

### **New team members are on the way!**

Our team at Brown's is always growing and improving so we can best deliver great service and fertiliser to you. As part of our expansion we have made some new and exciting additions to the team. The agronomy team welcomes a new Graduate agronomist, Ashley Burgess, who is to look after Melissa's customers whilst she is on maternity leave. Melissa is due to have twins in early December but will be back part-time early 2017. As well as working at Brown's, Ashley is currently completing her Honour's research project through La Trobe University, and has already completed a Bachelor of Agricultural Science / International Development.

Another member of the team, Susan Venten, is also going on maternity leave in December. Congratulations to both Susan and Melissa!

In order to serve our customer better, we will now have one of our agronomists, Laura Hammond, based at the depot front desk. She will be able to help with all your agronomy enquiries and provide quotes on request. Laura will also continue to assist her current clients and visit them on-farm.



**Ashley Burgess is our newest Graduate agronomist**



**Robbie Addison with the new Volvo**

### **Fleet expansion**

Brown's is implementing a continuous improvement program to ensure equipment and machinery are efficient and reliable. We can announce an exciting new investment with planning underway; a new blender and loading facility in the fertiliser shed. It will improve productivity and efficiency so we can deliver customer orders as promptly as possible.

Justin McGhee, of J&J Spreading, has recently upgraded his fleet. He has updated to two new MAN spreaders with stainless steel bodies and a new side-tipped trailer. These spreaders have excellent spread patterns for our various products and offer much greater reliability.

Brown's has purchased a new Volvo quad-dog road truck that has just arrived.

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**Monday- Friday 8am to 5pm**



Jacko, Mick and Justin with J & J Spreading's new fleet of MAN trucks and side tipper

### Bulk Bag Recycling

At Brown's, we are conscious of the environmental impact we have, and are therefore going to be offering a bulk bag recycle program. Customers are encouraged to return bags so we can properly recycle them and reduce waste produced.

### Improved OH & S

In an effort to improve safety of all staff and customers, we have implemented new directional signage around the depot. Please take note next time you visit the depot. Customers across all sites will no longer be able to use ropes to tie down loads; ratchet straps will be required, to meet safety guidelines.

### New Depot Opening Soon!

Earlier this year Brown's identified a great opportunity to take over a small site and expand the company into Tinamba (Maffra). The new Tinamba manager, Corey Welch, is busy getting the site operational in time for Spring.

### Spring is in the air!

Spring time is fast approaching and now is the best time to be organising your spring application of lime and fertiliser. Please feel free to contact your local Brown's agronomist to discuss a spring program including hay and silage fertiliser applications.



## Our Team of Agronomists



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