

## Dear Members:

We are all aware of the devastation the drought and fires have impacted on farmers and communities, particularly in rural areas of NSW and Qld. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the many thousands of volunteers and emergency services who are working so hard to assist those affected in any way at this time.

As a Club we have undertaken several initiatives to try and assist those who are in desperate need, and more needs to be done. During October, we were able to raise funds in conjunction with Carlton United Breweries, through their 'Let it Pour' Project. By being part of this, we have raised over \$600 for this project and added additional funds from our charity barbecue resulting in donating a total of \$1,500 to 'Let it Pour'.

Moving forward we have now arranged to support 'Ladies of the Land NSW'. You would have received an email about this initiative and how you can contribute. As members would know, for many years we have been having our monthly charity Barbecue's from which, monies raised have been donated to many charities, community groups and hospitals. We will now donate an amount of \$5,000.00 towards the 'Buy A Bale' project, which will provide feed to areas of severe drought.

We will continue to do our part in raising funds aimed at projects which assist those affected by droughts and fire, and your support of our fund-raising events will be appreciated. In the coming months, in addition to the 'Ladies of The Land' project, we will again hold our charity Barbecue on Wednesday 18 December, and proceeds from this BBQ will be directed towards the "Litres for the Land' project a ClubsNSW initiative.

The Club's Board has also approved a further donation of \$10,000 towards fire and drought relief to 'Litres of The Land', through the ClubGRANTS scheme.

I wish to thank you for your past support and encourage you to continue to assist where possible with our fundraising events so that we can give to those in need during these difficult times.

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