

# MAWSE CODE

JUNE 2008

## FROM THE MANAGING DIRECTOR

### EVERYBODY'S BUDGETING

Mr Rudd and Mr Swan have had their go at a budget and now it's our turn. Every year since 2001 Mawsons have prepared a budget to assist with all our planning, pricing and expenditure. This year the budget program started earlier in order to meet Adelaide Brighton's timing. The Mawsons budget is brought together by Brendan and his team. There is also a lot of input from the Executive team and departmental and site Managers. Everyone's input is valuable to ensure that the final numbers are reasonable and take account of all our combined knowledge and experience.

The 2008/2009 budget will be finalised at the Mawsons May Board meeting. It will provide a yardstick for measurement of all our marketing, production, plant and equipment replacements and upgrades, in fact everything we spend money on in the next year and beyond.

This years' budget includes some forecasts for planning as far away as 2011. Its preparation has involved a great deal of time and thought. As we move into the next financial year the new budget becomes a key management tool with increased sales and profit targets that we will all need to work hard to achieve.

Lets hope that Misters Rudd and Swan do as they have promised, especially in relation to the money allocated for water, new schools and transport infrastructure, so that our budget targets are achieved and we can share in Australia's prosperity.

**John Mawson** – *Managing Director*

## GRAHAM DOWELL RETIREMENT

Graham Dowell's workmates gathered on the 9th of May to celebrate his contribution to Mawsons over some 31 years at Rafferty's in Benalla. During the course of the evening there were many stories of Graham's capacity to work effectively in a team, keeping simple promises such as always being on time, always being well prepared for raw materials deliveries and the big pours.

During the more formal part of the evening, MC Rick Layley introduced our General Manager of Concrete Lee Bombardieri who spoke about Graham's care for people, the way he shows respect for those around him, his honesty in his approach to his work, and the loyalty he has demonstrated to the Mawson team.

Graham has been inwardly aware of these attributes, has developed them and used them effectively to produce positive outcomes.

John Mawson endorsed Lee's comments about the strength of Graham's character and how Graham reflects accurately Mawsons' culture: to be the best company to work for and deal with in our region. John focused on the changes that had occurred in Graham's time at Mawsons, particularly the improvements that have been made to the trucking fleet since he started in 1977.

Graham responded by acknowledging the support he had received from his family and his team. Graham is winding back from a full time role but we expect to see him around the North East concrete plants on a casual basis for some time to come.

**Geoff Hall**



### FAMILY DAY 2008

Set aside Sunday October the 5th for the 2008 Mawsons Family Day. To be held in Echuca at a venue to be determined, this year's family day will see more fun for the family. Keep an eye on the next edition of Mawse Code for more details!



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# AROUND THE TRAPS

## CON EXPO

### MY HOLIDAY

At the end of Con Expo trip, I travelled around America for three weeks.

After spending time with work colleagues around Los Angeles, Las Vegas, and San Francisco, it was great to be able to spend some time travelling alone!

After farewelling the departing travellers in San Francisco, I flew to Houston to meet up with some long time friends. Highlights included a trip to the local Rodeo, with a country and western concert after the main event! Other highlights from Houston included the best Mexican food I've ever had!

From Houston where the temperature was in the mid 20's, I arrived in Boston with a top temperature of 1 degree! Boston was a thoroughly enjoyable city, with a great amount of History. I walked the 'Freedom Trail', which took me through various sites pertaining to the American Revolution. I also toured Fenway Park, the home of the Boston Red Sox, and the oldest ballpark in America. I was also lucky enough to see the now NBA Champion Boston Celtics play two games. I had some traditional New England clam chowder, which was most welcome on a couple of the colder days! I attended a performance by the Boston Symphony Orchestra, which was a magnificent cultural experience. The weather was markedly colder in Boston, and I appreciated the warm coat I purchased in Houston! One night the minimum temperature was -5 degrees!

From Boston I headed to Chicago. I was lucky enough to get a ticket to the famed Wrigley Field to see the Chicago Cubs play their first game of the season. Unfortunately they lost, but it was still a very much enjoyable experience. I also went to the Ice Hockey and Basketball in Chicago which were lots of fun. I saw a relatively new musical, Jersey Boys, which is the story of Frankie

Valli and the Four Seasons. It was a terrific show, and is in fact coming Melbourne in 2009.

From Chicago I travelled to Washington DC, where the weather was still cool. I saw all the important sites, such as the White House, US Capitol Building, Arlington National Cemetery, Washington Monument, Jefferson Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, the Ford Theatre (where Abraham Lincoln was shot), and a few more to boot! I visited a number of Museums attached to the Smithsonian Institute, which were very interesting. The National Air and Space Museum had many highlights from America's involvement in the two World Wars, as well as a history of their space exploration. The National Museum of Natural History had some fascinating exhibits, particularly the skeletons of a T-Rex and Triceratops.

New York was an amazing city to visit. I was lucky enough to stay at a friend's apartment right in the heart of New York, on the Upper East Side only three blocks from Central Park. I went to the Ice Hockey, Basketball at the famed Madison Square Garden, and watched two Baseball games. Apart from the sporting events, I saw a number of shows on Broadway, being Chicago, The Lion King, Phantom of the Opera, and the Little Mermaid. I also did three bus sightseeing tours around the various districts of New York, walked through Central Park, shopped on Fifth Avenue and in the trendy Soho district, visited the Rockefeller Center, Empire State Building, Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, the Staten Island Ferry, United Nations, Times Square, plus plenty more!

The trip was magnificent with the highlight being the week in New York. The single most enjoyable part of the trip was hiring a bike and riding it over the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco. The memories of the trip will certainly stay with me forever.

**Paul Wilkins**



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## CON EXPO

"My reflection of the USA trip was there is very little left to the imagination (Las Vegas is one huge theme park). Taking this into account we should and can build anything we can think of that is physically possible that will increase productivity and reduce costs all across the spectrum.

Your mind is your limitation. Try and stretch its boundaries now and then, there is an inventor in all of us."

**Trevor Dennis**

"I still have trouble explaining just how big Con Expo is but when start at 9:00 and walk until 17:30 each day, repeat this for 4 days, and still not see it all, you might have some idea.

The highlights were many but being met (unexpectedly) at Las Vegas airport by an old work mate, who later showed us over one his quarries. That certainly took some beating - especially when it made our quarries look pretty good. The lowlight was probably seeing the obvious drug problem that exists in the centre of San Francisco.

As a group we cannot thank Mawson's enough for making it possible, and hope that by us making use of some of the excellent ideas that we gained, further trips will be possible to allow more people to improve their knowledge and expertise"

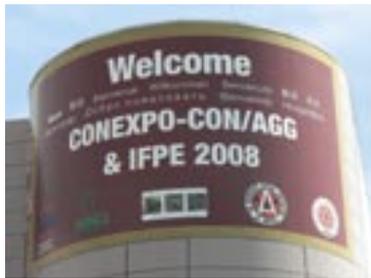
**Geoff Wakeman**

"On arrival in Los Angeles we walked our legs off on arrival to try and beat jet lag and it actually worked. We all slept well on the first night. We enjoyed a day at Disneyland and another at Universal Studios.

Next stop over was Las Vegas, where the CONEXPO – CON/AGG was held at a huge convention centre over 5 days. Due to wet and cold weather, our Grand Canyon trip was cancelled so we visited the Hoover Dam instead. On our last day in Las Vegas we visited a quarry operation to compare it with that of our own back home which was nothing spectacular, and maybe not as good as the Mawson owned ones.

Our last stop was San Francisco where we enjoyed cable car journeys through the street and a boat trip to Angel Island and Alcatraz Prison. Overall an excellent trip and brought home many new ideas. The Mawson group must be thanked for such an opportunity, and to let us be the first to visit such an informative Expo."

**Ray Crellin**



## AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

On Tuesday the 12th of March, Mawsons Administration staff and the Executive gathered for a fundraiser for Australia's Biggest Morning Tea. While technically the gathering was for lunch and not morning tea, the proceeds still went to support the Cancer Council of Australia, a very worthy cause. Organised principally by Dot Waterson, the fundraising activities included a raffle, with the prize of a lovely display of lollies and

sweet being won by our office cleaner, Yvonne Dehne. With the BBQ lunch being donated by Geoff Hall, and some \$175 being received in general donations, combined with the raffle, the day raised a total of \$288.05 for much needed cancer research. Thanks to Dot, Geoff, and everyone else who organised and contributed to such a great cause.



## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN BENDIGO?

In October 2007's edition of Mawse Code, the team at Bendigo were in the midst of supplying concrete for a new development in Kangaroo Flat. The old Rocklea Knitting Mill has been turned into the Rocklea Homemaker Centre. Through Associated Builders, and FD Concreting, Mawsons supplied over 4000m<sup>3</sup> of Concrete to this significant project between May and October of 2007. With the finishing touches having been applied, all that is left now is for all the shops to open their doors (some of which already have). Another important job recently undertaken has been at Bendigo Toyota, who are upgrading their premises in Epsom with over 150m<sup>3</sup> poured. Keep an eye out next time you are going through. Congratulations to Geoff, Trevor, and the team at Bendigo.



## Don't Get Dusted

Work in the concrete and quarry industries involves many hazards. We must recognise, manage and minimise the potential impacts of all workplace hazards. Employee exposure to dust is a major hazard that is regularly monitored by external experts for Mawsons. The most recent round of monitoring at our quarries showed that in several cases we need to be more vigilant in implementing our dust management strategies.

Over recent years we have made significant gains in reducing dust exposure but still more has to be done to comply with ever tighter regulations. Our Safe Operating Procedures include several measures to reduce potential exposure to respirable dust. All employees, including management, have a legal obligation to follow the SOP's and maintain a safe workplace. If a SOP is not being followed or anyone on our worksites is being exposed to dangerous levels of dust any employee is encouraged to advise the Site Manager or OH&S representative and complete an Incident Notification Form.

Of course when managing risk our first strategy must be to 'Engineer it out', this typically means reducing spillage and sealing off dust emission points; drop boxes, crushers, screens, scrapers etc. and applying wetting agents through plant sprays to further settle dust. Any dusty areas that remain and present a hazard to workers must be dealt with in accordance with our SOP's.

As a reminder the dust reduction strategies in our SOP's include choosing a suitable time to work around dust (eg when it is not windy and when the atmosphere is heavy), and wetting any dust that may be disturbed during work. Hosing is a good alternative to shovelling when clearing spillage. Wearing a suitable face mask is also very helpful but it does not remove the need for all the other dust control measures.

Ensuring that control room and vehicle air conditioner filters and window seals are properly maintained is critical in reducing dust exposure risk. Vacuuming rooms and cabins and keeping windows closed at all times when dust is present are very important measures that operators must follow in order to maintain a safe workplace.

None of these points are new to anyone, they are well documented, and simply must be followed if we are to remain viable and enjoy a safe workplace.



## MAWSONS COMPANY SAFETY AWARD – March 2008 Nominations

### NOMINATION 1 – Barry Tyson (Buronga Sand Wash)

Nominated by – Simon Allen. Barry recently pointed out that a large portion of our overhead screen on the sand wash had come away from the main body and was sagging down. Due to Barry's observation we were able to make repairs to the screen before it became a safety and breakdown issue. The end result could have been quite expensive and dangerous had it not been picked up so quickly. Good to see an employee taking note of their workplace

### NOMINATION 2 – Ashley Miller & Brett Jardine (Pyramid Quarry)

Nominated by – Alan Walsh. Carry back from conveyors is always a problem and when it falls on top of the covers situated over the shaker screens it creates many problems:-

- Build up can push conveyor belting up, wearing out the belting and structure, and eventually even stalling the belt.

- As drastic as this may seem the real issue was cleaning the build up off the top of the screen cover, which some times involved standing on the hand rail to gain enough height to shovel off the build up, thus creating a dramatic fall hazard.

The problem was discussed and the following was decided:-

1. The cover was to go from the top of the screen to the conveyor frame.
2. The conveyor frame was to be sealed with gal plate between the frame.
3. A dust seal could still be maintained and all carry back from the return side of the conveyor would fall into the screen and mix with product.

The main consideration was that in fixing one problem we didn't create more safety issues. So far we haven't encountered any problems and the dust build up has been totally eliminated.

### NOMINATION 3 – Ross Salter (Bulk Cement Transport Manager)

Nominated by – Lee Bombardieri. This nomination comes after receiving an email from Colleen Balfour Mawsons OHS Manager acknowledging Ross's exceptional safety management of his direct employee, Wayne Smith. As a business we need to support, encourage and celebrate this forward thinking safety culture.

Please refer to Colleen's email for further details:-  
*"I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge Ross Salter on his management of his employee Wayne Smith with regards to the stripping down of and repainting of the silo legs in the concrete plants".*  
*Ross has had Wayne's safety at the forefront of his mind on every occasion. For example:-*  
*Ross conducted a comprehensive risk assessment prior to employing Wayne.*  
*Ross purchased all safety equipment required to complete task safely.*  
*When Wayne's task changed, cleaning hoppers at Echuca, Ross initiated a new risk assessment, which resulted in Ross consulting with Wayne and all members of staff at Echuca and the implementation of a strict isolation procedure.*  
*Ross then followed up with me to confirm requirements.*  
*Ross also inquired about doing an OHS course to help him with his day to day decision regarding OHS. I directed him to Wayne Douglas who is going to organise.*  
*I think it is great that we have a Manager in Ross that is making safety a number one priority in all tasks, that Ross is seeking further education regarding OHS to help him do this in to the future and that Ross is setting an excellent example for all Managers to follow".*

**Good luck to all nominees, the winner will be decided by the Senior OHS Committee Members at their next meeting and announced in the next edition of the Mawse Code.**

## SAFETY AWARD NOMINEE PHOTOS



**Alan Walsh with Pyramid’s nomination**

**Paul Bell and Frank Roberts, last edition’s nominees**

## TESTING & TAGGING REQUIREMENTS

What electrical equipment needs to be regularly inspected and tested in accordance with AS/NZS 3760 In-Service Safety Inspection and Testing of Electrical Equipment? Not all workplace electrical equipment requires regular inspection and testing, however some equipment that maybe used in situations and environments that do pose a risk to the user will require regular testing and tagging.

What does not need testing and tagging? To determine what electrical equipment does not require testing and tagging ask yourself the following questions:-

1. Is the item used in a working environment that is dry?
2. Is the item used in a working environment that is free of dust?
3. Is the item used in a working environment that is clean?
4. Is the item used in a working environment that is well organised?

5. Is the item used in a working environment that is free of operating conditions that are likely to result in damage to the electrical item or its flexible supply cord?

If you can asks yes to all of these questions your electrical equipment does not require testing and tagging. How often should testing and tagging take place? In order to determine how often testing and tagging is required refer to the below table (Table 4) which has been taken from AS/NZS 3760. Risk Assessments! If you wish to use the risk assessment approach to determine whether testing and tagging is required please do not hesitate to contact Colleen Balfour who will forward a risk assessment to you.

Further Questions? If you have any further questions regarding this topic, please contact Colleen Balfour on 0438562409

## INSPECTION & TESTING INTERVALS (Table 4 AS/NZS3760)

	LOCATION	INTERVAL BETWEEN INSPECTION AND TESTS						Cord sets & power boards
		Protectively earthed Class I equipment	Double insulated Class II equipment	RCD's				
				Push Button Test (by User)		Operating time and push-button test		
				Portable	Fixed	Portable	Fixed	
1	Factories, workshops, places of work or repair manufacturing, assembly, maintenance or fabrication.	6 months	1□months	Daily, or before every use, whichever is longer	6 months	12 months	12 months	6 months
2	Environment where the equipment or supply flexible cord is subject to flexing in normal use OR is open to abuse OR is in a hostile environment.	12 months	12 months	3 months	6 months	12 months	12 months	12 months
3	Environment where the equipment or supply cord is NOT subject to flexing in normal use and is NOT open to abuse and is NOT in a hostile environment	5 years	5 years	3 months	6 months	2 years	2 years	5 years
4	Residential type areas of□hotels, residential institutions, motels, boarding houses, halls, hostels accommodation houses and the like	2 years	2 years	6 months	6 months	2 years	2 years	2 years
5	Equipment used for commercial cleaning	6 months	12 months	3 months	N/A	12 months	N/A	12 months
6	Hire equipment:	Prior to hire		Including push-button test by hirer prior to hire		N/A	N/A	Prior to hire
	Inspection							
	Test & Tag	3 months		N/A		3 months	12 months	3 months
7	Repaired, serviced and second-hand equipment	After repair or service which could affect electrical safety, or on reintroducing to service.						

**NOTES:**

- 1 The actual sub-environment in which the equipment is located determines the row for the environment to be used in Table 4. eg: a computer in a non-hostile environment in an office within a factory would attract a test/inspection action in accordance with row 3.
- 2 Regulatory authorities, other Standards, workplace safety requirements or manufacturers’ instruction may specify intervals appropriate to particular industries or specific types of equipment.
- 3 RCDs in transportable equipment shall be regarded as portable RCDs.

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### RON BARASSI AT CASTLEMAINE

On Saturday April 19th, AFL legend Ron Barassi visited Castlemaine Football Club. With Worksafe the major sponsor of the VCFL, there was a major focus for the afternoon on Workplace safety, and the roles that everyone in the work place can play to prevent accidents. Spoke candidly and gave honest and forthright opinions on the state of Australian Rules Football. In particular, he spoke about Australian Rules Footballers as role models, citing the recent the recent behaviour of Ben Cousins and Brendan Fevola as examples of AFL players not showing enough respect for the game. Barassi also reminisced about family life in the district, having been born in Castlemaine, and spending parts of his childhood in the surrounding district. Castlemaine unveiled renovations to their clubrooms, which after a big effort by all involved, were finished the night before! The clubrooms also feature an updated kitchen. Barassi gave generously of his time, talking with anyone who approached him. Gisborne were far too strong for a gallant Castlemaine side, but while the result will be quickly forgotten, the day that Ron Barassi came to the club will live long in the memories of the locals.



### COHUNA CHAPLAINCY GOLF DAY

On Monday 28th April, the Cohuna Secondary College Chaplaincy fund held their annual fundraising Golf Day. The event raised much needed funds to support local school Chaplain Catherine Dawson. Held at Cohuna Golf Club, the day followed an 'Ambrose' format, where each player tees off, with all players then hitting from where the best ball landed. A feature of the day was the battle for the Police Cup, with groups coming from across the region. A team from Bendigo took home first place on the day. The course was in magnificent condition, with the fairways looking very green. The regular Cohuna course Kangaroos made an appearance, giving around \$1500 raised which goes to directly support Chaplain Catherine Dawson, who is at the Secondary College in Cohuna for one day a week, while spending the other four days at Kerang Secondary College. Funding Ms Dawson's day a week in Cohuna is split between three sectors. The school pays for a third, the local churches a third, and the community a third. The golf day was part of the community's role in raising the funds required to support the local chaplaincy work. Several representatives from Mawsons gave a good account of themselves on the day. Geoff Hall, Greg Peace, Rick Dunham, Jason Hensley, Jim McInerney, Ross Sidebottom, Paul Wilkins all had a good hit out, with a minimum amount of balls lost! Secondary College Principal Dr Gaell Hildebrand also attended the fundraising efforts. The day finished with dinner provided by the Bunyips which was well received. Presentations and a raffle followed, with Jason Hensley seemingly having a mortgage on the winning tickets! The day was a tremendous success, with further fundraising planned for later in the year.



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### VIC ROADS - TRANSPORT INDUSTRY DAY

#### "TALK TO A TRUCKIE"

On the 17th May 2008, Central Victorian Industry Alliance, (a Vic Roads sponsored not for profit group), held a "Talk to a Truckie" day held at the Vic Roads office in Bendigo. The Central Victorian Industry Alliance group is made up of local transport companies, truck drivers and other transport related groups. The day is all about promoting the industry and trying to attract new people to the industry not only as truck drivers, but also other sectors of the industry. Numerous vehicles were on display from different sectors of the Transport Industry.

Line Haul B-Double – Keith Thompson

Smart Drive Trailer –

Semi trailer Curtainsider – Brian Keating

Rigid Curtainsider – Rod Stewart

Concrete Agitator – Mawsons

Fuel tanker – Reliance

Truck & Dog – Kevin Fitt

Livestock Transport – John Kerr

Drop deck trailer – Rick Finning

Heavy Crane – Jeff Leech

Coach – George Dawson

Training Provider – TDT

There were presentations on "Duty of Care & Chain of Responsibility", "Drink Driving & Drugs", "The graduated licence system" and "Proposed log book changes". Besides the wet start to the day (which no complained about) the day went off well.

Plenty of people attended the presentations put on by Vic Roads.



**Phil Ryan**

#### KERANG WEIR FISHWAY

Work is well underway on the construction of a fishway on the Loddon River on the outskirts of Kerang. Goulburn Murray Water is happy with progress and anticipates the project, scheduled for completion within three months, will meet their deadlines.

This particular construction is one of many which have been completed by Goulburn Murray Water crews including 8 fish ladders on the Broken River and an 80 metre long fishway built at Casey's Weir.

The fishway at Kerang will be approximately 50 metres long with a one in 20 gradient drop. The precast buffers are brought onto site and formwork erected to allow the concrete floor to be poured to hold these buffers precisely in place. A tolerance of only 3mm is allowable to ensure the success of the fishway. Mawsons have been busy supplying the premixed concrete required for this job.

As well as the fishway construction, modification of the surrounding spillway and the apron of a nearby bridge are required to encourage the water flow and entice the fish to move upstream.

At the completion of this fishway Matt Sherwood and crew are moving onto Gunbower to work on the construction of a fishway to be incorporated into the new weir which is presently under construction there.

**Shirley Dobie**



# AROUND THE TRAPS

## NEW SWITCH BOARD ROOM AT PYRAMID HILL

After two and a half years of planning and building, the new secondary switch room was finally brought on line in March. This was no small job, as every control circuit, lanyard, supply and feed had to be disconnected, re-routed, and then reconnected to the new switch room. While this was happening it was also a great chance to complete some of the larger maintenance and safety issues. This was a huge task which had the secondary crushing plant shut down for 3 long hot weeks in early March. On the second week I left for Con Expo in America, leaving Alan Walsh in charge of all the fun bits (getting it to work) which was a long, and slow process of starting, stopping, and controlling everything electrical and confirming that all lanyards and isolators and motor directions were correct for its safe operation.

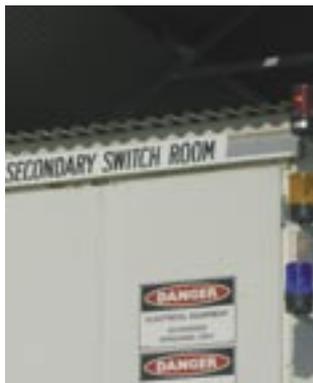
The design and manufacture of the switchboard upgrade was completed by Medallion Electrical Services in Ringwood. The electrical wiring and connection was done by our local electrician "Bucks" Bartels and his men, and also the resources of the Cohuna workshop team, Ray Crellin, and Brett from J.W.C welding were utilised.

While at considerable capital expense, this upgrade hasn't immediately given an increase in production, but it has meant that we are able to-

- Meet compliance with new electrical standards
- Have P.L.C automation of secondary plant
- Simplify and make much safer, lock out control of plant for maintenance
- Ready to power up future upgrades of the secondary circuit

Thanks to everyone who was involved in the electrical change over and all the other maintenance which was completed at the same time, as it was all up and running when I returned.

Ash Miller



## NEWS FROM SWAN HILL



OBSERVING: Students observe the first stages of the school's redevelopment.

### Redevelopment plans underway

EARLY yesterday morning the concrete began to pour. The multi-purpose court at Ultima Primary School is almost complete. The pouring of the concrete is set for completion in the next few days. Students of the Ultima Primary School are eager to try out the new court, with volleyball, tennis, netball and basketball high on the agenda. Large water tanks are also being installed at the rear of the court to utilise the large catchment area of the shed. Other projects the school is undertaking over the next few months includes the renovation of the art room. The wall that divides the art room and kitchen is being removed to open the space up. The open environment will give students easier access to cooking classes, creative art lessons and music instruction. An office and administration area is also under development, allowing the former office to be transformed into a staff room and visiting teachers room. Residents in the community are being utilised in assisting the schools development of drought resistant garden beds and creating art works in the form of murals at the school and in the town. Students have also been active in improving their overall health and wellbeing participating in the "Fit, Fun, Monkey Run" (initiated by students). Each morning as the students arrive, the whole school joins together for running activities around the oval. The students have set a goal as to where they would like to run to and results are recorded. So far this term the students have run a little over 300km combined.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Brett & Nicki Cowan on the arrival of their daughter, Remy Jean, born 18th March at Bendigo Base Hospital, weighing 9lb 7oz.

Congratulations to Travis Waters from Shepparton and Sheena Owens who celebrated their wedding on the 6th of April and honeymooned in the Whitsunday Islands. Best wishes to Travis, Sheena, and their two girls Nichole and Stephanie as they begin this next phase of their lives together.

Congratulations to Travis Price and Melanie Thompson who were married on May the 17th at Morrison's Vineyard in Moama. We wish them and their 19 month old son Dallas all the best in the future.

Congratulations to Jason and Heather Hensley, on the arrival of their son, Zephan Jordon, weighing 7lb 14oz, born at 1.05pm on the 27th of May at Cohuna District Hospital.



## BENEFITS OF WALKING YOUR DOG

The benefits of exercise are well known to all and sundry. A great way of exercising is to take your dogs for a walk, increasing both yours and your animals level of fitness.

Recently Maurice Kerrins was walking his two dogs when, as dogs are prone to do, they both took interest in something obscure that had taken their eye. The problem for Maurice was that the various points of interest for the respective dogs were in opposite directions to each other. This led to a mass entanglement of dogs, leashes, and unfortunately Maurice as well, who was upended by his beloved animals.

In severe pain, Maurice drove himself from Colbinabbin to Bendigo Hospital, where he was diagnosed with a broken hip! The doctors couldn't believe he had driven all that way in his condition. With rest as the only cure for his injury, Maurice has been laid up at home, and has only recently begun some light office duties at Lake Cooper.

Maurice would like to thank everyone for their good wishes, and is looking forward to taking his dogs for a walk again (once he gains a medical clearance!).

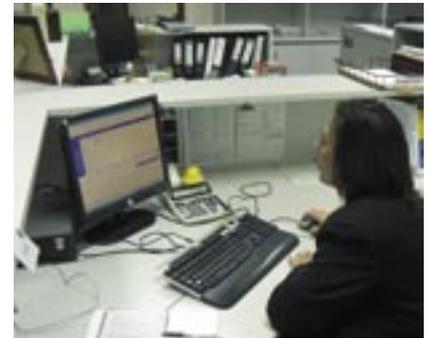


## EREQ – THIS NEW BUZZ WORD IN ORDERING

eReq is the new purchase ordering system sweeping Mawsons! Having an electronic purchase order (PO) system provides Mawsons with many benefits; Easy to re-order the same item again, PO's are professionally presented, PO can be emailed, all details of PO are captured at point of entry, no need to approve invoice (if invoice as per PO) (Sheryl hassling you less!), easier invoice processing for administration and the reporting of the financial committed is quickly achievable.

Everyone responds differently to a new system. Many will remember the days when delivery dockets and stocks were all done by hand before Command was introduced. No one wants to go back to those days! Many thought back then they would never cope. But you have, so give this system a chance you will learn its benefits.

If you have any queries or would like extra training please give Andrea a call.



## HAVE A LAUGH!

### FUNNY QUOTES

"I was recently on a tour of Latin America, and the only regret I have is that I didn't study Latin harder in school so I could converse with these people."  
Former US Vice President Dan Quayle.

"When more and more people are thrown out of work, unemployment results."  
Former US President Calvin Coolidge.

"The internet is a great way to get on the net."  
Former Republican Presidential Candidate, Bob Dole.

"The streets are safe in Philadelphia, it's only the people that make them unsafe."  
Former Philadelphia Mayor and Police Chief, Frank Rizzo.

"I know how hard it is for you to put food on your family."  
George W Bush.

