



# 2022 GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

**RASF**  
RAS FOUNDATION

# RAS FOUNDATION

The Royal Agricultural Society Foundation (RAS Foundation) was created in 2007 with a mission to support the development of sustainable and resilient regional and rural communities across New South Wales by promoting individual and community growth via educational scholarships and community grants.

Together with generous donations from our supporters, the RAS Foundation has invested over \$7.2 million into rural and regional communities through a range of targeted grants and scholarships. To date, the RAS Foundation has supported over 660 rural scholarship students to reach their educational dreams and awarded 64 organisations vital community building funding.

Donations to the RAS Foundation are tax deductible.

## GIVING TO DATE

Program:	<b>RAS Foundation Community Futures Grant (formerly \$25,000 Question)</b>
Duration:	13 years
Grants Awarded:	65 grants
Funds Distributed:	\$1,243,174
Program:	<b>JB Fairfax Award for Rural &amp; Regional Journalism</b>
Duration:	14 years
Grants Awarded:	14 Grants & 2 Highly Commended
Funds Distributed:	\$146,000
Program:	<b>Rural Scholarships (including Wine &amp; Dairy Scholarships)</b>
Duration:	12 years
Grants Awarded:	701 Scholarships
Funds Distributed:	\$3,530,900
Program:	<b>E3 Grant (retired)</b>
Duration:	3 years
Grants Awarded:	Grants to 59 schools
Funds Distributed:	\$265,906
Program:	<b>RAS Foundation Community Kitchen</b>
Duration:	9 years
Grants Awarded:	23 Community Kitchens
Funds Distributed:	\$280,671
Program:	<b>RAS Foundation Kitchen &amp; Christmas Toy Distribution</b>
Duration:	5 years
Value of Goods Distributed:	\$1,665,479
Program:	<b>RAS Foundation Nuffield Scholar</b>
Duration:	2 years
Grants Awarded:	2 Scholarships \$60,000
Other:	<b>2021 Ribbon Rug Project for Regional Hospitals</b> \$42,000

**Total** **\$7,234,130**

# RURAL SCHOLARSHIPS

RAS Foundation Rural Scholarships provide a financial helping hand for students who demonstrate a passion for rural issues and who are committed to playing a part in shaping the future of rural and regional NSW. These scholarships help students of all ages achieve their education goals and aspirations and embrace a diverse range of tertiary education and training studies.



**ABBEY GLOVER** MOREE  
**Master of Teaching (Secondary)**

I am currently studying online while living and working in Moree, a small rural town in northern NSW. Growing up on a sheep farm inspired me to pursue my passion for agriculture and I completed a Bachelor of Agricultural Science at Charles Sturt University Wagga Wagga. Upon completion, I decided to use my knowledge to inspire the next generation and I am currently studying a Masters of Teaching. I hope to teach the next generation to be conscious of where their food and fibre comes from and how to produce quality sustainable food and fibre for the future.

*Scholarship donated by: RASF*



**ABBY BYRNES** LAKE CARGELLIGO  
**Certificate IV in Wool Classing**

I grew up in Lake Cargelligo on a family sheep and cropping operation. I now live in Temora working for Moses & Son and completing my Certificate IV in Wool Classing, learning all aspects of the business from administration to experience in the field in order to become a Wool Technician Officer. In my spare time you will find me outdoors playing sport, helping out on the family farm, involving myself in the community or spending time with my friends, family and my two dogs.

*Scholarship donated by: The Swane-Paynter Family*



**AHMAD ZIA** MERRYLANDS  
**Bachelor of Dental science**

I am a second year dentistry student at Charles Sturt University. I am interested in health, and it is my passion to work in a healthcare setting and help people to improve their life. I am planning to work as a dentist in rural and regional communities to improve the health outcomes of these communities. I'd also like to provide treatments in remote areas and to help patients on a volunteer basis in communities lacking in healthcare.

*Scholarship donated by: OCS Fun Pty Ltd*



**AIRLIE EDMED** DUBBO  
**Certificate III in Performance Horse**

I have been interested in equine since a young age, I started riding at 4 years of age and began volunteering at my local horse-riding centre when I was 10, working every school holiday and weekends. A rewarding part of this position was helping people who participated in the Riding for The Disabled program. My goals within the agriculture industry are based around the specialist equine field, I would like to continue studies within this area and specialise in care/treatment and training of horses and to continue living in rural NSW to address the current skill shortage in this field.  
*Scholarship donated by: The Profield Foundation*



**AMELIA DAVIES** DUBBO  
**Bachelor of Science (Veterinary Science)**

I am 20 years old and studying a Bachelor degree in Veterinary Bioscience at the University of Adelaide. I grew up in Dubbo, which initiated my involvement in the agriculture industry including being a part of the family farm, exhibiting livestock all throughout school, and working at The Little Big Dairy Co. during holidays. Once I graduate from my Veterinary degree my goal is to practice in a rural setting, so I can assist farmers in maintaining their livestock health, and to help create a pathway for our future rural vets.  
*Scholarship donated by: The Profield Foundation*



**ANABELLA FAIRBAIRN** ENGADINE  
**Certificate III in Agriculture - Agricultural Production**

I am currently studying my Certificate III in Agriculture at Tocal College and hope to work in the sheep industry once I complete my studies. My interest in a career on the land began when my grandparents purchased a farm near Mudgee and shortly after I began my involvement with the NSW Alpaca Youth Group and entering into competitions at agricultural Shows. I believe furthering my agricultural education will allow me to play a positive role in the industry and to contribute to the success of Australian agriculture.  
*Scholarship donated by: Janie Forrest & Ian Davison*



**ANGUS WILSON** BARRABA  
**Bachelor of Dental Science**

I was born in Tamworth and raised on my family's second generation sheep and cattle property just west of Barraba before moving east of Lismore to a cattle and pecan farm. My rural upbringing has made me determined to play a positive role in providing health services to those living outside of large cities. Studying for my Bachelor of Dental Science at Charles Sturt University I am hopeful my career choice will allow me to play a role in addressing the shortfall in access to and quality of healthcare in rural, regional and remote communities.  
*Scholarship donated by: Mogul Brahman Stud*



**APRIL SQUIRE** NARRABRI  
**Bachelor of Education (K-6)**

I was born and bred in rural NSW and I'm currently studying a Bachelor of Education (K-6) online through the University of New England. I was raised in the bush and was fortunate enough to receive an amazing education thanks to dedicated teachers. This instilled a love of education and a desire to see others achieve. From a young age I knew I wanted to be a teacher and I am planning on keeping my degree local and to provide my rural community with quality and professional education.  
*Scholarship donated by: UNE & Susan Maple-Brown*



**ASHLEY ALDRICH** ULLADULLA  
**Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing**

I am from the NSW South Coast and am studying a Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing. My love for animals has motivated me to further my education so that I can pursue a career in this field. I want to play an active role in the agricultural community, assisting farmers, primary producers and animals in need. Along with my studies, I am also working as a horse groom and doing work placement with hands-on and practical experience at my local vets, Milton Village Vet.  
*Scholarship donated by: The Snow Foundation*



**AUSTIN GRACE** MURRINGO  
**Bachelor of Agricultural Business Management**  
 I am currently studying my third and final year in a Bachelor of Agricultural Business Management. Growing up I worked on the family farm "Demondrille Merino Stud" which heavily influenced my passion for a career in the sheep and wool industry. Since finishing school, I have pursued this and took on a 2-year traineeship as a Jackaroo at "Egelabra Merino Stud" along with completing a Woolclassing certificate. My career aspirations include being the Manager of a Merino stud or commercial operation.  
*Scholarship donated by: The Snow Foundation*



**BRIONY WILLETT** COROWA  
**Bachelor of Social Work**  
 I was born and raised in a small rural farming community located on the banks of the Murray River. My community is beautiful, connected and opportunistic. This noted, we lack services, support and tertiary qualified practitioners. This is why I chose to study a Bachelor of Social Work. Now in my final year, I will soon complete my degree and plan to stay living in my regional community in order to address the need for professional and emotional support for young children and adolescents.  
*Scholarship donated by: Quayclean*



**BELLA WILSON** DUBBO  
**Bachelor of Occupational Therapy**  
 I am a second-year student studying Occupational Therapy at Charles Sturt University in Port Macquarie. I grew up in the Dubbo community surrounded by educators which motivated me to pursue a career in Occupational Therapy. I chose to study in Port Macquarie as it is a small community and reminds me of home. My goal is to open my own practice in Dubbo working with paediatrics and supporting the schools in Dubbo and the surrounding areas.  
*Scholarship donated by: Janie Forrest & Ian Davison*



**CAITLIN ARMSON-GRAHAM** PADSTOW  
**Master of Teaching (Secondary)**  
 I am currently studying a Master of Teaching (secondary) at Charles Sturt University. As a young person growing up in Sydney many of my early experiences in ag came through my high school show team. It was here I realised the difference an amazing ag teacher can make in a student's life. This inspired me to pursue teaching as a career. After completing a Bachelor of Agriculture at UNE and working for Coolawarra & Storybook Alpacas whilst establishing my own alpaca stud, I decided to study via distance to pursue my education whilst refining my farm skills and growing my alpaca stud.  
*Scholarship donated by: Janie Forrest & Ian Davison*



**BRAD CHAPMAN** FINE FLOWER  
**Bachelor of Education (Secondary)**  
 I grew up on the family beef cattle station at Fine Flower and although I am not following the farming path I do want to stay in a regional community. I am in the third year of my Bachelor of Secondary Education, and I am looking forward to playing a role supporting rural and regional youth and ensuring they are not disadvantaged and receive positive opportunities at school. I understand the importance of equality in education and how vital it is that teachers engage with regional and remote students.  
*Scholarship donated by: Susan Maple-Brown*



**CAITLYN GALAGHER** WEE WAA  
**Bachelor of Nursing**  
 I grew up in the small country town of Wee Waa and have been interested in Nursing for as long as I can remember. In Years 11 and 12 at school I was able to complete a traineeship in Nursing at Wee Waa Community Hospital, allowing me to gain valuable clinical skills and to understand the broad spectrum of a career as a nurse. I have also completed a Certificate III in Acute Care Nursing whilst completing my HSC. I am currently in the third year of my Bachelor of Nursing at the University of New England.  
*Scholarship donated by: Janie Forrest & Ian Davison*



**CALEB KADMON** WOLLONGONG  
**Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Education**

I'm undertaking a Bachelor of Science and a Bachelor of Education (Physics, Chemistry) so that I can become a science teacher and spread the wonder and miracles of science to young minds in rural and regional New South Wales. I grew up on the South Coast and plan on returning as a high school teacher upon completion of my degree. I was fortunate to have a passionate and involved science teacher when I was at school and hope to replicate this experience for others.

*Scholarship donated by: The Snow Foundation*



**CASSANDRA BUSH** COOTAMUNDRA  
**Bachelor of Agriculture/Bachelor of Laws**

I grew up on a beef cattle and mixed grazing property and have always had a passion for agriculture and an attachment to the land. Witnessing first-hand the impacts of drought on farmers and regional communities I was inspired to undertake a double degree in Law and Agriculture at the University of New England so that I can better the productivity and profitability of agricultural producers. After completing my studies, I hope to effectively contribute to the future of our agricultural industry by working to achieve better policies for Australian agricultural producers and to broaden Australian agricultural trade.

*Scholarship donated by: The Snow Foundation*



**CARISSA BELLATO** COLEAMBALLY  
**Bachelor of Paramedicine**

I'm 18 years old and I grew up in the small rural town of Coleambally in Southern NSW. I have always had a passion for helping others and during 2020 while I was in year 10, I began my Certificate IV in Health Care with Paramedical Services in Sydney. The course involved theory, practical and real life experiences, a 2 week intensive workshop and clinical placement in Wagga Wagga and Sydney. After completing this I gained credits and extended to the Diploma in Paramedicine. I'm now studying a Bachelor of Paramedicine at Charles Sturt University in Port Macquarie.

*Scholarship donated by: Carmel Dyer-Pitroff*



**CHELSEA GORDON** BARELLAN  
**Bachelor of Agricultural Science**

I'm currently studying a Bachelor of Agricultural Science at Charles Sturt University in Wagga Wagga. I grew up in the small farming community of Colinroobie in the Riverina, where I attended Barellan Central School from kindergarten to Year 12. From my course I hope to become an agronomist, obtaining a broad knowledge of all areas in agriculture. Growing up on a mixed sheep and cropping farm has determined my career choices significantly, influencing my interest in agronomy.

*Scholarship donated by: Sushi Hub*



**CARMEN MACGREGOR** QUAAMA  
**Doctor of Medicine**

I am a second-year medical student at the University of Wollongong, a long way from home in Cobargo. Growing up in rural NSW I began to understand the crucial role health professionals play in supporting individuals and families, often going far beyond the role of 'medical' issues. This prompted my desire to become a doctor and to take on a vitally important role in the direction and progression of health care, particularly within rural communities.

*Scholarship donated by: The Snow Foundation*



**CHELSEA REEVE** LIMEKILNS  
**Bachelor of Science with Honours**

I come from a small sheep property near Bathurst and am now a student at the University of New England where I am studying my second degree, a Bachelor of Science with Honours. My honours project is based around ram performance and the impact this has not only on individual farms but also the wider industry. I hope to contribute significantly to the Australian sheep industry and to encourage other young women to become part of the Australian agricultural industry and build their own profile.

*Scholarship donated by: NSW Stud Merino Breeders' Association*



**CHRISTIAAN MILLS** GALSTON  
**Certificate IV in Agriculture**

I was born in Johannesburg, South Africa, migrating to Australia when I was in primary school. At school in the Hawkesbury-Berowra region my interest in agriculture first grew, as I became involved with the school farm and was encouraged by incredibly supportive teachers. Now studying for my Certificate IV in Agriculture at Tocal College, I hope to work in a range of different positions, although I do have a strong leaning towards agronomy with a focus on organic farming and sustainable production.

*Scholarship donated by: The Profield Foundation*



**ELIZA NORBAT** KANDOS  
**Bachelor of Agriculture**

I have always enjoyed agriculture and due to this, I am currently in my second year studying a Bachelor of Agriculture at the University of New England, Armidale. I aim to become a secondary school agriculture teacher after completing a Master of Teaching. I would love to teach in rural and remote areas, like the small town I grew up in, Kandos in the Central Tablelands. To share my passion with others, whilst teaching the importance of the agricultural industry and its role in sustainability, would be incredible.

*Scholarship donated by: The Profield Foundation*



**CHRISTIE HAYWARD** SINGLETON  
**Certificate III in Engineering- Heavy Fabrication**

I am doing a boilermaker apprenticeship and studying for my Certificate III in Engineering-Heavy Fabrication after discovering an aptitude for metal work in high school. The study and apprenticeship will give me valuable skills that are much needed throughout regional NSW. I plan on moving into a rural community and seeking employment working on metals, specifically welding, in many applications including fencing, on plant and with machinery.

*Scholarship donated by: Janie Forrest & Ian Davison*



**ELYSIA MACKAY** GUNNING  
**Bachelor of Agricultural Science**

I was born in Sydney and later moved to Gunning, where I have immersed myself in the community. I am currently entering my third year of a Bachelor of Agricultural Science majoring in agronomy at Charles Sturt University, Wagga Wagga. My ambition is to enter the industry, placing theoretical knowledge into practice from diversifying production systems to the spread of financial risk of operations. The ongoing benefits of becoming an agronomist in field would enable me to research the pipeline of production information, marketing research and innovations that can effectively manage Australia's natural resources.

*Scholarship donated by: The Snow Foundation*



**DARCY MAJOR** MORVEN  
**Certificate III in Agriculture**

After completing year nine at school I realised my interest was in working on the land, so I began a Certificate III in Agriculture at TAFE whilst also working four days a week for a mixed farming enterprise. We run wool sheep and make silage under contract for a local feedlot and also grow winter cereals which are harvested for grain. I drive machinery and make the most of every opportunity that comes my way to learn and pick up new skills on the farm. At TAFE I am learning the most up-to-date farming techniques and hope to one day put this all to work on my own farm.

*Scholarship donated by: RASF*



**EMILY BARTON** COLLARENEBRI  
**Bachelor of Agribusiness**

I am 20 years old and grew up on a cattle and broadacre farm west of Collarenebri in north-western NSW. I am studying my Bachelor of Agribusiness whilst simultaneously establishing my own contract stock work business and helping on the family farm managing the majority of cattle operations. I understand the challenges of living and working on the land and hope my education will provide me with the knowledge, skills and connections to achieve my goals and run a successful farming operation.

*Scholarship donated by: Mogul Brahman Stud*



**GEORGINA EVANS** BRAIDWOOD  
**Bachelor of Medical Studies/Doctor of Medicine**

I am a fourth-year Honours student studying medicine at the University of New South Wales Rural Clinical School in Port Macquarie. I grew up on property near Braidwood and had a childhood there that cannot be beaten. When not at university I work as a waitress, enjoy the beach, go bushwalking and volunteer for Camp Quality. Upon completing my degree, I hope to practice rurally as an obstetrician-gynaecologist or general practitioner.

*Scholarship donated by: The Snow Foundation*



**HUGH MORRISON** YASS  
**Bachelor of Veterinary Biology/Bachelor of Veterinary Science**

I'm 22 years old and originally from the Yass Valley where I grew up on a small cattle farm, however, I now live in Wagga Wagga and am commencing my fourth year at Charles Sturt University, studying a Bachelor of Veterinary Biology/Bachelor of Veterinary Science. After graduating I plan on working as a rural veterinary practitioner working with livestock, companion animals and all animals in between. In my time away from study I enjoy camping, working casually and playing local sports.

*Scholarship donated by: The Snow Foundation*



**HANNAH HAWKER** PARKES  
**Doctor of Medicine**

I was born and raised in Parkes before heading to the Riverina for University, completing my studies in Secondary Teaching. I am now retraining through Charles Sturt University's medical program in Orange. I decided to pursue a career in medicine when my local hospital maternity unit closed because we could not attract an obstetrician to the area. This unit serviced Parkes and all of the small surrounding localities of mostly farming families. I hope I can make a difference by filling a gap and providing top quality accessible and long-term health care.

*Scholarship donated by: UNE & Susan Maple-Brown*



**JACQUELINE HODGES** FORBES  
**Masters of Clinical Psychology**

I am a Wiradjuri woman currently living on Wiradjuri country in Central West NSW. I am studying a Master of Professional Psychology through Charles Sturt University because I am passionate about helping young people, especially Aboriginal youth. My goal is to help youth achieve good mental health and develop skills to support their mental health throughout their life. I plan to practice in the Central West when I complete my studies.

*Scholarship donated by: UNE & Susan Maple-Brown*



**HAYLEY JOHNS** GLOUCESTER  
**Bachelor of Podiatry**

I am currently studying a Bachelor of Podiatry at the University of Newcastle, and I plan on providing podiatric services to communities, particularly in rural and regional areas. Through my role as the National Rural Health Student Network (NRHSN) Allied Health Officer, I promote and support a multi-disciplinary student team to pursue rural health careers. I have a passion for helping others and regularly volunteer with St John Ambulance NSW to give back to the community that has provided me with an abundance of opportunities and experiences.

*Scholarship donated by: Susan Maple-Brown*



**JOE WORLEY** NUNDLE  
**Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering**

I am an 18 year old living in rural NSW, currently studying a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Newcastle. I was born and raised around Tamworth, spending my early years at a small village named Woolomin before moving to Nundle where I have lived since. All through my schooling I had a strong interest in agriculture and the engineering involved in the industry such as machinery and infrastructure. I plan to go into the metals and engineering industry once I finish my degree, and one day open my own business to improve the manufacturing of farm equipment, machinery, and infrastructure.

*Scholarship donated by: Michael & Jenny Millner*





**JOSHUA CALLAWAY** MACKSVILLE  
**Certificate III in Agriculture Production**

I'm 18 years old with a passion for agriculture. I went to Bowraville Central School and then decided to make the move to Tocal College to study a Certificate III in Agriculture Production. I fell in love with agriculture due to the school ag farm and after participating in a few cattle shows and seeing what the industry is about I knew I wanted a lifestyle that involves me waking up every day to do the things I love doing such as driving tractors and looking after livestock.

*Scholarship donated by: The Swane-Paynter Family*



**KATE NELSON** TOOLEYBUC  
**Bachelor of Education (K-12)**

I am currently studying at Charles Sturt University, doing a Bachelor of Education (K-12). I want to inspire the next generation of learners and can't wait to live and work in a rural setting. It is my belief that the ability to read, write, and communicate are fundamental building blocks for future success, and dedicated teachers make all the difference. I know that studying a teaching degree will enable me to contribute to the learning opportunities for rural students and to play a positive role in their lives.

*Scholarship donated by: Exponet*



**KAILEHA DALY** UNGARIE  
**Diploma of Agriculture**

I am Kaileha Daly and I grew up on a third generation family run and owned farm, South Moon. This is a mixed farming enterprise, we currently have 2200 breeding ewes, pastures and yearly cropping. South Moon is located near the small town of Ungarie in the Riverina of NSW. I am currently studying my Diploma of Agriculture and hope to become an agronomist and to utilise my experience with beef cattle to help others in my community. Eventually I would like to take over the family farm.

*Scholarship donated by: RASF*



**LAURA BEAUMONT** WOODVILLE  
**Doctor of Medicine**

Having grown up in Paterson, in the Hunter Valley I had the privilege of a rural upbringing within a strong and supportive community. After graduating high school though, I decided it was time to spread my wings and entered into medical school. Although exciting, I quickly went looking for something to remind me of 'home', finding the world of rural medicine and instantly falling in love with the integration of the art of medicine, along with the clinical 'science' in rural settings. I am looking forward to a career as a general practitioner and servicing remote communities.

*Scholarship donated by: David & Belinda Davidson*



**KATE BRADLEY** OLD JUNEE  
**Certificate III in Agriculture**

I am currently studying a Certificate III in Agriculture at Wagga Wagga TAFE, following the career path I was predestined for - I grew up on a small farm in Old Junee and excelled in agriculture as a subject at high school. Once I gain my Certificate, I would like to attend university and complete a Bachelor in Agricultural Science to equip me with the skills and knowledge needed for a successful career as a livestock consultant. I'd like to provide much-needed assistance in the sheep industry, improving fertility and wool quality.

*Scholarship donated by: Exponet*



**LAURA BOWMAKER** BOMADERRY  
**Bachelor of Nursing**

I was born in Nowra and grew up in the surrounding townships of the Shoalhaven region on the south coast of New South Wales. I am undertaking a third year of a Bachelor of Nursing at the University of Wollongong and I am the first in my family to attend university. Growing up in the Shoalhaven, I experienced the need for more health specialists in rural and remote communities and I am passionate in fulfilling my nursing career aspirations and making a difference to my community.

*Scholarship donated by: The Snow Foundation*



**LILLY MELDRUM** NYNGAN  
**Bachelor of Nursing**

I was born and raised in the small rural community of Nyngan and have moved to Charles Sturt University in Bathurst to study a Bachelor of Nursing. I plan on staying in a rural community once I graduate and address the health inequities between indigenous and non-indigenous Australians. I understand the importance of strong health providers in regional areas and the difference they can make and aim to play a role in promoting smart choices and prevention to help break the cycle of poor health.

*Scholarship donated by: Susan Maple-Brown*



**MCKENZIE CARR** ORANGE  
**Bachelor of Dental Science**

I am 21 yrs old from Orange and I am in the second year of my Bachelor of Dental Science. I have a passion for rural and remote health which sparked my interest in dentistry. As a dentist you get to help people everyday and I love calming people's nerves and making them feel at ease in the dental chair whilst getting them out of pain. I want to be a reliable dental practitioner in rural and regional NSW who will commit to the country and ensure residents don't have to travel to a major city to receive care.

*Scholarship donated by: Michael & Jenny Millner*



**LILY HARRISON** LISMORE  
**Bachelor of Public Policy and Bachelor of International Relations**

I am in my second year of a Bachelor of Public Policy and International Relations at the Australian National University, and I hope to use my degree to advocate for regional Australia. I grew up in Lismore and understand the importance of local people having a direct involvement in the policy decisions which will affect them. Studying this course will teach me how to recognise pertinent issues, effectively engage and consult with regional communities, design efficient solutions and successfully coordinate appropriate organisations to deliver programs.

*Scholarship donated by: The Snow Foundation*



**MEGAN WINZER** KATUNGA  
**Bachelor of Medical Radiation Science with specialisations in Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging**

I inherited my love for the country growing up in rural Victoria and visiting my grandparent's dairy farm daily. I developed a passion for healthcare as I experienced my own personal health difficulties and was exposed to the challenges of availability of high-quality healthcare from 11-years-old. I found medical radiation science particularly interesting in the way in which it helped improve the treatment outcomes for patients. I love the patient communication aspect of Nuclear Medicine, however, through placement and practical experience, I discovered that it is not widely accessible in rural areas and I aim to one day improve this.

*Scholarship donated by: Mogul Brahman Stud*



**LILY MORRIS** TOMERONG  
**Bachelor of Veterinary Biology/Bachelor of Veterinary Science**

I have grown up on the south coast of NSW surrounded by animals and have a passion for their welfare and health, which has inspired me to become a veterinarian. I am now in my second year at Charles Sturt University studying to be a vet with a particular focus on production animals and large animals. I want to play a role in the future of rural and regional NSW, by not only providing care to sick or injured animals, but by advising and implementing strategies which will enhance animal welfare, and the productivity of animal enterprises.

*Scholarship donated by: The Snow Foundation*



**MERRYN BOWMAN** DUBBO  
**Bachelor of Agriculture/Bachelor of Business**

I am currently in my final year of studying a Bachelor of Agriculture and a Bachelor of Business at the University of New England. This degree is providing me with a rich knowledge and understanding of the fundamentals of agriculture and the importance of it within the world's economy. Upon completion of this degree, I am hoping to pursue a Master of Teaching to enable me to fulfill my ambition to become a teacher. I look forward to sharing my passion for agriculture with the next generation, promoting the vital role that it plays in how our world operates.

*Scholarship donated by: The Profield Foundation*



**MICQUELLA GRIMA** ORCHARD HILLS  
*Bachelor of Agriculture/Bachelor of Business  
(majoring in Agribusiness)*

I come from a 3000 acre cattle, sheep and cropping property in Central West NSW, running a stud and commercial beef operation with my partner whilst also working part-time. I am in the second year of a Bachelor of Agriculture and Bachelor of Business majoring in Agribusiness through the University of New England. I want to work supporting producers in attaining long-term sustainability and achieving the optimum production efficiency of their farming operations.  
*Scholarship donated by: Agricultural Societies Council of NSW*



**NATALIE LETCHER** ORANGE  
*Diploma of Nursing*

I am a 19 year old from Orange, and I am studying a Diploma of Nursing with hopes to go on and become a registered nurse. I get enormous satisfaction from looking after people who are ill and being the someone who makes their day that little bit better. The ability to combine a career in health with a rural lifestyle is a dream come true and allows me to help answer the desperate call for healthcare workers outside of the big cities.  
*Scholarship donated by: Quayclean*



**NICHOLAS ALLEN** TINONEE  
*Certificate III in Agriculture*

I was born and raised in the Manning Valley and attended Wingham High until the end of year 11. This is where I found my passion for agriculture, especially working with cattle and farming machinery. I'm currently doing my Certificate III in Agriculture at Taree TAFE and have just started casual work at a dairy farm to gain experience. It is my goal to make a career in agriculture in regional and rural NSW.  
*Scholarship donated by: The Profield Foundation*



**NINOSKA BIRCHALL** MUDGEES  
*Bachelor of Veterinary Biology /Bachelor  
of Veterinary Science*

I am currently studying a Bachelor of Veterinary Biology/Bachelor of Veterinary Science at Charles Sturt University. I grew up in mid-western NSW, where I spent a substantial amount of time with my grandfather on the family farm as well as volunteering at many animal nurseries and attending exhibition poultry shows. My lifetime on the land in combination with my aptitude for science, has motivated me to study for a career as a veterinarian with a strong interest in stud stock breeding.  
*Scholarship donated by: The Profield Foundation*



**OLIVIA COLLETT** HALLSVILLE  
*Certificate III in Agriculture*

I am 16 years old, from Hallsville in the New England region and I'm at Tocal College studying for my Certificate III in Agriculture. I want to learn about all aspects of the agricultural industry and how to care for the land we have and ensure we can continue to feed and nurture our ever-growing population. I have a particular interest in alpacas and have worked for a breeder, assisting with shearing and would like to continue this involvement as I believe they are an incredibly underrated animal and have a lot to offer the agricultural industry in Australia.  
*Scholarship donated by: Janie Forrest & Ian Davison*



**OSCAR MASON** WEST WYALONG  
*Bachelor of Medicine/Doctor of Medicine*

I grew up in rural NSW in a small country town called West Wyalong. I was exposed to the rural health experience at the age of 8, where I was diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes. My experiences with the doctors and healthcare staff forever changed me and inspired me to dedicate my career to rural medicine. I began studying Medicine at UNSW in 2021 and am about to start my second year. While it is a challenging and demanding degree, it is a rewarding journey that I look forward to completing.  
*Scholarship donated by: Mary & Peter Weal*



**PHOEBE NELSON** TOOLEYBUC  
**Bachelor of Education (K-12)**

I grew up in the Western Riverina district of NSW spending my life in rural and remote areas. I am continuing my studies completing a Bachelor of Education degree at Charles Sturt University Albury campus majoring in Business Studies, relocating from the small town of Tooleybuc to study. A teaching career will allow me to contribute to my community by sharing knowledge with future generations whilst providing students with access to quality educational opportunities. I plan on returning after my studies to the Western Riverina and provide much needed skills to my local area.  
*Scholarship donated by: Graham & Glynn O'Neill*



**ROHAN COWLEY** INVERELL  
**Bachelor of Education (K-6)**

I am 20 years old and currently in my third year at the University of New England studying a Bachelor of Teaching K-6. For the past 5 years I have had a strong desire to become a teacher particularly in a remote rural location. I am a firm believer that location, distance, socio-economic disadvantage and accessibility should not define a student or prevent them from realising their goals. My aim is to educate, nurture and have positive impacts on students, and to involve myself in a regional community in order to support and inspire the younger generation.  
*Scholarship donated by: UNE & Susan Maple-Brown*



**RORY FOGG** HARDEN  
**Diploma of Agriculture**

I grew up and went to school in Harden and since finishing school I've gained work experience on a large sheep station in Walcha producing fine wool and on a cattle and cropping property in Uranquinty as well as a cattle and sheep property in Junee. In 2021 I completed my Certificate IV in Agriculture and this year I am currently completing my Diploma in Agriculture so that I can work my way into a management role and bring fresh ideas to the agricultural industry.  
*Scholarship donated by: Mogul Brahman Stud*



**ROSE HOGAN** GOULBURN  
**Bachelor of Nursing**

I am 18 years old and come from Goulburn. I am studying a Bachelor of Nursing at the University of New England, Armidale and hope to follow my passion and one day be a part of someone's journey to gaining their health back and to be there for patients that need a comforting hand to hold during a tough time. There is an incredible demand for healthcare workers in regional communities and I am confident I can play a positive role in the health and wellbeing of these communities.  
*Scholarship donated by: The Snow Foundation*



**ROWAN VALLANCE** SINGLETON  
**Bachelor of Rural Science**

I'm from Singleton in the Hunter Valley and I am a third year Bachelor of Rural Science student at the University of New England. Being able to study on campus was extremely important for success in my study, allowing me to throw myself into the full university experience as well as become a part of the local Armidale community. The Rural Science degree attracted me for its long-term success and allowing me to study all areas of the agricultural industry not just one specific pathway. Having the ability to choose options further down the track is extremely important for me.  
*Scholarship donated by: UNE & Susan Maple-Brown*



**RUBEY WILLIAMS** BERRIMA  
**Bachelor of Agricultural Business Management**

I grew up on a rural property in the Southern Highlands, running over 1000 alpacas, sheep and cattle. I am studying a Bachelor of Agricultural Business Management at Charles Sturt University, where I'm able to learn more about the science behind agriculture while gaining the necessary business skills to ensure commercial viability in whatever I choose to take on. I'm interested in establishing a commercial alpaca operation in rural NSW, which would bring employment, product and service to the area. It will also encourage professional services into the area, such as agronomists and agribusiness consultants.  
*Scholarship donated by: Janie Forrest & Ian Davison*



**SAMANTHA LARTER** MOSS VALE  
**Diploma of Agriculture**

I am 23 years old and currently studying a Diploma in Agriculture at Wagga Wagga TAFE along with working at Moss Vale High School as the farm assistant. I also run my own business "Beltana Farm Services" providing animal sitting, stock management, farm maintenance and more to the Southern Highlands and surrounds. Agriculture is an amazing industry to get into and has so many different pathways that you can go down. My goal after completing a Diploma in Agriculture is to become an agriculture teacher through TAFE and inspire like-minded people to follow their passion in agriculture.  
*Scholarship donated by: RASF*



**SIMON WHELAN** WHITTON  
**Doctor of Medicine (MD)**

Born into a fourth-generation rice farming family in rural NSW, I have an innate affinity for rural communities and a passion for rural health. I completed a Bachelor of Medical Science at UNSW Sydney and am now undertaking the final year of Medicine at the University of Notre Dame. Broadening my exposure to rural medicine has been my appointment to the Wagga Wagga Clinical School where I have garnered an appreciation for the expertise, dedication, and professionalism of the rural medical profession.  
*Scholarship donated by: Optus*



**SARAH PACE** BARGO  
**Certificate III in Agriculture (Agricultural Production)**

I am 18 years old, from Bargo and currently studying my Certificate III in Agricultural Production at Tocal College. Born and bred on a turkey farm, I have always had a passion for the industry and have recently developed a new focus on livestock breeding, genetics and new technology. I want to make a positive contribution to the agricultural industry, particularly addressing the need to investigate and devise more efficient methods of food and fibre production.  
*Scholarship donated by: The Profield Foundation*



**STEPHANIE WARHURST** BROKEN HILL  
**Bachelor of Paramedicine (Honours)**

I am a 22-year-old living in Far West NSW. I am in my fourth and final year of Paramedicine, a degree which will allow me to support individuals physically and emotionally through some of the toughest times which they experience. Growing up in Broken Hill, I have experienced first-hand the strain on our healthcare system and the need for health care professionals in rural and isolated areas. I endeavour to work back in Far West NSW on my completion and I cannot wait to graduate and be able to use my clinical skills to support others and provide care.  
*Scholarship donated by: OCS Fun*



**SHANNYN NEVILLE** BATHURST  
**Bachelor of Nursing**

I have recently begun my Bachelor of Nursing at Charles Sturt University, Wagga Wagga campus and hope to have a career as a registered nurse in rural NSW. Rural and regional communities have a severe shortage of healthcare providers, motivating me to remain in my local community and address this need. I did work experience in year 10 at a hospital where I saw the impact that nurses have on patients, this experience fuelled my desire to become a nurse and I hope to go on and inspire others to follow in my footsteps.  
*Scholarship donated by: Agricultural Societies Council of NSW*



**SWAZI SHARMA** DUBBO  
**Doctor of Medicine**

I am a medical student from Dubbo, studying at the University of Notre Dame. I was born in Nepal but have lived in Lightning Ridge and Dubbo since arriving in Australia as a child. Having personally witnessed how much rural communities suffer due to lack of professional medical care, and the discrepancies in medical services available to people living in metropolitan areas and rural areas, I have always wanted to become a doctor and to improve the lives of people living in rural NSW.  
*Scholarship donated by: Carmel Dyer-Pitroff*



**TIARNA SCERRI** LEPPINGTON  
**Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Genetics & Genomics)/ Bachelor of Laws**

I am a 20-year old Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Laws student who believes that innovative farming technologies, effectively regulated, are the key to Australia's agricultural future. In my fourth year of study, I am currently researching genetic influences upon cattle heat tolerance. Long-term, I hope to be a legal advocate for the agricultural community on issues of biotechnology and resource sustainability.

*Scholarship donated by: Nell & Hermon Slade Trust*



**TIMOTHY NELSON** TOOLEYBUC  
**Bachelor of Nursing**

I have grown up in the Western Riverina district of NSW and spent my whole life in rural and remote areas. I am continuing my studies of a Bachelor of Nursing at Charles Sturt University, Albury. I moved away from my small hometown of Tooleybuc to study nursing. This will allow me to contribute and give back to my community by providing high-quality medical care which is lacking in many rural areas. Once my studies are complete, I plan on returning home to live and work in the Western Riverina.

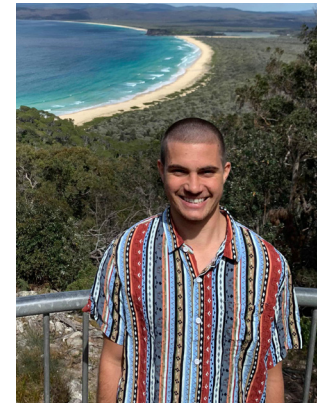
*Scholarship donated by: Mogul Brahman Stud*



**TRACY MAIN** DENMAN  
**Master of Primary Education**

Growing up I enjoyed the usual rural pursuits, horse riding and swimming in the Murrumbidgee. At 19 I moved to Sydney and undertook an undergraduate degree in English literature. I currently live in the small rural village of Denman in the Upper Hunter Valley, where I've been for 16 years. I am, at long last completing my Masters in primary teaching and am very excited to begin teaching in rural/regional areas.

*Scholarship donated by: Carmel Dyer-Pitroff*



**TYSON DAVIES** ULLADULLA  
**Bachelor of Arts/Education (Secondary)**

I am a proud Ngarabal and Gomeri boy who grew up on the South Coast of NSW in the rural coastal town of Ulladulla. I took on leadership roles at school as prefect, as part of the SRC and in the community refereeing for the local Rugby league, Touch and OzTag competitions. I have always taken great pride in my culture with dance, didge playing and learning language. I have continued my cultural passion with respectful cultural learning with Elders in the community. This has been a continuing support to me through university and with my work with vulnerable youth at a local school here in Sydney.

*Scholarship donated by: The Snow Foundation*



**VIENNA SCOTT** WAGGA WAGGA  
**Certificate IV in Agriculture**

I am 18 years old, from Singleton and studying a Certificate IV in Agriculture and a Certificate IV in Wool Classing at Tocal College. With these qualifications, as an emerging worker in the agricultural industry I will be able to start my career with a high standard in my work practices and when I become a supervisor or leader or employer, I will be able to pass the skills and knowledge on to other young workers. Eventually I would like to run a property of my own.

*Scholarship donated by: The Profield Foundation*



**ZIANNA CHESTERFIELD** BROKEN HILL  
**Bachelor of Clinical Exercise Physiology (Honours)**

I am an 18 year old from Broken Hill, studying for my Bachelor of Exercise Science with a Masters in Clinical Exercise Physiology and a desire to return to Broken Hill upon graduation. Offering my services to improve the lives of those in a remote community, I want to treat and improve the lives of those who suffer from respiratory illness, poor joint mobility, mental illness, cancer, and many more debilitating conditions. This degree focuses on the use of movement and physical activity to treat and prevent such conditions, which I believe to be more beneficial than any medication.

*Scholarship donated by: RASF*

## JB FAIRFAX AWARD FOR RURAL AND REGIONAL JOURNALISM & COMMUNICATIONS

This Award aims to unearth a talented, young writer who is passionate about communicating the rich stories and issues from rural and regional Australia and is committed to pursuing a career in journalism upon graduation.



### **KATE NEWSOME** GLEN INNES

Kate Newsome grew up on a sheep and cattle farm near Glen Innes in rural NSW and attended the local public high school before making the move to the city and enrolment at the University of Sydney. Studying for her Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Media and Communications), Kate has her eyes firmly on a career telling the stories of rural communities and addressing the misrepresentation of these communities. Like many in rural communities, her lived experience is one of hardship - through drought, bushfires, the imbalance of opportunities and access to resources, the impact of the pandemic, and she hopes to speak up and use a career in the media to bring greater attention to these issues.

## 2022 SYDNEY ROYAL WINE SCHOLARSHIPS

These national awards encourage and support students who demonstrate passion, strong leadership qualities and who are committed to making a contribution to the Australian wine industry.

### *Scholarships donated by RAS Wine Committee*



### **COURTNEY TATE**

#### *Sydney Royal Wine Professional Development*

Growing up in the renowned wine region of Central Otago in New Zealand it was inevitable Courtney would follow the wine trail and catch the vinous bug. Seeking different pastures she found herself in Australia working with fine wine merchants Negotiants and completing her WSET Diploma, which in turn sparked an interest in wine judging. Courtney hopes to keep her palate and knowledge sharp by combining her enrolment in the Advanced Wine Assessment Course (AWAC) with greater involvement in wine judging. The AWAC not only prepares wine judges with techniques and practices but also develops their sensory analysis capabilities and wine vocabulary at an elite level.



### **LISA CARDELLI**

#### *Sydney Royal Wine Professional Development*

Beginning as a junior sommelier and bartender more than ten years ago Lisa has worked her way up the wine vine to Head Sommelier and wine buyer and completed a range of courses including Wine Show Judge Diploma and WSET Diploma. Lisa has given her time freely as an Associate Judge and Judge at a variety of wine shows and sits on the Qantas Wine Tasting Panel. She hopes to play an active role and progress through the Australian wine show system and to mentor aspiring winemakers and believes completing the Advanced Wine Assessment Course (AWAC) is essential to her goals.

*Lisa's scholarship is sponsored by The Len Evans Tutorial Foundation*



### **SAMUEL RENZAGLIA**

#### ***Sydney Royal Wine Professional Development***

With ambitions to establish the Central Ranges as one of Australia's premium wine production regions, Sam is also keen to lift his knowledge and skills in the areas of winemaking and tasting/judging. Growing grapes and making wines alongside his family, Sam believes it is through taste that wine is best assessed and knows the Advanced Wine Assessment Course (AWAC) course will provide the technical expertise and confidence he needs to make the best decisions for his family vineyard.



### **DANIEL CAMERON**

#### ***Sydney Royal Wine Professional Development***

Believing it is best for the local wine industry when consumers can select wines with confidence Daniel is planning on being the man to help them understand what they are drinking and to appreciate the details behind each bottle produced. Knowing the strong link between the hospitality and tourism industries, he has built a solid network of industry professionals and supporters and is driven to promote his region and see success for the vineyards and local producers. Obtaining his WSET Level 4 Diploma will help Daniel better understand the industry and pass this knowledge and passion on to consumers.



### **JUDITH ZHU**

#### ***Sydney Royal Wine Professional Development***

Discovering a love for the wine industry thanks to a part-time job in hospitality Judith has realised her passion lies on the vine and is now focussed on a career helping others appreciate and enjoy wine. Teaching herself about wines and studying varieties and vineyards is one thing but refining her palate and more fully understanding the nuances behind wines requires more formal training which Judith will receive studying for her WSET Level 2 qualification.



### **JUSTIN BISKUP**

#### ***Sydney Royal Wine Professional Development***

Wanting to make wine more accessible to all, with a greater understanding of wine regions, vintages and styles, Justin has pursued various accreditations and roles and has a passion he wants to share. From cellar hand to sommelier and wine manager, with time spent as an industry judge as well, Justin has finessed his skills and now wants to help others. The WSET Diploma will give Justin the training he needs to go on to educate others.



### **RHYS BAKER**

#### ***Sydney Royal Wine Professional Development***

A professional sommelier, Rhys is aiming to complete the Level 4 WSET Diploma before going on to undertake Master of Wine studies. From business skills to viticulture, Rhys hopes to develop a full understanding of all levels of wine production and wine styles and therefore play a strong role in the local wine industry. Rhys has extensive wine industry experience, spending time on the floor and mentoring staff as well as time spent as a Group Sommelier before going on to a role as GM of cellar door and wholesale for a boutique vineyard.



### **FEDERICO DORDONI**

#### ***Sydney Royal Wine Professional Development***

Years of industry experience have Federico sure he is in the right profession, and now he wants the education and recognition it provides to help further his career. The lack of certification has held him back but not hampered his enthusiasm or his passion for the Australian wine industry. Obtaining his WSET Level 3 Diploma will help drive Federico to undertake further studies and opportunities. Ultimately, he hopes to work as a winemaker and help Australian wine shine internationally.





**SAMUEL PARKER**  
*Sydney Royal Wine Study*

Despite growing up on a vineyard on Victoria's Mornington Peninsula, Samuel had to relocate to South Australia for his Bachelor of Viticulture & Oenology where he has taken full advantage of having the vineyards of the Adelaide Hills on his doorstep. His interest in the importance of protecting the growing environment has seen him concentrate on vine health and recovery and the caretaker role wine grape growers must play. Samuel's respect for vineyard longevity and sustainability and helping wineries of all sizes adapt to the challenges of the environment will hopefully see him play an important role in the Australian wine industry.



**DANIEL ROGATO**  
*Sydney Royal Wine Study*

Charles Sturt University's Bachelor of Wine Science is the first step in a career as a winemaker for Daniel. First crushing grapes with his father and Nonno as a young boy, Daniel knew he would pursue a role in the industry, and he is hoping the degree will open cellar doors for him around the world. He also hopes to gain a greater appreciation for wine by networking within the industry, volunteering at wine shows and going on to judge, as well as working at a winery in conjunction with his studies.



# COMMUNITY FUTURES GRANTS

RAS Foundation Community Futures Grants encourage and champion rural leadership by providing each successful grant applicant up to \$25,000 to fund a community project that addresses a need or issue in their local community. Projects that once complete, will result in enhanced social and economic outcomes for the wider community.

## **COOMA PASTORAL AND AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION - COOMA SHOW**

Despite being the largest town in the alpine region Cooma was having an issue with keeping things cold – more specifically the refrigerator in the Cooma Multi Function Centre was in dire need of replacement. A shared community resource used for education days, football presentations, and even as an evacuation centre, the Centre is managed by the Cooma Pastoral & Agricultural Association and is vital for fundraising and emergency response situations. Replacing the decommissioned refrigerator also required new electrical works and wiring, pushing the project out of reach financially. The Community Futures Grant will not only cover the new refrigeration costs but will also provide for new barbecue equipment to help with future fundraising opportunities. Using local suppliers and contractors, the fridge and BBQ project will support locals whilst also reinforcing the sense of community so valued in regional NSW.

## **UNGARIE WAR MEMORIAL HALL**

A small town in the Central West, Ungarie is home to 400 'Ungarians' and one hall in desperate need of a new roof. Despite surviving drought, the mouse plague and Covid-19, the hall is facing its latest battle with a leaking and severely ravaged roof and the damage it is causing internally. A community working bee is planned to bring the town together and kickstart the repairs to the hall – as soon as the new roof is on the Ungarians will repair the ceiling and floors and once again the hall can host weddings, school groups, the local Show society and fundraising functions.

## **WAGGA WAGGA SHOW SOCIETY**

It sometimes seems Wagga Wagga has only two seasons – one of country warmth and one of country chill, the hot summers and cold winters often making the Kyeamba Smith Hall at Wagga Wagga Showground unusable. As the second largest venue in Wagga Wagga and a vital fundraising and income source for the Wagga Wagga Show Society, as well as local businesses, the community has been very eager to show the showground some love and get air-conditioning units installed. The ability to cool down and heat up as required will see a new lease on life for the Hall with the re-introduction of markets, weddings, awards evenings, dance classes, community events and more in far greater comfort.

## **BELLINGEN SHOWGROUND**

Renowned for its festivals and markets, Bellingen is a creative town on the banks of the Bellinger River. Whilst the abundance of events is a blessing, Showground volunteers have had their work cut out for them over the past few years trying to manoeuvre the very old and extremely heavy tables between the Showground buildings and finding room to store them when they get in the way. With markets, polling booths, celebrations and festivals making regular bookings – and all needing tables – it is hoped newer lightweight tables will ease the burden on volunteers and provide a more attractive setting for events.

## **GRENFELL PONY CLUB**

With a history dating back to 1963 and a purpose-built clubhouse that is just shy of 40 years old Grenfell Pony Club is an important part of the history of the Grenfell Showground. However, the leaky roof and outdated kitchen area have almost kept the Pony Club in the past and reduced its capacity as a venue for events and fundraising. Pony Clubs are often a drawcard for small regional communities and Grenfell is no different. The renovation/restoration project will not only lift the safety standards but will also provide an attractive location for Pony Club carnivals and camps as well as drawing in other community groups.

## **HAY SHOW SOCIETY**

One of Australia's leading wool growing areas, Hay is also home to a dedicated Hay Show Society with a Showground needing its own PA equipment. For many years they have hired equipment along with a much-appreciated operator but now it's time to bring sound to the Hay Showgrounds and to train volunteers to operate and take charge of all sound system requirements. A brand-new PA system will not only save money on hiring but also keep the Showground competitive with other venue spaces. Operating the equipment is also an attractive option for volunteers and becomes a handy skill to entice younger helpers.

## **CROOKWELL AP & H SOCIETY**

It's not often a Hall gets up and moves but Crookwell AP&H Society has called three different locations home over the past 100 or so years. The current Pavilion and Hall are used for a variety of events including exhibitions, weddings and parties, meetings and the annual Crookwell Show. The Basketball Pavilion is used for indoor sports including hockey and soccer as well as basketball and both venues suffer greatly due to the lack of secure doors. The need to clean before any function and to remove any stray pests along with the noise and security issues have impacted the attractiveness of the venues for prospective users. Replacing the doors and installing roller shutters will not only enhance the look but will address security concerns and useability, in turn having a positive effect on fundraising and community gatherings.

## TULLAMORE PA & H ASSOCIATION INC.

A small town in the central west, Tullamore has a dedicated PA & H Association that is firmly committed to upgrading their showgrounds to ensure year-round use boasting facilities they can be proud of. Following improvements including new coverings for the horse stables, shutters on the kiosk and BBQ areas, and a new kitchen, the focus has turned to the grandstands and new sheep & cattle panels. Improving comfort, safety and usage for humans and livestock the grandstand and panels will bring new life to the showground and provide social and economic support for the entire community.

## INVERELL SHOW SOCIETY

When it comes time to take a seat and watch the woodchopping events or yard dog trials at the Inverell Show it has been a struggle - held away from the main arena these events have lacked traditional grandstand seating and often seats have to be borrowed and moved in at Show time. Whilst it is not proposed to install a permanent grandstand, portable ones can be safely stored at the Showground and moved when needed - without the need for trucks or tractors, rental fees, availability and impacting weary volunteers. The addition of an on-site portable grandstand is a bonus when attracting other events and allows Inverell Show Society to utilise more of the Showground by offering more than one space or arena for viewing events year-round.



### KEY

● Community Futures Grants

# DONORS

We sincerely thank the following donors and supporters for their generous support of the RAS Foundation in 2022.

- JOHN B FAIRFAX AO
- AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES COUNCIL OF NSW
- AUSTRALIAN COMMUNITY MEDIA & PRINTING
- CARMEL DYER-PITROFF
- DAVID AND BELINDA DAVIDSON
- DAVID AND LIZ BROWNHILL
- DR GEORGE JACOBS AND DR JANICE HIRSHORN, MOGUL BRAHMAN STUD
- EXPONET
- GRAHAM & GLYNN O'NEILL
- HINCHCLIFF HOUSE
- JANIE FORREST & IAN DAVISON
- LEN EVANS TRUST
- MARY AND PETER WEAL
- MICHAEL AND JENNY MILLNER
- NELL AND HERMON SLADE TRUST
- NSW STUD MERINO BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION
- OCS FUN PTY LTD
- OPTUS
- THE PROFIELD FOUNDATION
- QPL TEMORA
- QUAYCLEAN
- RAS COUNCILLORS
- RAS STAFF
- RAS WINE COMMITTEE
- SCHUTE BELL BADGERY LUMBY
- THE SNOW FOUNDATION
- SUNRICE
- SUSAN MAPLE-BROWN
- SUSHI HUB
- SWANE-PAYNTER FAMILY
- TATTYKEEL STUD
- UNE FOUNDATION

# THE RAS FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- MS ROBYN CLUBB AM (CHAIR)
- MR MICHAEL MILLNER
- MR GRAHAME SHARPE
- MR DAVID DAVIDSON
- MS JOCELLIN JANSSON
- MR BRUCE PAYNTER
- PROFESSOR JIM PRATLEY AM
- MR CHRISTOPHER HINDMARSH



.....  
RAS FOUNDATION

1 Showground Road, Sydney Olympic Park NSW 2127

Locked Bag 4317, Sydney Olympic Park NSW 2127

T 02 9704 1226 [www.rasf.org.au](http://www.rasf.org.au)

RAS Foundation Limited ABN 99 637 243 853

