



New look: Tim Gallagher (right) is one of a new breed of milkmen, who were once a familiar sight (above) in Melbourne streets. Picture: ROB LEESON

Cool news: the milko's back

THE milko is making a comeback.

Decades after home-delivered milk was squeezed out of business by major supermarket chains, drought-affected farmers are returning to old-fashioned personalised service.

Under the brand name of Aussie Farmers Direct, milk, bread, eggs and fruit juice will be delivered to customers' doorsteps starting tomorrow.

"Many of our customers can remember having their milk and bread home delivered as kids," said general manager Graham Adams.

"Now with their busy

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lifestyles, the cost of fuel and the convenience of it, we've had an exceptional response by customers.

"This is a fightback by the farmers who have had hard times over the last five years because of the drought."

The products will be left in portable coolers on customers' doorsteps before 7am.

The company is starting in Melbourne's outer southeast around Berwick and Narre Warren and aims to expand throughout Melbourne within a year.

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