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You might have noticed that more developments are progressing at Greens Mandurama. We are now a "**Liberty**" Service Station. Generally speaking, Liberty Service Stations are usually owner operated, and our fuel is supplied through Oilsplus, a local company from Orange. Oilsplus are the Shell distributors for Central Western NSW. We now accept Shell cards through our EFTPOS machine and no longer accept BP cards. **Fuel will be available 24 hours a day!** The Outdoor Payment Terminal (OPT) is located outside the toilets, and customers are able to buy fuel using EFTPOS/Credit cards or Shell/Liberty fuel cards at any time - day or night. At this stage our opening hours remain the same, however they may change shortly. We will do our best to keep you posted.

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With all the rain activity in the recent past, we have heard of a lot of cases of bloat. Whilst bloat is no doubt a major factor for many, often stock losses are caused by a combination of factors, such as bloat and pulpey kidney. Considering that protection against **pulpey kidney** costs less than \$0.50 per shot, it is a very cheap insurance at this time of year, especially when animals are bring in excess of \$3/kg More to the point -

can you afford not to administer 5 in 1?! Remember, whilst 5 in 1 protects livestock from many clostridial diseases for up to 12 months, pulpey kidney is only protected for up to 3 months.

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**Bloat blocks** are also an option. Please note that to control bloat successfully, bloat blocks need to be put out in the paddock BEFORE bloat season. Ideally, introduce stock to the bloat blocks well before putting them onto the higher risk pastures. For those that have a trough system, bloat oil is also an option. Considering that bloat can reduce weight gains, as the stock are often quite uncomfortable, bloat is well worth addressing this year. Both of these products are available from Greens Mandurama.

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As the warmer months begin, **Piliguard** is the product of choice to reduce the incidence of pink eye. **Pink eye** is especially prevalent later in the spring/early summer, and Piliguard controls approximately 70% of pink eye incidence. Please note that Piliguard needs to be administered 6 weeks before the onset of pink eye season, so pull out the crystal ball! (Generally it begins in early/mid October)

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***It's Fathers Day on Sunday. There is a huge range of things suitable for Dad at Greens Mandurama. Come and have a look!***

With the recent rains, just mentioning “floodgates” has increased the customers blood pressure lately! Dams are full to the brim, and gumboots have been moving out the door. We have secured some **netting** that is ideal for floodgates, and is **on special** whilst stocks last. Speak to the team at Greens for more details.

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If you are keen to shorten your length of calving time, and obtain a more uniform line of calves at weaning time, then **Multimin injectable** has a great fit for you. Multimin is an injectable trace element booster that can give your cattle that extra boost when needed, and many producers have had excellent results with multimin injectable for cattle.

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**Ladies garden clogs** are in store now. Ideal for around the house and garden, these slip on clogs make a great birthday or Christmas present (Only 16 weeks away!)

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### **WHAT'S ON**

On Saturday, the 5th of September, the **Blayney Rams** will do battle for the Premiership of the Graincorp - Southern Region Trophy against the Canowindra Pythons. This is guaranteed to be a hard fought battle, and it's great to see a local derby with Canowindra rising to the challenge this year. We wish the local lads, including Stuart Tait, John and Campbell Wills the best of luck on the paddock. 3pm kick off with the Millthorpe Mozzies playing as a curtain raiser!

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The **Woodstock show** will be held this Sunday, the 6th of September. There is a huge variety of events on this year, including: The tractor pull, woodchopping, cooking displays (including a man made

cake), fathers day activities, horse events and many other events. Make the most of fathers day, and bring the whole family along.

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On Monday, 14th September, Graham Matthews Chemical Training will conduct a **chemical reaccreditation course** conducted at the Mandurama Hall. At this stage, it is only a reaccreditation course, and will run from 8:30am – 1pm. For bookings and more information, call 1800 872 462. Places are filling pretty quickly, so book in as soon as possible.

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On Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September producers have the opportunity to hear the latest on pasture and feed base management research in the Central Tablelands at the **Grassland Society of NSW Pasture Update** and supported by the the Central Tablelands Local Land Services and NSW DPI. This will be held at “Chesney”, 1576 Burnt Yards Rd Mandurama. Starting at 12pm, lunch and afternoon tea will be included, and will cost \$20 per head. RSVP by Friday, September 11 for catering purposes. Bookings can be made at [www.trybooking.com/IWWP](http://www.trybooking.com/IWWP), or call Phil Cranney on 63637888.

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Wednesday, 16th September, the **Mandurama Rural Fire Service AGM** will be at 7.30pm at Sunny Ridge Golf Club. All welcome

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**Neville Poetry Night** will once again be presented on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September 6.30 for 7pm. Robyn Sykes will be the poet for the night. \$30/adult, \$15/children under 16. A 2 course meal is included, BYO alcohol and nibbles. Audience participation is encouraged. To book, ring Judy 63688435