

THE PIKE AREA

Drilling of test wells has finished around the Pike area. 3 bores in the Lyrup area and 3 in the Paringa area as PIP project.



1 . Packing the Bore with Bentonite



2 . Core samples taking every 500mm

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**RENMARK
TO THE
BORDER
LOCAL ACTION PLANNING
ASSOCIATION INC.**

The AGM for the Renmark to Border Local Action Planning Association was very special and exciting due to the enthusiasm of Committee members, acting Chair Bruce Hewett , Land and Water Management Planning Officer Jayme Peltz , and the new Project Manager Philip Reddy. Which ensure that their networks of passionate community people would be attending our meeting? They responded by attending in large numbers, exceeding seventy people. At the meeting we were also able to electing two new members and canvass two more new members. Our guest speaker provided very good insight on water issues and we must thank them all for helping us get



AGM at the Mc McCormick Centre

Id like to also thank our AGM sponsors Mallee Estates

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NEW STAFF

1. Well Hello everyone! I take this opportunity to introduce myself Philip Reddy project manager for the Renmark to the Border Local Action Planning Association. A brief history of what where etc. Born in NZs dairy farming area in North Island of south Auckland. Worked for Hauraki Plain County Council for 6 years in charge of their drainage systems: controlling aquatic weed through both herbicides and bio agents, construction of pumping stations and flood gates to help drain the farming land and also operated two Water filtration plants and study at Welling ton Poly Tech . Drove Semi trucks for 5 years (Milk tanks) for the New Zealand dairy company and also during that time help manage dairy farm for a sick friend in my spare time milking 197 cows daily. In Australia 12 month picking fruit in Riverland. In Adelaide for 5 years building cool rooms. Pest and Weed coordinator for Tea Tree Gully Council for 6 year at Golden Grove, progressing to Irrigation coordinator and plumber for parkland and nature reserves Studying at Torren Valley Tafe and Adelaide Tafe. 10 years at the Riverland Animal and Plant Control Board and established a 4 ha wine grape property at Monash. Regularly appeared on ABC radio as a guest for 7 years. 3 year with SAMDB NRMB. 6 months Semi driving for K Steinert and now with the Renmark to Border Local Action Planning Association where I will endeavor to engage the community to understand better Natural Resource Management for a sustainable Agricultural and for the Environment.

2. James Butler
I grew up on a broadacre farm at Minlaton on the Yorke Peninsula, SA. I attended my final two years of school in Adelaide at Urrbrae Agricultural High School. I graduated with an Honours Degree in

Agricultural Science, majoring in soil microbiology, from Adelaide University in 2002. I worked with CSIRO for 2 months, then moved to Renmark and worked as a soil survey Agronomist for 18 months. During this time, I met my Fiancée Angela. From 2004 to the end of 2007, from my home in the Riverland, I worked as a soil and plant nutrition Consultant with an Adelaide based biological farming company. Since then, I have spent time as a Lab Technician with Kingston Estate Wines, as Assistant Manager for a local Organic/ Biodynamic Vineyard, and helping on my parent's farm at Minlaton. This has been concurrent with tending my own property, which I bought in Chaffey in early 2006. I continue to grow premium wine grapes, alongside helping the Communities of Murtho and Pike River to implement land and water management plans on the ground.

NEW FUNDING PROCESS

Called Caring for our county which was launched federal Labour government, will be hopefully starting in February with a focus on farming practices which will help farmers adapt to climate change and be sustainable into the future.

NEW COMMITTEE 2008

Bruce Hewett - Acting chair
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