

A Message from the President

Edition No 5 – 30th June 2021

Date Claimer – Traprock AGM to be held on Friday 27th August 2021 –

Registration 2.00pm – More information will be emailed out soon.

Report on Farm Walk held at ‘Old Paisley’ on Friday 18th June 2021 – Contributed by a Farm Walker.

The owner’s infectious enthusiasm for Regenerative Agriculture was readily evident at the Traprock Group Farm Walk at ‘Old Paisley’ on 18/6/21. Ten Traprock members were in attendance along with three other participants (from Southern Queensland Landscapes and Landcare Millmerran as well as an interested retired farmer). In particular everyone was impressed by the growth of Rhodes grass in a paddock pushed and stick raked in 2017 and planted in stages in 2018 just before the drought hit in 2019.

Personally, because I had seen the paddock before, I was most impressed by how hard their goats had hit wattle regrowth amidst abundant grass and the mix of species that were being trialled.

Our host said he had benefited from the knowledge in the group on what they had tried to grow on their properties and practical modifications suggested for his planter to make it work better.

For others highlights were:

- Their enthusiasm as well as their goat flock management.
- Learning from other people is always a highlight.
- Seeing the response from Reclaimer, a Rhodes developed from Katamboora.

- The mix of species trialled even some that accepted knowledge says will not grow here but worth a try.

Makes me happier with my native pastures – less work I have to do.

A morning well spent that was well worth my time.



Traprock have been successful with their application for a grant from Acciona (MacIntyre Wind Farm). This grant money will be used to purchase a defibrillator & conduct a number of first aid course days for our members over the next twelve months. More information will be announced at the Annual General Meeting. This is a great opportunity for you to update your first aid skills.

Granite Belt Sustainable Action Network will be holding their 2021 Sustainable Agriculture Symposium on Saturday 4th September 2021 with keynote speaker Charles Massy - Author of “Call of the Reed Warbler”. Traprock will be sponsoring a number of tickets for members to go to the event. Early Bird Tickets will be available mid-August. More information regarding the program & how to purchase tickets will be sent to members when available.

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