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Central West catchment management authority

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WINNERS of 2009 CHAMPIONS OF THE CATCHMENT RECOGNISED

The winners and runners up of the 2009 Central West *Champions of the Catchment* Awards will be announced at a presentation to be held at the Mudgee Small Farm Days on Friday, 24 July at the CMA site L 19-20.

Reg Kidd, Board member of the Central West Catchment Management Authority (CMA) is pleased to formally recognise the winners and present them with their well earned trophy and individual awards.

"The *Champions of the Catchment Awards* provide a great opportunity for the CMA to recognise the dedication and fine efforts of our land managers for their best management practices that care for and improve the overall condition of our environment," Reg said.

The Central West CMA would like to acknowledge everyone that took the time to enter this prestigious competition. We were thrilled with the level of interest and standard of entries that proved once again a difficult task for the judges to identify and decide the eight category winners.

The 2009 Winners of the *Champions of the Catchment Awards* **for the central west are:**

- **Individual Landcarer Award –** **Pip Job**
- **Primary Producer Award -** **Timothy Woods**
- **Rivercare Award –** **Macquarie Rivercare Bathurst Inc.**
- **Nature Conservation –** **Boundary Road Reserve Landcare Group**
- **Education Award -** **Denison College –Kelso High Campus Waterwatch**
- **Indigenous Community Award -** **Orange Local Aboriginal Land Council**
- **Landcare Community Group Award -** **Wuuluman Advisory Group**
- **Local Government Award -** **Bathurst Regional Council along with Orange City Council**

Each category award winner will receive $2000 in prize money, an impressive trophy identifying their achievement and a nomination to represent the catchment at the NSW State Landcare Awards held in Port Macquarie in September. The runners up each receive a trophy and $1000 in prize money.

Congratulations to our 2009 *Champions of the Catchment,* this is a fine effort, the Central West catchment should be proud of your outstanding achievements in effective natural resource management.

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Congratulations to the winners of the 2009 Central West CMA *Champions of the Catchment Awards*

CATEGORY	WINNER
Individual Landcare Award	Pip Job
Individual Landcare - Runner Up	Stephen Nott
Primary Producer Award	Timothy Woods
Primary Producer Award - Runner Up	Adam & Leone Coleman
Rivercare Award	Macquarie Rivercare Bathurst Inc
Rivercare Award - Runner Up	Cabonne Council
Nature Conservation	Boundary Road Reserve Landcare Group
Nature Conservation - Runner Up	Macquarie Marshes Environmental Trust
Education Award	Denison College- Kelso High Campus Waterwatch
Education Award - Runner Up	Orange High School
Indigenous Community	Orange Local Aboriginal Land Council
Landcare Community Group Award	Wuuluman Advisory Group
Landcare Community Group Award - Runner up	Boundary Road Reserve Landcare
Local Government Award	Bathurst Regional Council and Orange City Council
Local Government Award - Runner Up	Cabonne Council