

OFF THE VINE

SPRING 2014



TROPHY WIN FOR TWO RIVERS!

It has been a terrific start to the show season with our 2013 Stones Throw Semillon winning the Ed Jouault Memorial Trophy for Best One year old Semillon at the Hunter Valley Wine Show.



Brett and Linda accepting the Ed Jouault Memorial Trophy for the Best One year old Semillon at the Hunter Valley Wine Show



Given the Hunter Valley's importance in the wine world for Semillon production, this is a huge honour and an achievement that we are all very proud of. Our recently released 2014 vintage also won Top Gold (highest pointed current vintage Semillon) at the recent Cowra wine show – a great sign of things to come.

The ongoing success of our Semillon shows that we have a very special patch of dirt here at Two Rivers and when this is combined with our passion in the vineyard and the skills of our winemakers, anything is possible.

We have put aside a small quantity of this wine for a limited members release once it has reached its full potential as a classic aged Hunter Semillon – we can't wait to share it with you!

LSO AFRICA NIGHT

"The power to inspire, the power to unite people in a way little else can. Sport can create hope. It is an instrument of peace..."

Nelson Mandela

Two Rivers happily supports many great charities and fundraisers. For a few years now, one of our good friends and part time *Rock God*, Stuart Zeigler has been putting together an incredible group of musicians and holding a huge party to raise money for the Little Sports Organisation (LSO).



Stu Zeigler rockin it out!

LSO is an international 'Sport for Development' organisation that is helping to shape the lives of the next generation of Kenyans by providing structured sports for peace and social development. The main focus is education and life skills and the program currently reaches about 40,000 children per week. LSO has a vision for a 'peaceful Africa where all children have access to play, learning and life-skill development through sport.'

A lot of fun was had on the night and we supported a really worthwhile cause at the same time. For more information go to www.littlesports.org

UPPER HUNTER TOURISM LAUNCH

Come on Up!

Two Rivers recently hosted the launch of the Upper Hunter's new tourism campaign. Some 60 tourism operators from all over the Upper Hunter attended the launch which has been developed to help promote the Upper Hunter's products and experiences and unite the area under the tag line "Come on Up". Extensions to this tag line are endless, encouraging visitors to get up, saddle up, stay up – and our personal favourite...**drink up!**



L-R Brett Keeping, Hon. Joel Fitzgibbon MP, Hon. George Souris MP at the opening of the Upper Hunter Tourism Campaign at Two Rivers

TWO RIVERS 'SADDLES UP' WITH THE HUNTER'S BEST THOROUGHBRED STUDS

August is an exciting time for all the thoroughbred studs of the Upper Hunter. Spring is in the air, the flowers are blooming and the foaling season is underway. It is also the time of year that the studs open their gates to show off their beautiful properties and their latest crop of stallions.

Two Rivers is a long-time supporter of the thoroughbred industry and it was great to have our wines served at the beautiful Widden and Coolmore Studs for their open days.



The Hunter Valley is one of three centres of excellence for thoroughbred breeding in the world along with Kentucky in the U.S. and Newmarket in the U.K. The open days are an opportunity for us to work with the studs and promote the best the Upper Hunter has to offer.



The crowd at Widden make a toast to Sebring's success and welcome the new stallions with Two Rivers Cuvee!

RIVER CONSERVATION PROJECT

Our river conservation project is looking fantastic so to celebrate we held a barbeque (which was also a working bee) for our staff and their families.

The aim of the day was for our staff to enjoy the river, get the kids involved and plant some trees while we were at it. A great day was had by all and our river track is really taking shape.

Our plan is to build a trail that starts at our guest cottage and winds around the river flats to our picnic area. Visitors to our Cellar Door will also be able to take an easy stroll down to this area as well and enjoy the beauty of the Hunter River as it winds past our property.

We will keep you posted with our progress.



Tahlula, Isla and Maicey learn the finer points of tree planting from Kirsten - Stepping Stones Co-ordinator

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE DIARY

Peter Fennell Art Exhibition

The Two Rivers Cellar Door will be hosting an exhibition by renowned artist, old friend and Two Rivers supporter, Peter Fennell. Peter's latest works will be on display at the Cellar Door from **13th September through to the 22nd September**.



Bush Poet's Night featuring Murray Hartin and Marco Gliori

Our old mate Muz is teaming up for a show at Two Rivers with the talented Marco Gliori. Muz and Marco were the founding members of the Naked Poets and their two man show is full of laughs, yarns and classic Aussie bush poetry. The cellar door is a great venue for these shows and allows the audience to get up close and personal with the performers. The show will be on the 18th October 2014 - don't miss this one!

