



ACA PRESIDENTS REPORT - 2015 AGM

Good evening ACA members and welcome to the 2015 AGM. It is great to be back at Paradise for an action packed week of campdrafting and I wish the committee all the best for their event. Thank you for allowing us to hold the AGM here today. Although Graeme Acton will not be with us in presence, I am sure he will be looking down over this marvellous event.

I would like to start by thanking all of our retiring councillors for their dedication and devotion to the ACA. If you were to add up the years that these people have put into the ACA it would be mind boggling. Some of these people that are leaving us have made a huge impact on my ACA life and I am proud to call many of them my best friends. Once again thank you, we will miss you and good luck for the future. With that said it is great to see a new bunch of names and faces of members who have put their hand up to put something back into this great sport we all love. To these people I thank you and welcome you to the ACA management committee.

Once again our major sponsors must be thanked for their wonderful support. Top Country is unfortunately unable to continue with us and we wish them well in their future endeavours. Long time sponsors Ariat and Riverina have taken on the Gold sponsorship for the new season ahead and we are very grateful for this. Cantaur Park ,Bar H Grazing and HTL have all come on board as Silver sponsors as well as Cowboy Alley filling a bronze sponsorship. Thanks must also go to Supafloats, Rookie syndicate sponsors, Rod Kaye, Wayne Hingst and Peter J Comiskey for their support.

St George committee must be commended on their effort in securing the large amount of cattle required to run the ACA finals in the climate that was presented to them. I was overwhelmed by the number of quality camphorses that was on display at the finals, it just shows the depth that we have in the sport at this point in time.

The last year has seen the ACA procure its 5th Secretary in 42 years with the appointment of Fiona Sharp to the Operations manager position. Fiona has taken to the role extremely well and has built an office full of keen and energetic staff members. Although some of these ladies have limited campdraft knowledge they are adapting well and tackling the jobs head on as they come to hand. If you are passing through Roma please call in and meet the staff and put some names to faces.

In closing I would like to thank all of my supporters who have stuck with me during the year, giving me new ideas and guidance along the way. I would like to thank Donna and my family once again for helping me for fill this role, without your tremendous help I could not do it. We must all stay positive and work together as a team to keep the ACA heading in the right direction for all of our members. In the next 12 months it would be great to see everyone take a minute to stop thinking about what is good for themselves and focus on what is good for the future of campdrafting.

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