



ACT NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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Field Day

Pialligo Apples -

Winner of the 2009 ACT Landcare Primary Producer Award

Saturday, 8 May 2010

9.30am-12.30pm followed by a light lunch

10 Beltana Rd, Pialligo, ACT

Hosted by Jonathan Banks, Pialligo Apples in association with the ACT Rural Landholders' Association, the ACT Natural Resource Management Council and the Molonglo Catchment Group

Jonathan Banks

Jonathan has been producing organic apples from his Pialligo Apples orchard since 1994, without the use of conventional pesticides, herbicides or synthetic fertilisers. Jonathan will host a tour of his orchard and provide background on his operation, how he made the transition to an organic system and the trials and tribulations of organic farming.

David Dumaresq

Convenor of the Human Ecology Program in the Fenner School for the Environment and Society, ANU has been researching the sustainability of alternative farming systems, in particular organic farming. He will speak about the work that Jonathan has done on Pialligo Apples, and more broadly research that is coming out on the environmental, economic and social dimensions of organic farming systems.

Speaker three to be confirmed.

There is limited space so please RSVP by Wednesday 5th May, to Anna van Dugteren, ACT NRM Council, ph: 6205 2914 or email: anna.vandugteren@act.gov.au. There is no cost for the day and morning tea and lunch are provided.