

## “WAM Wednesday” at DominionSalt

**Dominion Salt at Mount Maunganui** launched into their Cycle 4 of Improvement Activity with a Work Area Management (WAM) kick-off workshop for two Area Based Teams working on the Brine Room. As with every WAM Team their mandate is to establish **“a place for everything and everything in its place”**, while developing Standards and Procedures to ensure the improvements will sustain.

Following the WAM Team kick-offs, a change in production requirements, allowed a window for improvement activity. Seizing the moment, TPM Co-ordinator Karina Holdaway, organised for the two WAM Teams (Salty Dogs and X-Men) to be brought together to participate in a “WAM Wednesday” activity.

Having already participated in two previous WAM Cycles, in different areas, the two teams were already familiar and experienced with the process.

**Figure 1: Lay down area for some tagged items**



For the three hour window the teams got stuck in together and were able to:

- Conduct an initial tag and clear-up of the Brine Room area;
- Identify the initial item requirements for the Brine Room area;
- Identify proposed storage locations and requirements;

- Draft up Work Improvement Forms (TPM Improvement Sheets); and
- Start the initial communication and sign-off process.

During the three hour WAM Clear-up session the Salty Dogs and X-Men Teams managed to tag some 28 items and start work on 17 Work Improvement Forms detailing proposed solutions to the issues at hand.

**Figure 2: Preliminary clear-up and proposed layout of Brine room samples / documentation bench**



“WAM Wednesday” was a great success and gave both teams a head start into their Area Based Team improvement activity. This opportunity taken will go a long way towards helping them reach their mandate well before Christmas.

We at CTPM would like to highlight the great work by the site to take full advantage of the situation. You never know where the opportunities to improve may come from, and we are sure this will enable the teams to achieve greater success by cycle’s end.

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