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**For more information on any of the events please see below:**

### **Henty Plot Progress Field Day, Monday 12<sup>th</sup>**

Time: 9.30am – 12pm

Location: start at Henty Field day plots

Topics: progression of new cereal varieties and stripe rust responses, canola varieties, pasture legumes, lupin varieties NVT trial

RSVP and contact: Janet Walker 0427 259 004

### **Header Set-up workshop, Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>**

Riverine Plains and the Precision Agriculture Association are pleased to invite you to a FREE workshop dealing with setting up headers for good yield mapping this harvest. Information will also be presented on the benefits of yield mapping and other general principles of good yield mapping. Where possible, participants are asked to bring data cards and laptop with installed yield mapping software, to run through formatting the data card and having it all prepared for harvest. The workshops will cater for experienced users as well as those just starting out.

WHEN: 9am – 12 noon, followed by lunch 13<sup>th</sup> Oct.

WHERE: Rand Football Club, Rand

Bookings essential for catering purposes. Please RSVP to: Fiona Hart (03) 5733 1713 or: [info@riverineplains.com.au](mailto:info@riverineplains.com.au)

### **Upper Murray Seeds Field Day, Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>**

WHAT: Learn about the success of oversowing pastures; hear handy hints on better spraying practices; check out our nozzles, spraypatterns and calibration; discover new pasture varieties, see production crops up close and personal.

WHERE: Tooma Station, 4047 Tooma Rd, Tooma

WHEN: 10am, Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Oct.

Lunch included. All welcome

Visit: [www.uppermurrayseeds.com.au](http://www.uppermurrayseeds.com.au) for more information

RSVP: Emma or Sally (02) 6948 4497

### **RIRDC Rural Women's Award closes 15<sup>th</sup>**

The Rural Industries Research & Development Corporation (RIRDC) Rural Women's Award recognises and encourages rural women and their contribution to agriculture, primary industries, resource development and rural Australia.

The Award provides a \$10,000 bursary for the NSW winner and the opportunity for the winner and the runner-up to participate in further leadership and development training. The Award is open to all women involved in primary industries or natural resource management, whether you work in broad-acre farming, intensive livestock, cropping, horticulture, fish, forestry or related service industries.

Application closing date: 15<sup>th</sup> October

Visit: [www.ruralwomensaward.gov.au](http://www.ruralwomensaward.gov.au) , or ring 02 6391 3620 for more information

Email: [rural.women@industry.nsw.gov.au](mailto:rural.women@industry.nsw.gov.au) to request an application form

### **Fish Habitat Action Grants: closing date Friday 16<sup>th</sup>**

Revenue raised by the NSW recreational fishing fee is used to encourage the community to undertake fish habitat rehabilitation projects. Grants of up to \$30,000 (GST exclusive) are available where matched on a dollar-for-dollar basis (cash and/or in-kind support).

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WHO: Individuals, fishing clubs and organisations, community groups or local councils interested in **rehabilitating fish habitats** in freshwater and saltwater areas of NSW are eligible to apply.

ELIGIBILITY: Funding applications must relate to the enhancement of recreational fishing through the improvement of fish habitat. Applications from recreational fishers or which demonstrate the support of local recreational fishers will be given preference.

HOW: Visit [http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries/recreational/info/habitat-action-grants-funding-up-to-\\$30,000](http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries/recreational/info/habitat-action-grants-funding-up-to-$30,000) for more information.

### **Hybrid GM Canola Agronomy & Variety Performance Major Technology Field Day, Monday 19<sup>th</sup>**

Time: 10.30am – 2pm Pacific Seeds Trial Site  
2.30 – 3.30pm local NVT site at Culcairn

Location: "Elliween Pastoral", Walbundrie

Topics: new hybrids for 2010/11, hybrid canola agronomy including nitrogen management, financial returns, pest control and frost risk management

RSVP and contact: Chris Fletcher 0447 148 617

### **Burrumbuttock / Brock Field Day, Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>**

Time: 9.15am – 12.30pm

Location: Joe Corrigan's (13km N Burrum on Walbundrie Rd)

Topics: Row – spacing in Canola and wheat, undersowing pasture and pasture mixes, lupin, pea and faba varieties + NVT trial

RSVP and contact: Janet Walker 0427 259 004

### **Florabank Training, Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup>**

When: Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October

Where: Berrigan

What: Florabank, with the Murray CMA, is offering an advanced professional development course in native seed collection and management.

Course topics include-

- \_ Latest research into provenance genetics
- \_ How to ensure good quality seed is collected in a fragmented landscape
- \_ Marketing quality seed appropriate to the buyer
- \_ Regional seed supply and demand in business planning
- \_ Technical information; seed collection, storage, handling, labelling, marketing and seed production areas

Contact: Murray CMA Seedbank (03 5888 5505)

### **Boorhaman Landcare Group Spring Field Day, Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>**

Time: 8.30am for 9am start

Location: Boorhaman Hall

Topics: Results of Boorhaman Stubble Retention trials (3 years)

Guest Speaker: Colin Seis (pasture cropping)

RSVP and contact: Peter Sandral (03) 5726 5095

### **Community Action Grants: Closing date Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

The Federal Government has announced it will provide small grants to community groups to support local environmental and land management work. Eligible projects must involve volunteers and communities in activities which work towards achieving outcomes in the



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Caring for our Country national priority areas of **Biodiversity and Natural Icons, Coastal Environments and Critical Aquatic Habitats, and Sustainable Farm Practices**. Projects must be completed in 18 months or less.

More information is available at: <http://nrm.gov.au/funding/cag.html>

Or contact the Murray CMA for assistance with your application:

[felicity.anderson@cma.nsw.gov.au](mailto:felicity.anderson@cma.nsw.gov.au) (02) 6051 2253

### Useful websites and information:

- The soil health knowledge bank: <http://www.soilhealthknowledge.com.au>

This site has been developed for farmers and the wider industry to provide an overview of current soil health knowledge and tools to assess soil condition – providing information on soil properties, processes and management for profit across a range of industries and regions.

- For landcare news and upcoming events: <http://www.landcare.nsw.gov.au/>

- FarmReady training grants: [www.farmready.gov.au](http://www.farmready.gov.au)

This is the other component to the FarmReady program. Information on courses approved for training subsidies. Approved courses focus on areas designed to equip primary producers with the tools to manage and adapt to the impacts of climate change. Eligible participants are able to claim up to \$1500 per financial year to attend these approved courses.