BROONS’ COMBINATION ROLLERS TAILORED TO SUIT INDIVIDUAL NEEDS

Two Shires on opposite sides of the country have recently taken delivery of Broons Combination Rollers, and each has tailored the equipment to suit their specific needs.

Narrandera Shire Council in NSW’s Riverina area has specified a Smooth Drum machine with heavier axles and electric brakes, while Carnarvon Shire on Western Australia’s mid-north coast has specified a Grid Roll Drum machine.

Wayne Mathieson, Plant/Workshop Manager at Narrandera Shire said the latest is the fourth Combination Roller they have purchased, and is a replacement for one of their older machines.

“We drag them behind graders for general maintenance grading, and we’ll keep buying them as long as Broons keep making the product as it is. They suit our purpose, and our style of roads – either normal, sandy, gravelly or rocky – perfectly.”

“Some of our roads have got a bit of rock in them, and we use the grader blade tip to break it up a bit, and then the weight of the steel drum pushes the rock into the ground. We can do this work with just the one operator.”

“We have an in-house plant committee and it looked at what changes we needed to make to the normal specification, so we asked for the heavier axles and electric brakes to cover all OH&S and RTA rules and regulations, and to try and eliminate the human risk. We intend to incorporate these changes into our future specifications as we continue on our replacement program,” Wayne concluded.

Meanwhile, at Carnarvon they selected a Grid Drum version, which is ideal for cracking rocks and crushing and compacting rubbles in a single pass operation. They’re a highly efficient robust machine designed and built to withstand the daily torturous conditions in which they operate.

Both examples show that a Broons BH-1830 Combination Roller can be as flexible as the customer wants. It can be a combination of Smooth Drum and Multi-Tyre (BH-1830), Grid Roll Drum and Multi-Tyre (BH-1830GR) or just a Multi-Tyre Roller (BH-1830M).
With a rolling width of 1830mm and a gross weight of up to 14 tonnes the Broons Combination Roller is easy to use and simple to change from tyres to drum and back again. It’s a straightforward operation that can be done from the ease of the operator’s seat on some models.

Broons experienced technical staff can give you details on hiring or buying a machine and can be contacted on (08) 8268 1988.