

Irvine Transport's MAN power

Irvine Transport has operated a family-owned freight business for more than ten years.

Owners Tony and wife Bernie Irvine say they started the business in 1990 in Shackleton, which is located in the central Wheatbelt of Western Australia, with a single drive Bedford prime mover, carting livestock, wool and small amounts of grain for private sellers.

"Before deregulation happened in 1991, farmers had to wait some time for their fertilizer to be delivered by rail," says Tony.

"That all changed once deregulation came in. It meant a huge potential for our business and we knew that we could take advantage of it."

Tony says he purchased a semi-tipper and began delivering up to 25 tonne of fertilizer from the superworks directly into his client's storage warehouses.

Irvine Transport applied its proven business formula to its search for a reliable truck dealership and the company buys the latest technology to keep it competitive and reliable.

With fleet of three prime movers, Tony says AV Trucks enables him to provide his clients with peace of mind that their supplies will be delivered efficiently.

"We commenced our relationship with AV Trucks in the mid 1990s and have found that they excel at maintaining our vehicles at all times," Tony says.

"When we do have a breakdown, they get us in very quickly, look at our trucks with minimum notice and get us back on the road in the shortest time possible.

"AV Trucks is an important part of ensuring our business maintains its reliable and efficient service to our farmers."

According to Tony, the MAN 26-530 prime mover he owns provides improved fuel economy, minimises maintenance and its disc brakes eliminate the need for continual adjustment. The cab greatly reduces driver fatigue, while its manoeuvrability provides greater driver handling.

"The MAN has proved to be very reliable and hasn't needed any repair work," he says.

"Our drivers have taken to the MAN prime mover very well and we have received a lot of positive feedback from them and our customers. The ZF16-speed synchromesh overdrive gearbox incorporates a comfort shift button

on the gear knob.

Coupled to a 530 horsepower MAN engine it handles all tasks with ease."

AV Truck Services' sales manager

David Robinson

says the MAN TGA on highway range of

trucks include service intervals of up to 60,000km using synthetic engine oil, maintenance-free springs and bearings, disc brakes on all axles programmed to wear evenly to reduce downtime and a dash display to manage operating information. ●



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