



Country Women's Association of NSW

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MEDIA ALERT

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CWA of NSW members welcome new president

Stephanie Stanhope, from the NSW South Coast, has been elected as the new president of the Country Women's Association of NSW, a position she will hold for the next three years.

The announcement was made this morning at the CWA of NSW State Conference in Albury after voting took place yesterday among the hundreds of delegates in attendance.

Stephanie has been a member of the Bega CWA Branch for the past 13 years, where she's held a range of executive positions including president and treasurer, and has also held executive roles at the Group level. She's also been a vice-president on the state executive.

Stephanie, who lives outside Bega, says she is honoured to take on the role of CWA of NSW president and is committed to working hard for all members, in the more than 400 branches across the state.

"I'm really focused on the issues faced by women living in country NSW, like social isolation, financial strain and access to health services," she said.

"Living on a property out of town I know the daily challenges that can make life a little harder and I look forward to the opportunity my new role provides in speaking up for our members and representing their interests to policy-makers at all levels."

Outgoing president Annette Turner, a member of the White Cliffs branch, said it had been a privilege to lead the organisation for the past three years and represent members in advocating for a better deal for rural and regional NSW.

"It's a pleasure to welcome Stephanie as the next president of the CWA of NSW and I know she will derive the same pleasure and satisfaction from the role that I have. It's an exciting new chapter in our history and I'm pleased to continue to be part of it."

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