The Australian Women's Register

Entry type: Person **Entry ID:** AWE4498

Briggs, Jill

Occupation Businesswoman, Farmer, Management consultant

Summary

Jill Briggs was a regional winner of the ABC Rural Woman of the Year award in 1997. She represented the North East region in Victoria. She is a partner in a third generation family farm in Rutherglen, Victoria, where they manage a 600 acre cattle and cereal crop farm, and has developed a fine reputation in leadership training and management consulting in the primary industry sector. She is the managing director of the firm Rural Training Initiatives.

Jill has worked with rural industries and communities since 1985 when she began work as a secondary teacher. She moved into the tertiary/vocational sector developing her expertise in the area of Adult learning.

Jill has also had an active community profile, as a member of the of the National Committee for Australian Women in Agriculture (AWIA). She has attended a number of fora at an international and national level including the International Agricultural Women's Conference, and she was invited to attend the 2020 summit in 2008. She was recently one of a group of women from AWIA to travel to Papua New Guinea to start the conversations with PNG women and to them with their vision for a national group to assist in networking between the many local groups, and to give the women a strong voice to government.

Events

1997 - 1997

Nominated for ABC Rural Woman of the Year in Victoria

Published resources

Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Resource Section

Australian Women in Agriculture Website, Australian Women in Agriculture, 2008, http://www.awia.org.au/default.asp?PageID=35

1997 ABC Victoria Rural Woman of the Year Award Winners, ABC Radio, 1997, http://www.abc.net.au/rural/rwoty/vic.htm

Site Exhibition

Brilliant Ideas and Huge Visions: ABC Radio Australian Rural Women of the Year - 1994-1997, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2011,

http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/rwya/rwya-home.html

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