

The Nursery Group – Member Profile

Riverside Nursery & Bega Valley Workcrew

Riverside Nursery was established over 25 years ago. Whilst it had been a retail nursery for most of that time income was steadily on the decline in recent years. The decision to change to a wholesale nursery occurred in the last 18 months. Unfortunately this has not had the desired affect and we are now looking at focusing on a niche market (indigenous natives & grasses) for retail sales as well as continuing our wholesale market which predominantly relates to farm tubes for revegetation/Landcare projects. The nursery is located on the outskirts of Bega on land owned by the local Council and is approximately 4 acres.

The Nursery employs 8 supported employees (with a further 7 being employed by the Bega Valley Workcrew). The Manager is responsible for both the Nursery and the Workcrew, in addition there is one supervisor for each of the services. Additional casual employees are engaged on a seasonal basis or as the work level dictates. Employees are engaged in all facets of the nursery's activities with the Workcrew employees being engaged in lawn mowing, rubbish removal etc. All Tulgeen Group employees are engaged in packaging processes as required.

Apart from what is mentioned above the nursery has a number of other functions that it is involved with; namely – a small but developing Security Shredding Service; manufacturing of indicator pegs for local businesses & Council; rag cutting and packaging services.

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