



**FOUNDATION STAFF**



**Andrew WHITE**  
Age 32, Launceston, TAS

Andrew is Manager - Boral Timber Tasmania Ltd. He is responsible for Borals' Woodchip Export Mill at Bell Bay and all log supply to Borals' two Tasmanian Sawmills and Woodchip Mill. He is a Member of the Institute of Foresters of Australia and a Member of University of Melbourne Curriculum Advisory Committee. He has a Bachelor of Science (Forestry).



**Ray WIMBERLEY**  
Age 44, Ingham, QLD

Ray is a sugar mill manager for CSR Ltd. He is a Board Member of Macknade Area Local Board, Mourilyan Molasses Terminal and the Herbert Cane Protection and Productivity Board. Ray has a Bachelor of Applied Science

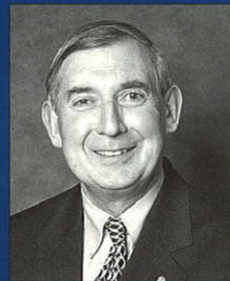


**Sandy WOOD-MEREDITH**  
Age 47, North Buderim, QLD

Sandy is a commercial fisherman, trawler operator and exporter. He is actively involved in fisheries management and development. Sandy is Deputy Chairman of Fisheries Research & Development Corporation and a Director of Sunshine Coast Economic Development Board and an Honorary Ambassador for the Maroochy Shire.



**Mike Beckingham**  
Executive Director



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*"Few, if any,  
forces in human  
affairs are  
as powerful  
as shared vision"*

*Peter M. Senge*



**AUSTRALIAN RURAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM**

*This is a Directory*

*of the participants*

*in the sixth intake of*

*the Australian Rural*

*Leadership Program.*

Through the Program, they are developing their leadership skills, analysing key national and international issues, interacting with leaders in government, industry and the community, and developing a network of peers who share a purpose.

They are doing this through an intensive course of some 60 days duration in 8 sessions at various locations in Australia and overseas, followed by on-going involvement in The Australian Rural Leadership Network (the graduates association).

These men and women are committed to sharing a vision for and shaping the future of rural and regional Australia.

Cover photo:  
Course 6 in the Kimberley  
with The Hon Mark Vaile MP,  
Minister for Agriculture  
Fisheries and Forestry.



**Rob ANDERSON**  
Age 42, Mullaley, NSW

Rob is a beef and grain producer. He is Chairman of the NSW Farmers' Association Cattle Committee, Member of the Aus-Meat Advisory Committee and a Member of the Steering Committee for Meat and Livestock Australia's Business Skills and Best Practice Project. Rob is Chairman of the Mullaley Branch of NSW Farmers' Association.



**Raeleen BERRIMAN**  
Age 48, Merbein, VIC

Raeleen is Aboriginal Service Development Officer (Home Care Service NSW). She is a Director of Murray Darling Community Care, and a Committee Member of NSW State Committee on Ageing. Raeleen is involved in aboriginal women's networks and issues. She is currently studying a Diploma of Business/Community Services and Health Management



**Ian CROOK**  
Age 49, Mont Albert, VIC

Ian is the National Marketing Manager for IAMA Ltd, an Australian rural retail company. He is a Member of the Victorian Avcare Committee. Ian has a Bachelor of Agricultural Science and a Masters of Agricultural Science.



**Michael EGAN**  
Age 40, Warren, NSW

Michael is a cotton grower and beef producer. He is Chairman of the Macquarie Cotton Growers' Association, Committee Member of the Macquarie River Food and Fibre Organisation and Member of the Macquarie Valley Landcare group. Michael has an Associate Diploma of Farm Management.



**Drew ENGLISH**  
Age 45, Kerang, VIC

Drew is a natural resource manager and grain grower. He is Chairman of the North Central Catchment Management Authority, Member of the Murray Darling Basin Commission Community Advisory Committee and a Member of Western Murray Development.



**Bruce FINNEY**  
Age 36, Trangie, NSW

Bruce is the Central Region Manager for Twynam Pastoral Company. He is Vice Chairman of the Australian Cotton Growers' Research Association. Bruce is a Member of Cotton Consultants Australia and the Irrigation Association of Australia. He has a Bachelor of Applied Science (Agriculture).



**David ROSS**  
Age 37, Mackay, QLD

David is a sugar cane grower. He is Deputy Chairman of the Pleystowe Mill Suppliers' Committee and Chairman of the Raw Sugar Quality Committee for the Mackay District Canegrowers Executive. David is a Member of Pleystowe Local Board and a Member of Mackay Management Group.



**Robbie SEFTON**  
Age 36, Coonabarabran, NSW

Robbie is a fine wool, prime lamb, cereal and pulse crops producer. She is a Member of the Woolmark Company's "Women in Wool" Consultative Group, Member of Warrumbungle Rural Community Program and a Board Member of Agricultural Guidance Rural Information Technology User Group.



**Brendan STEWART**  
Age 31, Chinchilla, QLD

Brendan is a grain, cotton and beef producer. He is Vice President of the National Farmers' Federation, and President of the Queensland Graingrowers Association. He chaired the Joint Ministerial Working Group restructuring the Australian Wheat Board. Brendan is a Director of Wideland Insurance Brokers Pty Ltd.



**Jenny DA RIN**  
Age 34, Kambah, ACT

Jenny Da Rin is Executive Director of the Australian Made campaign. Jenny also teaches public relations and marketing at the University of Canberra and is completing a Masters degree in communication. She is a Member of Australian Women in Agriculture and the Media, Entertainment and Arts Alliance.



**Peter DAVIDSON**  
Age 44, Stanbridge, NSW

Peter is a citrus grower and packer. He is President of the Leeton District Citrus Growers Association and Executive Member of Australian Citrus Growers.



**Adrian DRURY**  
Age 37, Upper Lansdowne, NSW

Adrian is a dairy farmer. He is Region 3 Chairman and Executive Member for the NSW Dairy Farmers' Association. Adrian is founding Member and Treasurer of the Mid Coast Dairy Advancement Group. He is Chairman of the Dairy Industry Development Company (NSW) Ltd. Adrian is the NSW Dairy Farmers' Association Representative on the Farming for the Future State Advisory Committee.



**Fran FREEMAN**  
Age 35, Holt, ACT

Fran is a Senior Economist with the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics working on agricultural trade reform issues. Prior to that, she managed the Bureau's Land and Water Economics section for two years, including being responsible for their water research program. Fran has a Bachelor of Agricultural Economics.



**Chris FRY**  
Age 35, Melbourne, VIC

Chris is Agribusiness Manager (Victoria and Tasmania) for the National Australia Bank. He is a Member of the Australian Institute of Agricultural Science and the Association of Australian Agricultural Consultants. Chris holds a Bachelor of Agricultural Economics, Graduate Certificate Finance and a Certificate in Financial Marketing.



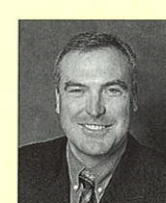
**David GIFFORD**  
Age 40, Toowoomba, QLD

David is a pork producer. He is Chairman of the Board of Directors of Darling Downs Bacon, a Member of the Q-Fleet Management Advisory Board and a Member of the Pork Industry Development Council. David is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.



**Louise STOCK**  
Age 28, Keith, SA

Louise is a rural studies lecturer with the South East Institute of TAFE. She is a Ministerial Appointee to the SA Women's Advisory Council, representing women in rural and regional areas, and is a Committee Member on a range of industry and community organisations. Louise has a Bachelor of Economics and a Graduate Diploma of Agriculture.



**Bradley TEYS**  
Age 36, Rochedale South, QLD

Bradley is Group General Manager Operations for Tey's Bros., a large Queensland based beef processor. He is responsible for the planning and coordination of efficiency of operations for three large beef processing plants. Bradley has a Diploma in Meat Technology and a MBA.



**Tom WARREN**  
Age 47, East Dubbo, NSW

Tom is the Chief Executive Officer of the Orana Development and Employment Council. He is also a beef and cattle producer. Tom is a Member of the NSW Western Coordination Group for Regional Development. He is a Community Member of the Macquarie Area Health Improvement Committee. Tom holds a Bachelor Arts (Economics) and a Diploma of Education.



**Noel GRAHAM**  
Age 40, Deniliquin, NSW

Noel is a producer of rice, cereals and wool. He is Chairman of the Cadell Land and Water Management Committee and is a Delegate to the Rice Research & Development Committee, where he convenes the Sustainability and Extension Liaison Group.



**James HIDER**  
Age 33, Hawthorn, VIC

James is the Principal Analyst in the Dairy and Wool industries with the Victorian Department of Natural Resources and Environment. He is a Member of the Murray Valley Winegrape Industry Development Committee. James has a Bachelor of Agricultural Science and Graduate Diploma of Intellectual Property Law.



**Andrea HRISTOFIS**  
Age 36, Willunga, SA

Andrea is an olive producer and restaurant manager. She is President of the South Australian Olive Association and a Board Member of the Australian Olive Association.



**Keith MENTIPLAY**  
Age 42, Brighton, VIC

Keith is General Manager Milk - National Foods Victoria. He is President of the Milk Processors Association of Victoria and is a Board Member of both Australian Milk Marketing and Victorian Dairy Industry Authority. Keith has qualifications in Dairy Technology and has a MBA.



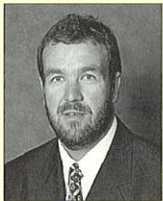
**Peter MILLIKEN**  
Age 45, Hay, NSW

Peter is a beef, lamb and wool producer. He is a Councillor for the Hay Shire and a Member of the National Producer Committee for Meat and Livestock Australia's Business Skills and Best Practise Project. Peter is Chair of the Murrumbidgee Groundwater Management Committee. He has a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture.



**Colin MURDOCH**  
Age 40, Leigh Creek, SA

Colin is Deputy Principal of Leigh Creek Area School. He is Vice President of the Society for the Provision of Education to Rural Australia, Vice Chairperson of the Leigh Creek and Regions Development Board, and Chair of the Regional Development through School Industry Partnerships - Far North Team. Colin has a Bachelor of Education.



**Peter KUHLMANN**  
Age 40, Streaky Bay, SA

Peter is a grain grower and wool producer. He is Chairman of the Western Eyre Peninsula Soil Conservation Board and the Eyre Peninsula Soil Boards Project Committee. He is a Member of the Eyre



**Val LANG**  
Age 51, Lismore, VIC

Val is a wool producer and teaches senior chemistry and agriculture part time. She is President of the Foundation for Australian Agricultural Women, on the reference group for the Victorian Rural Women's Network is



**Andrew LOCKE**  
Age 38, Tamworth, NSW

Andrew is Regional Manager (Business Banking) for Westpac Banking Corporation. The region includes centres at Tamworth, Armidale, Moree and Narrabri. Andrew has a Bachelor of Agricultural



**Trudi RIDGE**  
Age 30, Broome, WA

Trudi is a Senior Tourism Officer for Mamabulanjin Aboriginal Corporation. She assists Aboriginal communities in the Broome & Derby shires to develop their tourism products. She is a Management Committee



**John ROACH**  
Age 40, Maroubra, NSW

John is a Consultant in the Seafood Industry. He is President of the Master Fish Merchants Association of Australia, Vice Chair of the NSW Seafood Industry Council and Director of Merchants and Tenants



**Mark ROBERTS**  
Age 31, Wagga Wagga, NSW

Mark is Executive Officer of the Riverina Regional Development Board and Manager - Riverina for the NSW Department of State & Regional Development. He is a Member of the Riverina Area Consultative Committee