

# ANNUAL REPORT 2012



**RURAL YOUTH  
ORGANISATION  
OF TASMANIA INC**





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# Rural Youth Council 2012

Kate Coad	State President ( <i>Exec</i> ), Sponsorship & Grants, & Membership
Simone Hayers	Senior Vice President, Competitions, Link Director & Leadership & Training ( <i>Exec</i> )
Deyarna Bowen	Junior Vice President & Roundup Director ( <i>Exec</i> )
Katie Crane	Immediate Vice President & Promotions, Website & Young Farmer Coordinator ( <i>Exec</i> )
Anna Lee	Finance Director ( <i>Exec</i> )
Amanda Bayles	Agfest Chairman, Study Tours Director & ARY Vice President ( <i>Exec</i> )
Kyle Robinson	Property Management Chairman
Prue Dennis	Agriculture
Morgan Waters	<i>Exec Member</i>
Sarah Revell	Merchandise ( <i>Exec</i> )
Kaysie Lade	Newsletter Editor ( <i>Exec</i> )
Ellen Freeman	Asst Joint Promotions
Callan Barber	Asst Joint Promotions
Dale Hayers	Rural Youth Feature Tent Coordinator
Caelum Wood	Top Teams
Jake Williams	North West Region
Cameron Ranson	North West Region
Adam Elson	North West Region
Victoria Percival	Southern Region
Teresa Smolic	Southern Region
Tracey Badcock	Secondment

## **Reserves:**

Alisha Duggan	Northern Region
Ebony Crawford	Southern Region

## **Life Members**

Carol Axton	Dale Badcock	Darryl Barker
Noel Beven	Henry Burbury	John Dent
Peter Gladwell	Wesley Hazell	Elizabeth Skirving
Don Walker	Chris Williams	David Dunn (RAC Chair)
Sharon Symons (Advisory Chair)		



# Rural Youth Organisation of Tasmania Inc Membership Statistics

As at December 31, 2012



Club	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Brighton	15	15	13	24	33
Circular Head	11	8	12	14	15
Devonport	16	16	24	27	15
Dorset	13	16	23	19	19
Hagley	25	24	23	28	15
Isolated Members	7	8	5	11	10
Kingborough-Huon	27	29	30	28	32
North Esk (formerly Evandale)	11	13	12	12	17
North Motton	22	17	13	13	13
Oatlands	24	11	20	21	14
Sisters Creek	9	9	9	9	8
Sorell	15	17	6	5	15
Tamar	17	22	8	11	12
Tasman	12	7	10	6	4
Western Tiers	12	15	19	12	12
Westmorland	11	4	6	20	22
<b>Total Membership</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>256</b>



## Rural Youth Organisation of Tasmania Inc.

### Summary of Member Survey Data

*For year to 31st December, 2012*

	Female	Male	Total
<b>Live on a farm and.....</b>			
Work on a farm	11	30	41
Work in associated rural occupations	1	1	2
Have other occupations	16	23	39
Are unemployed	3	1	4
Are students	20	17	37
	51	72	123
<b>Do not live on a farm, but / and....</b>			
Work on a farm	4	7	11
Work in associated rural occupations	0	1	1
Have other occupations	28	52	80
Are unemployed	5	1	6
Are students	22	13	35
	59	74	133
<b>Marital Status</b>			
Married	6	11	17
Single	104	135	239
	110	146	256
<b>Age Groups</b>			
15/16 years	3	4	7
17/18 years	10	12	22
19/20 years	28	33	61
21/22 years	20	31	51
23/24 years	13	22	35
25/26 years	12	15	27
27/28 years	11	14	25
29/30 years+	13	15	28
	110	146	256

# State President

## Report... ... Katie Coad



A wonderful journey spread across the past two years sums up my experience as State President of the Rural Youth Organisation of Tasmania. A feeling of accomplishment, nurturing networks and relationships made along the way; and excitement towards what the future holds, not only for me, but for our Organisation. There have been many challenges, respected and treated as hurdles, not a barrier; this has enhanced self-development for Rural Youth Councillors as well as the Organisation as a whole.

Personally, this year I have learnt to focus on what is real, build and grow from the experience, present your best as all times- you never know who you are really dealing with and never doubt yourself. A comment I have recently made was "I wish I was at the beginning of my two-year term of this role" not because I want to do another two-years, but because the knowledge and self-development, including maturity, the last twelve months has presented has been invaluable. Instead, skills and experience gained I will utilise in other goals and paths of life. Every situation, regardless of the nature of it, is now seen as character building, looking at the positive of every action and regarding it as training and development makes the world of difference.

Rural Youth Council, what a tremendous group of leaders we have amongst us. I thank each of you for your contribution and support of Rural Youth Council. Looking into the future, I believe our Organisation needs to look at meeting schedules, with ongoing work commitments and many people working weekends as well as weekdays.

Our annual social events were well attended, thank you to Northern Region for hosting State AGM 2012, North West Region for State Ball 2012 and Southern Region for their "Night with Royalty" themed Young Farmer Dinner 2012. Congratulations to each recipient of a Rural Youth Study Tour, enjoy your journeys in the year ahead. A huge congratulations to Tim Dobson for winning the Australian Chainsaw Products Young Farmer of the Year Award, and to runners up, Victoria Percival (second) and Prue Dennis (third).

Clubs and Regions have been busy throughout the year with commitments within their committees. Well done to each and every Club and Region Committee for a successful year, welcome to the incoming committees, looking forward to seeing what you each achieve in 2013. A massive well done to Brighton Rural Youth Club who took out the membership prize for 2012, each member from the year will receive a movie ticket.

# State President Report... continued....

In 2012, there 256 members all contributing towards a successful and thriving year for our Organisation. Each of you bring something unique and valuable to this group of friends, thank you for enjoying and investing into the Organisation as we all do.

Agfest Field Days 2012, what a year, well done to Kylie Burns for her year as Chairman, and to the Organising Committee plus many volunteers, without each and every one of you, Agfest would not be that wonderful network of mates achieving the goal as a team that it is each year. Not to mention, 2012 being quite a special milestone of reaching THIRTY years of Agfest! The Dinner, what an evening that was! Full of glitz and glamour, and a mixture of black, silver and pearl! An evening that will forever be a milestone accomplished and a memorable night where a showcase of past, present and future gathered in celebration of our wonderful, prestigious event!

Many thanks to the Property Management Committee for their commitment to maintain our properties, Quercus Rural Youth Park and Rural Youth Head Office, and for hosting Working Bees for members to attend. There were changes within this committee towards the end of 2012; with the need of the Committee of Inquiry to be established in January of 2013 a difficult process, but a measure that was needed. We are to expect many changes surrounding risk and liability to the method of carrying out work on site and on behalf of our Organisation, a measure our Rural Youth Council is guiding towards a positive and safer future. Thank you to Richard Colman, Life Member, who assisted the Organisation for the 11 weeks as the Acting Property Management Chairman.

Marcus Oldham Leadership Program, this was life changing for me! After the road trip to get there with Aleta Jones as the Tas Women in Ag Representative, nerves were high as entering the building! Those nerves quickly disappeared when stories of each of the other participants were shared and the week commenced. Before we knew it, it was time to head home and that chapter was closed, or was it... Back home I soon realised that many of the things learnt at Marcus Oldham connected to my world... Marcus Oldham was the best experience and I encourage anyone with the opportunity to attend to do so.

At Marcus Oldham I met the guest speaker, Trendy Trev, a truly inspirational motivator that brought all kinds of wonderful to the room! I knew there that this guy I needed for our Leadership and Training Weekend held in July at Quercus. We started the weekend with over 30 member attending, only to have the dreaded flu strike many, numbers dropped back to 15 and each of us had a wonderful time, learning some valuable skill to use in everyday life. Trev and Bram were wonderful and while our Tassie weather was a little cold for them, our attendees certainly warmed to them, interacting and having a great time with their presentation.



# State President Report... continued....

In December we welcomed a new event to the social scene for Rural Youth, this event being a little different and quite colourful at the same time! An event that was established in its initial year as a thank you to members, as well as a drawcard for non-members to come as a “plus one” to have a taste of the fun they could too, be a part of! The one and only Tooms Lake Tumbler, held on December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at Lemont/York Plains. For our starting event, we were fortunate to secure the Wolfe Brothers, a move that each of the 135 patrons in attendance appreciated! Thank you to Levendale School Parents & Friends Association for helping us out on the day by running our bar, bbq and gates, we were proud to have given a donation in return for your support, money that is being utilised for the students of their Kinder to grade 5 Rural School, to run Learn to Swim education for their 20 students. Special thanks to our property owner for allowing us to colour up his property a little, and particularly for allowing us to use their brand new machinery shed! Thanks Allan & Jenny Johnson, without your generosity Tooms Lake Tumbler, would not have been at the fabulous venue it was! Finally thank you to Owen Woolley, Anthony Coad, Kyle Robinson, Sarah Casey, Stevie Waters, Rob & Dave Shoobridge and Derek Hollander for all your help in either the set up or pack up- or BOTH!

A little about Tooms Lake Tumbler 2012, each member received their special TLT 2012 sticker, and tumbler! We had four spirits available, Bundy, Southern Comfort, Vodka, and Jim Beam, with the inspired method of shots poured in drench units, a little rural spin to the night! The kegs proved eventful at the start but soon settled in for the night and started cooperating. The bbq was fired up and kept everyone in food and energised to dance the night away! Our man made “Tooms Lake” has lived another year, even after its fun of food dye, baby oil, hydra-gel balls, bubble solution, swimming noodles and rubber duckies, plus whatever other content ended up in it! Attendees had a goal to wipe Tassie out of Food Dye supplies in all supermarkets, this wasn’t easily achieved, but to see a 50L container black in colour from the many colours combined, and the fact my hair alone took over 10 weeks to return to its normal colour, after two trips to the hairdressers! I have learnt blonde hair and red dye are not friends. My goal when commencing the State President role was to have a whole of Rural Youth party; this was achieved and now has a future within the organisation with the plans for the 2013 TLT already underway!

Social Media was a target for 2012/13, with many members utilising Facebook or Twitter regularly, there was a deemed need for a Social Media Policy to be adapted to our Organisation. Once these posts/comments are out there, on Social Media, they are there for life, and you have no control in who sees them.

In December, I was shocked and thrilled to have been announced the RIRDC Rural Womens Award recipient for 2012, Tasmania. I applied with my project of KAAP (Kids Ag Awareness Program) in mind, with the change of the Schools Kits at Agfest 2013, to KAAP! It was wonderful to have been awarded this title and bursary of \$10,000 to contribute towards the establishment of the KAAP Program! The funding is being used to develop an interactive e-book, printable downloads and much more, ensuring a future for KAAP at Agfest! The other part of my prize is to attend the Company of Directors course in Canberra in 2013.

# State President Report... continued....

There are a few people I must highlight thanks to, my children, Victoria & Claire, the many trips north we have road tripped in the past two years, the times you have sat on one lap with your toy laptop and me on my laptop both achieving great work and results. The many bribes you have taken when I have needed to make “just one more call” and those few days where I have had a change of plans due to something coming up. This past two years has been of value to my children in that they will one day get to benefit the joy that this Organisation can bring, the relationships of those many “aunts and uncles” in Rural Youth that you have got to know and love, and that inner strength that you each practise daily by trying to figure out your place in life. You have both been my inspiration, my self-motivation and my stability during this time.

Anthony, I guess I should thank you! I would love to say for always being there, telling me I am right with everything and to encourage me in this path. Now we all know I would be lying here. He has been that person I can get an honest answer out of, sometimes not listening to a thing I’ve said, making me re-read the whole thing at which such time I decide not to send or just ring the person/s instead. He has been the one to query why I am doing something and make me realise to ask for help. He has also been the one that is here, even after telling him off about something trivial, i.e. leaving milk out of fridge, due to some of the stresses this role can bring. I would like to say my rock, but he actually has me doubting myself more than anyone does, but in doing so, makes me a stronger person, think they call it tough love! Anyway, looking back, I wouldn’t change his support to me in this role in any way, and I thank him for it.

Thank you to Simone, at times I know I have been testing, and you’ve really stepped up in every action this past year. I couldn’t possibly keep up with your efficiency and I don’t think the office Staff has ever seen so much correspondence from a State President. You acted as State President at State Ball when Claire was critically ill. I wish you all the best for your nomination as State President and hope to be there as your support when you call. As Senior Vice President, you were always willing to help, minute type- which I knew was a tedious task, and even represent our Organisation in South Korea for an International 4H Conference.

Thank you to Deyarna Bowen, Junior Vice President. Katie Crane, Immediate Past State President. Office Staff, Judy McLean, Linda Perkins, Selena Flanagan, Libby Triffit and Annie Davis. Anna Lee, State Finance Director and Kaysie Lade, Newsletter Editor.

Thank you to all Rural Youth Councillors, what a tremendous journey we have all travelled.

# State President Report... continued....

My future from here, I look forward to retiring to Immediate Past State President, and supporting when and if needed the incoming committee. I have a goal that I am striving towards in the Agfest Committee and developing my involvement in my interest outside of Rural Youth, Rodeo. I was fortunate enough to be offered the role of Events Management for the MS Society of Tasmania in July 2012, a career that I love with a passion, organising all kinds of wonderful Events! I aim to become more involved with Rural Business Tasmania. As mentioned in this report, nurture your networks, always put your best foot forward and expect the unexpected, you do not know what is around the corner!

Rural Youth is an Organisation that has provided so much to me as a person; I will eternally be grateful and cannot wait to see its exciting future evolve. I thank you for supporting me in this role for two years, a role that I decided in my first year of membership in 2002, was something I wanted to achieve.

Many thanks,

Katie Coad  
**2011/12 State President**  
***Rural Youth Organisation of Tasmania***

KATIE COAD, STATE PRESIDENT  
TOOMS LAKE TUMBLER 2012

"FIRST ATTACK ON THE PRESIDENT"



# RURAL YOUTH ORGANISATION OF TAS INC.

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2012

	Note	2012	2011
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash assets	2	264,857	145,480
Receivables	3	4,980	32,406
Inventories	4	11,029	11,670
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>280,865</u>	<u>189,556</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, plant & equipment	5	1,677,796	1,681,637
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>1,677,796</u>	<u>1,681,637</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>1,958,661</u>	<u>1,871,193</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Payables	6	51,153	42,171
Interest bearing liabilities	7	4,817	5,111
Provisions	8	1,855	6,139
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>57,824</u>	<u>53,421</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Interest bearing liabilities	7	-	-
Provisions	8	24,382	29,528
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>24,382</u>	<u>29,528</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<u>82,205</u>	<u>82,949</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>1,876,456</u>	<u>1,788,244</u>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Accumulated Funds	12	1,562,440	1,474,228
Reserves	13	314,016	314,016
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<u>1,876,456</u>	<u>1,788,244</u>

*The accompanying notes form part of this financial report*



**RURAL YOUTH ORGANISATION OF TAS INC.**  
**RURAL YOUTH**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2012**

	2012	2011
<b>INCOME</b>		
Membership subscriptions	5,449	5,199
Other	24,695	22,095
Sale of merchandise	392	518
Sponsorship	13,000	16,025
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<u>43,536</u>	<u>43,837</u>
<b>LESS EXPENSES</b>		
Administration	50,000	50,000
Advertising	2,505	2,506
Agriculture	1,300	-
Bad Debts	-	385
Bank Fees	445	388
Competitions	1,490	754
Club grants	750	1,000
Donations	-	109
Education, leadership & training	16,841	5,508
Feature tent	3,915	4,036
Flowers & Wreaths	306	74
Graham Tole Memorial Prize	6,756	-
Health Insurance Rebate	1,173	548
History Project	619	-
Honorariums	5,300	2,388
Judges' Gifts & Prizes	75	295
Meeting expenses	792	755
Member awards	2,500	1,999
Member Subsidies	3,714	436
Member Recruitment	6,862	-
Members Only Function	13,542	-
Merchandise	1,997	610
Minutes Secretary	136	602
Movie Tickets & Entertainment Books	2,437	2,864
Newsletters	8,030	5,374
Postage	3,378	1,677
President's honorarium	13,400	6,500
President's mobile phone	769	1,100

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**RURAL YOUTH ORGANISATION OF TAS INC.**  
**RURAL YOUTH**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2012**

President's expenses	2,426	819
Printing & stationery	3,636	4,007
Professional Fees	25	25
Promotions, publicity & membership	120	2,174
RAC/Advisory Expenses	16	-
Rural roundup	585	339
Sponsorship	9,916	-
State functions	1,600	2,400
State Council	158	-
Study tours	10,418	10,321
Sundry Expenses	1,583	19
Telephone Expenses	1,218	-
Top Club Award	500	560
Top Teams	982	654
Website	300	380
Young farmer	6,978	10,513
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>189,496</b>	<b>122,119</b>
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>(145,959)</b>	<b>(78,282)</b>

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**RURAL YOUTH ORGANISATION OF TAS INC.**  
**AGFEST**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2012**

	2012	2011
<b>INCOME</b>		
Entrance fees	574,542	566,762
Merchandise sales	4,349	4,832
Parcel Pickup Income	565	527
Site fees	436,206	418,460
Sponsorship	64,369	75,150
Sundry	14,572	9,590
Telstra Cable Connection Fees	5,114	6,873
Brainstorming Contributions	150	800
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<u>1,099,867</u>	<u>1,082,994</u>
<b>LESS EXPENSES</b>		
Accommodation	1,280	668
Administration	70,000	70,000
Advertising	30,689	31,882
Ag Artwear Competitions	700	650
Ag Demonstrations	-	2,273
Alcohol	5,325	7,913
25th Anniversary	17,089	-
Bad Debts	195	262
Bank charges	3,645	7,058
Catering	32,068	43,220
Central Arena	7,138	5,011
Crafts	1,651	2,236
Depreciation	4,701	4,561
Donations	4,500	7,936
Equine Extravaganza	19,385	16,319
Equipment Upgrades	334	355
Fashion Parade	-	805
Features	8,659	9,049
Fuel	11,424	6,741
Functions	4,193	8,369
4WD Demo	1,011	181
Heritage Area	5,826	5,173
Honorariums	20,200	20,000
Insurance	20,773	21,431
Interest	593	692
Leadership Training	3,022	2,990
Lease of land	1,000	1,000
Loading & lifting	14,194	12,722
Marquee Hire	698	1,089
Meeting Expenses	253	81
Merchandise	5,689	5,326
Parcel Parking	1,960	-
Parcel Pickup	3,071	4,698
Personnel	1,490	1,209
Power & gas	19,063	11,815

# RURAL YOUTH ORGANISATION OF TAS INC.

## AGFEST

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2012

President's expenses	127	342
Postage & Freight	2,531	3,654
Printing & stationery	10,124	11,586
Professional Fees	10	651
Public address	17,095	22,722
Radios & communication	7,247	7,801
Rubbish & litter control	44,903	42,167
Safety	1,085	1,253
School Kits	345	408
Security	35,043	34,687
Signs	8,875	8,461
Site expenses	37,948	33,377
Sponsorship	8,061	19,539
Sundry Expenses	2,895	4,282
Telephone	6,801	7,558
Ticket Box	7,687	13,408
Toilets	-	-
Traffic Management	10,892	9,215
Travel & Accommodation	1,208	-
Trophies & prizes	2,294	1,760
Uniquely Tasmanian Feature	4,658	4,819
Trade Expo Expenses	22,939	22,641
Vehicle Hire	9,094	12,519
Volunteer Expenses	472	608
Water	2,605	3,475
Website	427	389
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>567,187</b>	<b>581,037</b>
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>532,681</b>	<b>501,957</b>



**RURAL YOUTH ORGANISATION OF TAS INC.**  
**PROPERTY MANAGEMENT**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2012**

	2012	2011
<b>INCOME</b>		
Rent	18,872	20,136
Lease Income	14,873	10,957
Bonds Not Returned	-	80
Service fees	120,000	120,000
Site hire	34,845	30,178
Sundry income	14,690	4,550
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<u>203,280</u>	<u>185,901</u>
<b>LESS EXPENSES</b>		
Accommodation R&M	3,485	2,212
Accounting Fees	8,550	8,826
Bad Debts	-	11,192
Bank charges	1,431	1,564
Building Inspection	1,575	1,500
Cleaning	230	141
Craft &U/Taste R&M	690	-
Craft &U/Taste Upgrade	1,519	-
Depreciation	36,738	34,481
Drainage	26	5,812
Electricity	33,536	29,135
Equine Expo Maintenance	2,997	7,417
Fencing	2,485	835
Fire Truck	-	332
Fuel	11,607	10,745
Fuel - Chairman	715	1,423
Functions & entertainment	780	164
Furniture - Site	-	1,300
Gas - York Street	2,063	1,719
General Expenses	1,345	3,173
Hall/Function Centre R&M	7,411	4,920
Hire	9,621	4,872
Honorariums	7,000	6,464
Insurance	25,102	23,937
Interest	304	1,092

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**RURAL YOUTH ORGANISATION OF TAS INC.**  
**PROPERTY MANAGEMENT**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2012**

Legal Costs	1,020	-
Meeting Expenses	-	4
MYOB Support Costs	1,123	1,237
Office Expenses	559	392
Office Computer Equipment	1,255	5,054
Office Equipment	3,000	2,785
Photocopier Maintenance	4,747	5,360
Chairman's Expenses	747	685
Postage & Freight	74	14
Power R&M	5,820	1,484
Rates & land tax	14,023	22,544
Repairs & maintenance	3,404	1,447
Roads - Upgrade	5,558	-
Security	2,886	2,424
Shelter Belt & Garden Maintenance	5,291	-
Site maintenance	21,516	17,977
Sponsorship - Rural Support	14,509	5,000
Staff training	4,623	3,837
Stationery	3,864	5,537
Subscriptions	18,157	3,369
Superannuation	16,737	17,206
Telecommunications	10,120	9,548
Toilets	1,843	2,006
Tools & Equipment	738	645
Vehicles - Rego & Exp	1,267	2,505
Wages	180,948	194,764
Waste Management	2,822	3,109
Water - R&M	7,555	21,816
Water - Quercus	910	1,446
Working bees	7,464	3,492
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<u>501,789</u>	<u>498,946</u>
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<u>(298,509)</u>	<u>( 313,045)</u>

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# RURAL YOUTH ORGANISATION OF TAS INC.

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2012

### CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Receipts from members	5,269
Receipts from customers	1,248,097
Payments to suppliers	(1,095,766)
Borrowing costs	(897)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>156,703</u>

### CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES

Fixed assets purchased	<u>(37,597)</u>
Net cash used by investing activities	<u>(37,597)</u>

### CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES

Loans	-
Repayment of borrowings	<u>199</u>
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>199</u>
Increase in cash held	119,305
Cash at the beginning of the reporting period	<u>143,228</u>
Cash at the end of the reporting period	<u><u>262,533</u></u>

### Reconciliation of cash

Cash on hand	300
Cash at bank	264,557
Bankcard	<u>(2,324)</u>
	<u><u>262,533</u></u>

### Reconciliation of net cash provided by operating activities to surplus

Surplus for year	88,212
Non-cash flows from surplus for the year	
Depreciation	41,439
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Increase in receivables	26,860
Increase in inventories	641
Increase in payables	9,162
Increase in subscriptions in advance	(179)
Decrease in site fees in advance	-
Increase in provisions	(9,432)
Increase in transfers	-
Decrease in accrued expenses	-
	<u><u>156,703</u></u>

*The accompanying notes form part of this financial report*

## RURAL YOUTH ORGANISATION OF TAS INC.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2012

#### NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial report is a special purpose report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the *Associations Incorporations Act (Tas)*. The State Council has determined that the organisation is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act (Tas) and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

AASB 1031	Materiality
AASB 110	Events After the Balance Sheet Date

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views of other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values, or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following material accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

##### (a) INVENTORIES

Stock on hand is valued at the lower of either cost or net realisable value.

##### (b) PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Freehold land comprising the Quercus property and 62 York Street, Launceston were independently revalued in November 1999. The basis of the valuation of the land and improvements was market value for mortgage security purposes. The valuation was carried out by Andrew Cubbins F.V.L.E. (Val) Dip. Val., a registered valuer for Harrison Humphreys Pty Ltd.

The market value of the Quercus property of \$450,000 includes only those improvements existing at the time of the valuation.

Subsequent to the abovementioned valuation the Organisation initiated a significant site improvement program which included expenditure, to date, totaling \$792,078 on the construction of a Meeting Hall and several Sheds at Quercus Park. The outlays in respect of these buildings have been capitalised and are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Plant and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation.



## RURAL YOUTH ORGANISATION OF TAS INC.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2012

The carrying amount of all property, plant & equipment is reviewed annually by the Organisation to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount for those assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows which will be received for the assets' employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have not been discounted to present values in determining recoverable amounts.

#### **Depreciation**

No depreciation is recorded in respect of the York Street building. The depreciable amount of the meeting hall and sheds erected on the Quercus property is depreciated on a straight line basis over the useful lives of the buildings to the Organisation. The depreciation rate of 2.5% is used. The depreciated amount of all plant and equipment is depreciated on a straight line basis over the useful lives of the assets to the Organisation commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. The rate of 20% is used for all plant and equipment.

#### **(c) CONSOLIDATION OF ACCOUNTS**

Under the Organisation's constitution, individual Rural Youth clubs form part of the structure of the Rural Youth Organisation of Tasmania Incorporated, and as such the assets and liabilities of these clubs are assets and liabilities of the Organisation. Similarly, club transactions are also those of the incorporated body.

The committee considers the cost of consolidating these amounts into the financial statements of the organisation exceed the benefits of doing so.

#### **(d) INCOME TAX**

The net surplus of the Organisation is exempt from income tax under Section 50-40 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act, 1997*. Accordingly, no provision for income tax or income tax expense appears in the accounts.

#### **(e) SITE IMPROVEMENTS**

All expenditure incurred during the year is reported as an expense in the "property management" statement of financial performance.

#### **(f) EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

Provision is made in respect of the Organisation's liability for employee entitlements arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. All entitlements have been measured at their nominal amount. Long service is accrued in respect of employees with more than 7 years service.

Contributions are made by the Organisation to an employee superannuation fund and are charged as expenses when incurred.

# RURAL YOUTH ORGANISATION OF TAS INC.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2012

	2012	2011
<b>NOTE 2: CASH ASSETS</b>		
Cash on hand	300	300
Cash at bank	<u>264,557</u>	<u>145,180</u>
	<u>264,857</u>	<u>145,480</u>
<b>NOTE 3: RECEIVABLES</b>		
Trade debtors	4,980	32,406
Sundry debtors	-	-
	<u>4,980</u>	<u>32,406</u>
<b>NOTE 4: INVENTORIES</b>		
Stock on hand - Rural Youth	3,831	4,925
Stock on hand - Agfest	3,949	3,297
Stock on Hand - Postal Supplies	<u>3,248</u>	<u>3,448</u>
	<u>11,029</u>	<u>11,670</u>
<b>NOTE 5: PROPERTY, PLANT &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>		
Land & buildings		
Quercus property - at independent valuation	450,000	450,000
Land adjoining Quercus property purchased 2001 - at cost	31,500	31,500
York Street Property - at independent valuation	225,000	225,000
Meeting Hall & Sheds - at cost	792,078	792,078
Less: accumulated depreciation	(225,619)	(205,817)
Roads - at costs	167,257	167,256
Less: accumulated depreciation	(27,080)	(22,899)
Water facility upgrade	161,153	161,153
Less: accumulated depreciation	(23,876)	(19,846)
Power Upgrade	113,077	87,997
Less: accumulated depreciation	(7,447)	(4,740)
Total land & buildings	<u>1,656,044</u>	<u>1,661,682</u>
Plant & equipment		
Furniture & Equipment - at cost	188,977	176,461
Less: accumulated depreciation	( 167,225)	(156,506)
Total plant & equipment	<u>21,752</u>	<u>19,955</u>
Total property, plant & equipment	<u>1,677,795</u>	<u>1,681,637</u>

### (a) Movement in carrying amounts

Movement in the carrying amounts for plant & equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year;

	Furniture & equipment	
Balance at the beginning of year	19,955	29,034
Additions	-	-
Depreciation expense	<u>(10,719)</u>	<u>(9,079)</u>
Carrying amount at the end of year	<u>9,236</u>	<u>19,955</u>

RURAL YOUTH ORGANISATION OF TAS INC.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2012

	2012	2011
<b>NOTE 6: PAYABLES</b>		
Trade creditors	31,274	31,594
Subscriptions in advance	684	864
Honorariums Clearing	9,950	-
Accrued expenses	-	-
Goods & services tax	(416)	(2,256)
Bonds Held	5,700	5,550
Superannuation Payable	3,960	6,419
	<u>51,153</u>	<u>42,171</u>

**NOTE 7: INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES**

Current		
Bank overdraft	-	-
Bank card	2,323	2,252
Commonwealth Bank loan	2,494	2,860
	<u>4,817</u>	<u>5,112</u>
Non-current		
Commonwealth Bank loan	-	-

**NOTE 8: PROVISIONS**

Current		
Provision for annual leave entitlements	1,855	6,139
	<u>1,855</u>	<u>6,139</u>
Non-current		
Provision for long services leave entitlements	24,382	29,528
	<u>24,382</u>	<u>29,528</u>

**NOTE 9: ACCUMULATED FUNDS - RURAL YOUTH**

Opening balance	(223,302)	(145,020)
Transfers to/from Agfest	-	-
Transfers to/from Property Management	-	-
Surplus/(deficit) for year	(145,959)	(78,282)
Closing balance	<u>(369,261)</u>	<u>(223,302)</u>

**NOTE 10: ACCUMULATED FUNDS - AGFEST**

Opening balance	2,440,669	1,938,712
Transfers to/from Rural Youth	-	-
Transfers to/from Property Management	-	-
Surplus/(deficit) for year	532,681	501,957
Closing balance	<u>2,973,350</u>	<u>2,440,669</u>

**NOTE 11: ACCUMULATED FUNDS - PROPERTY MANAGEMENT**

Opening balance	(743,139)	(430,094)
Transfers to/from Rural Youth	-	-
Transfers to/from Agfest	-	-
Surplus/(deficit) for year	(298,509)	(313,045)
Closing balance	<u>(1,041,648)</u>	<u>(743,139)</u>

# RURAL YOUTH ORGANISATION OF TAS INC.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2012

	2012	2011
<b>NOTE 12: ACCUMULATED FUNDS - TOTAL</b>		
Opening Balance	1,474,228	1,363,598
Surplus/Deficit - Rural Youth	( 145,959)	( 78,282)
Surplus/Deficit - Agfest	532,681	501,957
Surplus/Deficit - Property Management	( 298,509)	( 313,045)
Closing Balance	<u>1,562,440</u>	<u>1,474,228</u>

### NOTE 13: RESERVES

Asset revaluation reserve		
Revaluation - Quercus 1999	304,973	304,973
Revaluation - York Street 1999	9,043	9,043
	<u>314,016</u>	<u>314,016</u>

There have been no movements in the reserves during the current or proceeding year.

The asset revaluation reserve records the increments/decrements in the carrying amounts of the land & buildings when new valuations are carried out.

### NOTE 14: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Estimates of the maximum amount of contingent liabilities that may become payable:

Employee redundancy agreements	<u>13,622</u>	<u>13,622</u>
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### NOTE 15: ORGANISATIONAL DETAILS

The principal place of business of the Organisation is:

Rural Youth Organisation of Tasmania Inc.  
62 York Street  
Launceston  
Tasmania 7250



# JOHNSON BREWARD BROWN

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### INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO MEMBERS OF RURAL YOUTH ORGANISATION OF TASMANIA INCORPORATED

#### Scope

We have audited the financial report of the Rural Youth Organisation of Tas Inc. for the financial year ended 31 December 2012 as set out in the accompanying pages. The association is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial report and the information contained within. We have conducted an independent audit of this financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members of the Rural Youth Organisation of Tas Inc.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Concepts and Standards, the Associations Incorporation Act (Tas) and other requirements so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Rural Youth Organisation of Tas Inc. financial position and the results of its operations.

The audit opinion expressed in this report had been formed on the above basis.

#### Audit Opinion

In our opinion:

1. The financial report presents fairly the financial position of the Rural Youth Organisation of Tas Inc. at 31 December 2012 and the results of its operations of the period then ended in accordance with Statement of Accounting Concepts and applicable Accounting Standards, the Associations Incorporation Act (Tas) and the Corporations Law.
2. The rules relating to the administration of the funds of the Association have been observed.
3. The association has kept proper accounting records and other books during the period covered by this report.

**Johnson Breward Brown**



Mr R B Brown  
Auditor

Dated: 4/3/13













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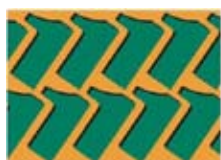
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# Property Management Committee

What a year for Property Management, the year consisted of finish the 1km extension of the fire main to include North Street and North North Street, which now means the entire static site is covered by the fire main.

We also put power and water thru to the equine area, which makes this area so much more useable, have 3 power boxes and water all the way around the arena and also at the round yard.

After a very moist AGFEST we had a lot of works to do on site with drains and roads. We employed Prospect timber and landscape to do the work, it has not long been completed and looks 120% better than it did, we now have more drains, more pits and shallower drains to overcome some of the issues with disabled access.

The other big item this year was the start of the QAP (Quercus accommodation project) starting with a brainstorming session and then leading into monitoring all the waste water to see what we need to do to fix the issue of black and grey water. We have also employed an architect to draw up basic plans and to start the research on everything we will need.

I would thank all the people that attended working bees during the year, your help was awesome. I would like to give an extra thanks to the small group that always came out every weekend and after work, basically whenever I rang you guys were there, thanks so much guys!

I look forward to the coming year with PM

Cheers,

Kyle



# Agfest Organising Committee

Agfest celebrated 30 successful years over this past year. It is hard to believe that in 1983 Agfest Field Days commenced at Symmons Plains Race Track to fund the Rural Youth Organisation of Tasmania after Government funding ceased. The first Agfest Field Days attracted 9,000 patrons and 111 exhibitors over two days. After being run for two years at Symmons Plains it was decided that Rural Youth would purchase a 200 acre property, now known as Quercus Rural Youth Park (the home of Agfest). Agfest 2012 attracted 61,529 patrons and over 700 Exhibitors across three days.

Not only did we have all the favourite exhibits, but 2012 was Australian Year of the Farmer and Agfest was proud to support this year long event. The Australian Year of the Farmer Road Show entertained and educated both rural and urban Australians about the importance of the Australian Farmer and farming industry at Agfest. This was emphasised by the attendance of their patron Glen McGrath. Agfest also saw the return of the Agricultural demonstration area, which had been redeveloped and showcased some of the latest agricultural machinery across the three days.

A move into the technology era saw the prospectus go on line for exhibitors to download, as well as having a member's only area on the website for minutes and committee lists. The website also held the information for successful exhibitors, reducing the frequency and amount of postage, along with reducing the pressure on staff in the office.

Agfest finished up with the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner attended by both current and past members involved with Agfest over the past 30 years. A great night of stories, reminiscing and catching up with old and new friends was had by all. Thank you to everyone who not only attended, but had input into the success of the evening.

I found the role of chairman to be a very challenging and rewarding role. I met people from many walks of life and gained a lot from this experience. I also had the opportunity to improve both my project and people management skills immensely. Whilst gaining so much personal experience, I embraced the opportunity to impart skills, knowledge and experience on to other members of the Agfest committee.

I would like to thank the committee members, volunteers and staff who work twelve months of the year ensuring Agfest Field Days is Tasmania's Premier Field Day. I was proud to work with all involved and it was an honour to lead an organisation that showcases what a group of friends can achieve when they work together.

I prefer not to single out anyone, but I must mention my right hand support Amanda Bayles. My Vice Chairman who was always there to help and always on the other end of the phone no matter what hour of the day. Thanks Amanda.

2013 is looking to be another great year with new ideas and features. I wish Amanda and her committee all the best for the coming year.

Kylie Burns

**Agfest Chairman 2012**



# Rural Round Up 2012

First of all a huge well done to all that entered something, in the 2012 rural round up competition. The photography section proved to be the favorite this year with well over 100 photos entered. A huge thank you must go to Christine Mann and Sharon Symons who came along on the day to judge the competition, and thank you to the few people that helped me out on the day.

Below are the results of 2012

## **Overall Winners'**

### **Photography**

- 1.Chenae Simpson
- 2.Alisha Duggan

### **Needlework/ Patchwork**

- 1.Nerinda Lade
- 2.Nicole Elliott & Meg K Jones

### **Cooking**

- 1.Alisha Duggan
- 2.Nicole Elliott

**Overall Champion** Alisha Duggan

## **Photography - Colour**

### **Rural Youth/ Agfest**

- 1.Amanda Bayles
- 2.Amanda Bayles
- 3.Amanda Bayles

### **Landscape**

- 1.Rosie Forsyth
- 2.Amanda Bayles
- 3.Chenae Simpson

### **Animal Study**

- 1.Roy Viney
- 2.Rosie Forsyth
- 3.Chenae Simpson

### **Social Scene**

- 1.Chenae Simpson
- 2.Amanda Bayles
- 3.Amanda Bayles

## **Photography – Black & White**

### **Landscape**

- 1.Cameron Roper
- 2.Alisha Duggan
- 3.Chenae Simpson

### **Portrait**

- 1.Chenae Simpson
- 2.Chenae Simpson
- 3.Chenae Simpson

### **Rural Youth/ Agfest**

- 1.Alisha Duggan

### **Waterscape**

- 1.Amanda Bayles
- 2.Alisha Duggan
- 3.Chenae Simpson

### **Portrait**

- 1.Chenae Simpson
- 2.Chenae Simpson
- 3.Chenae Simpson

### **Building Study**

- 1.Alisha Duggan
- 2.Rosie Foesyth
- 3.Chenae Simpson

### **Action Shot**

- 1.Chenae Simpson
- 2.Danielle Whatley
- 3.Alisha Duggan

### **Social Scene**

- 1.Chenae Simpson
- 2.Chenae Simpson
- 3.Chenae Simpson

### **Animal Study**

- 1.Alisha Duggan
- 2.Alisha Duggan
- 3.Chene Simpson

### **Rural Scene**

- 1.Alisha Duggan

### **Rural Scene**

- 1.Rosie Forsyth
- 2.Roy Viney
- 3.Alisha Duggan

### **Study Tour**

- 1.Nicole Elliott
- 2.Danielle Whatley

### **Floral/ Garden Study**

- 1.Rosie Forsyth
- 2.Rosie Forsyth
- 3.Chenae Simpson

### **Action Shot**

- 1.Chenae Simpson
- 2.Chenae Simpson
- 3.Chenae Simpson

### **Floral/ Garden Study**

- 1.Alisha Duggan

### **Building Study**

- 1.Alisha Duggan

# Rural Round Up 2012... continued...

## Photography – Enlargements/ Panoramic

### Rural Youth/ Agfest

1.Alisha Duggan

### Rural Scene

1.Alisha Duggan

### Portrait

1.Alisha Duggan

### Building Study

1.Alisha Duggan

### Animal Study

1.Alisha Duggan

### Social Scene

1.Alisha Duggan

### Action Shot

1.Alisha Duggan

## Photography – Photo Shopped

### Waterscape

Alisha Duggan

### Portrait

Chenae Simpson  
Chenae Simpson

### Animal Study

Alisha Duggan

### Floral/ Garden Study

Alisha Duggan

### Social Scene

Chenae Simpson

### Action Shot

Alisha Duggan

## Cooking

### Anzac Biscuits

1.Amanda Bayles

2.Amanda Bayles

3.Nicole Elliott

### Orange Cake

1.Alisha Duggan

2,Nicole Elliot

### Truffles

1.Alisha Duggan

2,Nicole Elliot

3.Alisha Duggan

### Lemon Slice

1.Alisha Duggan

2.Nicole Elliott

### Slice

1.Nicole Elliot

2.Alisha Duggan

### Packet Cake Mix

Nicole Elliott

### Decorated Cupcakes

Alisha Duggan

Alison de Graff

# Newsletter Editor 2012

WOW well hasn't the past 12 month flown by only seems like yesterday I was taking on this role. Huge thanks to all that have helped me through the year and gave me heaps of tips and pointers.

For reading all reports it feels like 2012 was a fantastic year all round. It's great to hear from all clubs, region, and directorships every month to be kept in the loop and know how everybody is.

All the best for the incoming committee for 2013

Kaysie Lade

**Newsletter Editor 2012**

## Top Teams 2012

This year the competition saw a fantastic fun filled day. With many activities throughout the day, ranging from Scrapbooking and whip cracking to dancing and many more the judges had an entertaining day watching the participants.

A fantastic effort from the three Teams that entered, "I Farted", "Camocazie" and "Kingborough Clowns" Hope you enjoyed the day and the activates we planned for you.

A huge thank you to the judges for taking the day off and helping me out. Your help was greatly appreciated Niahn Palmer, Richard Colman, Anthony Coad, Aleta Jones, Brett McKenzie and Kaysie Lade.

Caelum Wood

**Top Teams Director 2012**

# Competitions 2012

It has been yet another fantastic year for competitions with members from throughout the State getting involved and having a go. Congratulations to everyone who has entered any competition throughout the year.

2012 saw the introduction of prize money allocations to all competitions including individual competitions and team competitions. This now sees all competitions have a cash component to the award not just the Top Club Competition.

Rural Youth

**Club Attendance at State Functions:** Kingborough Huon Rural Youth

**Club Expansion Award:** Westmorland Rural Youth

(Greatest increase in numbers)

**Club Expansion Award:** Westmorland Rural Youth

(Greatest percentage increase in numbers)

The first awards presented in 2012 were at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in March. These awards were from results of 2011 and included the Best New Member and

Outstanding Member for 2011 and Club Achievements.

## 2011 Award Winners

**Outstanding Member:** Katie Coad (Kingborough Huon Rural Youth)

**Best New Member:** Dayna Broun (Devonport Rural Rural Youth)

**Top Club Award (Overall):** Westmorland Rural Youth

**North West Region Winner:** No entries

**Northern Region Winner:** Westmorland Rural Youth

**Southern Region Winner:** Sorell Rural Youth

**Champion Club in Competitions:** Westmorland

## 2012 Award Winners

The results for awards/competitions handed out in 2012 are as follows.

### Debating

The debating final wasn't able to be run due to Oatlands Rural Youth forfeiting before the event, which resulted (by default) the win to Westmorland Rural Youth.

**Debating:** Westmorland Rural Youth

**Debating Runner Up:** Oatlands Rural Youth

# Competitions 2012... continued...

## **Public Speaking**

Public speaking was held during the afternoon on the Saturday of the AGM. The open section saw two participants enter, Alisha Duggan and Katie Crane. The novice section saw Victoria Percival, Dale Hayers, Amanda Bayles, Morgan Waters, Prue Dennis, Ricky Edson, Meg Kluver-Jones, Katie Coad and Hannah Davis all enter.

**Public Speaking (Open Section) –** Katie Crane (Oatlands Rural Youth)

**Public Speaking (Novice Section) –** Prue Dennis (Westmorland Rural Youth)

## **Mannequin**

At the State AGM the mannequin final was held between a combined Northern Region Rural Youth team and the Kingborough Huon Rural Youth team. The winner in the end was Kingborough Huon Rural Youth.

**Mannequin:** Kingborough Huon Rural Youth

## **Shooting Competition**

The shooting competition this year had an amazing turnout with 17 competitors in the rifle shoot and 12 in the clay targets. There was also great support from those that attended as spectators. It was great to see so many people jumping in and having a go or just supporting the entrants.

## **Rifle - Sporting Silhouette**

### **Men's:**

1<sup>st</sup> – Owen Woolley (Kingborough Huon RY)

2<sup>nd</sup> – Nathan Donohue (Westmorland RY)

3<sup>rd</sup> – Noah Young (Westmorland RY)

### **Women's**

1<sup>st</sup> – Ellen Freeman (Westmorland RY)

2<sup>nd</sup> – Prue Dennis (Westmorland RY) & Nicole Elliott (Kingborough Huon RY)

3<sup>rd</sup> – Amanda Bayles (Westmorland RY)

## **Rifle (out of 40)**

# Competitions 2012... continued...

## Shotgun - Clay Target

### **Men's:**

1<sup>st</sup> – Angus Verhay (Tamar RY)

2<sup>nd</sup> – Nathan Donohue (Westmorland RY) , Noah Young (Westmorland RY) & Jamie Mead (Western Tiers RY)

3<sup>rd</sup> – Ricky Edson (Tamar RY)

### **Women's:**

1<sup>st</sup> - Ellen Freeman (Westmorland RY)

2<sup>nd</sup> – Prue Dennis (Westmorland RY)

3<sup>rd</sup> - Amanda Bayles (Westmorland RY)

## Clay Target (Shotgun) (out of 20)

Entrant	Scor	Entrant	Score	Entrant	Sco
Angus Verhay	17	Luke Edson	23	Dale Hayers	9
Owen Woolley	32	Brad Lindsay	22	Ricky Edson	23
Ellen Free-	17	Prue Dennis	15	Amanda	13
Nathan Donohue	29	Matthew Bayles	22	Roy Viney	5
Noah Young	25	Jamie Mead	22	Victoria Percival	4
Clare Lindsay	11	Nicole Elliott	15		

I would like to congratulate all participants in all competitions throughout the year you have made my directorship thoroughly enjoyable. Finally, I wish the best of luck to the Competitions Director for 2013 and hope that you get out of this directorship as much as I have.

Simone Hayers

**Competitions Director 2012**

# LINC

2012 saw a change to what was known as the Library Directorship. It was renamed and has had a change in duties which has resulted in the Link Directorship.

The Link Directorship also saw the introduction of the Get LINKed newsletter which was emailed out a fortnight after the Rural Youth newsletter to remind members of deadlines and upcoming dates that they may have forgotten about.

New membership forms for 2013 were designed and printed, with suggestions from staff and members on Rural Youth Council all contributing to the new design. Along with the new membership form a new membership price was implemented.

I wish the incoming 2013 Link Director the best of luck with this new Directorship and look forward to watching it grow in the coming years.

Simone Hayers

**Link Director 2012**

## Sponsorship

In 2012 we signed up Australian Chainsaw Products as naming rights sponsor for the Young Farmer of the year competition (Ruby level), they were kind enough to give us cash as well as donating three chainsaws and safety equipment. Another new sponsor that we signed up is JD's Battery services as a Silver level sponsor who donated over \$1,500 worth of prizes and also gave us \$1,500 in cash.

We also re-signed a couple of old sponsors these being, Allgoods who gave us \$1,000 cash and \$2,000 worth of vouchers and Tasmanian Alkaloids who gave us \$3,000 cash.

All of the prizes were greatly appreciated when received along with the cash components.

Hopefully in 2013 we will sign up a few more sponsors and renew the above mentioned sponsors as without the support of our sponsors we cannot hold such great events.

Katie Coad



# Leadership & Training

2011 was a relatively quiet year for the Leadership and Training Directorship with lots of ideas thrown around but when push came to shove not many members were really interested in participating. 2012 continued in a similar vein, with training days in chainsaw and first aid held at Quercus poorly attended despite lots of interest prior to the events and heavy subsidies reducing the costs of these courses greatly.

The last weekend in July saw the first Leadership, Mentoring and Education weekend be held at Quercus. The weekend saw members learn about motions, allowed members to learn more about the Organisation, brainstorm for the future and network with other members. The weekend also saw members participate in laser skirmish and then on the Sunday members spent time with Trendy Trev and Cowboy Bram listening to their presentation on life's inspiration, motivation and leadership. A big thank you to Katie Coad for organising this.

The year also ended on a positive note with excavator training being run in conjunction with the Toomes Lake Tumbler event. Training was run at Brighton and it saw seven keen guys arrive from 7am to complete their paperwork and have a practice on the 3.5 tonne machine courtesy of one of our sponsors Onetrak. They will each receive licences to operate any size excavator.

Training and learning new skills is one of the foundation reasons for being a member of Rural Youth. As well as being able to heavily subsidise most training courses run under the Rural Youth banner, all members have the opportunity to use their training subsidy which allows members to claim up to \$200 each year back for training that they have undertaken from an organisation other than Rural Youth.

The Leadership and Training Directors strongly urge all members to contact them about any training that they are keen on completing, as generally where one person is interested, many more will be keen and willing to learn. There is no minimum number of members needed to run training courses, but Directors need to know the members want to learn.

Simone Hayers, Deyarna Bowen & Dale Hayers

**Leadership & Training Directors 2012**

# Young Farmer Competition 2012

## Australian Chainsaw Products

There was a fantastic day of competition at Quercus alongside the Top Teams and Round-up Competitions!

We started the day with 14 competitors from around the state - big congratulations to our State Finalists, they all did well in region runoffs to make it through! Each of our finalists walked away with over \$100 in prizes for turning up and trying their luck on the day!

Nathan Marshall (NW - Region Winner)

Roy Viney (Nth)

Sarah Casey (Nth)

Nerinda Lade (Nth)

Amanda Bayles (Nth)

Martin McConnon (Nth)

Prue Dennis (Nth)

Tim Dobson (Nth - Region Winner)

Tori Percival (Sth)

Clare Lindsay (Sth)

Owen Woolley (Sth)

Dale Hayers (Sth - Region Winner)

Phillips Green (Sth)

Cameron Roper (Isolated)

On the day the finalists were challenged in modules:

**Finance** - calculate potential earnings of tree plantation (Winner: Tori Percival)

**Safety** - quiz developed by PASS (Winner: Cameron Roper)

**Home Economics** - Ironing & darn a sock (Winner: Tori Percival & Nerinda Lade)

**Dairy Module** - livestock assessment and vaccination (Winner: Tim Dobson)

**Machinery** - tractor operation provided by Richmond Hill Angus (Winner: qNathan Marshall)

**Calibration** - calibrate a backpack sprayer (Winner: Tim Dobson)

**Livestock** - Alpaca judging (Winner: Cameron Roper)

**Grains** - Seed ID provided Seedhouse Tasmania (Winner: Tim Dobson)

And the stress didn't stop for our Top 6 who were announced at the dinner and still had to fight it out through Public Speaking and Quiz modules!

# Young Farmer Competition 2012

## Australian Chainsaw Products ... continued....

Congratulations to our Top 6 who walked away with thousands in cash and prizes!

1st: Tim Dobson

2nd: Tori Percival (Winner of public speaking)

3rd: Prue Dennis (Winner of Quiz)

4th: Martin McConnon

5th: Cameron Roper

6th: Clare Lindsay

Congratulations – you all did a wonderful job!

The amazing prize pool is thanks to our sponsors of the competition:



# Northern Region

Well another year gone and they seem to just go so fast!

Back in January last year we had our AGM with me being voted in as President for a second year running. To make up the rest of the committee was Morgan Waters as vice, Deyarna Bowen as secretary and Ellen Freeman as Treasurer.

This year it was our turn to organise the venue for state AGM. We decided on Mountain Side Inn at Deloraine. With approximately 40 RSVP's it was set to be a good weekend – we hope you enjoyed it.

Again many members attended Agfest and helped out over the set up, days of and pack up time. We also got to meet our exchanges in that had just 'moved in' with us for the next three months, Stuart, Joe & Mary-Anne.

To see us through winter was State Ball this year held in Devonport. It was a nice night with many Northern Region members attending...some even winning a Study Tour - congratulations

In early August we held the Young Farmer Run Offs at Quercus, thanks to Deyarna & Alisha for organising the morning, it was enjoyed by the many attendees. With 11 participants and eight from our Region it was great to see the young farmers out and about.

Six of the eight Northern Region members returned in September to fight out the State Young Farmer Contest – which was a great day. The following day many members also attended the annual shot at the Bracknell Gun Club,.

In October we again held our 'fast food progressive dinner' there were a few car loads to hop between the fast food restaurants of Launceston.

To finish off the year we headed to Links restaurants at the Casino, after a lovely buffet meal we then headed out to check out the Christmas lights around Launceston, of which we were able to find a few.

Thank you to everyone that came along and had input with in Northern Region this year, it is a big team effort. Good luck to the 2013 team!

Amanda Bayles

**Northern Region President 2012**

# Westmorland

Where does one begin...?

For Westmorland, our year began with a bang celebrating and bringing in the New Year. This year has proved highly successful in and out of our region. Westmorland this year proved to be an up and coming club and is proving to be one of the strongest clubs. Westmorland this year at the AGM received the 'holy grail' of club prizes, we were awarded top club. Along with an impressive cache of other awards including competitions winner, north and state wide, northern and state debating, best attendance at state functions, best video, most new members and highest member increase. This for me as last year's president was one of our crowning moments for the hard work had all paid off.

During 2012, our club saw many new members and old ones returning, we had successful membership and social evenings. With some being held at Kingsway putt golf and AMF bowling. In conjunction with northern region, we also went out for tea and participated in social dinner meetings.

Westmorland, as done in previous years, also participated in community events and assisted in the running of them. In March we held a stand and a Ute show at the blessing of the harvest festival where as much as it was a dismal day due to the weather we had a lot of interest from potential new members that when they 'became of age' they would be interested in joining. We had a lot of old members pass by for a chat and members and leaders of local youth groups come by and collect information about our club and the benefits of joining rural youth.

In May members participated in Agfest where 'the year of the farmer' was also celebrated. We had a good strong contingency of members there volunteering and members holding positions on the committee. Congratulations to Amanda for her position of chairman for 2013.

Midway through the year saw members attend state ball held by North West region. Congratulations to NW for holding a successful ball.

September saw the arrival of spring and the run offs for Young farmer, where we had again a strong contingency of members. Andrew, Roy, Amanda and myself compete in the run offs where Andrew, Roy, Amanda and myself all made the top 15, but unfortunately due to work commitments Andrew was unable to compete.

Run alongside of Young Farmer competition every year is the 'Top Teams' competition on the Saturday and the shooting competition on Sunday. This year we entered a team titled 'camo-carsie' with Noah, Brad, Ellen and one of our younger members Alexander compete around the varying modules from driving to dancing to scrapbooking and a scavenger hunt. We placed a good second. Sunday saw the ever popular shooting competition come around again where Ellen placed first in both the field simulated rifle, and the clay bird shooting, I finished second in both, and Amanda placed third in the clay target. The boys from the club were also successful with Noah placing second in the rifle, and tied second in the clay target with another fellow member, Nathan.

# Westmorland... continued...

October came and went like a flash, and within this month we held our annual Ute competition in conjunction with the Longford show society. This year we had a strong field of entries consisting of 19 Utes from varying backgrounds from street utes to the humble 'feral' and a good field of 'chicks' utes. We yet again, were so very fortunate to all our sponsors that every year come up with the goods and support us year in, year out. Without them and our hard working club members there would be no ute competition.

In November, we cleaned out the cob webs of our car parking skills where members volunteered their time and resources to help park cars and help keep the gate at the Cressy Trout Expo. Thanks to all those that volunteered their time and efforts.

As the year draws to a close we encroach on the 'silly' season when rodeo season begins and as do our Rural Youth events. Swag Swappers was on the first weekend of December, where some of our members attended, from reports had by those who attended a great night was had. Congratulations to Brighton Rural youth for yet again running a successful event. Best of luck for future events and keep up the good work.

During the middle of summer a very 'colourful' weekend was had by all members where the inaugural 'Tooms Lake Tumbler' was held, from reports had by members who attended it was a very enjoyable event where the 'exclusiveness' of the event where we had The Wolfe Brothers play, proved to be enjoyable by attendees of all ages. I don't only speak for myself when I say we are looking forward to the event in future years.

Finally, to finish up, I would like to thank everyone who has been involved in Westmorland over the year 2012, this year has been one of many highs. As outgoing President of 2012 I would like to thank all of the members who have held positions within the club in this time. Thank you to Morgan Waters who held presidency until he had to step down in June this year due to personal commitments. Thank you to Ellen who was yet again keeper of the books, you did an outstanding job. Thank you to the boys Andrew, Brad and Noah, who when everything seemed to fall down they went to work with the super glue and fixed it back up.

Lastly but definitely not the least, thank you to every one of our members. Without you there wouldn't be a club.

'See you next time out of the centre'

Prue Dennis

# Hagley

2012 was an exciting year for our club, we turned 50! Hip Hip Hooray! We started the year prepping and planning for the big party we were throwing ourselves in March.

Well over 100 people attended our Big Five O at Quamby Estate. It felt good celebrating with our past members everything that our club has achieved over the years.

We were very excited to present Dale Badcock and Jayne Clarke Life Memberships to Hagley in recognition for their contribution to our club.

The night wouldn't have been possible without the help and support of so many current and past members. So give yourselves a pat on the back people.

The rest of the year was spent having some fun. We joined in with Western Tiers for a battle at Laser Tag and mixed up our meeting locations so some different scenery.

Although we are struggling a little with members we have still had a great year and looking forward to the next.

Hagley Rural Youth Club



# Tamar

This year in TRY, we have a quiet year, we had a few new members come on to the scene, some of our members helped at agfest, Ricky taking on the role as power director one month out from agfest, he took on a big role and got through it with a blast, and he is doing it all again in 2013.

Angus, Ricky and Luke Edson took part in the Shooting comp this, Angus came first in the clay bird shooting with Ricky coming third in the clay birds.

Congratulations to Ricky Edson being selected for a study tour at state ball, he has been selected to go to Sweden and will be jetting off just after Agfest, we wish him all the best.

Some of our members were very busy when the show season came around with Luke Edson coming 1st in junior sheep judging at the Royal Hobart show and coming 3rd in the State Final held at the Devonport show.

TRY didn't run their ute comp this at the Launceston show this year, The Tassie Ute Group ran a ute comp at the show on the Saturday, some of our members went and along and entered their utes, they all won some prizes.

Thank you to everyone that helped out with TRY this year and all the best in 2013 cheers  
TRY

Tamar Rural Youth Club

# Dorset

Well what a year it has been 2012 has flew by before our eyes.

As a club this year we held many social days/nights. Some included camping at Waterhouse where we all got eaten by mozzies, lazar tag and putt putt golf in Launceston, and an AGFEST mailbox building night at Ollie's shed. We also hosted a Bucket Party which soon turned into a puddle party as it was raining and cold so next year social events can be held at someone else's place because every time we hold an event at mine and Richards place it rains!! Big thanks to everyone who has helped organise and participated in these events.

Dorset members were also seen out and about at these Rural Youth functions throughout the year: Toga Party, Young Farmer Dinner, Rural Round up, Agfest 30th Dinner, State AGM and Agfest itself. A few of our members attended Agfest 2012 and stepped up to be on the committee. It was a great weekend even if it did rain. After Agfest we hosted 3 exchanges Joe, Stuart and Marianne. They were showed the sights from Bridport to St Helens and everything in-between. It was sad too see them go. Thankyou to Aleta, Deyarna, and Claire for letting these guys stay at your places and giving up your time to show them around there local area.

As a club this year we have held 2 fundraising events the first was a BBQ outside Woolworth's, where we soon worked out it was way to hot to be cooking a BBQ in the sun. We also held another Car Fun Day, although we didn't get many cars it was still a great day with a few cars getting lost and one completely missing the checkpoint. While Richo and Brodie thought they would collect nearly every piece of rubbish off the side of the road including a couch. Huge thanks to Aleta for helping map the course and help out on the day, means a lot. Throughout the year we did a chocolate Fundraiser and a Christmas Raffle also.

This year the clubs goal has been to help out the community over the past few months we have donated money to help out Scottsdale Show Society and Ringarooma Primary School Show committee with the running of our local shows. Next years goal is to work together with them to run a show activity.

August saw the annual Dorset Damnation come around really fast, at least it wasn't raining this year and the new renovations to the hall made damnation run smoothly. Thanks to everyone who helped out whether it was on the gate, behind the bar and in the organisation and running if this event.

We lost a few valued members this year due to work commitments on the mainland. Big thankyou to Brodie for stepping up and taking on vice president from Jesse also I like to say a big thank you to Deyarna, Aleta and Richard they were always willing to give me advise and help out if I ever needed something done, so thankyou. Thank you to everyone who stepped up to hold a position within the club for the 2012 year and good luck to everyone on next years committee.

Jessica-Rose Forsyth

# Southern Region

As a region we have fluctuating numbers at meetings and events, but it is great to see you all when you can spare the time!

We started off the year with our Family Day at Zoo Doo with Hawthorn Football Club in attendance! Thanks to Dale (2011 President) for pulling off a great day! Hopefully the club will consider making it an annual event.

We headed up to Deloraine very early on Saturday Morning to attend State AGM – unfortunately, many clubs did not sent representation and so we struggled with a quorum all weekend. RY members have a lot of commitments to keep, but ensuring we have quorum at meetings and AGM's is especially important! If you can't attend, let the meeting convenor know and see if you can find yourself a proxy.

Southern Region was well represented at Agfest again. Despite the rain and wind and long days a great time was had by all! Some members also made the trip to State Ball and got all dolled up! We host this event in 2013, so get your thinking caps on for great venue and theme!

Bowling Competition was the best attended function for Region this year with members coming out of the woodwork to try their luck. We now have a new trophy for our winners – congratulations Sorell Club!

As a region we also organised the State Young Farmer dinner, which turned out to be more profitable than hoped! Numbers were down on the night, but we still had fun and our Guest of Honour was a hit! Let's hope we see her again in 2013 – maybe at a Royal Baby Shower themed event?

After Young Farmer was over we jumped straight into organising the Tasmanian National Circlework Competition State Runoffs at Hobart Show! This is the first year we have had the opportunity to run this event. Hobart Show were very impressed with the crowd it pulled and we hope it will become an annual event...One that I am sure is easier to organise the second time around.

Oatlands club started the year well, but as it progressed found they had too few active members to hold quorum at meetings, with many members living interstate it wasn't possible to make up the numbers. Oatlands managed to help at Melton and hope for bigger and better things in 2013!

After some tribulations in 2011 Sorell Club bounced back in 2012 and have made some very positive steps at the Hall and in the community. Work continues on Pawleena Hall, with electrical work complete and a grant obtained to fix the perimeter fence. Sorell Club have also forged a great relationship with the school which is helping gain new members!

# Southern Region

Tasman got lost for a while and although Region offered to assist by running functions on the Peninsular the members chose to fold the club at the end of 2012.

KH as always were a strong club with many community commitments including organising the entertainment at Huon Relay for Life and working alongside the Huon Show to improve Animal Nursery and Dog High jump competitions. KH are also a social club with many social evenings and 4WD trips organised and great inspiration to other clubs!

Brighton have stepped up their Region involvement this year and also managed renovations on their shed, helping out Brighton Show, Ross Rodeo and also running Swag Swappers. Swaggies was a great event again and well done to Brighton Club on pulling off a venue and band change and still getting an awesome turnout. Brighton is one of the last RY clubs to run their own function, so please get out there and support them!

HUGE thank you must go to my Exec, Dale (Treasurer), Tegan (Vice President) and Simone (Secretary) for helping me out this year. It has been a busy year with many club and region activities but together we made it through! Special thank you to everyone who came to a meeting or three, helped out at one of our community or Rural Youth events – together we made the year a success!

Thanks for letting me be your President, it has been fun – Best wishes to the new committee for 2013!

TTFN

Katie Crane

**Southern Region President 2012**

# Kingborough Huon

Well here we are, another year down! So many things have happened... Barack Obama got re-elected, the Sydney Swans took the Premiership, and the Brighton bypass finally opened!... But none of these things quite compare to the exciting things that Kingborough Huon Rural Youth have been up to! We have had many social outings throughout the year, such as sharing a few drinks at the Clubrooms, four wheel driving, and some intense travelling around Tassie to various Rural Youth functions.

We had six members attend the State Annual General Meeting (AGM); most of them took up the opportunity to mini bus it with Southern Region and head to Deloraine for the weekend... Who wouldn't get pumped about a weekend in Deloraine ;- ) The AGM dinner saw KH member Katie Coad announced as the Outstanding Member for 2011. This continues a three year tradition in one of our members taking home one of the Organisation's top awards; let's see if we can make it four years in a row next year! We also picked up some Competition Awards at the dinner including winning the Mannequin Competition – congratulations to all those involved and thank you for travelling up to compete... Next time Richard, let's keep the Eski clean! :-P

March 2012 saw some of our members raise some much needed funds for the Cancer Council by participating in the Huon Valley Relay for Life. We were able to keep our batten moving for the full 24 hours and had a great time in doing so... minus a few welts here and there! (We might need to practice our whip cracking before we use a stock whip as our batten again!) In total we believe we raised around \$1 500, so well done!!

Next up was Agfest in May. There was a great turnout from members attending Agfest days with a lot of our us volunteering! We had 19 members help out, with some giving a still very helpful one day, whilst some were onsite for what seemed like an eternity I'm sure... \*cough.. Owen!\* Well done to all of our members that helped out and I know that many of you made plenty of great new friendships!

Straight after Agfest, with little to no warning, KH hosted the three exchangees – Joe, Stuart and Marianne. Luckily enough we were able to have them stay for four weeks in the south until the Agfest Dinner. It was a stretch but a huge thanks goes out to Meg and her family for hosting above and beyond what was expected, and to the members that helped out with the sightseeing around the south.

In June, our members headed to the Southern Region Rural Youth bowling competition where we had lots of members turn up... Sadly, however, we were quantity and not quality! Well done to everyone that went though, and I'm sure we all had a fantastic time.

# Kingborough Huon... continued...

State Ball was held in July at Devonport, which gave our President Simone an opportunity to host her first Rural Youth event in the absence of Kate Coad. We had 7 members make the journey up to the North West Coast for the night. During the day, we had two KH members hoping to win a Study Tour. At the dinner it was announced that in 2012 Tameika would be headed to the Jillaroo School on the mainland as her nominated Study Tour and that Bec would be heading to Switzerland. Congratulations girls, we are sure you will have an absolute ball!

September brought the Young Farmer Competition and Top Teams. We had four of our members make the State Final of the Young Farmer Competition – Owen Woolley, Dale Hayers, Clare Lindsay and Victoria Percival. Congratulations again guys and well done to Clare for taking out fifth position and Tori for coming second. You have done the Club proud! If anyone wants to buy a chainsaw, let Tori know!

We also had two teams enter the Top Teams –congratulations guys for putting in the effort and getting our Club out there. Congratulations to Southern Region on a successful Young Farmer Dinner which saw all our members that attended have a great time dancing the night away! Not to mention having some fun with the Queen!!

The Huon Agricultural Show held in November was another great success. Our Dog High Jump saw 16 entrants and was watched by hundreds of people! We had some great prizes this year and would like to thank VIP Petfoods for this generous donation. Every dog that entered got to take something home! The Animal Nursery and Rural Youth stall were also very popular attractions, which lucky dips and balloons being sold, whilst the Ute Competition was well attended as always! In addition to the events that Kingborough Huon looks after at the Huon Show we also had members enter the Huon Show Ambassador Competition where our own member Owen Woolley took out the top position. KH is certainly proving to be a good source of Ambassadors for the Huon Show.

We were also able to fundraise throughout the year by running a quiz night and selling chocolates. Well done to those who were able to help out and raise some funds for the club. We also purchased some new hoodies and promotional items to promote the club within the community.

This year hasn't been all positive for us sadly, as unfortunately we were one of many groups in the Huonville area that were vandalised during a one night spree by a group of younger citizens. However, with that behind us, it has made us realise that we need to take more care of what we have and look at ways of preventing such events from happening again!

Finally, a big thanks to all our club members who turned up to meetings, club events and hopefully you have all had a fantastic year.

Bring on 2013!!

**Tory Percival & Simone Hayers**

# Sorell

A lot of changes have occurred within Sorell Rural Youth (SRY) in 2012. The Annual General Meeting saw the club to come out of caretaker mode, with Phillipa Green taking on president, Malcolm Campbell taking on vice president, Kathryn Schroeter taking on the role as secretary, and Simone Hayers (former Caretaker and Kingborough Huon Rural Youth member) staying on as a caretaker treasurer. With these people taking on the top positions in the club it meant that Sorell Rural Youth was going to be back in 2012.

2012 has been a big year for Sorell Rural Youth, with a few changes occurring. The Club gained new members and some work was done out at the Pawleena Hall. New members meant that the club was able to participate in Rural Youth activities. Sorell Rural Youth won the Southern Region bowling competition, and was the Top Club winner for the Southern Region. Sorell Rural Youth members were also able to help out at Agfest, attend State Functions and also Southern Region meetings and functions.

The Sorell Council was very generous again this year, with another grant to help out with the Pawleena Hall. It is going to be used to help re-build the fence out at Pawleena Hall, with work to hopefully start early 2013. 2012 also saw Sorell Rural Youth participating in local community events. A soft drink stall occurred at the Forcett Hot Rod Show, and a membership stall at the Sorell High School Fair. The club is also hoping to be involved in the Bream Creek Show in 2013.

Sorell Rural Youth would not have been able to operate without the help of the following people in 2012: Thanks must go to Katie Coad. She has been great as State President, but is also a great supporter of Sorell Rural Youth. She has provided mentoring to newer members, and is there to provide support as needed. She also helped to attract new members to the club by talking to the Farm Studies class at Sorell High School.

Next Sorell Rural Youth would like to thank Simone Hayers. Thanks do not really cover how much she has helped out Sorell Rural Youth. Simone stayed on in 2012 as caretaker treasurer (even though she is a member of another Rural Youth Club), and has been centre to the clubs success in 2012. From answering questions about Rural Youth, to helping get the club organised, Sorell Rural Youth are very thankful and grateful that Simone has given up her time.

Lastly Sorell Rural Youth would like to thank the Sorell Council for the grant for the fencing work, The Forcett Hot Rod Show for letting us have a stall (and the donation that they made), and the Sorell High School for allowing us to have a stall at the Fair.

2013 looks to be a good year for SRY!

Phillipa Green

**President Sorell Rural Youth 2012**

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