

ALLIANCE NEWS

A newsletter for the alliance between i-GAIN Quality Learning and the EW Tipping Foundation

Edition 5

Alliance is formalized!



The alliance proposal between i-GAIN and EW Tipping was formally signed off by the i-GAIN Committee of Management last week. Pictured above are Chairman Graeme Sennett and long-serving Life Member, Richard Gubbins.

Your questions

A regular section answering questions about the alliance. Please email your question to

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Q: Who will be the EW Tipping representatives on the i-GAIN Committee of Management?

A: The Tipping representatives will include Board Chairman Frank Cullen, Chief Executive Officer Richard Dent, and General Manager of Operations and Product Development, Mark Kanigowski. There will be two other representatives, to be decided in the next few weeks.

Family fun at i-GAIN's rural campus

Families and staff from both organizations had great fun at the recent Rural Campus Open Day and Alliance Update at i-GAIN's Rural Campus in Moe South.

The Open Day provided a great occasion for the families and friends of i-GAIN clients to visit the "Farm" and enjoy its tranquil environment. i-GAIN's CEO Jenny Hammett welcomed EW Tipping staff and spoke of the benefits the Alliance would bring to clients and their families. Families and clients chatted to staff from both organisations over a BBQ

meal. EW Tipping CEO Richard Dent also enjoyed the opportunity to meet with many new people associated with i-GAIN.

Guests also heard from Andrew and Seb, who both have enjoyed their time at the rural campus.

Andrew, who has an acquired head injury, spends Tuesdays at the i-GAIN rural campus, where he started learning new horticultural skills ten years ago.

Andrew talked about how he likes using the ride-on mower to mow the grass, and moving things around. His next

project is to dig up and rejuvenate an area of grass using the rotary hoe.

Seb started at the i-GAIN rural campus in 1999 and has gained horticultural qualifications.

"This gave me great confidence and I now work part-time with the local council," he said.

The property now produces herbs, vegetables, shrubs, ornamental trees and fruit trees.

Many thanks to all those who assisted with the organisation of the Open Day, and thanks to everyone who came along!