



As at 9 April 2018

## **2017**

### **MFMG Board**

Chair Louise Stock  
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James Gilbertson, Andrew Ridgway

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Researcher Amanda Pearce SARDI  
Specialist positions Daniel Newson NRM Tech Specialist, Tiffany Bennett and Brendan Voss  
(Livestock), James Heffernan and Jason McClure (Cropping)

### **Contracted Staff**

Chief Executive Officer/Projects Charlie Crozier  
Extension Coordinator and Project Management Danielle England (started August 2017)  
Special Projects Felicity Turner  
Finance Officer/Administration Mary Timms  
Communications Penny Moorhouse

### **Sponsors**

Gold Sponsor NAB, Heritage Seeds, Nufarm, Croplands, nuseed, GRDC  
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Suffolk, Murray Nankivell, Glencore Agri/Viterra, Glen Carron, Grain  
Growers, Water Dynamics

### **Highlights**

Keith Field Day in September  
Conmurra annual field day in October  
Crop walks – Sherwood, Millicent, Frances  
MFMG Study tour to Esperance WA - August  
MLA funded project – Seed Free Lamb in conjunction with the Sherwood Farm Management  
Group

Irrigation Efficiency for Irrigated Cropping in the South East - 2 short movies produced with Tim Powell from Integrated Irrigation.

The topics discussed were:

- Irrigation Efficacy using a Catch-can test
- Moisture Probes

GRDC updates and AGM

Good clover bad clover project and field day held in October at Richie Kirkland's property.

MFMG and Reedy Creek Mid SE Irrigators Alkaline Soil Field Day and Project Scoping Workshop in March and April

Pulse check chickpea and lentil project started in the upper SE in November

### Projects and Trials

#### Sherwood

- Wheat and Barley varietal trials
- Oats for grain and hay varietal trial
- Seed Free lamb – new MLA project

#### Wolseley

- NVT Wheat varietal trials
- NVT Bean varietal trials
- Cereal Challenge of 10 varieties

#### Keith

- NVT Wheat and Barley
- Oats for grain and hay varietal trial
- Aerial Clovers

#### Frances

- NVT Canola
- NVT Oats
- Wheat, Barley & Beans varietal trials

#### Bool Lagoon

- HRZ Canola (DAV00141)
- Omission trial Canola (DAV00141)

#### Conmurra

- High input Wheat & Barley
- Alternative Legumes
- Septoria (FAR)

#### Millicent

- High input Wheat & Barley
- Bean Nutrition, soils & inoculation
- Omissions trial wheat

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Chair Louise Stock  
Board Members Duan Williams, Mark Edwards, Rob Jacobs, Verity Ingham, Trent Potter,  
Janelle Hocking-Edwards

### **MFMG Operations Committee**

Chairman Rodney Bartlett  
Grower Members Tyrone Scullion, Andrew Skeer, Tom Williams, Chad Makin, David Hurst,  
Trevor Menz, Ted Ridgway, David Makin, Bruce McLean, Tom Bell,  
Researcher Amanda Pearce SARDI  
Specialist positions Daniel Newson NRM Tech Specialist, Tiffany Bennett, Emma Winslow,  
Michael Wilkes and Brendan Voss (Livestock), James Heffernan and Jason  
McClure (Cropping)  
Industry reps Kirk Brehaut

### **Contracted Staff**

Chief Executive/Operations Charlie Crozier  
Operations Felicity Turner resigned (now does project work)  
Administration Jan Teate  
Communications Penny Moorhouse

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Wrightson Seeds  
Bronze Sponsor Westpac, Cox Rural, AWB, Wickham Flower, Hage Tractors and  
Implements, Allflex, MGA, Focus Genetics, Woolumbool Poll Dorset and  
White Suffolk, Murray Nankivell, Glencore Grain, Viterra

### **Highlights**

Inaugural Keith Field Day in September  
Conmurra and Frances annual field days in October  
Crop walks – Sherwood, Millicent, Poppy field day & information session Frances

'A Better Farm Business by Your Design' workshops (in conjunction with LCRMC) focusing on mixed farming.

Showcasing farmers using NRM for sustainable agricultural outcomes. Video and case study project

Farming after the drought – in season decision making workshop at Wolseley

Dryland Soil Moisture Probe and Weather Station Pilot Project

Seed free lamb project in the upper SE

The Productive Pastures for Sheep field day was held on 19 September 2016 at Binnum Hall followed by a walk on the Sambell family property

Regional irrigation workshops which provided information in the development of the Irrigation Glove Box Guide

### Projects and Trials

#### Sherwood

- Beans, lupins, wheat and Barley varietal trials
- Oats for grain and hay varietal trial
- Soil trials
- Seed Free lamb – new MLA project

#### Wolseley

- NVT Wheat varietal trials
- NVT Bean varietal trials
- Cereal Challenge of 10 varieties

#### Keith

- NVT Wheat and Barley
- Oats for grain and hay varietal trial
- Bean varietal trial
- Wheat and Barley Nutrition N & P trial
- Pasture Demo with Heritage Seeds
- Rizo trial – Liquid v seed coating v nutrition

#### Frances

- NVT Canola
- NVT Oats & Oats breeding build up
- Barley & Beans varietal trials
- Oats for grain and hay varietal trial
- Bilateral Pulse evaluation trial
- Wheat and Barley Nutrition N & P trial
- Pasture Demo with Heritage Seeds

#### Bool Lagoon

- Irrigated cereal & Canola
- Dual purpose canola
- Blackleg in Canola

#### Conmurra

- NVT wheat
- Barley, canola
- Bean challenge
- Bean canopy management
- Pulse challenge
- Septoria project

#### Millicent

- Barley, Wheat varietal trial
- Wheat & Barley N strips

## 2015

### MFMG Board

Chairman	Duan Williams
Board Members	Trent Potter, Greg Bell, Louise Stock, David Farley, Kathy Ophel-Keller, Mark Edwards,

### MFMG Operations Committee

Chairman	Martin Flower
Grower Members	Richie Kirkland, Tm Sambell, Ryan Smart, David Hurst, Rodney Bartlett, Ted Ridgway, Bruce McLean, Rob Jacobs
Researcher	Amanda Pearce SARDI
Specialist positions	Rob Palamountain (Irrigation), Tiffany Bennett (Livestock), James Heffernan and Jason McClure (Cropping)
Industry reps	Daryl Turner

### Contracted Staff

Chief Executive	Krysteen McElroy
Operations	Felicity Turner
Administration	Angela Northcott

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SEPLA Sponsor	Woolumbbool Rampro

MIMG Sponsor      Integrated Irrigation

### Highlights

Conmurra and Frances annual field days in October  
Trial & Harvest Results Meeting held regionally in April – Furner, Padthaway, Sherwood, Wolseley and Struan  
Winter Crop Walks at in July  
GRDC updates and AGM in August 2015  
GRDC Regional Cropping Solutions programme extension  
Study Tour to New Zealand in August with 14 participants  
Greater number of livestock events in conjunction with Rural Solutions  
2015 Ag Excellence Alliance Sustainable Farming Award - MacKillop Farm Management Group  
Poppies in SE – drive to change legislation to allow growth in SA

## 2014

### Management Committee

Chairman              Duan Williams  
Committee            Amanda Pearce and Ian Ludwig SARDI, Lachie Seears, Martin Flower, Richard Kirkland, Chris Gilbertson, Tom Sambell, David Farley, Ryan Smart, James Heffernan MIMG, Jamie Tidy SEPLA, Ryan Cocks NAB, Jason McClure  
Executive Officer    Krysteen McElroy  
Operations Officer   Felicity Turner  
Admin Assistant     Angela Northcott

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SEPLA Sponsor      Woolumbool Rampro  
MIMG Sponsor       Integrated Irrigation

### Highlights

Conmurra and Frances annual field days in October

Trial & Harvest Results Meeting with GRDC Business updates in April  
SE Agricultural Leaders and Mentors programme  
Tom Dawkins press releases and case studies on Leaders programme and MFMG  
Winter Crop Walks at Frances and Keith (with with GRDC IWM Workshops) in July  
Fertiliser/Snail Bait spreader calibration workshop in July at Furner  
MacKillop Sheep Forum with Bruce Farquharson in Naracoorte in July  
Strategic Planning session in Robe in March, followed by planning and workshops to facilitate  
change in management structure  
GRDC updates and Southern Panel in Naracoorte in September  
GRDC Regional Cropping Solutions programme

### Projects and Trials

#### Bool Lagoon

- SENRMB "Trialling alternative crops in irrigation"
- SENRMB "Exploring Automated Soil Moisture probes in broadacre irrigation systems"
- GRDC Irrigated Wheat and Canola

#### Conmurra:

- MFMG Barley Variety Trials
- MFMG BYDV in wheat demonstration
- MFMG CL & TT Canola Variety Trials
- Syngenta Barley Disease and PGR trial
- Pastures in Crop Sequences (funded through SFS)

#### Frances (SA):

- Pastures in Crop Sequences (funded through SFS)
- GRDC Stubble Initiative (long-term trial)

#### Frances (Vic):

- MFMG Wheat and Barley Variety Trials
- MFMG GM Canola Variety Trial
- Bean Variety Trial sponsored by Graincorp
- MFMG BYDV in wheat demonstration
- Integrated Weed Management Trial with Adelaide Uni
- Pacific Seeds RR and RT Technologies Demonstration Site

#### Furner:

- MFMG Bean Variety Trial

- MLA “Exploring hidden economic losses in sub-clover pastures”

#### Sherwood:

- MFMG Wheat and Barley Variety Trials

#### Millicent:

- MFMG Wheat and Barley Variety Trials

#### Woolumbool:

- Potassium fertiliser trial site (GRDC funded through NSW DPI)
- MLA “Exploring hidden economic losses in sub-clover pastures”

#### Across the region (multiple, smaller demo or sampling sites)

- MLA “Exploring hidden economic losses in sub-clover pastures” demonstration sites
- GRDC funded HRZ base-line nutrient surveying (understanding the nutrient issues in the HRZ region)

*In addition, through our research partners SARDI, we carry out various extension activities around the GRDC National Variety Trial sites across the South-East region*

### **2013**

#### Management Committee

Chairman	Duan Williams
Committee	Charlton Jeismann/Trent Potter/Ian Ludwig SARDI, Lachie Sears, Martin Flower, Richard Kirkland, Chris Gilbertson, Tom Sambell, David Farley, Ryan Smart, James Heffernan MIMG, Jamie Tidy SEPLA, Chris Matthews, Tim Roberts, Jason McClure
Executive Officer	Krysteen McElroy
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#### Sponsorship

Gold Sponsor	NAB, Glen Carron, Heritage Seeds
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Merchandise, Sturt Grain, Wickham Flower, Australian Growers Direct,  
Scott Petroleum  
SEPLA Sponsor PPH&S, Woolumbool Rampro, Cox Rural, Naracoorte Seeds  
MIMG Sponsor Cox Rural, Integrated Irrigation

### Highlights

Conmurra and Frances annual field days in October  
Open inspection of Trial Sites at Lochaber and Millicent in November 2012  
Facebook and Twitter pages  
Application Technology & Drift Management Workshop at Furner in February  
Trial & Harvest Results Meeting in April at Struan House  
2013 MFMG Sponsors Dinner celebrating 15 years with Pat Farmer in Naracoorte in July  
Technology Adoption Workshop for Advisors—funding received from SENRMB to send 4  
committee/members to this workshop  
Deanna Lush from Lush Communications writing press releases and case studies as required  
GRDC Grains Research Updates for Growers  
Opportunities & Challenges—Understanding the Diversity of Tasmania. Study tour attended by  
21 members, including 3 from Western Australia, in August  
Winter Crop Walks at Frances, Conmurra, Furner, Sherwood and Bordertown (with SANTFA) in  
July  
Fertigation workshop in November for irrigators  
MIMG meeting with Mid South East and Upper South East Irrigators to investigate  
collaboration opportunities  
Development of Irrigation Best Practice Ute Guide by MIMG  
SEPLA Beef Innovation day at Lucindale in April  
Development of a project investigating Rib Fractures in Sheep by SEPLA

### Research

#### **Sherwood:**

Wheat and Barley Variety trials  
Nutrient response trial - phosphorus (*in conjunction with Charles Sturt Uni, Wagga Wagga*)

#### **Frances:**

Wheat and Barley Variety trials  
Stubble Initiative *NEW for 2013..... funded by GRDC*  
Pasture Sequencing project (*in conjunction with Southern Farming Systems*)

#### **Lochaber:**

Crop Sequencing project (*in conjunction with CSIRO*)

**Conmurra:**

- Barley Variety trials
- Canola variety trials; TT and CL
- Bean variety trials
- Stubble Initiative *NEW for 2013..... funded by GRDC*
- Pasture Sequencing project *(in conjunction with SFS)*

**Millicent:**

- Wheat and Barley Variety trials

**Ozenkadnook (Vic):**

- RR and RT Canola trial *(with support from Pac seeds)*

**Sponsors Trials:**

- Syngenta Fungicide and PGR Trial (Conmurra)
- Elders Pre-emergent Bean Herbicide Trial (Conmurra)
- Elders Nitrogen Efficiency Trial (Conmurra)

**Mackillop projects that concluded in 2012-13 financial year**

**Mackillop funded projects:**

- Bean herbicide trial at Conmurra
- Bean desiccation trial at Bool Lagoon

**Sponsors trials:**

- Elders knockdown herbicide trials
- Elders Jumpstart trial
- Syngenta PGR trial

**Caring for our country funded projects:**

- Decision Support Tools (Bordertown/Keith region)
- Precision Ag Project
- Building Resilient Soils

**GRDC**

- Water Use Initiative project

**Jointly funded GRDC and CfoC**

- Grain and Graze 2 *(in conjunction with the Ag Excellence Alliance)*

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SEPLA Sponsor	Kenwyn Props, PPH&S, Woolumbool Rampro
MIMG Sponsor	Cox Rural, Integrated Irrigation

### Highlights

Annual Field Days held in October at Frances and CONmurra.  
SEPLA Pasture field day walks and End of Year BBQ on 22nd September  
Launch of MacKillop Irrigation Management Group with a bus tour to lower South East  
Informal Trial Site Open Day on 16th November in Bool Lagoon area  
Bi-annual SEPLA pasture update on 29th February looking at perennial pastures in a carbon climate  
Insect identification workshop with Kym Perry from SARDI on 28th March  
Annual Trial and Harvest results meeting on 3rd April, with the release of Trial Results Book for 2011 and presentations on the latest research into controlling Slugs and Snails by Prof Gavin Ash from Charles Sturt Uni  
Precision Ag Demo and Information day with SPAA  
Knowing your Soil, Water Quality and Crop Requirements —MIMG 3 series workshop  
Utilising Decision Support Tools— Yield Prophet and Soil Moisture Probes on 2nd August  
Sponsors event—Golf Day and Dinner to honour Trent Potter’s 41 years in Agricultural

### Research

Utilising Decision Support Tools to increase the adoption of no-till farming - Caring for our Country  
Dryland Water Use Efficiency - GRDC funded (run by SARDI and AG KI)

Regional Cropping Solutions Facilitator role for the Southern Regions High Rainfall Zone with GRDC  
Managed by Jen Lillecrap and overseen by Trent Potter

Facilitating Increased On farm adoption of broadleaf species in crop sequences to improve grain

Lead agency - CSIRO Sustainable Agriculture Flagship with Project Leader - Mark Peoples.  
Managed by Trent Potter

Continuous Improvement of Soil Management to Support Resilient Farming Systems  
DAFF funded, managed by Glenn Bailey

Grain and Graze 2  
Managed by Ag Excellence and delivered by Farming Systems Groups incl MFMG  
Felicity Turner

Evaluating Drop Tube and Sprinkler Irrigation for White Clover Seed Production  
RIRDC, SENRMB, Water Dynamics and Senniger, Managed by James DeBarro

Increasing the Awareness and role of Precision Ag in soil carbon management in the SE of SA  
Caring for Our Country funded, Managed by Felicity Turner

## 2011

### Management Committee

Chairman	Ryan Milgate/Martin Flower
Committee	Trent Potter, Jack Kay, Tim Roberts, Chris Gilbertson, Duan Williams, Peter Hannaford, Roger Grocock, Martin Flower, Wayne Hawkins, Grant Yates, Chris Matthews, Hayden Maher, Richard Kirkland, Chris Klose, Nick Edwards, Michael Zerk
Executive Officer	Krysteen McElroy
Operations Officer	Felicity Turner

### Sponsorship

Gold Sponsor	NAB, Seedmark, Glen Carron, Elders
Silver Sponsor	Nufarm, Pacific Seeds, Incitec Pivot, Viterro, Bayer, Landmark
Bronze Sponsor	Naracoorte Ag Services, Commonwealth Bank, Southern Precision, MGA, Riverland Oilseeds, Seednet, Graincorp, Canola Breeders, Wickham Flower, Cox Rural, CBH Grain, Nuseed, AGT, Zero Till Farm Services, Naracoorte Seeds, Murray Nankivell
SEPLA sponsor	Kenwyn Props, PPHS, Woolumbool Rampro
MIMG	Integrated Irrigation

### Highlights

Sponsors Event	Guest Speaker Sam and Jenny Bailey for 150 people at Penola
Trial Results Mtg	Guest presenter was No Till Bill Crabtree at Lucindale and Frances and Grain Storage with Peter Botta
White Clovers Growers	Name changed to MacKillop Irrigation Management Group
Study Tour	Farming systems and Innovation on the Eyre Peninsula attended by 15 people
MFMG logos	Upgraded to match Glen Carron advertising on trucks

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Increasing the Awareness and role of Precision Ag in soil carbon management in the SE of SA  
Caring for Our Country funded, Managed by Felicity Turner

Phosphorus – reducing wasteful practices through a better understanding of soil  
SENRMB funded – managed by Glenn Bailey and Felicity Turner

Investigating Alternative Summer Crops to maximize return from Irrigation  
Woolworths and Landcare , Managed by Felicity Turner and MIMG

Grain and Graze 2  
Managed by Ag Excellence and delivered by Farming Systems Groups incl MFMG  
Felicity Turner

Optimising Red Meat Productivity – SEPLA, MLA funded, Penny Craig managing

Investigating the Use of radiometrics as a potential tool to identify soil types in the South East  
SENRMB funded – managed by Felicity Turner

Evaluating Drop Tube and Sprinkler Irrigation for White Clover Seed Production  
RIRDC, SENRMB, Water Dynamics and Senniger, Managed by James DeBarro

Increasing the Awareness and role of Precision Ag in soil carbon management in the SE of SA  
Caring for Our Country funded, Managed by Felicity Turner

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Executive Officer	Krysteen McElroy

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Silver Sponsor	Rabobank, Nuseed, Seedmark, Riverland Oilseeds, Landmark, CBH Grain, Incitec Pivot, Canola Breeders, Bayer, Nufarm
Bronze Sponsor	Elders, TopCon, Southern Precision, John Deere, Graincorp, MGA Insurance, Murray Nankivell and Commonwealth Bank

### Highlights

- Affiliating with South East Prime Livestock Achievers
- Commissioning of trailers with MFMG logo and pictures with Glen Carron
- Development of Strategic Plan until 2015
- Sponsors Dinner included a debate on which state is best – SA or Vic
- Combining with Durum Growers for lunch and Trial site inspection

### Research

- Evaluating Drop Tube and Sprinkler Irrigation for White Clover Seed Production
- Increasing the Awareness and Role of Precision Ag in soil carbon management in the SE of SA

## **2009**

### **Management Committee**

Chairman	Ryan Milgate
Committee	Chris Klose, Trent Potter, Jack Kay, Ken Price, Brett Gilbertson, Duan Williams, Peter Hannaford, Roger Grocock, Nick Thring, Louis Koch, Grant Yates
Executive Officer	Krysteen McElroy

### **Sponsorship**

Gold Sponsor	NAB, Planttech/Seedmark
Silver Sponsor	Rabobank, Nuseed, ABB, Riverland Oilseeds, Landmark, Syngenta
Bronze Sponsor	Elders, TopCon, Southern Precision, John Deere, CBH Grain, MGA Insurance, Murray Nankivell and Commonwealth Bank

### **Highlights**

Study Tour – Irrigation Systems and Precision Ag technologies in SE Queensland  
Sponsors Dinner at Struan House, with a focus on wine tasting by Browns of Padthaway  
Linked with USE Beef Producers for a series of “Beef Producers Climate Change Adjustment Workshops”  
Combining with Durum Growers for lunch and Trial site inspection  
Linked with SENRMB to assist with their “Enhancing Soil Health” project

### **Research**

Increasing Precision Agricultural Awareness and Adoption in SE” project through Caring for Our Country  
Building Resilient Farming Systems with ABA and DWLBC  
GRDC Water Use Efficiency in Mixed Farming Systems trials  
Pasture trials with Seedmark  
Centre Pivot trials with White Clover Growers



## **2008**

### **Management Committee**

Chairman	Chris Klose
Committee	Lachie Seears, Andrew Marks, Ryan Milgate, Peter Hannaford, Grant Yates, Duan Williams, Roger Grocock, Ted Langley, Louis Koch, Brett Gilbertson, Trent Potter
Executive Officer	Krysteen McElroy

### **Sponsorship**

Gold Sponsor	NAB
Silver Sponsors	Rabobank, ABB, Riverland Oilseeds, Nuseed, Landmark, Nufarm
Bronze Sponsors	Southern Precision, John Deere, Commonwealth Bank, Murray Nankivell, Elders,

### **Highlights**

Sponsors Dinner and 10 year celebration at Naracoorte Town Hall, with guest speaker, Mark Riccutio  
AGM with guest speaker – Greg Butler from SANTA to discuss “Understanding Soil Carbons”  
Forum with Lucerne Australia on “Irrigating for the Future”  
Precision Ag Expo at Keith with SPAA

### **Research**

Increasing Precision Agricultural Awareness and Adoption in SE” project through Caring for Our Country  
Building Resilient Farming Systems with ABA and DWLBC  
Conclusion of Deep Ripping Trials at Frances with SENRMB  
GRDC Water Use Efficiency in Mixed Farming Systems trials commence

## 2007

### Management Committee

Chairman Chris Klose  
Committee Lachie Seears, Andrew Marks, Ryan Milgate, Peter Hannaford, Craig Hole, Duan Williams, Roger Grocock, Ted Langley, Louis Koch, Brett Gilbertson, Trent Potter  
Executive Officer Ken Solly – resigned October 2007  
Operations Manager Jen Lillecrapp contract expired 31 July 2007

### Sponsorship

Principal Sponsor NAB  
Major Sponsors Lawrie Co, Nuseed, ABB, Riverland Oilseeds, Rabobank, Syngenta  
Minor Sponsors – Commonwealth Bank, Landmark, Solly Business Services, Murray Nankivell

### Highlights

AGM at Frances Hotel with 2005 RIRDC Rural Woman of the Year, Lisa Rowntree  
Website launched and MFMG logo established  
Trial Results and Pre-Season Workshops – Naracoorte and Mundulla in collaboration with Upper South East Agricultural Bureaux

### Research

Sustainable Production of White Clover with SENRMB  
Stubble Management Project  
GRDC Stubble Management Project in collaboration with SFS Ltd Victoria and Tasmania  
RIRDC Best Management Practices for Irrigation of White Clover  
NLP Quantify and Promote the Benefits of Deep Ripping Project  
NLP Sustainable Irrigation and Soil Management Practices for White Clover Seed Production  
NLP Pollination Trials in Pulse Crops in collaboration with Ag Excellence Alliance  
NLP Breaking the South East Weed Seedbank Project – Wolseley and Frances  
SENRMB Board Innovation Grant – Best management irrigation scheduling for white clover seed production  
ABA and Rural Solutions NLP Sandy Soils Project – trials and workshop  
Healthy Soils Tri-State Project – soil characterisation data collection

## 2006

### Management Committee

Chairman	Lachie Seears
Committee	Chris Klose, Brett Gilbertson, Bruce McLean, Stephen Jaeschke, Jeanette Ridgway, Wayne Hawkins, Ryan Milgate, Peter Hawkins, Jonathon Reichl, Craig Hole, Trent Potter, Andrew Marks
Executive Officer	Ken Solly
Operations Manager	Jen Lillecrap, contract completed in July.

### Sponsorship

Principal Sponsor	NAB
Major Sponsors	Lawrie Co, Nuseed, Riverland Oilseeds, Rabobank, Syngenta
Minor Sponsors	CTF Solutions, Murray Nankivell, Solly Business Services, Commonwealth Bank

### Highlights

Membership – 115 farm businesses  
AGM – Frances Hotel with guest speaker John Millington, General Manager of Luvaduck  
Churchill Fellowship – awarded to Roger Grocock  
Ag Excellence Alliance – Ken Solly elected to committee  
Sponsors Dinner – Trent and Barbie Potters for homemade pizza  
Nuffield Scholarship – active members Damien Smart, Charlie Hilton and Stephen Jaeschke  
Became independent of Southern Farming Systems  
Display at South East Field Days, Lucindale  
Commenced involvement in Ag Excellence Alliance  
GRDC Southern Panel visit South East  
Visits from WA Facey and Vic No Till groups  
Naracoorte Seeds became maintainer for Haifa White Clover Basic Seed  
Foundation for Agricultural Research (FAR) of New Zealand – grower and research representatives from New Zealand met with White Clover Growers Association  
Sandy Soils Workshop – Wirrega  
Resistance Integrated Management Workshops – Wolseley and Frances  
Results of three years of herbicide tolerance and efficacy trials in white clover presented  
Nick Poole workshops – Cereal Growth Stages and Canopy Management workshop and Cereal Disease management and its interaction with cultivar resistance  
Rural Directions – Grain Marketing Workshops  
Spray Technology Workshops – Graham Betts  
GRDC Southern Panel visit  
GRDC High Rainfall Zone Conference  
Centre Pivot Efficiency Assessment workshops convened  
White Clover Growers secured basic seed from NSW Dept of Primary Industries and facilitation of Ncte Seeds to become maintainer of Haifa variety

### Research

NLP Quantify and Promote Benefits of Deep Ripping through Landcare  
GRDC Stubble Management Project in collaboration with SFS Ltd Victoria and Tasmania  
RIRDC Best Management Practices for Irrigation of White Clover  
NLP Sustainable Irrigation and Soil Management Practices for White Clover Seed Production  
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Healthy Soils Tri-State Project – soil characterisation data collection

MFMG identified the need for a local committee to be formalised to provide strategic direction for trial and extension activities in the Tatiara district. Stephen Jaeschke becomes chair of Tatiara Satellite Group of MFMG

## **2005**

### **Management Committee**

Chairman	Lachie Seears
Committee	Chris Klose, Greg Bell, Bruce McLean, Stephen Jaeschke, Jeanette Ridgway, Wayne Hawkins, Ryan Milgate, Peter Hawkins, Jonathon Reichl, Craig Hole, Trent Potter
Executive Officer	Ken Solly
Operations Manager	Jen Lillecrap – appointed in August

### **Sponsorship**

Principal Sponsor	Landmark and NAB
Major Sponsors	Dovuro, Lawrie & Co, Syngenta, Incite Pivot, ABB
Minor Sponsors	Graincorp, Rabobank, AWB Seeds, CTF Solutions

### **Highlights**

Sponsors Golf Day  
Spray Tech Workshop with Graham Betts  
Neurpurr White Clover Growers become affiliated with MFMG  
AGM Guest Speaker – Les Burdett, Oval Manager at Adelaide Oval and Dinner at Frances Hotel.  
Study Tour – Western Australian Cropping and Prime Lamb Study Tour  
Conservation Farmers from Queensland visit MFMG  
Support received from SENRMB and GRDC

### **Research**

GRDC Stubble Management Project in collaboration with SFS Ltd Victoria and Tasmania  
NLP Breaking the South East Weed Seedbank Project – Wolseley and Frances

## **2004**

### Management Committee

Chairman	Wayne Hawkins
Committee	Jamie Weatherald, Jeanette Ridgway, Peter Hawkins, Greg Bell, Bruce McLean, Lachie Seears, Jonathon Reichl, Craig Hole, Trent Potter
From July 2004 Executive Officer	Ken Solly
Project Officer until July 2004	Kirsty Flower

### Sponsorship

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### Highlights

Membership base expanded from 60 to 104 due to expansion into the Tatiara and the incorporation of the Frances Neuarpurr White Clover Group

Development of a Business Plan by members – Ian McNeil, Wayne Hawkins, Lachie Seears, Andrew Childs, Jamie Wetherald and Ken Solly

Breakfast Meeting with Professor Tim Reeves to discuss Climate Change

Workshops with Nick Poole from FAR New Zealand

AGM at Frances Hotel – guest speakers Neil Teate and Ken Solly on New Zealand Study Tour

### Research

NVT and Agronomic Trials

Sub Soil Constraints Research with DPI Victoria

Basic White Clover Seed Production

NLP & RIRDC White Clover Irrigation Scheduling

## **2003**

### Management Committee

Chairman	Wayne Hawkins
Committee	Ian McNeil, Ben Fleet, David Botting, Allison Chambers, Andrew Childs, Andrew Cother, Michael Emery, Martin Flower, Peter Hannaford, Wayne Hawthorne, Peter Hocking, Dennis Kester, Charles Koch, Bruce Larcombe, Jen Lillecrap, Ross Maddern, Bruce McLean, Trent Potter, Neil Teate, Lachie Seears, Dennis Kester, Luke Smith, Jamie Weatherald, Trevor Pietsch, Michael Lloyd, Janette Ridgway, Geoff Sinclair (includes Tatiara Group)
Project Officer	Kirsty Flower

### Sponsorship

Principal Sponsor	Landmark
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### Highlights

Satellite group formed in Tatiara – to assist with trials in 2004

New Zealand Study Tour with Solly Business Services

AGM Dinner at Frances with Ken Solly presenting on cropping benchmarking project

### Research

## **2002**

### Management Committee

Chairman	Ian McNeil
Committee	Wayne Hawkins

### Sponsorship

### Highlights

### Research

## 2001

### Management Committee

Chairman Ian McNeil  
Committee David Botting, Phillip Bradley, Allison Chambers, Michael Emery, Martin Flower, Wayne Hawkins, Wayne Hawthorne, Mark Hill, Peter Hocking, Charles Koch, Bruce Larcombe, Jen Lillecrap, Craig Pietsch, Trent Potter, Paul Smith, Neil Teate, Phil Vercoe, David Watson, Chris Whittlesea

## 2000

### Management Committee

Chairman Ian McNeil  
Committee David Botting, Phillip Bradley, Michael Emery, Martin Flower, Wayne Hawkins, Wayne Hawthorne, Mark Hill, Peter Hocking, Charles Koch, Jen Lillecrap, Craig Pietsch, Trent Potter, Paul Smith, Neil Teate, Phil Vercoe, David Watson, Chris Whittlesea

### Research

NHT Raised Bed Controlled Traffic Farming Evaluation

GRDC – refer Trent Potter for title

RIRDC Weed Control project funded until 2004 – for White Clover Growers



## **1999**

### Management Committee

Chairman                    Ian McNeil  
Committee                 Michael Emery, Neil Teate, Martin Flower, Craig Pietsch, Wayne Hawkins, Simon  
Limbert, David Watson, Mark Hill, Phil Bradley, Charles Koch, Peter Hocking, Chris  
Whittlesea, Trent Potter, Wayne Hawthorne, Jen Trott (Lillecrap)

### Highlights

Membership – 15 members from SE are SFS members, \$50 plus GST  
Applied to SFS for association as a South Australian Branch.  
(The MFMG, in conjunction with a number of farmer groups, initiated a research and extension  
programme for high rainfall cropping in the South East. Proposed that the cropping area in the South  
East could be lifted to 50,000 hectares by 2004. Yields can also be increased by 25%.)  
MFMG becomes incorporated  
Neurpurr White Clover Growers Association formed – driven by Charles Koch

### Research

Raised Bed Trials

## **1998**

### Management Committee

Founding Chairman    Ian McNeil  
Committee                 Michael Emery, Neil Teate, Martin Flower, Craig Pietsch, Wayne Hawkins, Simon  
Limbert, David Watson, Mark Hill, Phil Bradley, Charles Koch, Peter Hocking, Chris  
Whittlesea, Trent Potter, Wayne Hawthorne, Jen Trott (Lillecrap)

### Sponsorship

GRDC funded

### Highlights

February 1998 MFMG formed