

Des Reilly of Longwarry Food Park and Phillip Milbourne of RDV display the export award.

LONGWARRY FOOD PARK

WINNER - EXPORT AWARD (Sponsor - Victorian Business Centre)

Milk started flowing again into Longwarry after the Saurin Group recommissioned the old Bonlac Foods Factory after being closed for seven years. By paying a higher price for milk, Longwarry Food Park distribute wealth in the rural economy and generated employment in the region.

Longwarry Food Park is a fully accredited spray drying facility, and the products from this facility have been exported around the world and well accepted by consumers.

Longwarry Food Park successfully competes with very large companies in the procurement of milk and in the market for sale of powders. It has made significant investment in upgrading the facility, which have increased efficiency, reduced greenhouse gases, reused waste heat and increased plant capacity using cutting edge technology.

Longwarry Food Park has ambitious expansion plans for the next three years to get into value added products.

"WILD DOGS FROM DOWN UNDER" WINNER - ARTS & CULTURE AWARD

BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS

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(Sponsor - Queen Street Business Park)

The "Wild Dogs from Down Under" is a diverse group of six professional contemporary artists united by their love of Gippsland.

The artists all reside in the Baw Baw Shire and have come together to create an outstanding body of visual art titled and themed 'Gippsland'. They are Kerrie Warren, Leonie Ryan, Eileen Harrison, Jenny Murray-Jones, Laurie Collins and Gary Miles.

Through their diverse and individual styles the "Wild Dogs" have expressed their immense love of Gippsland, 'their place'.

The exhibition embraces environmental and social issues, captures the diverse landscape and is inclusive of cultural heritage - reflecting the artists themselves.

The aim of this project, in essence, is to foster interaction and understanding within their community and to extend themselves beyond by touring with the exhibition to a variety of spaces in Victoria, and internationally, to the sister city, JiuJiang, in China.



Kerrie Warren (left) receives the winning award from Queen Street Business Park's, Steve Howe.

Wild Dogs from Down Under

2008 Exhibition Program www.wilddogsdownunder.com

Gippsland Art Gallery

'Gippsland' on Tour 68 Foster Street, Sale January 22 - February 24

Latrobe Regional Gallery

<u>'Unleashed'</u> New Work 138 Commercial Road, Morwell January 30 - February 17

West Gippsland Arts Centre

'Grand Finale' China Influence Cnr Albert & Smith Street, Warragul March 3 - March 14

