



# ***INSIDE OUTSIDE***

## ***MANAGEMENT***

***Balance your business on the INSIDE and the OUTSIDE***

**Newsletter 1 May 2005**

Greetings to you All

This is the first of what I hope will develop into a regular newsletter. Support is vital for anyone trying out new ideas and we will continue to try and provide what help we can in the form of review days, facilitation of support groups and any other ideas that come through.

It has been a very hectic time for myself and especially Helen Lewis (nee Carrell) - more on that later!).

### **“People in the Landscape” conference**

April 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> saw us attending the inaugural “People in the Landscape” conference down at Armidale, NSW. This Holistic Management and Landcare joint effort was organised by newly certified Educator Judi Earl. It followed a week long pass out session for the next group of new educators, four from Australia – Judi Earl from Guyra, Paul Griffiths from Sydney, Jason Virtue from Gympie and George Gundry from Canberra, and another dozen or so from the United States. The conference was a huge success with all 400 seats sold out early and I had to really pull rank to sneak onto the back of one of the buses for the farm tour, which was limited to only 180 people.



The speakers at the two day conference varied from Arron Wood, winner of the “Young Australia” award to Sean Martin from RCS and Kelly Pastor from the Savory Center in New Mexico. There were some great stories presented from around Australia on how people were coping with their different circumstances. Helen gave a review on decision making and the conference finished up with a riveting address by Allan Savory.

The highlights of the conference including Allan’s address will be coming out on DVD which we will share with you when we next get together. We will also have copies available for

purchase, if you wish.

Sharing time and ideas with a host of American and Australian Educators, as well as John King from New Zealand and Dick and Judy Richardson from South Africa, was a very stimulating experience. Dick was promoting his book “The Oglin”, which we are agents for, if anyone would like a good read. Dick was a key speaker on the field trip and had everyone captivated with his “talking poo” and other observations around the paddock.

### **Nuptials**

The weekend after the conference saw “the big event”, Helen and Ian’s wedding. The day started at 11 a.m. and we called it quits at 9 p.m. - need I



say more!! It was a wonderful day - the bride looked radiant, the groom looked proud and a hell of a party was had by everyone.

### **Widening horizons**

Last Friday, I helped Brian Marshall, Australia's long time educator from Guyra, to give a presentation on Holistic Decision Making to the Executive of the Queensland Murray Darling Committee. This received very favorable comments and we hope to make further inroads with the full board. We see Holistic Management being a huge help at property level within the catchment - to individual families and businesses, and also at the committee level where the process can reduce conflict and ensure best possible outcomes from committee decisions.

This week Helen will be contacting the Desert Knowledge CRC, in Alice Springs as they embark on a rotational grazing trial. We are interested to see how Holistic Management could be involved with the project and improve the outcomes.

### **On the home front – 'Sunnyholt', Arcadia Valley**

On the home front, this year's monitoring results are mixed. I am quite surprised that, after having received only half of our usual 26 inches of rain, some monitoring sites have continued to improve their cover, with one site jumping from 63% to 81% this year. In pastures which have received inadequate recovery time (due to patchy rain or poor estimates of paddock quality) soil surface has slipped or has, at best, been maintained.

Our daily weight gains have not been up to expectation for the last three months, so I have had some hair samples analysed by the SAFE laboratories. They have shown up shortages of the element, cobalt, which can lead to poor gains. If anyone is interested I can pass on further information about this method of testing.

Having just taken on 550 new weaners from the breeding property north of Augathella, time the last few days has been taken up with training them - a very dusty experience - but it looks as if some precipitation could be heading our way!

With the growing season coming to a close, it is time to get in to our feed budgeting so we can plan for the winter for those of us fortunate enough to have some four legged critters to look after.

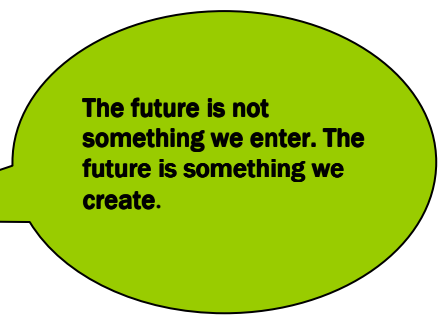
Regards,  
Brian Wehlburg

### **On the home front – 'Montrose', Warwick**

Ian & I have embarked on developing our 1000 acres. We have just established our monitoring sites and have started the recording process. Although throwing darts seems tedious when you're out there doing it, we kept thinking how seeing slight shifts every year would keep us focused and how great it will be to see the progress we have made in five years time. Most importantly, monitoring will be an invaluable tool for management decisions; we will see the consequences of our management and, if necessary, we can tweak what we are doing, enabling us to continue to move towards creating the landscape we want.

Regards,  
Helen Lewis.

**Attributed to author,  
Leonard Sweet**



**The future is not  
something we enter. The  
future is something we  
create.**

## RESOURCES

- **The Oglin**, a hero's journey across Africa towards the tomorrow, by Dick Richardson with Rio de la Vista. A fantasy adventure for all ages, chronicling the journey of two mythical creatures who learn from the wildlife as they travel: conveys the message that the land needs to be healed, and suggests ways to do this. Hardcover copy. 448pp. \$40 plus \$8 postage.
- **Holistic Management, a new framework for decision making**, by Allan Savory with Jody Butterfield. The "bible" of Holistic Management. Paperback copy. 616pp. \$70 plus \$8 postage
- **Livestock production worksheets** \$2 each
- **Grazing aides** \$25 each

Grazing chart pads (20 in a pad) should hopefully be available soon. Our source of materials has now changed and we are working on obtaining a supply. We will let you know how we're progressing on this.

## FOR YOUR DIARY

If you have already attended training, you are able to refresh any of the modules for \$200/module.

### Holistic Management Training for 2005

Warwick Training June/July

Module 1: Saturday 28, Sunday 29 & Monday 30 of May 2005

Module 2: Saturday 18, Sunday 19 & Monday 20 of June 2005

Module 3: Saturday 2, Sunday 3 & Monday 4 of July 2005

Warwick Training July/August

Module 1: Saturday 16, Sunday 17 & Monday 18 of July 2005

Module 2: Saturday 30, Sunday 31 & Monday 1 of July/August 2005

Module 3: Tuesday 16, Wednesday 17 & Thursday 18 of August 2005

The 9 days of training includes

- text book
- financial planning resources
- grazing planning resources
- training manual
- smokos & lunches

and a great time!! Participant numbers will not exceed 16 people.

Venue: The Hermitage Research Station, Warwick or "Hillside", Warwick - depending on numbers. Accommodation at historic "Hillside", 25 Weewondilla Rd, Warwick is complimentary as part of the training package. However, rooms are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Cost: \$2100.00 per person (includes GST) - spouses and family members attending will receive a 50% discount (\$1050.00). A \$200.00 deposit is required 2 weeks before training starts.

Cheques can be made payable to **Inside Outside Management Pty Ltd.**

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