



## **Annual State Conference 2 – 5 May 2016**

### **Cowra Showground Pavilion**

#### **MOTIONS FOR DEBATE**

##### **Association Activities**

**1a) Barwon, Blue Mountains, Central Western, Darling River, Far South Coast, Far Western, Gwydir, Hume, Hunter River, Mid North Coast, Monaro, Murray, Murrumbidgee-Lachlan, Namoi, Phillip, Southern Tablelands, Sturt, Wanthella and Wollondilly Groups:**

"That the specific Health Research Fund Annual Project for 2016-2017 be Lyme Disease".

**1b) Nepean Group:**

"That the specific Health Research Fund Annual Project for 2016-2017 be Endometriosis".

**1c) South West Group:**

"That the specific Health Research Fund Annual Project for 2016-2017 be Sudden Adult Death Syndrome".

**2. Nimmitabel Branch (Monaro Group):**

"That the CWA motto be changed to better reflect the attitudes of most Australians in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century by removing the word "Throne" and substituting the word "Australia" and removing reference to "God".

##### **Agricultural/Environmental**

**3. Cobargo Branch (Far South Coast Group):**

"That the policy of CWA of NSW shall be that the Federal Government should extend the ban on super trawlers to include all trawlers with the capacity to freeze huge quantities of fish caught in Australian waters".

**4. Maules Creek Branch (Namoi Group):**

"That the policy of CWA of NSW shall be to support urgent, risk reduction action on anthropogenic climate change that limits the rate and magnitude of climate change by making an expedient and just transition from fossil fuel production and use, to renewable energy production and use".

**5. Maules Creek Branch (Namoi Group):**

"That the policy of CWA of NSW shall be to advocate for research, development and investment into renewable energy in rural Australia as a way of adapting and reducing the risk of climate change in rural areas while scoping and establishing, additional, yet sustainable, productive industries for rural populations".

**6. Maules Creek Branch (Namoi Group):**

"That the policy of CWA of NSW shall be to support a moratorium on Coal Seam Gas (CSG) developments until:

- community-led health impacts assessment are established, funded, completed and the recommendations implemented;
- the recommendations of the 2014 Chief Scientist and Engineer's Independent Review are fully implemented;
- and the industry is proven to be safe to water aquifers, the community and the environment".

## **Education**

**7. Kootingal Branch (Wanthella Group):**

"That the policy of CWA of NSW shall be to advocate that the government directs the Board of Studies Teaching Educational Standards (BOSTES) to use Teacher fees to ensure that professional development opportunities are made equally available to those at regional centres with no additional monetary disadvantage due to location; and that BOSTES investigate other methods of delivering professional development opportunities".

**8. Hillston Branch (Murrumbidgee-Lachlan Group):**

"That the policy of CWA of NSW be to ensure that adequate funding be available for community based not for profit early childhood learning centres in rural and remote areas where population levels will always struggle to comply with the numbers based funding criteria".

## **Health**

**9. Belconnen Branch (Monaro Group), Cobargo Branch (Far South Coast Group), Hillston Branch (Murrumbidgee-Lachlan Group), Walgett Branch (Barwon Group):**

"That the policy of CWA of NSW shall be to advocate that funding be made available to a) educate medical practitioners and alert all communities about the identification, treatment and prevention of Q fever, and b) subsidise a further vaccination program and include Q-VAX on the national immunisation schedule".

**10. Hillston Branch (Murrumbidgee-Lachlan Group):**

"That the policy of CWA of NSW shall be to support rural and remote communities in maintaining access to women's health services".

**11. Wongarbron Branch (Macquarie Group):**

"That the CWA of NSW recommends that the Australian Medical Association (AMA) adopt and promote the HoloTC test for population-wide screening of vitamin B12".

**12. Wongarbron Branch (Macquarie Group):**

"That the policy of CWA of NSW shall be to encourage debate and further research into hyperthermia/oncothermia as a possible fourth standard cancer treatment".

## **Transport & Telecommunication**

**13. Eugowra Branch (Central Western Group):**

"That CWA of NSW advocates for the implementation of a system of notification regarding the length of the road works".

## **Miscellaneous/Social Security**

**14. Moruya Branch (Far South Coast Group):**

"That the policy of CWA of NSW shall be that desecration or abuse of the Australian flag be made a criminal offence".

**15. Morrisset Branch (Northumberland Group):**

"That the policy of CWA of NSW is to support the need to have a Transitional Support Stream-Transitional Case Worker Project for aboriginal women in gaols and to provide funding for ongoing support services".

**16. Bowral Branch (Wollondilly Group):**

"That the policy of the CWA of NSW shall be to support the removal of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) from feminine hygiene products".

**17. Albury Evening Branch (Murray Group):**

"That the policy of CWA of NSW brings to the attention of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, the need for introducing a protest exclusion zone around Women's Medical Centres in NSW".

**18. Eurongilly Branch (Hume Group):**

"That the policy of the CWA of NSW shall be that all advertisements for Fast Cash Loans be removed from all media".

**19. Moree Branch (Gwydir Group):**

"That the policy of CWA of NSW be to urgently support Federal and State Ministers in their endeavours to reduce rural crime by reviewing legislation which would enhance the ability to apprehend and sentence offenders".



## **Annual State Conference Program May 2016**

***Change: Challenge or Opportunity***

### **Sunday, 1 May**

5.00 pm Ecumenical Service – St Raphael's Church, Cowra

### **Monday 2 May**

#### **9.30 am Official Opening – Cowra Showground Pavilion**

National Anthem, CWA Anthem & Motto

Welcome by State President, Apologies & Announcements

Welcome - Esther Cutmore, Aboriginal Elder, Wiradjuri Nation  
- Councillor Bill West, Mayor, Cowra Shire Council

Official Opening – His Excellency General The Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Ret'd), Governor of NSW, accompanied by Mrs Linda Hurley

Keynote Speaker – Superintendent Shane Cribb, Canobolas Local Area Command

#### **11.00 am State President's Address**

**Lunch**

#### **1.30 pm Business Session – Cowra Showground Pavilion**

Confirmation of Minutes of 2015 Annual General Meeting

#### **1.45 pm First Special Meeting**

**General Business**

Medical Research Presentations

**Guest Speaker** – Ms Dorothy Coombe, National President, Country Women's Association of Australia

**Agenda**

## **Tuesday 3 May**

**9.30 am Business Session – Cowra Showground Pavilion**

### **Agenda**

State Honorary Secretary's Report

State Honorary Treasurer's Report

**12.30 pm Free Afternoon**

**4.30 pm State International Meeting**

## **Wednesday 4 May**

**9.30 am Business Session – Cowra Showground Pavilion**

**10.00 am** Guest Speaker – Sophie Hansen, 2016 Winner NSW-ACT RIRDC Rural Women's Award

State International Officer's Report

State Agricultural and Environmental Officer's Report

Presentation of Awards and Prizes

State Editor's Report

### **Agenda**

**12.30 pm Lunch**

**2.30 pm Business Session**

**2.45 pm Guest Speaker – Ed Fagan, 2015 NSW Farmer of the Year**

**3.30 pm Business Session**

**4.30 pm "The Land" Cookery Awards**

**5.15 pm State Handicraft Committee Awards**

**6.00 pm State Cultural Committee Awards**

**Thursday 5 May**

**9.30 am Business Session – Cowra Showground Pavilion**

Medical Research Ballot Result Announced

**10.00 am Further Special Meeting**

**10.30 am Guest Speaker – Dr Jennifer Jones, Senior Lecturer in Interdisciplinary Studies, La Trobe University, Albury-Wodonga Campus**

**Agenda**

**Presentations**

- Medical Research Fund cheque presentation
- Wagga Daily Advertiser Award
- Past State President's Award

**12.30 pm Close of Conference**

**1.30 pm Local Tours**

**6.00 pm Gala Event – Gala Dinner, Cowra Showground Pavilion**