

AUGUST ONLY SPECIALS

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**HEAVY DUTY
HOT DIPPED IMPORTED
GALV STEEL POSTS**

1.65m - \$6.71 each
or \$6.16 when you buy 200

1.8m - \$7.70 each
or \$7.04 when you buy 200



Pine Strainers

2.4m x 150-175 - \$20.90 each

Waratah Galstar Extreme

1.8m posts - \$9.46 each



**WARATAH
GALSTAR EXTREME**

GLASS EYE

A man is dining in a fancy restaurant and there is a gorgeous redhead sitting at the next table. He has been checking her out since he sat down, but lacks the nerve to talk to her.

Suddenly she sneezes, and her glass eye comes flying out of it's socket towards the man.

He reflexively reaches out, grabs it out of the air, and hands it back.

'Oh my, I am so sorry,' the woman says as she pops her eye back in place.

'Let me buy your dinner to make it up to you,' she says.

They enjoy a wonderful dinner together, and afterwards they go to the theatre followed by drinks.

They talk, they laugh, she shares her deepest dreams and he shares his. She listens.

After paying for everything, she asks him if he would like to come to her place for a nightcap and stay for breakfast. They had a wonderful, wonderful time.

The next morning, she cooks a gourmet meal with all the trimmings.

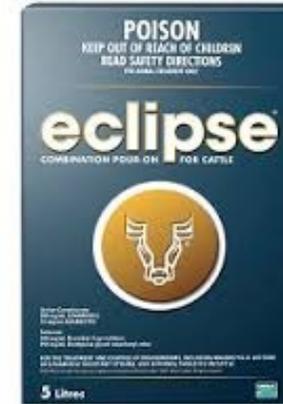
The guy is amazed. Everything had been SO incredible!

'You know,' he said, 'you are the perfect woman. Are you this nice to every guy you meet?'

'No,' she replies... Wait for it... It's coming... The suspense is killing you isn't it?

She says, 'You just happened to catch my eye.'

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SERENADE PRIME A NEW WAY FOR CROP HEALTH FROM BAYER

Bayer Crop Science is due to release a new product Serenade Prime, in August. It is a completely new direction for Bayer as the product is not a chemical but a bacillus or soil bacteria. There are literally thousands of different bacteria in the soil and Bayer's team of 165 scientists have identified and patented QST713 (which is Serenade Prime for marketing) as a very useful bacteria.

The product is applied to the soil and will colonise on the roots of the target plant. Timing is very important because the roots of the plant have to be actively growing. Therefore a winter application onto dormant trees will be ineffective. Trial work with the product has shown good results on tomato and leafy vegetable crops, strawberries, carrots, citrus and avocados. Trial work is still continuing.

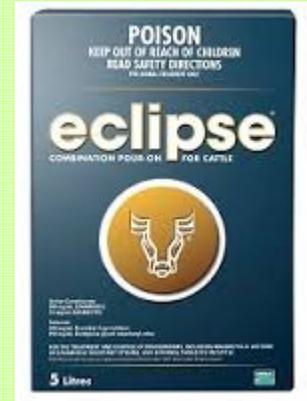
The Serenade Prime bacteria form a colony on the outside of the actively growing root system. The roots become much thicker and more vigorous. Extracting the nutrients in the ground is therefore much easier for the plant. Serenade Prime does not replace good soil nutrition. Normal applications of fertiliser are applied to crops but the ability of the plant to access and use the nutrients is enhanced.

Serenade Prime will be launched in August in Australia. Because it is not a chemical, approval does not have to come from the AVPMA. The bacteria is suspended in a liquid and as it is a living organism, shelf life is two years from manufacture. Although it will not have certification as an organic input, it will qualify for as an organic input. If you are interested in attending a breakfast meeting launch by Bayer in August, ring: John on 0429 888 565.



QUARANTINE DRENCH FOR CATTLE

In recent years a new combination drench Eclipse has arrived on the market. It contains two drench groups, Levamisole and Abamectin. For the past twenty years cattle producers have been using the ML Drench group.



Many different brand names appear in the market place but they all contain the ML or "Mectin" drench group. Rotating from one brand to another unfortunately does not reduce the possibility of drench resistance as the active is the same. Formulation of the product varies and that is the reason for varying withholding periods for slaughter or milking, but they are all ML (mectin) based products.

With the introduction of Eclipse there is an opportunity to break the cycle of ML use. Recent research has shown that sixty four percent of cattle herds in the state have a level of drench resistance. Through the summer months this is not obvious because the main worm group embeds itself into the cattle stomach lining.

When is the best time to use Eclipse? If new animals are coming onto the farm without knowing their drench history, this is the best time for Eclipse. The animals should be drenched and kept in quarantine from the main herd for at least three days. This gives time for the eggs to pass through the gut.

The animals should then be placed on pasture, which may have a worm from the existing herd. Any worms that have survived the drench will not be then contaminating clean pasture. A worm egg count 10-14 days after the quarantine period will confirm the success of the quarantine drench.