



REGIONAL ACHIEVEMENT & COMMUNITY AWARDS

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Women In Farming Enterprises (WIFE) was presented as a Finalist in the prestigious Harmony Agriculture and Food Co Agricultural Innovation Award, by Charlotta Byrne, System Implementation Manager, Harmony Agriculture & Food Company at the 2018 Western Australian Regional Achievement and Community Awards Presentation Gala held at the Hyatt Regency Perth on Friday 19th October.

The Awards were hosted by Noel Brunning, News Presenter, GWN7 and almost 500 guests gathered from across the State including official guest; The Hon Alannah MacTiernan MLC, Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade to celebrate regional Western Australia's high achievers and community contributors.

Women In Farming Enterprises (WIFE) of Harvey is an incorporated not for profit organisation designed to share ideas, experiences and offer support. The WIFE network has had a positive effect on farming communities, families and the industry. They promote active and positive images of farming and support the journey women experience within their varied roles in farm businesses. WIFE has 15 branches across WA and over 200 members.

The twelve category winners are:

- Waringarri Aboriginal Arts of Kununurra - Rinehart Development of Northern Regional WA Award
- Narrogin Cottage Homes Inc - Prime Super Employer Excellence in Aged Care Award
- Bee Firm NRG of Applecross - Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development Economic Development Award
- Michael Walmsley of Waroona - RAC Volunteering Award
- Littlewell Working Group - Woolworths Community Group of the Year Award
- Sarah Penn of Bulgarra - Curtin University Teaching Excellence Award
- Leigh Ballard of Narrogin - Harmony Agriculture and Food Co Agricultural Innovation Award
- Kimika Lee of Broome - Horizon Power Leadership and Innovation Award
- Eugene Eades of Boxwood Hills - Community TAB Community Service Award
- Narembeen Community Resource Centre - Insurance Commission of Western Australia Regional Safety Award
- Bindoon Mowers and Machinery - Prime Super Business Achievement Award
- Gravity Etc Pty Ltd of Dalyellup - Ricoh Australia Customer Service Award

Winners each received a \$2,000 Award prize from Foundation Partner, Commonwealth Bank and trophy.

Gravity ETC was announced as the CBH Group People's Choice Award Winner and received a \$500 prize.

The Awards night culminated a tremendously successful year with over 380 nominations received from across regional Western Australia.

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Further information about Women In Farming Enterprises (WIFE) can be obtained by phoning the Awards office on 9201 1155, 0423 471 872 or by emailing wa@awardsaustralia.com

Since the creation of the Western Australian Regional Achievement and Community Awards in 2002, it has aimed to encourage, acknowledge and reward the valuable contributions individuals, communities and businesses are making throughout regional and rural Western Australia. The awards recognise and pay tribute to their achievements, which contribute to making regional Western Australia a better community.