

A VERY OLD AUSTRALIAN DAIRY

Did you know that Mark Honey who works the 80ha Riversdale property at Jamberoo is part of a tradition that goes back to 1839? This makes Riversdale probably the oldest Australian dairy farm which has been continuously operated by one family. Mark Honey's great great grandfather, James Robb was given the land grant in 1839.

This bit of information comes from Liz Hannan's *Illawarra Mercury* series entitled "Grass roots", appearing every Saturday. The first was on "Potato Growers in Robertson" (15/5/94) and the one on Mark Honey appeared in the 21/5/94 edition on p.8. Congratulations to both Liz and her sub-editor for the headline "Family Business all Milk 'n' Honey". Such high quality research and wit is quite a change from the atrocious historical series the *Mercury* has run lately.