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PRODUCTION BACK IN FULL SWING

Since mid 1997, Broons have experienced unprecedented demand for their proven BH-1830 Combination Roller. With deliveries of new and remanufactured machines equalling that of the booming early 1980's, their towed steel drum / multi-tyre configured rollers are high on the shopping list of many Councils.

"Local Government tends to be heading toward stream lining their equipment fleets with quality machines providing them improved returns on their limited road funding budgets", says Broons' Manager for Market Development, Stuart Bowes,

"Although we sell our BH-1830 Combination Roller at the premium end of the price range, we offer a far better designed and manufactured Roller than those of our competitors. Our after sales service is second to none and our extended 12 month warranty is a big attraction to many Council's when considering the long term value of their investment".

Broons have sold over 65 of their Combination Rollers throughout Australia including recent deliveries to the District Council of Grant at Mt. Gambier S.A, Murrumbidgee Shire Council at Darlington Point and two units to Narrandera Shire Council in the N.S.W. Riverina.

The Carrathool Shire Council at Goolgowi in outback New South Wales has just added a 3rd Broons Combination Roller to their fleet, joining several other multiple Owners, while the District Council of Robe in S.A, famous for its crayfish, has taken delivery of a fully remanufactured unit.

Entirely designed and built in Australia with locally sourced components, the Broons BH-1830 towed Combination Roller offers significant benefits over self-propelled or grader mounted alternatives.

"For rural road maintenance, self-propelled Combination Rollers are not an option, requiring an additional Plant Operator and incurring the running expense of an engine whilst at the same time having restricted portability between jobs. In most cases, they offer lesser operating weight than our Towed Combination Roller unit," commented Mr. Bowes.

"Ripper mounted multi-tyre grader attachments go some of the way toward providing a portable roller but they still fall short of the mark, being offered only in rubber tyre configuration with a lower compaction pressure and present operating difficulties for the





grader driver".

The Broons BH-1830 Combination Roller is readily shifted between sites behind either grader or tractor without the need for a low loader. Fully optioned, it can be ballasted to over 15.0 tonnes. Using hydraulics from the towing unit, it's rapidly able to change between rubber tyres and steel roll drum modes.

"Like all good concepts, demand for quality practical machines tend to run in cycles as new Engineers come on board and 'new' ideas are perhaps reinvented", Mr. Bowes summarised. "We always knew the market would turn a full circle, the civil engineering world happens to be renown for doing this!"

Broons is ideally situated to ride the crest of this rebirth with their BH-1830 Combination Roller and other innovative crushing and compaction machines in their stable.

