Microsoft Azure, a cloud computing service created for building, testing, deploying, and managing applications and services through Microsoft-managed data centres so that they can deliver stability, flexibility and assurance into the future.

The interfaces for Inform A.G are developed with the users in mind, utilising smart-phones and tablets, giving farm managers and owners the flexibility at their fingertips to make decisions while on the go from anywhere in the world.

The team behind Inform A.G is made up of engineers, IT professionals, project managers and farming professionals bringing together combined knowledge in a robust and highly effective solution to drive Return on Investment from the asset.

This team has developed solutions for farms incorporating cutting edge technologies and unique approaches not before utilised within the industry and right now are working on farm to deliver the expected outcomes and more!

The company was founded by Jennie Savill in 2012 with an aim of enabling farmers to embrace technology in a way that would enhance their operations by providing technologically driven insights based on real time data and has grown to 17 full time staff with three offices.

Inform A.G will have a presence at various field days with a significant display at Hort Connection 2021 in Brisbane from June 7 - 9.

Inform A.G are focused on enhancing the way farming operates and to this end are looking to make huge strides in 2021 and beyond!

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Inform Ag Group Sales Manager Alan Chambers with Territory Manager Terry Carty.

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## FSP Australia's array of products to take Field Days by storm

Plastic certification company, FSP Australia will be showing off their high quality equipment at this year's Field Days.

The company creates and distributes lockers, tanks, mining equipment, fire extinguisher brackets, fire hose reels, cabinets, tool boxes for utes, posting rails and fencing for horses, sheep and cows, and 'Reggie Posts' for vineyards, among many more fantastic items.

FSP's Ray Holcroft said the company will mostly be displaying their mining equipment and agricultural section at Field Days.

"The 'Reggie Posts' and our posting rails for horses we're really excited about - they're not hard to put together at all, you just drill your holes and everything connects with nuts and bolts," he said.

"We'll also have stuff for tractors on display, some firefighting equipment like our resilient fire extinguisher casing, we'll have

thousand-litre water troughs, mining products and safety kits, all sorts of things."

The company's 'Reggie Post' product is something which will be sure to get observers excited, with the all-new vineyard posts the sturdiest and most reliable in the market, making grape growing and harvesting significantly easier.

"We've had people using them recently and they haven't broken a post in their harvesting," Ray said.

"Everything we distribute is made with the highest grade of plastic you can get.

"People usually break 400-500 posts when they farm grapes, but none of ours have broken and we give a 10-year guarantee, that's how sure we are of them.

"We've had people genuinely shell-shocked at how good they've been."

Another advantage to the equipment

which FSP Australia provides, is it is all portable and easy to take apart and reassemble.

"It's all so easy and it's all portable," Ray said.

"It makes everything so convenient and considering how reliable the products are there's really not much else like this going around."

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# Mildura Field Days make a valuable contribution

Our Ag shows and field days are uniquely Australian and provide huge economic spin-offs for local communities as well as marketing opportunities for businesses and services who exhibit.

The social value cannot be overestimated also, with farmers taking the day off to meet in the show 'square'.

Agriculture is core to our economic sustainability and prosperity and this is recognised and valued at field days and ag shows. Innovation is highlighted at these events and Mildura Field Days are no exception. This builds farmers' competitive edge by providing an outlet for new ideas, new technologies and new ways of working.

The pandemic management resulted in ag shows and field days across Mallee being cancelled. This was devastating for the organisers and their communities.

We stepped in at a Federal level to support shows and field days hit by the closures. I am very pleased that 16 shows and field days across Mallee have been supported to get them through this tough period and out the other side in a sound position, allowing them to continue.

The Mildura Field days is one that benefitted, receiving \$15,000 support from the Coalition government.

Other events were the Charlton Show, Edenhope Show, Murtoa Show, Nhill Show, Natimuk Show,

Warracknabeal Show, Cohuna Show, Swan Hill Show, Donald Show, St Arnaud Show, Kaniva Show, Kerang Show, Mildura Show, Horsham Show and the Dimboola Show.

Through good management of the pandemic, this year is brighter and I have great optimism for our volunteers, families and school kids.

I'm looking forward to spending time at the field day, meeting with local farmers, equipment suppliers and innovators, to listen to their views and to ensure our government is working for them.



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