

2010 'Country Energy' Nyngan Ag Expo

Terry Tremain takes the Chair of the Nyngan Ag Expo for 2011

Chairman's Report

“What a success”

“This years, Country Energy Nyngan Ag Expo exceeded all expectations with 240 exhibitors, (up 50 exhibitors on last year) all contributing to our success and the added benefit of the Radio 2DU outside broadcast attributed to in excess of 3500 visitors through the gate, our appreciation goes to the Bogan Shire Council for their valued sponsorship of the broadcast. The grounds were in fantastic condition, alive and abuzz with excitement thanks to a brilliant day with a great crowd, many successful exhibits and continued support from our enthusiastic sponsors” Our surveys indicated that 75% of those attending heard the advertising and promotional campaign coordinated with 2DU.

“With an increased number of exhibitors across the majority of interest areas, the agriculture section alone was filled with more cattle, sheep, machinery and farming industry businesses. Next year we hope the Expo will attract additional businesses from across the region for the benefit of everyone within our rural community.”

I am extremely proud of the effort my voluntary “committed” committee put behind this event to ensure its success. Each member of the committee is responsible for a particular division of the expo, David Smith, ensured that the Sheep exhibition was the most successful to date with 38 sheep breeders displaying their particular breeds. Don Lister worked tirelessly with the exhibitors,(as site manager) and the staff of the Bogan Shire to achieve an exciting display of machinery and exhibitors of whom 80% have already committed to attending the 2011 Ag Expo. David Butler and Chris Elder, who sadly couldn't be with us on the day contributed greatly to both the Cattle exhibitors and the ICPA fashion parade. A letter of appreciation was received from the ICPA committee for Ag Expos financial contribution to the success of one of their biggest fund raisers for the year.

Jodie Stewart continues all year, to keep a true record of all the financials for Expo and presents these records to Hugh Martel for auditing. Kylee Pearce coordinates the children's activities, this year Rod Dewhurst ably took the reins and coordinated the farming demonstrations. Jamie Fisher ensured that the vital area of OH&S was within the requirements; Col Gillespie contributed greatly of his time and muscle with the "setting up" and "taking down" of all the areas which were within Ag Expo responsibility.

To Nicole Klante the responsibility of media and marketing - excelled as always, we all gave consideration to the possibility of the fact that there may have been an "expo baby" on the day. Angie Kennedy solely takes the responsibility of holding the license for the successful food and wine marquee and to Jenny Deacon, Glad Eldridge, Barb Muldoon ,Dr Jim Brown (our Public Officer) and Mary Lamph whom all continue steadfastly to contribute to meetings and of their valued input to all committee decisions.

To Max Tremain, our patriarch and the longest serving member of our Committee, special thanks for 18 years service to the Ag Expo committee and the community.

Last but not least a big thank you to our BOSS and administrator Robyn, who does a great job in getting things done, working long hours all year to coordinate this major event for us.

To date expos commitment to the community has been achieved by donations to the Nyngan SES, Nyngan Golf Club Associates Committee, Bogan Shire Council and Care West. On the day of expo we contribute to local organisations by supplying sites – free of charge to promote their organisations, these included – The Royal Far West, Nyngan SES, Nyngan Public School P & C group, Nyngan Fire Brigade, The Police Rural Crime Prevention Division, Antique Engine groups from Nyngan, Molong and Wellington, Nyngan High School and The Nyngan Rural Fire Brigade.

We were extremely fortunate that the weather was kind and the day pleasant for all attending; our appreciation goes to the sponsors, exhibitors, and people who supported the event.

I have enjoyed my fourth year as the Chairman of Expo, first in 2005-2006, and then in 2009 and 2010. We are looking forward to an even bigger and better Ag Expo in 2011; with 98 exhibitors already committed we are well on our way.

Terry Tremain

Chairman

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