

Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2010

## Wine, Wonders and a Pig named Hamish

Beneath bleak and threatening skies a playful pig and a cheeky goat brightened the spirits of patrons to Sunday's Taradale Annual Mineral Springs Festival. Hailing from Willowmavin's sanctuary for rescued farm animals, Hamish "pigs are for lovin' not the oven" Pig and his trusty sidekick, Ryan Goat, certainly brought a warm glow to all they met.

"I can fully understand how people are just swept away with the cuteness of dear little Hamish as he obediently sits on command and happily poses for photographs. And as for Ryan, who can resist his cheeky face as he politely offers a free handbag search to one and all?" said Hamish and Ryan's guardian and Edgar's Mission founder, Pam Ahern. "Animals are certainly able to bridge borders and these two never cease to draw a crowd"

While the rain managed to be kept at bay the Festival patrons enjoyed an eclectic mix of fine wine, good food and creative musicians, all the while young Hamish and Ryan showed people what truly wonderful creatures farm animals really are.

"When you have a pig and a goat in your life nothing is going to take your sunshine away" concluded Pam

Photos attached for media use: large file photos available upon request

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*"If we could live happy and healthy lives without harming others...  
why wouldn't we?"*