

# Media Release

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## Charlotte still weaving her web

Enchanted by a charming piglet named Wilbur was Williamstown five years ago when Paramount Pictures came to town for the filming of E.B. White's classic tale "Charlotte's Web" and enchanted again was Williamstown on Sunday at the Farmers' Market by yet more adorable piglets, this time named Polly and Hamish.

And it seems Polly, Hamish and Williamstown all have strong connections to "Charlotte's Web". Polly and Hamish hail from Edgar's Mission Farm Sanctuary in Kilmore, home to four porcine stars of the hit movie namely, Alice, Daisy, Lily and Mrs. Peaches.

"Alice and Daisy are both prima donnas" says their guardian and sanctuary founder, Pam Ahern. "They hate getting up early and demand breakfast in bed. While Lily and Mrs. Peaches are early risers and love trotting around the farm greeting guests".

And just like Fern in the movie, Pam too was touched by a tiny piglet who changed her life. Seven years ago the runty Edgar Alan piglet squealed into her heart and she created the sanctuary in his honour, vowing to champion the cause of the not so lucky pigs and all farm animals.

"That pigs are sensitive, fun loving and intelligent animals is not lost on all who are fortunate enough to meet them" said Pam. "Yet so few people get the chance to do so. We give them that chance and remind them that we are all farmers by proxy. Each kind choice we make represents the hope that these animals have, that their lives can change for the better"

Edgar's Mission Farm Sanctuary is situated in the foothills of the Great Dividing Range just west of Kilmore and they are home to over 200 rescued animals and they are open to the public by appointment.

Useful website: [www.edgarsmission.org.au](http://www.edgarsmission.org.au)

Photos attached for media use, large file photos and names available upon request.

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