

# Boral Marulan South Operations Newsletter

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***Boral's Marulan South Operations are pleased to present our regular newsletter for the information of our valued neighbours and wider community.***

## Peppertree operations

The Peppertree Quarry, now in operation for more than two years, is at a point at which the pit is starting to take the shape of an operating quarry.

We have been progressing the first work area (bench) in an easterly direction. At the end of July, we will conduct works and the first blasting in order to start development of the cut to take the crusher down to the next bench, some 60 metres below the office area.

In line with this, by the end of July we will have ZERO trucks operating in the pit area. This is the first time this has been achieved since construction and operation.



## Making Headlines

Every month our Marulan South operations make the press in the *Discover Marulan* newsletter.

However in June, Peppertree made the front cover and featured in the main article of the national Institute of Quarrying Australia (IQA) magazine.

We have also recently prepared a DVD of the Peppertree operations, put together using drone footage and accompanied by music. Hopefully we will have it playing at the Marulan Kite Festival in October.

## Girls rock – Women In Quarrying (WIQ)

WIQ is an initiative of the IQA and is focussed on supporting women in quarrying and bringing

them together to build connections and share knowledge and experiences.

At the end of July, a number of women in the Boral quarrying business will be attending a networking function to support the WIQ initiative.

The Boral Marulan South operations employ a number of women in a range of roles across the two sites from office staff to quarry plant operators to truck and equipment drivers.

In fact a study in Scandinavia has suggested that female Heavy Machinery operators are less aggressive on equipment and therefore operate more efficiently.

In parallel with the IQA initiative, Boral will be funding a scholarship with the University of NSW to promote women in Engineering in addition to promoting quarrying as a career path for women.

## WIRES

A big thank you goes to the volunteers of WIRES who have come to the assistance of quarry staff on a couple of occasions over the past few months.

Most notably a volunteer assisted the quarry in early July when a flying fox arrived from our Maldon operations in the bottom of an empty rail wagon. Thanks to the quarry operators checking the wagons, 'Boris' (as he was named) was found and rescued. We have been advised that he is recuperating well in care and will be released at Picton at some stage in the future.

