

Between the Leaves, the monthly newsletter from
Biodynamic Agriculture Australia

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MAY 2023



Hello Everyone

We trust you had a good month and are getting ready for cooler days and evenings.

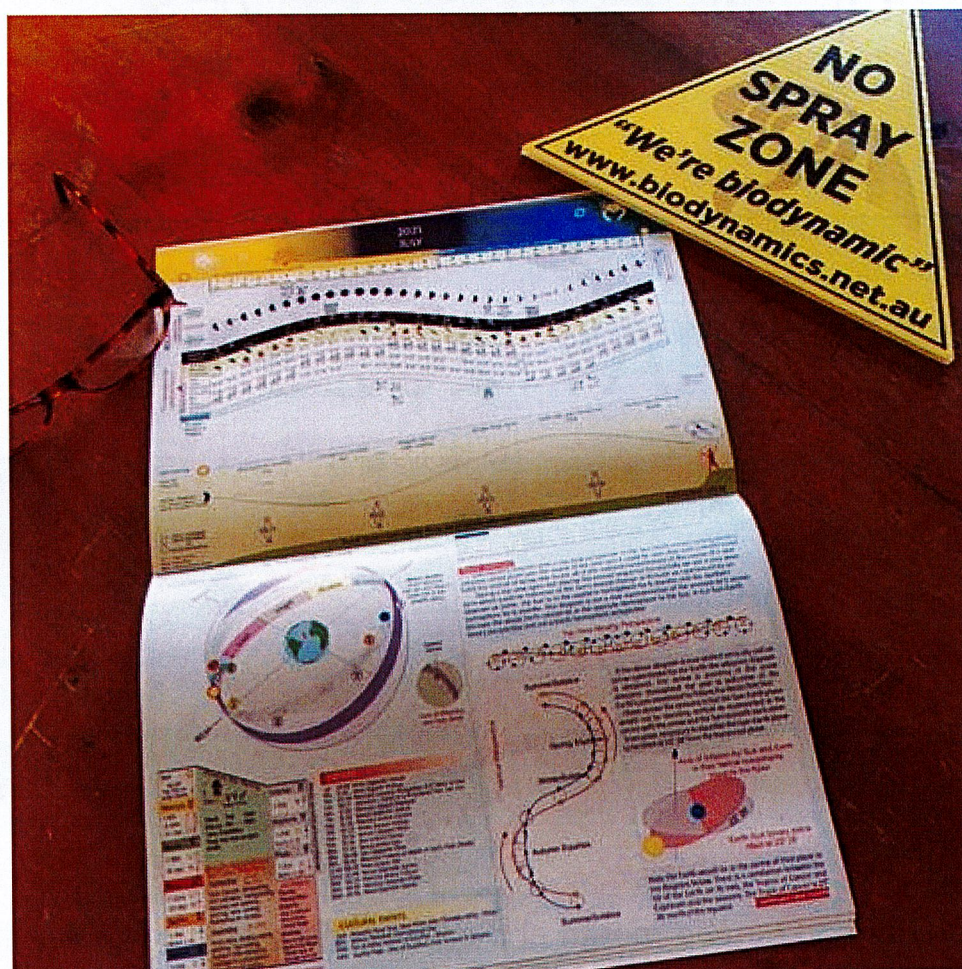
It's been a busy few weeks. Many horns have been filled with manure, ready to bury for three months to make preparation 500. [Click here](#) to view John's short film on making 500. We were fortunate to have a group of keen TAFE students join us, helping to fill horns and discover more about biodynamic preparations and practices.

As we lead up to winter, now is a good time to start pruning your fruit trees and using our Tree Paste on the cuts to help heal over and avoid infection. See our article and film on pruning and tree paste further on in this newsletter.

Wondering on how to start with biodynamics? Check out our article below on "Converting to biodynamics"

Happy gardening and farming.

Kaz and John



Astro calendar 2023

With beautiful graphics and loaded with useful information, Brian Keats' Astro Calendar gives you the heads up of when and what to plant. On sale for \$32.

- purchase your copy
- how to use the calendar



Tree paste

Biodynamic tree paste is a very important preparation that is painted or sprayed on the trunks and larger branches of trees. It is a biodynamic insight that the bark of perennial trees and vines is quite similar to the surface of the soil where compost might be applied.

Check out John's short film on applying Tree Paste and why.

<https://biodynamics.net.au/videos/?playlist=50b73d5&video=de39595>

Biodynamic Paste

A nourishing, healing concentrate, made for use on trees, shrubs, vines and roses.

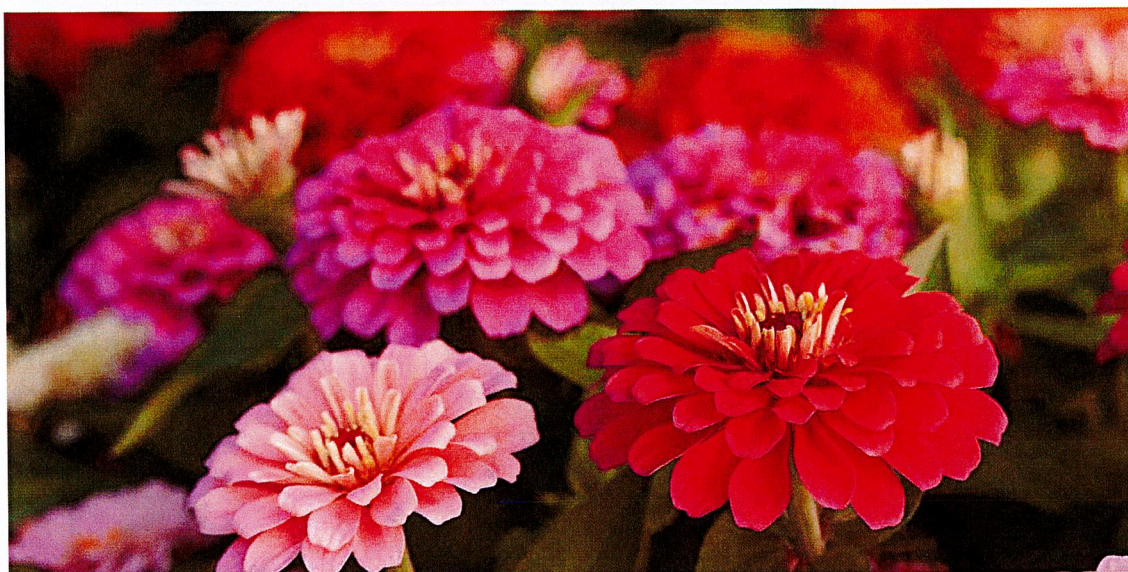
dilutes to double the volume and more



- ▶ Discourages the growth of fungi, lichen and scale
- ▶ Deters harmful insects, including borers, from damaging the trunk or sheltering amongst crevices in bark
- ▶ Reduces transplant shock
- ▶ Promotes wound healing
- ▶ Use as a dip for bare rooted plants to stimulate root growth and enable speedy establishment




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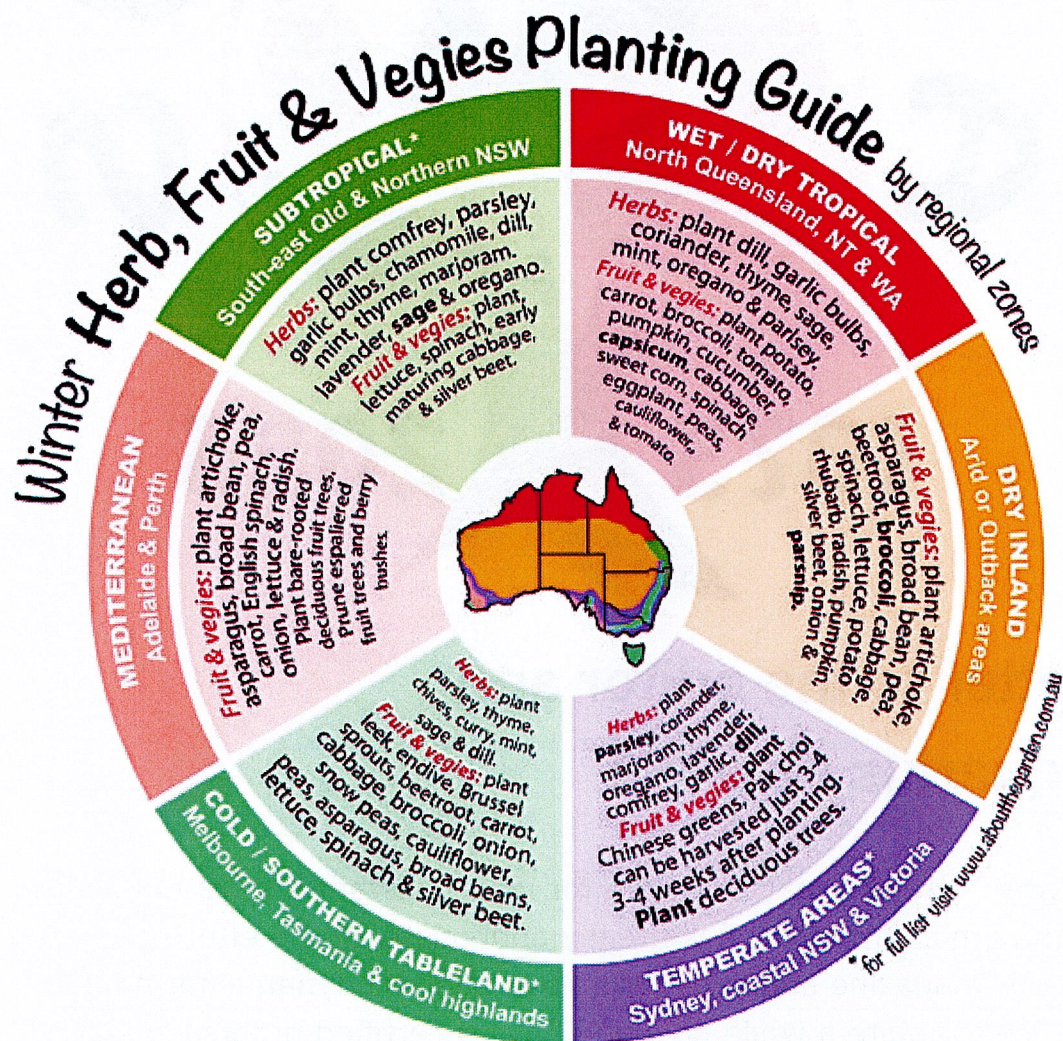


Steps for converting from conventional
and organic biological to biodynamic

agriculture

Please click on below link to read more

<https://biodynamics.net.au/steps-for-converting-from-conventional-and-organic-biological-to-biodynamic-agriculture/>





Letter to the editor and Aquarius Festival

Hi and "thank you" so much for your constant inspiration about biodynamic farming. We we really appreciate all the effort you go to in your magazine and lives. We have been biodynamic farmers in Nimbin for quite a while now and have a certified organic bushfood orchard which keeps us busy.

At the moment we are helping to organise the ***Nimbin Aquarius Festival 50th Anniversary*** and are having ten themed day.

"Alternative Energy, Building & Agriculture" on Monday 15th May in Nimbin town.

"Let's do something Different" and is about organic, bio-dynamic, permaculture farming and gardening and also about biochar, seed saving and first nations "fire management".

Thank you both so much for all you do. Kind regards Jeni Kendell and Paul Tait, Lillian Rock Nimbin for Aquarius50

For more information on the Nimbin Aquarius Festival please click on below link.

<https://www.aquarius50.com.au/>



Enlightened agriculture conference

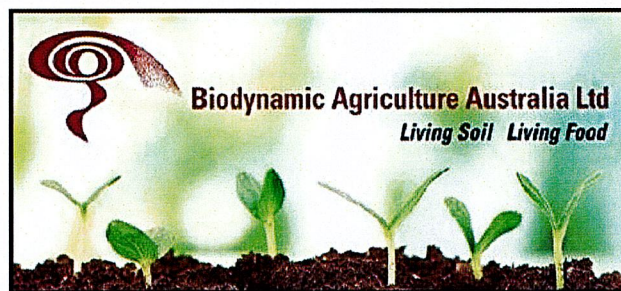
The Enlightened Agriculture is a newly formed group with its ideals supporting and developing the skills to enhance your management and your productivity in agriculture. The focus being, the sharing of ideas through group discussions and workshops that will cover the topics that you wish to be presented.

The main goal is to spread awareness for a cleaner environment and pursuing a natural and economic way to farm. They are looking to add thoughts, information and ideas for a better community.

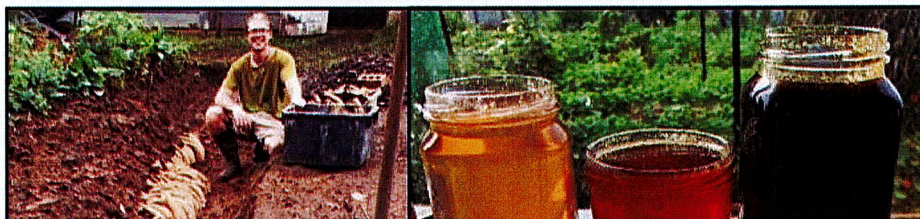
The conference is held on 19-21 June 2023 on the Tweed Coast, NSW, Australia.

For more information go to:

<http://www.enlightenedagriculture.com/>



Learn more about biodynamics - nourish the soil and plants to create a healthier environment. This sustainable Steiner technique is enhanced with your good intentions. Sign up for our free monthly newsletter to receive interesting stories and valuable information. <https://biodynamics.net.au/>



NASAA Organic at the Naturally Good Expo

Naturally Good is the only retail trade event dedicated to natural, organic, better for you products and brands and NASAA Organic is excited to be exhibiting again this year on 5-6 June 2023 at the ICC Sydney.

Come along and say hello! Discover and explore the best of what the industry has to offer across a number of sectors, including food and drink, beauty, personal care as well as health.

A unique opportunity to connect with industry leaders and innovative start-ups as they showcase the latest products and trends shaking up the industry.

Biodynamic Agriculture won't be there unfortunately but we will be sending our biodynamic information and samples to include in the Expo's show bags.

For more information please click on below links.

<https://www.facebook.com/NasaaOrganic/>

www.nasaaorganic.org.au



Become a member

We're on a mission to encourage and inspire you further in biodynamics. Our online newsletter gives you a small snippet of the many wonderful biodynamic articles and information we share in our quarterly *News Leaf* journal.

As a member you receive:

- Benefits on products and workshops - [view our products](#)
- Quarterly *News Leaf* coloured journal full of stories, articles and other valuable information
- Biodynamic Handbook - everything you need to know to get started
- Sample of Biodynamic Soil Activator with instructions
- Encouragement, motivation, guidance and support

If you join up today you will receive our *News Leaf* journal on 1 June.

If your membership has lapsed, it's easy to renew. Log into your account on our webpage and click on "subscriptions" then follow the prompts to update, alternatively ring our office.

Your membership assists us to create, share and promote everything biodynamic. It supports our not-for-profit organisation in making preparations and products, giving education, sharing information and spreading the good word.

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Thanks for reading our newsletter

We are on this biodynamic journey together and shared experiences are invaluable. Therefore, we would love to receive your stories so we can share with our members.

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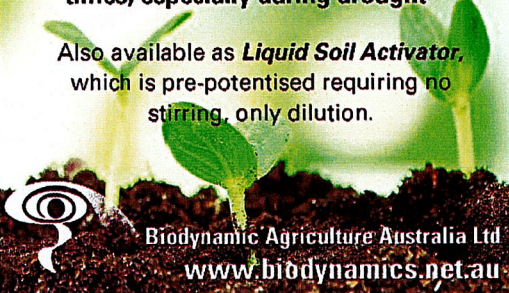
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- a wonderful way to boost your garden, market garden, vineyard, orchard or farm
- particularly effective at remediating severely degraded or out-of-balance soil
- can be sprayed out monthly, but at least twice a year at active growing times, especially during drought

Also available as **Liquid Soil Activator**, which is pre-potentialised requiring no stirring, only dilution.



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