

## President's Message

Dear Members,

As I write this in mid-November, I realise for many of you Christmas seems a long way away. Some areas are experiencing the latest of many years of drought. Many areas have already experienced bush fires and it appears others too will suffer the same fate over the coming months. In many areas feed is at an all time high in terms of price – where it is available. Keeping dairy goats has been, and never will be the easiest activity to engage in, even during the best of times. The current situation around much of Australia is the worst I can remember. On the other hand, in my experience goat breeders have always been a hardy and resilient group of people. I hope that you all find ways of surviving these difficult times as eventually better times will come.

Against that backdrop I nonetheless hope that you can all find a way to enjoy the festive season, if only for a few days. There is nothing as precious as family and friends. Cherish them and the time that you are able to spend with them this Christmas.

Best wishes to you all.



Ian Tyers

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