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A quiet word From The Editor...

The November NEWSLETTER

**DEADLINE is Friday 20th November 2015
at 5PM**

Hey everyone!

This year has flown by! It's getting to the pointy end of the year and that means Annual Reports will be due soon, a few people have already got in so don't be shy! All clubs and each coordinator will need to write a little something for the Annual Report, so get your writing hats on!

Well done to all clubs that have participated in their local shows, the photos look great!

Until next month,

Phillipa :)

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State President



At the time of writing this report there were nine Fridays until Christmas. Does that scare you as much as it does me?! But in the time between now and then there is still a lot happening! The show season has begun with Launceston, Longford and Hobart ticked off the list and with Westmorland having run a Ute competition at Longford show, also assisting in the animal nursery. Just around the corner is Huon show at which local club Kingborough Huon plays an integral part. They organise the Dog High Jump and the Ute Competition, not to mention that they also have Relay For Life on the horizon as well. Many clubs around the state have something happening which is great to see.

Western Tiers has had a rebirth with some passionate members looking to be the change, with other clubs planning their annual events that are scheduled for the summer. We look forward to all these great events that our clubs put on each year, and congratulate them on their hard work and passion that goes into them.

A timely reminder to ALL members; past and present about the use of social media and the image of Rural Youth that we promote. In the past few weeks I have been contacted on a few occasions regarding posts on social media that portray the organisation in a poor manner. In the changing society, we as an Organisation moving forward are trying to get past the old stigma and stereotype that “all we do in Rural Youth is drink alcohol” or that we are essentially a bunch of ‘yobbo’s’. We are a group of young professionals with a common interest, so please, when posting something regarding Rural Youth, please think twice and think is this truly appropriate?

In closing, the next dates for Council gatherings are as follows.

November Saturday 21st - Brainstorming Session and General meeting following the conclusion of Working bee efforts on the Saturday at Quercus

December Saturday 12th - Christmas catch up and social BBQ the weekend of the fork lift training up the North West coast.

I look forward to seeing all of our members around somewhere soon.

Prue Dennis

Agfest Chairman

WE ARE LIVE! That's right; the Agfest Exhibitor Application period is OPEN! Go to www.agfest.com.au to submit your application for consideration of being part of the 2016 event.

COMMITTEE

Our Committee went into October knowing that October was a tricky month to schedule a meeting, given workload and external commitments of our members, but we managed to reach quorum and run the meeting as planned. In conjunction with this meeting a small launch into future working bees at Quercus Park was held, with Sarah Revell and Cameron Ranson and myself doing the few little jobs that we could do on the Saturday morning.

There are just two vacancies on the committee at present; Assistant KAAP (Kids Ag Awareness Program) and the Assistant Vehicles & Transport role – please submit your interest to Chairman@agfest.com.au

WORKING BEES

We have our next working bee on November 21st from 8am onwards, following the Agfest meeting held on November 20th.

CONTRACTORS BBQ EVENING

On the evening of Friday 20th November at Quercus Park we are hosting a BBQ from 5pm - 7pm for all contractors that give us a hand throughout the year, please rsvp to chairman@agfest.com.au by Wednesday 18th November if you can attend. Invites will be sent to the 2015/16 Committee and external contractors and key contacts.

I recently attended a Volunteering Tasmania networking session on volunteer engagement and procedures. During this opportunity, there were many conversations held of relevance and many networks made in this field.

We have had promotional flyers printed advertising our Applications Live period—please contact myself or the office team if you would like a copy of this flyer.

I was fortunate enough to attend the Harvest Market with Unique Taste Coordinator, Sarah Revell a few weeks ago handing out these flyers to potential exhibitors. This was great to experience a local farmers market, and hopefully this dream can come alive at the 2016 Agfest! I may have caused concern to Sarah when she momentarily left me and I made purchase of a bulk bag of carrots, after the quick explanation of 6 baby bunnies, 3 big rabbits and a guinea pig at home the bulk purchase of carrots was understood.

Lastly congratulations to our Craft Pavilion Coordinator, Simone Hayers, on her recent engagement to Ben. Exciting time ahead for you both!

Many thanks

Kate Coad

Southern Region Rural Youth



Swag slumber returns for 2015.... Halloween style!!

So naturally Southern Region will have MORE to report next month BUT in the interim we have held the Young Farmer Dinner which kept us fairly busy!!

Huge thank you to Kaysie, Ebony, Simone, Prue, Jade, Ben and anyone else that contributed towards helping set up this years Young Farmer Dinner and lunch. Given we had submitted our contribution to Newsletter already last month missing the Young Farmer reference, HUGE well done to Will McConnon on his title and win of Australian Chainsaw Products Young Farmer of the Year! Congratulations to everyone that participated. Well done to Amanda Bayles who coordinated a great competition!

Stay tuned for news from Southern Region, particularly on Swag Slumber...Returns!

Many thanks

Kate Coad



Central Highlands Rural Youth

Members attended the Shooting Competition In Bracknell , well done to all the competitors, from what I hear it was a fantastic day and a hot one at that.

Lately we have been changing things up a little and trying to support the local businesses that support our club, therefore we decided to hold our latest Club Meeting at Sassafras Springs in Ellendale, which is a Country Retreat Bed and Breakfast. This was a lovely spot to hold a meeting, we all enjoyed a three course meal which the owners had specially put on for our club, as well as a special birthday cake for member Ashley Britten. We all had a great night.

As many of you would have seen via our Facebook page we attended the Leukaemia Light the Night Fundraiser also held in Ellendale, we helped raise \$1200 which is great for a small country town!



The Club has been busy selling pine bark and sheep manure this past month selling out at the local markets.

Our club helped set up the Ouse and Highlands Craft Festival on the 16th of October in Ouse spending all day on the Friday helping set up and having our own stall with sheep manure and pine bark and a guessing competition, we managed to sell out and drum up some new members for next year. Our information booth was a great idea and clearly it works!

The day was a great success apart from the wind. We were lucky enough to talk to Eric Hutchinson, Rene Hidding, Craig Farrell and the Local Mayor Ms Flindt. Our club has been given the opportunity to run the Ouse and Highlands Craft Festival for 2016 and we decide who gets the profits. Whether it goes to our own club or we split the profit helping another local community etc, this is exciting for us and we can't wait to see this unfold. There was also talk of our club coming on board and running the Central Highlands Bush Fest which is held in Bothwell in November. This event runs over three days and showcases all local businesses, mainly agricultural, fishing and shooting based which is the heart of the Central Highlands area. As this year's event is too close we have decided to help with the car parking and again this year having our stall and information booth.

Central Highlands Rural Youth

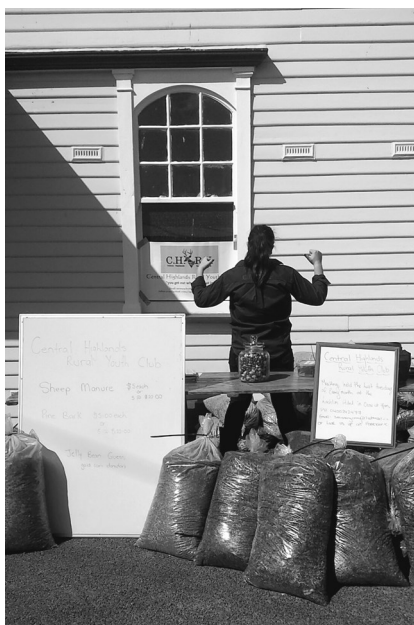
As you all would have seen our secretary Emma Rayner was approached by Roger Hanson who is a reporter at the Mercury in Hobart. Emma had agreed to give up some of her time and go into Salamanca and meet with Roger and his photographer the result of which was published in the Mercury Newspaper.

Roger's intent was to interview Emma as he had seen her article which she was fortunate enough to have published on the first two pages of the Highland Digest. Emma being Emma spun the interview around and wanted to focus on the club, getting our name out and getting people interested in joining up. The article has been offered to the Tasmanian Country and the local Gazette, well done Emma!



You may have also seen Emma has also met with reporter Andrew Miller and managed to talk her way around an article being published in the Tasmanian Farmer and The Stock and Land Newspaper— just brilliant! this is opening many doors for our club and something as simple as an email or phone call. We encourage other clubs to get on board with some of these ideas as we share our successes, we would like to help those who are struggling with ideas etc. What works for us may not work for your club but if we can please let us know if we can help in some way, Rural Youths motto "We Work Better Together" says it all.

Our next club meeting will be held at the Lachlan Hotel in Ouse on Tuesday the 24th November at 7pm.



Kingborough Huon Rural Youth

Kingborough Huon Rural Youth has had a quiet month since the epic September month! Over that time we had a group blood donation session in which 10 members rolled up their sleeves. Each donation saves three lives and as such, Kingborough Huon grew the total lives saved by Rural Youth Tasmania to almost 100 for 2015. Remember that if you would like to donate to register with the Rural Youth Tasmania group so you too can contribute to our state total.

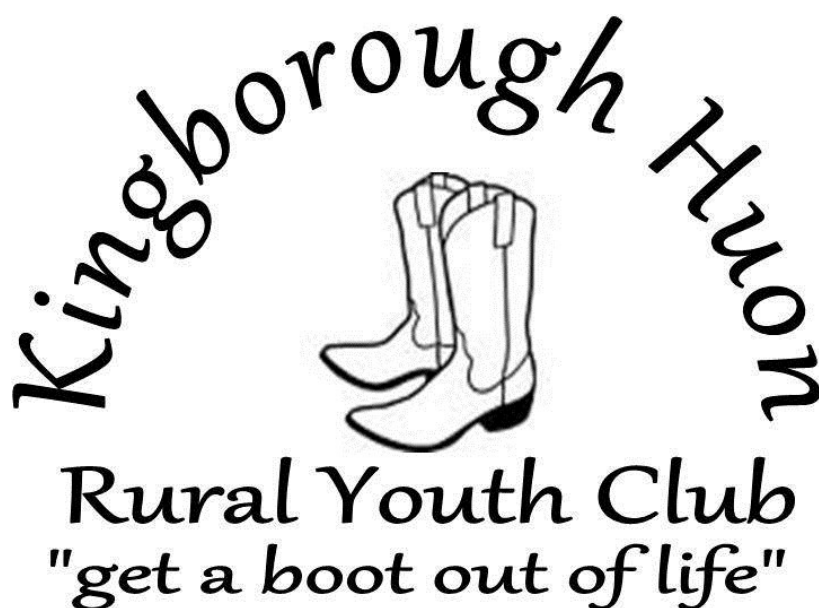
We also began our fundraising for the 2016 Relay for Life by running a BBQ at Mitre 10 in Kingston which netted a nice little kick-start to our overall total.

Since then, with some members preparing for University exams the club has been a little bit quieter. A big congrats to Bree House on finishing her degree, whilst Meg Kluver-Jones handed in her thesis last week and is now only two exams off completing her Engineering degree. Simone Hayers has only one more exam to add Masters to her Health Degree.

Despite the busy-ness of it all, we are now full swing into Huon Show preparations, with the Ute Muster prizes and sponsorship sorted, the dog high jump and animal nursery are being slowly worked on.

Our Ute competition has over 10 categories each with some great prizes! The added bonus is that you get free parking on the show grounds! No walking from after if you have a schmick Ute!

Our next club meeting is on Wednesday November 4th to complete Huon Show tasks. For more information on time and location contact Simone Hayers on 0400067435.



Kingborough Huon Rural Youth





November 2015

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**PUBLIC
HOLIDAY
NORTH**

North Motton
8pm

Sisters Creek
7pm

Brighton 7pm

Tasman

Hagley 6.30pm

RAC @ Head
Office 7pm

9 Circular Head 7pm Devonport 7.30pm Dorset 7.30pm	10	11 Kingborough Huon 6.30pm	12 Northern Region 7pm	13 Oatlands 7pm Sorell 7pm	14	15
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16	17	18 Westmorland 7pm	19 North West Region 7pm	20 Agfest Meeting at Quercus Contractors BBQ	21 Rural Youth Council Meeting at Quercus WORKING BEE	22
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23	24 Central Highlands 7pm	25 Southern Region 7pm	26	27	28	29
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December 2015

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North Motton
8pm

Brighton 7pm

Oatlands 7pm

Tasman

Sisters Creek
7pm

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Hagley 6.30pm

Kingborough
Huon 6.30pm

Northern Region
7pm

Sorell 7pm

North West
Christmas BBQ

14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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Circular Head
7pm

Central
Highlands 7pm

Westmorland
7pm

North West
Region 7pm

Devonport
7.30pm

Dorset 7.30pm

21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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CHRISTMAS EVE

CHRISTMAS DAY

BOXING DAY

Southern Region
7pm



28	29	30	31
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NEW YEAR EVE



Head office will be closed from 12pm 24th December 2015 and will re open on Monday 4th January 2016

Congratulations

Since the last newsletter there has been some exciting news for some of our members!

On behalf of all Rural Youth members we would like to congratulate a few people on their recent engagements!

Ryan Langley and Brigid Worldon (Both from North Motton Club)



Simon Hayers (Kingborough Huon) to Ben Salter

And Phillipa Green (Sorell) to Simon D'alton

New Member Welcome

On Be half of Rural Youth we would like to welcome our
New Member:

★ Stuart Cresswell - Western Tiers ★

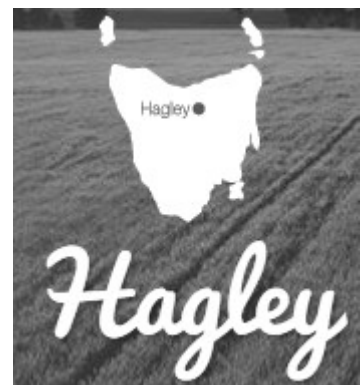
Hagley Rural Youth

Our next meeting is on Thursday the 5th of November at the Westbury pub, 6:30pm for tea, and 7pm for the meeting.

Hope to see all members there. Try to get some friends keen as well!

Thanks,

Hagley Rural Youth



Oatlands Rural Youth

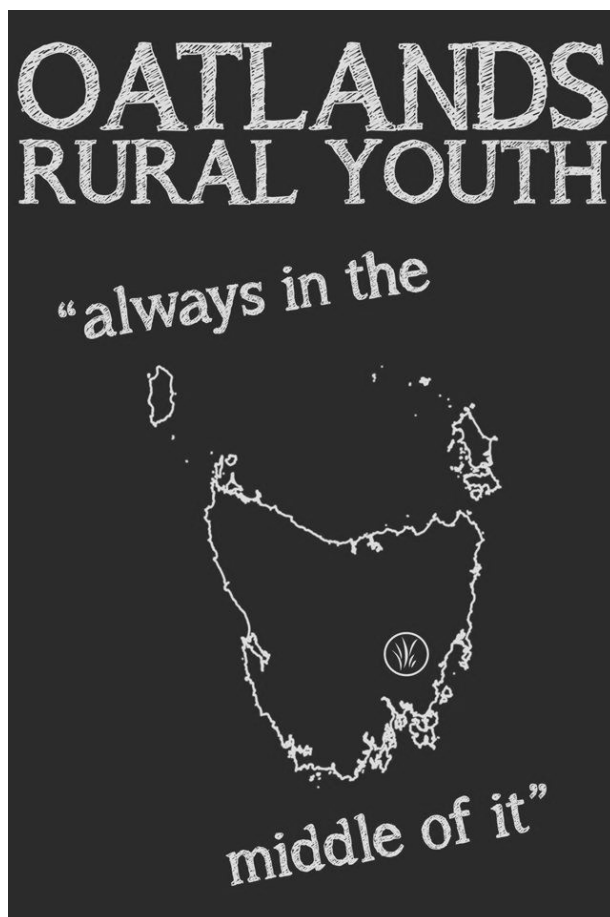
Oatlands Rural Youth have been busy brainstorming an exclusive Rural Youth Member only event for summer!!

Saturday February 6th 2015 we are hosting a summer party. Keep the date free, it will be held at the Woodsdale Football Club with plenty of space to camp! More information is on page 15 in the newsletter. There will be an event going up on Facebook soon too! So keep your eyes peeled!

We are keen for the Halloween Swag Slumber on the 31st of October and also Melton Rodeo where we will be car parking at!

Hope to see you all out and about!
"Always in the middle of it!"

Next meeting: Friday 6th of November at 7:30pm at The Huntington Tavern in Kempton after line marking for Melton Rodeo from 6:30pm!



Rural Youth Shooting Competition

Sunday the 4th of October saw our Annual Shooting Competition occur. A magical day on the hill and flats at the SSAA Bracknell branch made for a great day of competition and friendly rivalry.

Results are as follows:

Men's Rifle

Stuart Cresswell, Western Tiers 25
Phil Downham, Central Highlands 24
Tobias tenBensel, Kingborough Huon 24
Alex White, Kingborough Huon 22
Tim Cresswell, Western Tiers 15
Jye Earnshaw, Westmorland (with an open sided rifle) 4

Women's Rifle

Andrea White, Westmorland 25
Prue Dennis, Westmorland 17
Amanda Bayles, Westmorland 15
Sam Larder, Central Highlands 13
Kat Cenin, Western Tiers 10

Men's Clay Target

- Stuart Cresswell, Western Tiers 15
- Phil Downham, Central Highlands 14
- Tim Cresswell, Western Tiers 12
- Alex White, Kingborough Huon 9
- Tobias tenBensel, Kingborough Huon 7

Women's Clay Target

Prue Dennis, Westmorland 6
Amanda Bayles, Westmorland 3
Kat Cenin, Western Tiers 1

Congratulations to all of our winners! Well done on your effort and thank you for coming out for a great day with Lunch that followed at the Bracknell Hotel.

See you all next year!

Prue Dennis



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SUMMER PARTY

saturday 6th february 2015
woodsdales football grounds
3pm onwards in to the night
rural youth members only

save the date

THANKYOU TO ALL OUR RURAL YOUTH AND AGFEST SPONSORS

DIAMOND



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PLATINUM



GOLD



SILVER



BRONZE

