

Many Paths at Dubbo

Show young people farming's great, get them on the land
Show them there's a future, our goods are in demand
Show them farming's a great life, although with ups and downs
Don't just talk about the strife, don't mope and moan and frown

A younger group now coming on, like Patrick in the play
Needs a chance to take control, and just to have a say
For blokes like Barry life has flown, his chance has almost gone
The Toms we know will just hang on, and on, and on, and on

'Cos he's been farming all his life, will only just slow down
Will not garden, won't play bowls, hates the move to town
Wants to keep the capital, wants to keep the place
He'll let the youngsters have a go, but they must run his race

When should Tom hand on control, what will he do then
To whom should he pass ownership, and more important when?
How should he decide these things, who can give advice?
How could he stop arguments, keep Gwen and Annie nice

The Bayfield's need a team approach, to sort the issues out
Financial, legal, people, relationships – no doubt
No single mind can fix their mess, and get things going well
They need the lot, from many paths, at Dubbo RSL.

© Mike Stephens 06/04/06

Mike Stephens
MS&A Consulting
c/- Harbours Rd, Yendon VIC 3352
Phone 03 5341 6000
mstephens@msanda.com.au