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#### A quiet word From The Editor...

### The JUNE NEWSLETTER DEADLINE is the 21st August 2015 at 5PM

Hi everyone!

August brings us another month closer to the start of show season and some very busy weekends for some of our clubs!

This months edition is packed with Agfest information as well as our usual club reports.

Like I always say if you have ANYTHING to put in the newsletter like club reports, region reports or state council reports then please send them to editor@ruralyouth.com.au

Thanks!

Phillipa.

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# President Report



Welcome to the second half of what has been an amazing year thus far!

July was an immense month with a lot of changes, meetings and gatherings. In July, we saw Bree House and Phillipa Green head off to Marcus Oldham in Geelong for the Leadership conference, something I had the pleasure of attending a couple of years ago. From feedback received, they both had a fantastic time. I not only speak for myself, but the whole organisation when I say that we are so proud to have such young, vibrant leaders in our Organisation.

On the topic of young leaders, don't forget the leadership weekend at the end of the month! Don't forget to RSVP as places are limited! The weekend is completely free for all financial members!

July also saw the changing of the guard for Agfest. Congratulations must go to Amanda on a successful 3 years as Agfest Chair and congratulations to Kate on taking on the position.

- I look forward to working closely with you in the coming year. I look forward to working with each of the committee members for Agfest this year in what is set to be a vibrant, young, enthusiastic group of people.
- I look forward to seeing all of our members soon!

Prue.

#### 2015 Rural Youth Shooting Competition

The date has been set for this years Shooting Competition and it is the first weekend of October!

We know this will clash with some of those going to Deni and we apologise in advance. We are hoping to set the competition on a weekend in September going forward so it remains the same every year.

So save the date **October 4<sup>th</sup> from 9.30am at Bracknell Gun Club**Let me know if you need anything else or if you want me to chase anyone up

#### Prue Dennis

**Competitions Director** 

# Agfest Report

Welcome to Agfest Organising Committee of 2015/16- how exciting!

Well done to Amanda on a successful three years as Chairman, leading each committee through their year. Thank you to everyone who ran for positions, and have taken on roles – it is great to see so much enthusiasm and interest towards the coming year!

Agfest Executive for 2015/16 are:

Chairman Kate Coad	Vice Chairman Dayna Broun		
Operations Manager Ricky Edson	Exhibitors Manager Tracey Badcock		
Treasurer & Immediate Past Amanda Bayles	State President Prue Dennis		
Property Management Chair Keith Lee	Exec Member voted Bree House		
Exec Member voted Derryn Badcock	Exec Member voted Chen'ae Simpson		

It is amazing how quickly three weeks flies by, with the outcomes of the annual meeting, Committee Selection day and now the upcoming Brainstorming weekend in August.

Within the newsletter this month you will see the Agfest intro to Exec, Agfest Committee announced and a timeline for Brainstorming – enjoy! Keep an eye on the Agfest Facebook page for regular updates from within the committee...

There have been a few changes to the committee for this year, we have merged Waste Management, Toilets and Fuel with the Assistant Operations role, and kept Security as a directorship in itself. We have added Merchandise to the Assistant Promotions role, and appointed two directors.

We have created a School Liaison Coordinator position; this role will promote and coordinate schools attending Agfest, develop the Learning Trail (educational path of Agfest) and negotiate plans with Traffic Management for the School Bus parking and logistics. Assistant Exhibitor Manager will now look after Trades Expo as well as all onsite community group catering sites, with the Catering Director looking after the committee catering and official caterer. Carparks we have assigned one coordinator and assistant for all three carparks and exhibitor carpark, with the Personnel Director allocating a volunteer base for carparks to work with. Equine Expo directorship is currently under management of the working group until Agfest Brainstorming, in which we will then know the structure this feature of Agfest will follow.

Each Friday I can be available in person in Launceston to meet with any committee member, volunteer or Rural Youth member should you wish to discuss something, just let me know and will work it in! Ideally I would like to travel for a few meetings in the one day so if I can plan ahead I can make a day of it ©

Also special thanks to Sarah Revell for arranging bread, milk and a coffee machine for the weekend!

There will be some training courses offered throughout the next few months, in EWP, Forklift and possibly some other areas, keep an eye on facebook and this newsletter for more information- Thanks Ricky for investigating and organising these!

A few weeks ago we ran a survey to gauge some feedback about what members want for Brainstorming, which has been very valuable advice in building this year's agenda and plan, with 22 responses in total which is great! Each person that completed the survey went in the draw to win a movie ticket- congratulations to **Bree House** there's a ticket in the post to you!

In closing I would like to thank everyone for the support over the last three weeks, I am truly grateful of this opportunity and cannot wait to see the work we can achieve over the coming months together!

Kind Regards

Kate Coad

**CHAIRMAN** 

# General Manager Report

The office is full of folders, phones and laptops as the annual changeover of the Agfest Committee gets into full swing!

Congratulations and thank you to everyone taking on a role in 2015/16 – we appreciate the commitment you make and the time you put in to make Agfest the success it is. I know Kate and her team are full of enthusiasm and keen to build on the success of previous years – if you can, get along to brainstorming to share ideas and have your say – the more the merrier!

You would have received your invite to 'Leadership into the Future' (August 29 & 30) by now. This weekend is designed to build skills and will look at everything from goal setting & time management through to communication & conflict resolution – tools we can all use in our personal and professional lives. The speakers we have lined up speak from experience and will provide practical tips – and most importantly we can promise they won't be boring!!!!!!!!!!

As I said last month I am really keen to hear from members at the 'coal face' who are trying to get meetings happening and increase their numbers – email me <a href="mailto:generalmanager@ruralyouth.com.au">generalmanager@ruralyouth.com.au</a> or call 0448 344 381 to let me know if you need help or have a great idea but you are not sure how to make it happen – that's what I am here for!!

Finally it would be remiss of me not to acknowledge Judy McLean and the work she did for Rural Youth over 33 years – as evidenced through recent media and the farewell function held on July 4 – Judy was extremely dedicated and much appreciated – she has left a lasting legacy. I wish her well as she starts her next adventure.

Cheers Karen

#### Private Health Insurance Rebate for Members

All registered Rural Youth Members may claim a rebate on the cost of your private Health Insurance. All you need to do is send in a copy of the form your fund send you at the end of the financial year to show what your

Contributions are and we will send you a 5% rebate. If you have not been a registered member for the full 12 months, then your rebate will be pro-rata.

As well as that, St. Luke's Health have advised they will provide Rural Youth members with a 2-1/2% discount\* on the cost of your health cover, on presentation of a current membership card. Visit www.stlukes.com.au or contact them for more information.

## Past Members Report

#### Progress report from us.....



As you can see, we have reverted back to our original name, because Rural Youth Council tabled some very valid reasons why "Rural-Ex" wasn't suitable. We did a whip around the members and sifted through the nonsense suggestions, to come to the conclusion that although some people didn't necessarily like the existing name, we would never get 100% consensus, so will stick with what we have.

Rural Youth Council also offered to pay for a graphic designer to include their updated logo into the PM logo, which we will be retaining.

As is our practice, the Annual Meeting of our Association was held following the Rural Youth July Advisory meeting with the following members being re-elected to coordinate activities for the next 12 months:

Convenor – Carol Thompson-Axton (0429 099 790) Secretary – Judy McLean (0466 722 553) Treasurer – Michael Gordon (0417 330 354)

Michael would actually like resign as Treasurer but has agreed to continue on until a replacement can be found – the job is certainly not an onerous one, so please ring him if you are interested.

Welcome to the following new recruits who were not previously members:

Bernard Atkinson (1970's & 1980's)
Ruth & Philip Paterson (1960's & 1970's) – plus Ruth was Agfest Chair in 1993 & 94
Peter & Jane Allwright (1980's & 1990's)
Shirley Jones (1960's)

....when writing this report, we currently have 113 registered Life Members and a full list is available on the Past Member's page of the Rural Youth website. If you have ever been a member of Calf Clubs, Junior Farmers or Rural Youth, please download an application form (or contact any of us) and join this growing network. We have some exciting plans for some future events.

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Derryn BadcockSafetyTracey BadcockExhibitor ManagerAmanda BaylesImmed Past Chair, Treasurer, SponsorshipAlex BighamRadios, Vehicles

Nick Bissett PA

Dayna Broun Vice Chairman, Promotions (joint)

Trish Carter Asst Functions, Asst Water Cart

William Craigie Ag Demo & 4WD

Ben Cripps Traffic Management

Mark Cripps Asst Signs

Nick Cripps Sign

Kate Coad Chairman

James Crawford Heritage, asst Radios

Thomas Crawford Asst Parcel pick-up

Joel Davey Asst Loading & Lifting

Prue Dennis State President & Central Arena

Ricky Edson Operations Manager

Nicole Elliott Asst Pavilions

Anthony Franklin Asst Catering

Callum Forbes Asst Operations & Waste

Management/ Toilets & Fuel

Jess- Rosie Forsyth KAAP, Ag Art Wear Competition

Phillipa Green Asst KAAP, Asst Ag Art Wear, Asst Safety

**Dale Hayers** Asst Promotions & Merchandise

Simone Hayers Pavilions, Ag Show Society Delegate

Bree House Promotions (joint)

Aleta Jones Committee Catering

Casey Jones Asst Security

**Steven Jones** Asst Car Parks

Renee Latham Asst UTASTE

Keith Lee Property Management Chairman

**Ebony McConnon** Functions, Parcel Pick-up

Martin McConnon Security

Phil McConnon Water Cart & Pumps

James Perry Asst Heritage

Cameron Ranson Car Parks

Emma Rayner Asst Treasurer

Sarah Revell UTASTE

Chen'ae Simpson Personnel & Accommodation

Korey Stratton Asst Ag Demo & 4WD

Tobias tenBensel Loading & Lifting

Ethan Williams Asst Car Parks, Purchasing

Jake Williams Power

Caelum Wood Asst Central Arena

Kaysie Wood Asst Exhibitors, Trades &

**Community Caterers** 

#### **VACANCIES....**

• Assistant Personnel & Accommodation School Liaison Coordinator

Back Ticket Box
 Assistant Vehicles & Transport

Assistant Power
 Assistant Traffic Management

*School Liaison Coordinator* is a new role for 2016 that coordinates schools attending Agfest on excursion, the reconciliation and payment process as well as the Learning Trail (Exhibitors), working in conjunction with KAAP Team in educational opportunities from Agfest Field Days and Bus traffic & parking logistics with Traffic Management crew!

# AGFEST Brainstorming

7th, 8th, 9th August 2015

Function Centre – Quercus Park
Sat night dinner @ Iron Horse
Tour of Royal Flying Doctor Base
Evening Bowling

Agfest needs you and your ideas!!

Come along and enjoy the fun,

Where no idea is a silly idea

Please RSVP to Head Office for catering purposes.





#### FRIDAY 7th AUGUST

8:30pm start

Introduction to 2015 Brainstorming

- Set the Agenda, house rules, and teams
- Team challenge: "Communication Defensive Wheelies"
- Agfest Think Tank

10:30pm Close



#### SATURDAY 8th AUGUST

8:30am start

Five minute rehash on night before (Intro, teams and house rules)

Brainstorming session #1

10:15am TEAM CHALLENGE

10:30am Morning Tea

10:45am Brainstorming session #2 \*includes 30 minute budget setting workshop

11:45am TEAM CHALLENGE

12-12:30pm Lunch \*includes group photo

12:30-2pm Brainstorming session #3

2-2:15pm Afternoon Tea

2:15-4pm Brainstorming session #4

4pm Close for afternoon 4:30pm Leave Quercus via bus

5-6pm Tour of the Royal Flying Doctor Service (2015 Agfest Charity of Choice)

6:30pm Dinner @ Ironhorse Bar & Grill, Prospect (meals covered purchase own beverages)

9pm Group activity - Bowling! Prizes for highest and lowest scorer

11pm Close

#### SUNDAY 9th AUGUST

8:30am start

Five minute rehash (distribute notes from day prior)

Brainstorming session #5

10:15am TEAM CHALLENGE

10:30am Morning Tea

10:45am Brainstorming session #6

11:45am FUN ACTIVITY

12-12:30pm Lunch (prize announcements)

12:30-1pm Brainstorming wrap up

1pm - 2pm Brainstorming ACTION PLAN & GOAL SETTING

2-2:30pm Afternoon Tea, pack up and head home @





# Meet the Exec 2016



#### CHAIRMAN - Kate Coad

Age: 29 years old RY CLUB: Kingborough Huon

I joined Sorell Rural Youth Club in 2001 until 2005 when I moved to Margate then moved to Kingborough Huon Club. I first volunteered to Agfest in 2003 in ticket box, took on the accommodation director role in 2004, then progressed from there, holding a position or a few each year, now as Chairman leading into my 13th consecutive Agfest event! Over the past 12 years I have met many friends, developed many skills and tackled many challenges. The reason I continue to enjoy Rural Youth and Agfest is the "grass roots" of this network; it is my farm away from home, my rural link and my opportunity to give back to the Tasmanian community! I love being a part of the Agfest Family; encouraging new members to get involved creating a group of young aspiring leaders and future mentors for my children, Victoria (7) and Claire (4), when they get involved!



#### VICE CHAIRMAN - Dayna Broun

Age: 27 years old RY CLUB: Devonport

How long been involved in RY/Agfest: 6 years

Why am I involved:

Because Agfest is one of the largest agricultural field days in Australia and it showcases what young Tasmanians can achieve when they work together. It's nothing short of amazing. Anyone who is interested in developing their leadership and/or event management skills should jump on board and get involved with RY and Agfest!



### IMMEDIATE PAST CHAIRMAN & TREASURER Amanda Bayles

Age: 28 years old RY CLUB: Westmorland

How long have you been involved in RY/Agfest? I joined Rural Youth in 2004, 2005 I volunteered a day at Agfest, then 2006 I was there for the week, then in 2006/07 Agfest I joined the committee, so this year is the start of 10 years on the committee and 12 year volunteering at Agfest and 13 years involved with Rural Youth.

Why are you involved in Agfest?

I joined RY with a friend as a family tradition and we were pretty involved in Westmorland RYC then I started to move up and around in the organisation taking on a variety of roles. I have really enjoyed my time with the organisation in a variety of roles from car park to

chairman and looking forward to the coming year.

Rural Youth & Agfest can give you so many opportunities in personal development, travel and a whole bunch of experiences. What are you waiting for?



#### **EXHIBITOR MANAGER - Tracey Badcock**

Age: 32 years old RY CLUB: Past Member of Sorell & Westmorland

How long have you been involved in RY/Agfest? on/off for 8+ years

Why are you involved in Agfest?

Personal Challenges and the passion for this event to continue into the future for my children to be able to be a part of the amazing challenges and experiences RY/Agfest provide.



#### **OPERATIONS MANAGER - Ricky Edson**

Age: 23 years old RY CLUB: Tamar

I have been involved for 6 years, 2016 will be my 7th Agfest.

I got involved with Agfest because my mates were doing and it, after the first year of volunteering I enjoyed it because I made new mates and life skills, know it's a sense of achievement. I enjoy coming back year after year to learn more skills and teach and

encourage the younger volunteers to step up and learn roles as the older one continue on their path of life, the younger one are there to step into roles and keep the show on the road.



#### STATE PRESIDENT - Prue Dennis

Age: 23 years old RY CLUB: Westmorland

How long have you been involved in RY/Agfest? Rural Youth for 5 years, Agfest for 4 years

Why are you involved in Agfest?

Who wouldn't want to be involved in one of the best field days in Australia that happens to be run by an awesome group of people ages between 15-30? The best part of Agfest, is the satisfaction that at the end of the 3 days, on the Saturday night when everyone has survived off only single digits of sleep for the entire week, we all sit down as mates, and pat each

other on the back and say 'job well done' it is one of the most satisfying moments that brings you great pride and a reminder of not only why we are involved in Agfest, but in Rural Youth.



#### PROPERTY MANAGEMENT CHAIRMAN - Keith Lee

Age: 29 years old RY CLU

RY CLUB: Isolated

How long have you been involved in RY/Agfest?

15 years all up; had a few years off as we went away but am back into it.

Why are you involved in Agfest?

Just like meeting new people an new challenges every day, week, months, years. It



#### Voted in Exec member - Bree House

Age: 23 years old RY CLUB: Kingborough Huon

How long have you been involved in RY/Agfest?

I joined Rural Youth at the start of 2012 to meet new people after spending four years away.

Why are you involved in Agfest?

I had never been to Agfest before I volunteered in fashion parade in my first year. Since then I have been hooked I love being a part of such a wonderful event which has allowed me to challenge myself, learn so many new skills and form some incredible friendships along the way.



#### Voted in Exec member - Chen'ae Simpson

Age: 31 years old RY CLUB: North Esk

How long have you been involved in r/y Agfest? 8 years RY & 6 years Agfest.

Why are you involved in Agfest?

It's an amazing event and run purely on the passion of young volunteers that strive more yearly to make it bigger and better than the year prior. It's a great feeling of pride and achievement the day the gates open to the public to showcase the committees accomplishment.



#### Voted in Exec member - Derryn Badcock

Age: 31 years old RY CLUB: Past Member of Hagley & Westmorland How long have you been involved in RY/Agfest - 15 years R/Y 12 Years on and off.

Why are you involved in Agfest?

Over the years I have gained many skills and friendships through being involved with Agfest and I still meet new people every year. I think it is a privilege to be part of something so large and prosperous in this small state.

Over the coming months, stay tuned to your Rural Youth Newsletter for profiling of the complete Agfest Organising Committee, all working together to coordinate Tasmania's Premier Field Day!

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much!" - Helen Keller

# Young Farmer Report

Hi All,

Back on the weekend of the 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> of July saw the region run offs held around the state with 24 competitors fiercely competing for one of the 15 spots in the state final. And you guessed it there were unfortunately nine people who missed out, not because they didn't try hard but because the other pipped them at the post. The results were super close this year which is great to see that people are keen to participate in the Young Farmer competition and show their knowledge!

I would like to congratulate the following people for taking the time to participate in the run offs

Alex White	Meg Kluver Jones	Jessica Rose Forsyth	
Alicia Glatte	Mikey Pearson	Ryan Langley	
Andrea White	Peter Damen	Sam Larder	
<b>Brighid Worldon</b>	Phillip Downham	Sophie Murfett	
Dale Hayers	Phillipa Green	Steven Jones	
Ethan Williams	Renee Latham	Tobais tenBensel	
Korey Stratton	Richard Petrie	Tom Parry	

Ricky Edson

A big congratulations to those who turned up and have a good day, you all deserve a big pat on the back!!!

Will McConnon

I am more than happy to run through your marks with you so please don't hesitate to contact me or catch up with me at brainstorming or Young Farmer to see what you need to improve on.

If you are now kicking yourself that you didn't have a go at Young Farmer this year but would like to see what is involved, please email me on <a href="mailto:youngfarmer@ruralyouth.com.au">youngfarmer@ruralyouth.com.au</a> and I can send you the modules. It would be also great to see you show support for your fellow members in the finals.

Good luck to the top 15 on the 12<sup>th</sup> September.

Cheers, Amanda.

Martin McConnon

<sup>\*</sup>Names that appear in bold have made the state final

### Northern Region Report

Hello from Northern Region!

Yes, despite the lack of appearances in the newsletter, we do still exist! It's been a relatively quiet year for us. It was our turn to organise AGM this year, so many thanks goes to Brad and Amanda for taking that project on. We held our region annual meeting back in March and elected our 2015 office bearers. They are:

President - Laura Smith

Vice President - Rosie Forsyth

Secretary - Prue Dennis

Treasurer - Amanda Bayles

Competitions - Ricky Edson

Young Farmer - Prue Dennis

State Council delegates – Alicia Glatte

Thanks to all of our outgoing office bearers for their commitment over the last year, especially outgoing President Brad Lindsay. You may have noticed that we're short on State Council delegates, so if you're in a Northern Region club, feel free to rock up to our next meeting and put your hand up, it is a really good way to make a contribution to your region and to the future of Rural Youth!

On Sunday July 19<sup>th</sup> we held the 2015 Young Farmer region run-offs at Quercus. We had seven potential competition winners participate in the six modules, including fencing, fertiliser ID, and button sewing! Special thanks to Prue and Derryn for coordinating modules, and to Amanda for her work as state Young Farmer director. Best of luck to all of our Northern Region competitors, I'm sure you will do us all proud!

The next Northern Region meeting will be on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> of September, time and location TBA (keep an eye on facebook).

'Til next time,

Northern Region.

### Southern Region Report

Hello from the South!

This month we skipped a meeting and went for a social night out with the Region Bowling Competition great night out! Stay tuned for results in who takes out the titles for this year!

The Young Farmer dinner invite is enclosed in this newsletter; get your RSVPs to the office asap!

We hosted the Southern Region Young Farmer Run Offs at Sorell Farm School, huge thank you to Lynn Murfett and the girls from Sorell District School who allowed us to use their venue and organised and ran the Alpaca module for the day! This added that extra highlight to the competition and experience that many members had never experienced in handling alpacas.

This year we organised a few different modules for the region based 30% of scoring; mincemeat identification, onion peeling/dicing/chopping, fish identification, dog identification, fertiliser module (thanks Prue), and Animal identification (male, female and baby). This proved to be a great day with 12 members in attendance; we wish them all the best towards the State finalist announcement!

Stay tuned for next month,

**Southern Region Rural Youth** 

# Oatlands Report

Hey y'all!!

Oatlands have been a busy little club over the last month. Agfest annual meeting was held at the start of the month, congratulations to everyone who was nominated and voted on to the Executive Committee... Including Kate Coad for Chairman! Looking forward to Agfest 2016!

Since then allocations for the Agfest committee have happened and we have 3 of our members on the committee: Ebony McConnon as Functions Coordinator and Parcel Pick Up Coordinator, Phil McConnon going in to his second year as Water Cart Coordinator, and Patricia (Trish) Carter as Functions Assistant and Water Cart Assistant!

We had a social night out to Ten Pin Bowling with Phil, Trish, Georgia and Ebony heading down to Moonah for a couple of games! Was a heap of fun and lots of laughs! Phil, Trish and Ebony also headed along to the Southern Region ten pin bowling competition at the end of July. 21 Southern Region members showed up and put their best feet foreword. Phil came first overall with a score of 260 after two games... Brandon, Ebony and Trish came out with a combined score of 429, we won't release our scores as we believe we need some more practice! It was a fun night and great to catch up with other members from the Region!

Coming up next month is Agfest brainstorming with a few of our members heading up to Quercus for an action packed weekend, and also at the end of the month a few of us are going to a leadership weekend that Rural Youth are putting on for all its members! Busy busy bees!

Also, coming up in November we will be back at it car parking at the Melton Mowbray Rodeo! If anyone wants to put their hand up and help for an hour or two that day then get in touch with one of our members! The more the merrier, always a beautiful day down there (besides last year when it snowed!! Brrr we will wish back the 30+ degree days we have had over the previous years)

We also had Oatlands president Phil McConnon compete in the Athletics Tasmania State Cross Country Championships on Saturday the 25th July 2015 and came 8th! What an achievement!

Anyway, that's all for now! Hope you're all enjoying Winter and keeping warm and we hope to see you all out and about at some great things happening over the next few months!!

Cheers,
Oatlands Rural Youth
"Always in the middle of it!"

# Kingborough Huon Report

Hi All!

Yet again Kingborough Huon Rural Youth members have been very busy around the place!

Many of our members attended the Agfest 2015-16 annual meeting. Our whole club would like to congratulate Kate Coad on being elected as the 2016 Agfest Chairman. We are certain she is an excellent person to take on the role as she has a wealth of experience in all the finer details of how Agfest is run.

A big congrats also to Bree House who was also voted onto a new look Executive Committee.

To all those on the outgoing committee we say thank you and hope that you will continue to come back to Agfest as volunteers and committee members!

Saturday 19th July saw nearly half of our club compete in the Young Farmer of the Year Runoffs at the Sorell District School. Having only arrived home the night before, Alex White joined Tobias, Dale, Meg and Mikey in completing a range of activities including Alpaca Handling, Fish, Dog and Mince Identification. We also had our onion chopping and slicing skills tested.

It was great to see Kaysie, Kate and Nicole also at the runoffs providing moral support for the competitors!

That evening saw some of our members also head out to see the Tom Coulson Band play at the Kingborough Footy Clubrooms.

By the time this report comes out, our club will also be aiming to defend our Southern Region Bowling Comp Champions Title! We look forward to teaching all the other southern clubs a ten-pin lesson! We will be sure to advise everyone in our next report if that is the case.

Our next meeting is set for Wednesday August 12<sup>th</sup> at the Bombay Palace, Blackmans Bay Beach. Starting time is 7:00pm and for more details contact club Secretary Simone Hayers on 0400067435.

And remember to "Get a Boot out of Life!"

Cheers!

Kingborough Huon Rural Youth







### Central Highlands Report

Hi all,

Members have been flat out signing up two new members that brings us up to 20 financial and active members! Woohoo! Welcome aboard Christopher White and Jenna Burn.

Good luck to our members Steven Jones and Phil Downham who competed in the Southern Region Young Farmer run offs.

Well done to our Vice President Samantha Larder who came second in the Outstanding member award, well done to our President on winning best dressed male at State Ball and well done to our Secretary / Treasurer Emma Rayner on winning best new member. Well done and good luck also to Emma on being nominated for the Heather and Christopher Chong Outstanding Achiever Award, the club will be attending the Gala Ball and presentation evening in November good luck!

Earlier in the year we submitted an application to the Ouse post office as they were looking for a not for profit community organization to receive half of the footy tipping and we were successful and have recently received a cheque, this is fantastic.

On Saturday 18th July members held a Trivia Night and auction and cooked a roast meal for 80 people. It was a very successful night with 3 politicians attending and thanks to Amanda, Aleta, and Jake who travelled down to support our club being our first major fundraising event we managed to raise \$3000 Woohoo!!

Members attended a working bee at Ashton farm where we cut up wood and bagged up sheep manure followed by a BBQ lunch and afternoon of shooting clays. A fun day had by all.

Next meetings are Tuesday 28th July and Tuesday 25th August.

Until next time "you get out what you put in"







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#### **August 2015**

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
31					1	2
					RYC Meeting 8am	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Hagley 7pm	North Motton 8pm	Brighton 7pm Sorell 7pm			BRAINSTO WEEKEND	
10 Devonport 7.30pm	11 Sorell 7pm	12 Kingborough Huon 7pm	13	14 Oatlands 7pm	15	16
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24	25 Central Highlands 7pm	26 Southern Region, 7pm Sorell 7pm	27	28	29 Leadership Weekend, Quercus	30 Leadership Weekend, Quercus

Rural Youth would like to wish Ryan Langley a Happy 21<sup>st</sup> birthday for the 11<sup>th</sup> of August!



### **September 2015**

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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		Brighton 7pm				
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Hagley 7pm	Sorell 7pm	Kingborough Huon 7pm		Oatlands 7pm	Young Farmer Finals & Dinner	
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			Northern Region Meeting			
28	29 Central Highlands 7pm	30				

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# North Motton Report

Hey Everyone!

North Motton has been up to a few things this past month, we had a canteen at the North Motton Endurance Ride, we were quite busy and raised some funds for our club! We would like to thank our sponsors Cripps, Harvest Moon, Roberts Ulverstone and Milos Meats.

Then we had our Young Farmer Run offs for the Region where Ryan Langley, Brighid Worldon, Ethan Williams, Renee Latham, Peter Damen and Korey Stratton all attended ,also our own member Jake Williams was the organiser or the run offs.

We are already in plans for organising our animal nursery for the Ulverstone Show and we have been discussing the plans for an animal nursery for Montello Primary school fair.

We would like to welcome a new member to the club, Peter Damen and we hope that he enjoys himself in our club.

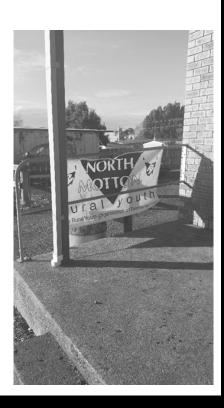
On behalf of the North Motton Rural Youth club we would like to wish Ryan Langley a Happy 21<sup>st</sup> birthday for the 11<sup>th</sup> of August!

Our next meeting is on the 4<sup>th</sup> of August, as always first Tuesday of every month.

Cheers guys, be good or be good at it!







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# Devonport Report

Devonport Rural Youth's monthly meeting was held on Wednesday, the 8th of July. This meeting saw record numbers for the year, with an attendance of 13 and the introduction of our newest member, Emily Padman.

Over the past couple of months, the club has been organising the sponsorship of football jerseys for Devonport's Auskick club, The Cats and Kittens. The costs and design for the jerseys were given the tick of approval at the meeting before in June. Cats and Kitten's should have their new jerseys within two-three weeks.

Throughout the meeting, discussion also floated around the room about fundraising events coming up this year and rolling through into the new-year, as well as having a youth stall and activities at this year's Devonport show. Further discussion will be held around these topics as well at the next couple of meetings.

Our next meeting will be held at Mackey's Hotel in Latrobe for a counter meal at 6:30pm and meeting at 7:30pm.

Everybody is welcome.

# Dorset Report

Hi all,

Things have been pretty quiet at our end of the state.

Northern Region Young Farmer run offs were held on Sunday 19th . Good luck to Richard and Rosie who represented Dorset .

We are all very excited to announce;

DORSET DAMNATION IS BACK!!

Please watch this space and Facebook for more information in the following months

Till next month

Dorset Rural Youth
"Daring to be Different"

# FAREWELL FOR JUDY

Past and present members, friends, family and colleagues gathered at Titanium Bar & Bistro on 4th July to celebrate and thank Judy McLean for 33 years of service to Rural Youth.

Noel Beven proved himself to be a true master of ceremonies – guiding us through the journey of "Judy - This is Your Life" with help from: (in order of appearance)

Prue Dennis - State President

Noel Beven - Sate President 83, v Chair Agfest 83, 84, 85, Service Awardee, Life Member

John Dent – State President 82, Inaugural Agfest Chair, Agfest Chair 88, Life Member

Margaret May, Emma White & Heidi Morton (Judy's sister and daughters videoed messages)

Helen White - State President 81, Service Awardee, Agfest Committee Coordinator

Helen Holmes & Gina Cameron Smith - Co-workers from TFGA

John Dunbabin OAM - State President 1985, Inaugural Chair RFCS

Ruth Paterson - Agfest Chair - 93. 94

Caro Brown – Past Rural Youth Member – President Tamar Sunrise Rotary

Janet Cripps – Service Awardee, Past Member & Agfest Committee Coordinator

David Young - Service Awardee, Member of RY Advisory since mid 80's, former RAC Chair

Everyone was keen to share their favourite memories and show their appreciation for the impact Judy has had on them as individuals and the organisation as a whole.

Although the day belonged to Judy, Jim was not forgotten – in many ways Rural Youth got 'two for the price of one' given the level of support he willingly provided.

The event was a fitting tribute for someone who had repeatedly gone 'above and beyond' for the Organisation.

Many people contributed to the success of the day but two in particular deserve special recognition – Noel Beven and Linda Perkins shared many calls and worked hard to ensure the day ran smoothly and was enjoyed by all – thank you both – your efforts did not go unnoticed!







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We had a great time in MAY so Swag Slumber returns... OCTOBER 31st...Halloween... Wooo! A fun night of swags, bbq, fire pot, music, games, memories and socialising!

BYO Alcohol, Swags, and Mates!

This event is free to attend

For updates be sure to follow the event on facebook: https://www.facebook.com/events/503018779854330/

RSVP to Ebony on 0427 232 669 or

Kate on 0409 295 158

KY Swag Slumi

# Rural Round Up

Rural Round up is back for 2015! It is the time of year to show everyone what YOU can do, whether this is baking a cake, taking a photo or making something special.

If you are a financial member, why not give it a go?

- Entries close at 10am on 12<sup>th</sup> September in the Function Centre at Quercus Rural Youth Park
- Items can be left at head office by close of business on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September
- All photos MUST be mounted on black cardboard or backing paper (border not exceeding 4cm) with name of exhibitor, class and category it is to be entered in, on the back.
- All other entries must specify the class and category of the submission, and be accompanied with a separate removable name label for judging.
- If leaving items at head office please do so with a removable label.

#### **Section 1- Photography**

Limit of 10 photos per person per category

The photo can be colour or black and white or an enlargement/panoramic and can be entered into any of the following categories.

#### **Categories**

- 1. Rural Youth/ Agfest- depicting any Rural Youth or Agfest activity
- 2. Waterscape-waterfalls, rivers, ponds etc..
- 3. Rural Scene-farming activity, rural landscape
- 4. Landscape- any other scene not including waterscape or rural scene.
- 5. Portrait- adult, child or group
- 6. Animal study
- 7. Building study- buildings, bridges etc..
- 8. Floral/garden study
- 9. Study tour- A set of 6 photos that represents your RY trip
- 10. Social scene- weddings, parties etc..
- 11. Action Shot

#### **Section 2- Cooking**

Cake -supplied recipe (see coming pages)

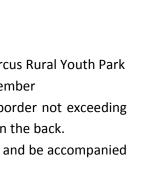
Biscuits, (4)- supplied recipe (see coming pages)

Truffles

Packet Cake mix

Slice (4)- own recipe

Decorated cup cakes(4)



#### **Section 3- Craft**

Handmade craft

Scrapbooking- 1 page

Scrapbooking- double page

Handmade Toy

Flower arrangement-fresh

Flower arrangement- artificial

Christmas decoration

**Teddy Bear** 

Drawing- Landscape/portrait or other



Hand embroidery

Counted cross stitch

Long stitch

Knitted Scarf (hand knitted)

Knitting any article (Hand knitted)

Appliquéd article- no wall hangings

Patchwork - no wall hangings

Wall hanging (patchwork or appliqué)

Cushion

Quilt

Article of clothing

#### **Section 5- Handiwork**

Leatherwork

Woodwork

Metal work

Pottery

Model

#### Section 6- Just for fun

Animal made from fruit and vegetables

Thrift article- something made out of recycled items

Best polished boot

Best packed lunch

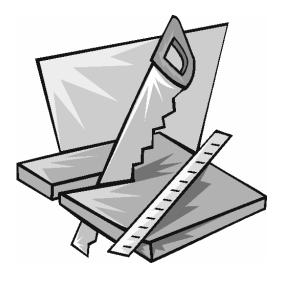
#### **Section 7- CWA handcrafts** (These items must not be entered in any other classes)

2 items of handcrafts

1 item of cooking

1 item of own choice (either cooking or craft)







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Section 8- Club Handcrafts (These items must not be entered in any other class and must

be entered by 3 or more club members)

2 items of handcrafts

2 items of cooking

#### **Need More Information?**

Any questions please contact Rural Round Up Coordinator, Simone Hayers on 0400 067 435 or email simonehayers@hotmail.com.

REMINDER: Entries close on Saturday morning of the Young Farmer of the Year Final by 10am.

Not sure what to enter?? Here are a few examples from last years competition!







#### SUPPLIED RECIPES

Recipes have been sourced from the Australians Women Weekly cook books.

#### Marble Cake

Ingredients

250g butter, softened

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1 ¼ cups caster sugar

3 eggs

2 1/4 cups self raising flour

34 cup milk

Pink food colouring

2 tablespoons cocoa powder

2 tablespoons milk, extra



Preheat oven to 180°C. Grease a deep 22cm round cake pan; line base with baking paper.

Beat butter, extract and sugar in a medium bowl with an electric mixer until light and fluffy. Beat in eggs, one at a time. Stir in sifted flour and milk in two batches.

Divide mixture into three bowls; tint one mixture pink. Blend sifted cocoa with extra milk in a cup; stir into second mixture. Leave remaining mixture plain. Drop alternative spoonful's of mixture into pan. Pull a skewer backwards and forwards through cake mixture to create a marble effect.

Bake cake for 1 hour or until a skewer inserted into the centre comes out clean. Stand in pan for 5 minutes before turning top side up onto a wire rack to cool.

#### **Chocolate Chip Biscuits**

Ingredients

125g butter

½ cup sugar

½ cup brown sugar

½ teaspoon vanilla

1 egg

1 % cups self raising flour

125g chocolate chips



Cream together butter, sugars and vanilla

Add lightly beaten egg, gradually, beating well after each addition.

Mix in sifted flour and add chocolate chips.

Shape teaspoonful's of mixture into small balls and place onto lightly greased oven trays, allow room for spreading. Bake in moderate oven (180°C) for 10 to 12 minutes.

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