



4Farmers welcomes new agents in Kulin

REALISING how much they had saved using 4Farmers Triadimefon was enough for Garry and Donna Waters to decide on the next step and become the official 4Farmers agents for the Kulin area.

Their initial response had been to contact the 4Farmers office to determine whether there was an agent nearby, but then it was explained how easy it was to start an agency themselves.

"We haven't looked back since" explained Garry, adding "if anyone lives in an area without a 4Farmers agent, there is a great opportunity to help themselves while helping other farmers to get better service and fairer prices.

"Since we opened last April, we have had no trouble in getting support from local farmers who are keen to support a local business, especially as they can obtain supplies out of normal business hours and besides, we can even offer free delivery."

The Waters have had little difficulty handling the agency, aware that one of the state's top Agronomists, Terry Piper, was only a phone call away if Garry needed some help or if a client wanted to talk to an Agronomist direct.

"We had to build a dedicated chemical shed to store the 4Farmers stock and to provide a professional image, but I needed that for the farm anyway" said Garry, adding that 4Farmers now had a very full range of farm chemicals.

Donna has also enjoyed the new venture, especially as it enabled her to start another business without leaving the farm, noting "it's been pretty easy to pick up the management and that's coming from someone with limited chemical knowledge."

After less than a year as 4Farmers agents, Garry and Donna would encourage other farmers who want to improve their budget with more competitively priced chemicals or are seeking another income, to contact 4Farmers about either becoming a client, or an agent.

Farmers in and around Kulin can obtain a competitive quote on their chemical requirements by contacting Garry or Donna on 9889 8032 or 0428 898032.

As well as welcoming Garry and Donna as agents, the company is also keen to encourage others to consider the possibility of becoming 4Farmers agents.

Anyone interested should contact Wayne Breakell at the 4Farmers office on 9356 3445, where all enquires will be treated in strictest confidence.



Checking out the company office and warehouse were Garry Waters (left), new 4Farmers agent at Kulin and Wayne Breakell, Sales Manager, 4 Farmers.

2,4-D Ester – Just add bureaucrats!

The APVMA has suspended the registration of 2,4-D Ester 800, but is allowing its continued use under very strict conditions, limiting its application in WA to a period between May 1 and August 31 each year,

WA farmers generally call upon this versatile herbicide outside those time limits, but it can still be used outside the window if the farmer obtains a permit from the APVMA.

Having waded through the permit form and all its fine print, Terry Piper, 4Farmers Client Support, advises all farmers to obtain a copy of the permit form and fill in as much as possible immediately.

As a prime time to use this product is after a summer rain, speed is necessary as the form must be filled in, sent to Canberra and the reply received, before any spraying can occur.

Apart from listing other herbicides that could be used and explaining why you still want to use Ester 800, it is also necessary to identify off-target environmental areas such as sensitive crops, national parks, designated nature reserves, wetlands, significant remnant vegetation, etc.

The area must be identified by reference to local government boundaries and specific geographic coordinates.

So, download the permit form from the 4Farmers website - as soon as possible!

Technical information can be obtained from 4Farmers agents or from Terry Piper, Product Support, 4Farmers, Welshpool. Phone 1800 038 445

REMEMBER WHEN? Before 4Farmers Triadimefon went on the market for \$170, it used to cost \$1000 for the same amount.

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