



Sunflower Centre

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/02/2012 (Article No.10)

SUNFLOWER CENTRE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that the Sunflower Centre, Hunter Region's fellowship service for people suffering with schizophrenia, offers a telephone outreach service conducted by volunteers.
- (2) Congratulates all the volunteers who support the Sunflower Centre.



2Blend Cafe

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/02/2012 (Article No.11)

2BLEND CAFE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that the 2Blend Café, Lambton, received an award from the State Government in recognition of its outstanding sustainability achievements.
- (2) Commends 2Blend Café for caring for the Hunter environment and community.



Tribute to Mr Oscar Garland

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/02/2012 (Article No.12)

TRIBUTE TO MR OSCAR GARLAND

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes the passing of Mr Oscar Garland, World War II veteran and Cardiff RSL Sub Branch member, ALP Branch member, Freemason and Member of Lodge Enterprise.
- (2) Notes Oscar's contribution to the Hunter community and his proud role in the Defence Forces.



Newcastle Citizen of the Year David Horkan

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/02/2012 (Article No.13)

NEWCASTLE CITIZEN OF THE YEAR DAVID HORKAN

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates David Horkan the Newcastle Citizen of the Year for 2012.
- (2) Notes David's work in the community and dedication to the reopening of the Regal Cinema at Birmingham Gardens.



Lake Macquarie Australia Day Awards

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/02/2012 (Article No.14)

LAKE MACQUARIE AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that Swansea Men's Shed, Toronto Tidy Towns, Lions Club of Swansea, Faye Hawley, George Boyd, Kellie O'Sullivan, Andresen Karamus, Elyse Hudson and Damien McCabe were nominated for Lake Macquarie City Council Australia Day Awards.
- (2) Congratulates Faye Hawley, who received the Lake Macquarie Volunteer of the Year award for her efforts to raise awareness of suicide prevention in the Hunter.



Maria Roberts and Roadside Litter

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/02/2012 (Article No.15)

MARIA ROBERTS AND ROADSIDE LITTER

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends Maria Roberts, of Wallsend, for helping the local environment by personally removing rubbish from Minmi Road each day.
- (2) Notes Ms Roberts' suggestion that driver education ought to include the prevention of littering from vehicles.



Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/02/2012 (Article No.29)

DEMENTIA AND ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

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Ms SONIA HORNER (Wallsend) [10.26 a.m.]: I move:

That this House:

- (1) notes that dementia and Alzheimer's are claiming more than twice as many Australian lives as they did a decade ago; and
- (2) notes that the Hunter Medical Research Institute, the John Hunter Hospital and the Calvary Mater Hospital would appreciate more funding for research and development to combat this insidious disease.

In the 6½ minutes I have I shall outline some brief points to support more funding for research into dementia in the Hunter region. Of course, I shall focus on the Hunter region and talk about local volunteers' calls for more resources. I pay tribute to Professor Maree Gleeson, former Director of the Hunter Medical Research Institute [HMRI]. I shall refer to a media release of the Minister for Health, a quote from Conjoint Associate Professor Peter Schofield from Hunter New England Local Health District, a comment from Sally O'Loughlin, Regional Manager of Alzheimer's Australia NSW, some innovative research on dementia and sum up by urging this Parliament and the community to support more funding for further research into Alzheimer's disease. I commence with the reason for moving this motion. I read an article in the *Sydney Morning Herald* entitled "Time to combat chronic illness", which stated:

The Hunter is facing a dementia epidemic with numbers of people living with the brain disorder expected to quadruple by 2050.

Advocates say the region is struggling to cope with demand, and an urgent injection of resources will be needed to combat the impending crisis.

Alzheimer's disease is the most common form of dementia, and the stress it places on carers and their need for extra support is important. Dementia and Memory Resource Centre volunteer and former carer, Jan Curry, said that more government resources would be needed to help address the expected surge in cases. We have undertaken brilliant local research. Another great article by Professor Maree Gleeson was published in the *Sydney Morning Herald* in which she talked about medical research providing evidence for improved health care for all Australians. She spoke about the beneficial research conducted by the Hunter Medical Research Institute, particularly in other areas such as information for asthmatics, and she referred to the team of researchers that wins awards worldwide for its wonderful research,

My next comment concerns the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research who, in September, welcomed funds for the Hunter Medical Research Institute. I agree with the Minister. The health Minister also said that the New South Wales Government is committed to medical research, that the Hunter Medical Research Institute is a fantastic facility, and the New South Wales Government is glad

to help build on research capabilities at the institute. More funding is needed for this wonderful resource that is being built on the John Hunter campus as we speak. Conjoint Associate Professor Peter Schofields said this about the need for more research on dementia, and for more funding and resources:

We are developing novel low technological ways of investigating individuals with possible dementia disorders that could be used by general practitioners. More research support would allow us to speed up this important translational work.

Sally O'Loughlin, Hunter regional manager for Alzheimer's Australia NSW, said in support of more funding that the Hunter region already has an estimated 8,000 people with dementia. As the population ages, the hammer blow of the looming dementia epidemic will be felt in the Hunter. We desperately need more support for research to help find a cure. I am sure that every member would agree. In November last year an interesting tidbit in the *Sun-Herald* reported on innovative research on an experimental stress test for the brain that shows whether a person is at risk of developing dementia. It has been trialled by Australian researchers. We need funding for this type of research. Scientists at the University of New South Wales were also involved in the research published in the *Journal of Biological Psychiatry*. We need more funding in our Hunter New England Health area and on the North Coast to support research to assist our doctors and nurses.

According to the *Newcastle Post*, there are different ways of treating Alzheimer's. One of the Alzheimer's treatments at John Hunter Hospital is provided by a comedian and humour therapist. He visits the hospital and aged care facilities to make the patients feel better about themselves. An article in the *Newcastle Post* yesterday reported that it has become apparent that humour may hold part of the answer to treating people with Alzheimer's disease. There are many different, innovative ways we can conduct research and let us not forget the benefits of humour and making people feel good. Fundamentally, today I voice my support for all the researchers at John Hunter Hospital, the University of Newcastle and the Calvary Mater, and to seek from the State Government more funding for research on Alzheimer's and dementia because it is clearly needed not only in the Hunter but throughout New South Wales.

Pursuant to standing orders business interrupted and set down for a later hour .



Soul Cafe

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/03/2012 (Article No.16)

SOUL CAFE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Wallsend Baptist Church Soul Cafe for their ongoing service to the community.
- (2) Notes that the Soul Cafe has been operating in Wallsend for 6 months.
- (3) Wishes Pastor Phil Skinner and his team of volunteers the best for their continued success.



Jesmond Neighbourhood Centre and Dianne Carr

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/03/2012 (Article No.17)

JESMOND NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE AND DIANNE CARR

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates and thanks Dianne Carr for her contribution and commitment to Jesmond Neighbourhood Centre and the local community over the past 23 years.
- (2) Acknowledges Dianne's recent retirement and wishes her all the best in the future.



Wallsend Town Business Association Street Planters

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/03/2012 (Article No.18)

WALLSEND TOWN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION STREET PLANTERS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Wallsend Town Business Association on its green initiative to install 40 street planters in the Wallsend central business district.
- (2) Encourages local businesses to sponsor a street planter and improve the environment.



Volunteer Allison Hammett

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/03/2012 (Article No.25)

VOLUNTEER ALLISON HAMMETT

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates and thanks Allison Hammett for her volunteer work and commitment to advocating for those in our community with a disability.
- (2) Notes that after suffering a stroke Ms Hammett has assisted other stroke patients through her work on various stroke and brain injury rehabilitation advisory committees, including Hunter and New England Area Health, the Hunter Medical Research Institute and the University of Newcastle.



Hunter Catholic Community Services

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/03/2012 (Article No.65)

HUNTER CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES

Page: 9288

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that welfare organisation, Catholic Community Services, has warned that more than 40 percent of Hunter residents seeking help for impulsive hoarding are at risk of becoming homeless.
- (2) Notes it is the only specialist hoarding and squalor support service in the Hunter.
- (3) Acknowledges its efforts in assisting Hunter residents.



Seniors at the Wetlands Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/03/2012 (Article No.9)

SENIORS AT THE WETLANDS PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates the Hunter Wetlands Centre, in Sandgate, for hosting a "Seniors at the Wetlands" program during Seniors Week.



Female Football Coaching Course

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/03/2012 (Article No.10)

FEMALE FOOTBALL COACHING COURSE

Page: 9714

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates the South Wallsend Football Club and Northern New South Wales Football for providing female only courses for coaches of players up to 8 year old, to improve the development of female coaches.



Tribute to Kengo Yagami

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 27/03/2012 (Article No.41)

TRIBUTE TO KENGO YAGAMI

Page: 9878

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that Kengo Yagami, Head Coach Swimming, Lake Macquarie City Council, has mentored young swimmers, hosted many overseas swimming squads, promoted “World Peace through Swimming” and that his efforts are highly appreciated by our community.
- (2) Congratulates Kengo Yagami for the valuable friendship links he has fostered between the Hunter and Japan.



Telstra Business Women's Awards

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 27/03/2012 (Article No.50)

TELSTRA BUSINESS WOMEN'S AWARDS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Urges the community to nominate outstanding local women for the 2011 Telstra Business Women's Awards.
- (2) Notes that the prestigious award provides an excellent opportunity to uncover our best local business women and acknowledges the contribution they make within our community.



Hunter Sports High School Rugby League Teams

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 27/03/2012 (Article No.55)

HUNTER SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL RUGBY LEAGUE TEAMS

Page: 9880

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Under 15 and Under 18 Hunter Sports High School rugby league teams for their wins at the rugby league trials held last week.
- (2) Congratulates the 12 Hunter players who were selected for the Northern 15 years side for the NSWCHS selection trials and the 8 players selected for the Under 18 Northern team.

Question put and resolved in the affirmative .

Community recognition notices agreed to .



Wallsend Town Business Association

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.12)

WALLSEND TOWN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House notes the work of the Wallsend Town Business Association:

- (1) In connecting local businesses and community groups through educational events, networking and business building opportunities.
- (2) In promoting key local issues that will benefit Wallsend.



Wallsend and Speers Point View Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.13)

WALLSEND AND SPEERS POINT VIEW CLUB

Page: 10177

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the VIEW club of Wallsend and Speers Point for its support of disadvantaged children and its learning for life program.
- (2) Recognises the VIEW club group as the oldest women's organisation in Australia.



Northern New South Wales Girls in Football Week

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.14)

NORTHERN NEW SOUTH WALES GIRLS IN FOOTBALL WEEK

Page: 10177

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House notes:

- (1) 18 to 24 March 2012 is Northern New South Wales Girls in Football Week.
- (2) This inaugural Girls in Football Week is part of a range of activities including: a girls gala day; women's referee courses; and a girls come and try day, intended to encourage girls to participate in football.
- (3) Congratulates Northern New South Wales Football on its initiative.



Oxidative Stress

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.15)

OXIDATIVE STRESS

Page: 10177

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges both the Australasian Research Institute and the University of New South Wales for its research into oxidative stress and the effects of consumption of high fat and high sugar food.
- (2) Commends the institute and University of New South Wales for researching food types that may cause disease.



Shooting Champion Stuart Foate

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.48)

SHOOTING CHAMPION STUART FOATE

Page: 10181

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates 16-year-old Stuart Foate, of New Lambton, on winning the New South Wales Light and Heavy Benchrest Memorial Shoot held at Harry Luhr Range in March 2012.
- (2) Notes Stuart will compete at the national titles in Perth and hopes to make the Australian team.



University of Newcastle Employer of Choice for Women Citation

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.73)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE EMPLOYER OF CHOICE FOR WOMEN CITATION

Page: 10184

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that women make up 58% of the Newcastle University's workforce.
- (2) Notes the University's innovative programs for women include: a special studies program; Academic Women in Leadership; Leadership Journey for Women; Career Enhancement Fellowship program; Equity Research Fellowship program; and Women@UoN.
- (3) Commends the university on being awarded an Employer of Choice for Women citation for 2012 from the Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Agency.



World's Greatest Shave and Andrew Pryce

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.16)

WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE AND ANDREW PRYCE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House thanks and congratulates Mr Andrew Pryce, Principal of Glendale East Public School, who participated in the World's Greatest Shave, to raise money for Jake Silvestri, a young Glendale resident.



Lifeline Hunter Steel Magnolia Award Recipient Shirley Chapman

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.17)

LIFELINE HUNTER STEEL MAGNOLIA AWARD RECIPIENT SHIRLEY CHAPMAN

Page: 10631

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mrs Shirley Chapman, recipient of the Lifeline Hunter Steel Magnolia Award 2012.
- (2) Recognises Mrs Chapman has overcome her own health problems to help the lives of others.



Elernore Vale Tree Planting Day

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.18)

ELERMORE VALE TREE PLANTING DAY

Page: 10631

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that Newcastle City Council invited the community to help plant a tree to bolster Elernore Vale urban forest.
- (2) Commends the council for its endeavour to improve the environment of the community and involving citizens in the process.



Wallsend Community Nursery

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.93)

WALLSEND COMMUNITY NURSERY

Page: 10642

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates, Tony Still and Karlie Kearney, of Lifestyle Solutions Hunter, on their successful Wallsend Community Nursery, which offers jobs for many who find it challenging to gain employment.
- (2) Commends the Wallsend Community Nursery for the wide range of services, including a cafe and the sale of plants.
- (3) Praises Lifestyle Solutions for the positive and supportive vocational environment they provide for local workers.



St John's Catholic Primary School, Lambton

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.94)

ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, LAMBTON

Page: 10642

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates St John's Catholic Primary School, Lambton on its new flexible learning space and refurbishment of the parish school hall.
- (2) Commends St John's for adhering to its motto Love One Another.



Planit Youth Mentoring Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.119)

PLAN-IT YOUTH MENTORING PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends the staff at the Plan-It Youth Hunter/Central Coast mentoring program who have assisted young people in Years 10 and 11 to pave a successful future.
- (2) Notes the Plan-It Youth mentoring program has effectively assisted disengaged students who have sought to leave school without plans for their lives after school.



Newcastle Community Trade Training Centre

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.120)

NEWCASTLE COMMUNITY TRADE TRAINING CENTRE

Page: 10645

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the opening of the \$12 million Newcastle Community Trade Training Centre at Callaghan College in Jesmond.
- (2) Notes the facility will provide high school students with industry relevant training to address skills shortages in construction, engineering and hospitality.



Paramedics

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.121)

PARAMEDICS

Page: 10645

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends the hard-working paramedics of New South Wales.
- (2) Acknowledges that their job to save the lives of people may be very stressful.
- (3) Recognises that ambulance officers often work in dangerous circumstances to assist people in emergencies.



Waratah West Public School

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.21)

WARATAH WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Waratah West Public School on its very successful breakfast program.
- (2) Notes that breakfast is essential, helps children concentrate in class, and that the program has shown improvements in the students' behaviour and attitude.
- (3) Congratulates the community organisations who support and sponsor the program.



Volunteer Kelly McGowan

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.23)

VOLUNTEER KELLY MCGOWAN

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Kelly McGowan for her outstanding volunteer service with St John Ambulance, which was recently recognised at a special ceremony at Government House.
- (2) Notes that Kelly McGowan has been admitted as a member of the Order of St John.



Regional Achievement and Community Awards

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.27)

REGIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AND COMMUNITY AWARDS

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Encourages people in regional areas to nominate worthy individuals and groups who contribute to the enhancement of their local communities for the Regional Achievement and Community Awards.
- (2) Notes that Awards Australia administers the scheme and that nominations close on 5 August 2011.



St Patrick's Church, Wallsend

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.28)

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, WALLSEND

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the congregation of St Patrick's Church in Wallsend, which celebrated 80 years of service to the Wallsend community since the opening of St Patrick's Church.
- (2) Notes that St Patrick's Church is a well known iconic building in Wallsend with many great memories for those in the community.



Ada Staader Community Service

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.30)

ADA STAADER COMMUNITY SERVICE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Ada Staader for hosting her 12th Australia's Biggest Morning Tea.
- (2) Congratulates Ada Staader for raising \$24,743 for the Cancer Council over the past decade and for being a wonderful ambassador for the Hunter community.



Hunter Children's Research Foundation

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.31)

HUNTER CHILDREN'S RESEARCH FOUNDATION

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Encourages the community to support the Hunter Children's Research Foundation.
- (2) Congratulates the Foundation for reaching the \$1 million fundraising milestone in October 2010, which money is used to research treatment of debilitating and terminal illnesses in children.
- (3) Notes the Foundation is in need of continued community support.



Tribute to Mr Alf Stone

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.40)

TRIBUTE TO MR ALF STONE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes the passing of Mr Alf Stone on 27 May 2011, at the age of 92, one of Newcastle's last and best known prisoners of World War II.
- (2) Notes that Mr Stone valued his position as the Newcastle Ex-POW Association President, as he had spent four years in a German prison camp.
- (3) Acknowledges that diggers like Mr Stone shared a strong bond and looked after each other, and that their brave work defending Australia will never be forgotten.



Tom Farrell Institute

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.42)

TOM FARRELL INSTITUTE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends Newcastle University's Tom Farrell Institute for promoting their Leaders in Sustainability Series.
- (2) Notes that former Newcastle Lord Mayor, Greg Heys, was recognised on 8 June by the Institute for instigating the 'Pathways to Sustainability' conference in 1997.



Hunter Clubs Community Development Support Expenditure Grants

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.44)

HUNTER CLUBS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT EXPENDITURE GRANTS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that Hunter clubs contribute to the community in a very valuable way through the Community Development Support Expenditure Grants.
- (2) Notes that some of the local organisations supported by Wallsend Diggers include: the Hunter Prostate Cancer Alliance, Wallsend Diggers Cricket Club, Australian Drug Foundation, Lifeline Newcastle and Hunter, Wallsend Athletics Club, Wallsend Junior Soccer Club and the Wallsend Warriors Swimming Club.



National BMX Championships Competitor Reece Rowbottom

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.46)

NATIONAL BMX CHAMPIONSHIPS COMPETITOR REECE ROWBOTTOM

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Reece Rowbottom of Maryland, in the electorate of Wallsend, for making it to the National BMX World Championships held in Cairns recently.
- (2) Notes that Reece had progressed through four rounds of a State level qualifying competition to finish as the second highest qualifier for the 12 years Boys Dynamite team.
- (3) Commends Reece on finishing sixth in the finals and wishes him well for his future endeavours in BMX.



Medical Research Week

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.47)

MEDICAL RESEARCH WEEK

Page: 10974

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that 6 to 10 June 2011 was Medical Research Week.
- (2) Congratulates all our medical researchers and commends them in their search for discoveries and breakthroughs to improve our health.
- (3) Notes the efforts of the Hunter Medical Research Institute (HMRI) to find cures for diseases and recognises its prominent place within the Hunter Community.
- (4) Acknowledges and thanks the 2000 volunteers who contribute to the operations of HRMI.



Shortland Waters Golf Club Superintendent Craig Molloy

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.48)

SHORTLAND WATERS GOLF CLUB SUPERINTENDENT CRAIG MOLLOY

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Shortland Waters Golf Club Superintendent, Craig Molloy, on his election as President of the NSW Golf Course Superintendents, which will now take him to the United States on a study tour.
- (2) Commends Craig on his desire to extend his knowledge for the benefit of the Shortland Waters Golf Club and other clubs in New South Wales.



West Wallsend Indoor Swimming Centre Committee

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.49)

WEST WALLSEND INDOOR SWIMMING CENTRE COMMITTEE

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates long serving committee members, Wendy Wilson and Anne Dever, who were recently honoured with life membership of the West Wallsend Indoor Swimming Centre.
- (2) Acknowledges the new club executive: President, Robert Campbell; Vice President, Terry Moonen; Secretary and Race Secretary, Lee Bendeich; Treasurer, Nigel Richardson; and committee members, Janeen Richardson, John Herring, Todd Holden and Anne Dever.



Lambton-New Lambton RSL Club Boer War Commemoration

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.54)

LAMBTON-NEW LAMBTON RSL CLUB BOER WAR COMMEMORATION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes the Boer War is one of Australia's forgotten wars.
- (2) Acknowledges the Lambton-New Lambton RSL Club, and members Ray Warry, Warrick Budden and Murdoch MacGillivray, for conducting a Boer War Commemorative Service to honour those who fought and died in the Boer War.



Order of Australia Medal Recipient Professor Maree Gleeson

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.57)

ORDER OF AUSTRALIA MEDAL RECIPIENT PROFESSOR MAREE GLEESON

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Hunter Region Medical Institute's Chief Executive Officer, Professor Maree Gleeson, who has been honoured for her work in medicine and education with a Medal of the Order of Australia.
- (2) Notes that Professor Gleeson was also recognised for her contribution to raising awareness and fundraising programs for Alzheimer's disease and breast cancer.



Olyroos Soccer Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.58)

OLYROOS SOCCER TEAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Supports the Olyroos in their match against Yemen at Ausgrid Stadium, Broadmeadow on 23 June 2011.
- (2) Notes that Jason Hoffman, former Novocastrian, and Jets Player, Marco Jesic will have a strong local following as they represent Australia in the international fixture.



Cheerleader Rose Davidson

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.60)

CHEERLEADER ROSE DAVIDSON

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Callaghan College, Wallsend student Rose Davidson on her selection as part of the Australian cheerleading squad "The Poms" who competed at the International Cheer Union World Cheerleading Championships in April 2011 in Florida.
- (2) Notes that Rose is also a member of the successful Callaghan College Comets cheer squad which has won two state titles and an Asia Pacific World Cup in the past three years and is headed to the nationals in November 2011.



Hunter Ride of Silence

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.63)

HUNTER RIDE OF SILENCE

Page: 10977

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that the Ride of Silence was conducted by Hunter cyclists to remember those who have been killed or injured on Hunter roads.
- (2) Acknowledges Hunter Olympian, Olivia Gollan, for organising the Newcastle event.



Jesmond Lions Cycleway Cleanup Project

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.80)

JESMOND LIONS CYCLEWAY CLEANUP PROJECT

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House thanks Troy Herbert Symes, Bob Hodgson and the Jesmond Lions for their monthly voluntary cycleway cleanup project in the University Precinct in the Wallsend electorate.



Reserve Forces Day

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.85)

RESERVE FORCES DAY

Page: 10980

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates the Reserve Forces of the Hunter, who recently celebrated the 63rd Reserve Forces Day with a ceremony and celebrations recognising serving and former reservists.



Hunter Festival of Sport

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.88)

HUNTER FESTIVAL OF SPORT

Page: 10981

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Thanks the Hunter Academy of Sport for its excellent Hunter Festival of Sport held during the July school holidays.
- (2) Notes the festival helps children develop their sports skills and gives them a chance to try sports they may not otherwise get to try.



Blackbutt Nature Reserve

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.92)

BLACKBUTT NATURE RESERVE

Page: 10981

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes the addition of two new diamond pythons to Blackbutt Nature Reserve.
- (2) Notes the snakes have been donated to the Reserve, enhancing the wide variety of wildlife exhibits at Blackbutt.



Hunter Wetlands Centre Bush Tucker Garden

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.94)

HUNTER WETLANDS CENTRE BUSH TUCKER GARDEN

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the iconic Hunter Wetlands Centre for the launch of their Bush Tucker Garden which houses over 250 wildlife species.
- (2) Notes that the garden will further assist in education about the significance of the Hunter Wetlands, including its use as a rich source of food.



Hunter Region Sports Administrator Award Recipient Warren Evans

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.101)

HUNTER REGION SPORTS ADMINISTRATOR AWARD RECIPIENT WARREN EVANS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mr Warren Evans who received this year's Hunter Region Sports Administrator Award.
- (2) Notes that the award acknowledges the outstanding work done by sports administrators in the Hunter.
- (3) Notes Mr Evans received the award for his contribution to the work of the Hunter Academy of Sport and the Hunter Festival of Sport.



Jesmond Lions Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.104)

JESMOND LIONS CLUB

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Thanks the Jesmond Lions Club for its ongoing charitable work for the community.
- (2) Notes their major donation given to support medical treatment of children at the John Hunter Hospital.
- (3) Congratulates the new Lions Club president, Chris Bullock, secretary, Troy Herbert Symes and treasurer, Lyn Waymouth.



Tribute to Cadel Evans

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.106)

TRIBUTE TO CADEL EVANS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Cadel Evans on becoming the first Australian to win the Tour de France.
- (2) Notes his 20 years of hard work that contributed to his achievement.



Mayfield/Waratah Blind and Vision Impaired Inc.

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.126)

MAYFIELD/WARATAH BLIND AND VISION IMPAIRED INC.

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the work of Mayfield/Waratah Blind and Vision Impaired Inc in assisting the blind and vision impaired in our community and its work for local and international charities.
- (2) Congratulates Mr Stephen Hallian on his appointment as President.



Salvation Army Kokoda Trail Charity Walk

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.129)

SALVATION ARMY KOKODA TRAIL CHARITY WALK

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House commends Rebecca Joy of Callaghan College, Jesmond and her colleagues Jacob Riordan and Jessica Manzalo, who are three of 10 students sponsored to undertake the charity walk along the Kokoda Trail, for the Salvation Army in 2011.



Snakebite Research

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.131)

SNAKEBITE RESEARCH

Page: 10987

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the University of Newcastle, the John Hunter Hospital and the Calvary Mater Hospital on the discovery that an ointment commonly used for wound healing could increase survival rates from snake bite.
- (2) Commends the work of Dirk van Helden, Megan Saul, Paul Thomas, Geoff Isbister, Peter Dosen, Margaret O'Leary and Sally McFadden on their research study.

Question put and resolved in the affirmative .

Community recognition notices agreed to .



South Wallsend Scouts

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.9)

SOUTH WALLSEND SCOUTS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates 1st South Wallsend Scouts for its hard work which has culminated in the opening of new meeting rooms.
- (2) Congratulates the scouts and their leaders for their efforts.



St Kevin's Primary School Autism Awareness Event

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.10)

ST KEVIN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL AUTISM AWARENESS EVENT

Page: 11083

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends the staff and students of St Kevin's Primary School on their special blue-ribbon event to raise autism awareness for World Autism Awareness Day, on 2 April 2012.
- (2) Notes the Aspect (Autism Spectrum Australia) satellite class has encouraged the school to wear blue and organised other playground events to raise community awareness of autism during April.



Wallsend Community Carers

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.11)

WALLSEND COMMUNITY CARERS

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Commends Ms Loretta Block, a local volunteer, for her 18 years of service to Wallsend Community Carers.
- (2) Notes Wallsend Community Carers provide assistance to residents in Minmi, Maryland, Wallsend Elernmore Vale, Jesmond, Birmingham Gardens and Shortland with bus and shopping services, home visits and respite care.
- (3) Acknowledges all Wallsend Community Carers who tirelessly help people in the Wallsend electorate.



Elernore Vale Men's Shed

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.32)

ELERMORE VALE MEN'S SHED

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Elernore Vale Men's Shed on building a new shed adjacent to the Elernore Vale Community Centre.
- (2) Commends the members for the projects they have undertaken, including mowing lawns, weeding gardens, general odd jobs and a community harmony garden at the Elernore Vale Community Centre.
- (3) Notes that the group's activities are to the benefit of both its members and the Elernore Vale community.



Wallsend District Cricket Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.33)

WALLSEND DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

Page: 11086

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Wallsend District Cricket Club, the Tigers, for reaching the Newcastle grade cricket final against Merewether District Cricket Club.
- (2) Commends their effort against the Merewether side, who became the first club to complete the first grade treble of Twenty20, 50-over and two-day titles in the same season.
- (3) Commends Tigers' all-rounder Cameron Roxby, who is considered the next big emerging talent in Newcastle cricket.
- (4) Acknowledges Tigers' skipper David Celep's consistent encouragement to the team.



NSW Barnados Australia's Mother of the Year Caroline Fowles

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.34)

NSW BARNADOS AUSTRALIA'S MOTHER OF THE YEAR CAROLINE FOWLES

Page: 11086

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes Caroline Fowles, of Wallsend, was named NSW Barnados Australia's Mother of the Year 2012.
- (2) Acknowledges this reward for Caroline's hard work as a mother of five children.



Australian Under 16 Asian Football Confederation Championships Training Squad

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.54)

AUSTRALIAN UNDER 16 ASIAN FOOTBALL CONFEDERATION CHAMPIONSHIPS TRAINING SQUAD

Page: 11089

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Reece Papas, Brandon Lundy and Jaiden Walker from the Hunter region on their selection in the Australian under 16 training squad for the Asian Football Confederation Championships 2012.
- (2) Notes the achievement is a tribute to Northern NSW Football and wishes the young players every success in the future.



The Guppies

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.55)

THE GUPPIES

Page: 11089

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates Lambton High graduates and musicians, The Guppies, for being selected to perform at Groovin the Moo at Maitland in April 2012.



Newcastle City Council Climatecam Initiative

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.56)

NEWCASTLE CITY COUNCIL CLIMATECAM INITIATIVE

Page: 11089

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates St Patrick's Primary School, Wallsend, New Lambton South Public School, Mayfield West Demonstration School and Hamilton Public School for joining Newcastle City Council's very successful climate cam.
- (2) Acknowledges Newcastle City Council for this positive environmental initiative and for involving schools in the process.



Hunter Leukaemia Foundation Volunteer Lachlan McVicar

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.37)

HUNTER LEUKAEMIA FOUNDATION VOLUNTEER LACHLAN MCVICAR

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House acknowledges Lachlan McVicar for over 12 years volunteer work for the Hunter's Leukaemia Foundation, including helping to drive patients to hospital, organising other volunteers and chairing the Foundation Committee.



New Lambton Football Club Fundraising Activities

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.41)

NEW LAMBTON FOOTBALL CLUB FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

Page: 11230

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates New Lambton Football Club for raising money for the cancer charity, CanTeen.
- (2) Notes the club will be hold various fundraising events and hopes to raise a total of \$2500 for the charity.



Netballer Danielle Taylor

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.56)

NETBALLER DANIELLE TAYLOR

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates Danielle Taylor of the Wallsend electorate on her selection in the New South Wales Netball Team for the School Sports Australia championship to be held in Darwin in October 2011.



Schizophrenia Fellowship of New South Wales

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.58)

SCHIZOPHRENIA FELLOWSHIP OF NEW SOUTH WALES

Page: 11232

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House commends the Schizophrenia Fellowship of New South Wales, a non-profit fellowship committed to improving the circumstances of those living with schizophrenia in the Hunter.



Hunter Samaritans and Kaiyu Organisations

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.60)

HUNTER SAMARITANS AND KAIYU ORGANISATIONS

Page: 11232

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that the Samaritans and Kaiyu organisations are teaming up to provide additional support to disability services in the Hunter.
- (2) Commends their work in providing mental health services for adults, programs for young people and community based services, to help those with disabilities gain social skills and self-confidence.



Kidsafe Hunter Education Van

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.61)

KIDSAFE HUNTER EDUCATION VAN

Page: 11232

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House acknowledges the Good Guys stores of Kotara, Maitland and Warners Bay and the Jesmond Lions for raising more than \$100,000 to contribute towards the new Kid-safe education van, teaching safety awareness to young people throughout the Hunter region.



Newcastle Diabetes Support Group Member Nancy Malcolm

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.63)

NEWCASTLE DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP MEMBER NANCY MALCOLM

Page: 11232

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends Nancy Malcolm, of Wallsend, as a long serving member of the Newcastle Diabetes Support Group and currently convenor, secretary and interim treasurer.
- (2) Notes the important work of the group in helping many people suffering from diabetes across the Wallsend electorate.



Lake MacQuarie Justices Association 100th Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.65)

LAKE MACQUARIE JUSTICES ASSOCIATION 100TH ANNIVERSARY

Page: 11233

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Lake Macquarie branch of the New South Wales Justices' Association on its 100th anniversary.
- (2) Notes the milestone achieved marks a century of important voluntary work by the organisation.



Calvary Mater Hospital Oncology Nurse

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.91)

CALVARY MATER HOSPITAL ONCOLOGY NURSE

Page: 11236

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Wallsend community for its efforts to enable the employment of an oncology nurse practitioner for the next three years at the Calvary Mater Hospital.
- (2) Notes that the Newcastle-based group Supporters of Cancer raised \$90,000 and brokered a three-year sponsorship with the Newcastle Port Waratah Coal Services for the appointment of the nurse practitioner.



National Youth Science Forum and Tammy Henderson

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.95)

NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE FORUM AND TAMMY HENDERSON

Page: 11237

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Tammy Henderson of Callaghan College, Jesmond on her selection for the National Youth Science Forum.
- (2) Notes the program aims to help students, moving into year 12, who have an interest in working in science.
- (3) Notes the support of Rotary, the Australian Government, research institutes and universities to the program.



St Therese's Primary School Football Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.98)

ST THERESE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM

Page: 11237

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates St Therese's Primary School football team of New Lambton, who will be representing the Hunter in the 2011 final of the State-wide Catholic primary schools' rugby union knockout.



Professor Howard Dick Public Transport Research

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.100)

PROFESSOR HOWARD DICK PUBLIC TRANSPORT RESEARCH

Page: 11237

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the work of Professor Howard Dick of the University of Newcastle and his contribution toward the Hunter Independent Public Transport Inquiry.
- (2) Notes his ongoing efforts to ensure a better system of public transport for both the University of Newcastle and the Hunter area.



New South Wales Second XI Cricket Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.102)

NEW SOUTH WALES SECOND XI CRICKET TEAM

Page: 11237

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that the New South Wales Second XI cricket team will be playing in Newcastle for the first time in 20 years in a four day match in February 2012.
- (2) Congratulates the Newcastle Cricket Association for bringing the match to the Hunter.



Wallsend Winter Carnivale

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.104)

WALLSEND WINTER CARNIVALE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the organisers of the 2011 Wallsend Winter Carnivale, and acknowledges the continued support of the Wallsend community.
- (2) Commends Father Robert Catt, Max McCorkell, Wallsend-Maryland Rotary and the co-ordinator Kathie Heyman.



Tribute to Warren Evans

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.107)

TRIBUTE TO WARREN EVANS

Page: 11238

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes the passing of Warren Evans, one of Newcastle's finest citizens.
- (2) Notes that Mr Evans will be remembered for his dedication to youth and sport.
- (3) Notes that, in July 2012, Mr Evans was presented with the Paul Trisley 2011 Hunter Region Sports Administrator of the Year Award.



Jillaroos Rugby League Squad

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.110)

JILLAROOS RUGBY LEAGUE SQUAD

Page: 11238

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that Newcastle sisters-in-law Rebecca and Julie Young have been named in the Australian Jillaroos rugby league squad.
- (2) Congratulates these local sports women and wishes them well in the forthcoming test match against Fetu Samoa.



Daffodil Day

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.128)

DAFFODIL DAY

Page: 11241

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the 25th anniversary of Australia's Daffodil Day on 26 August 2011.
- (2) Thanks the Cancer Council of NSW for its ongoing work in research and support of cancer sufferers.
- (3) Notes that to celebrate this year's special anniversary there will be many events within the Hunter, including a yellow couture catwalk during Newcastle Fashion Week.



Calvary Mater Newcastle Auxiliary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.130)

CALVARY MATER NEWCASTLE AUXILIARY

Page: 11241

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Calvary Mater Newcastle Auxiliary for its wonderful effort, in presenting \$206,145 to the Hospital on 4 August 2011.
- (2) Commends the Auxiliary for raising over \$1.5 million over the past 11 years.



Hunter Women's Soccer

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/05/2012 (Article No.132)

HUNTER WOMEN'S SOCCER

Page: 11241

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends the Australian Matildas soccer team on its success in the recent World Cup.
- (2) Notes the positive impact that this success has had on young females across the Hunter, who are following in the Matildas' footsteps and joining local teams.
- (3) Notes that 2011 has been a record year for girls registrations in soccer teams, as 46,238 have joined up to play alongside the boys in their local teams.



University of Newcastle Centre for Chemical Biology

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 09/05/2012 (Article No.26)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE CENTRE FOR CHEMICAL BIOLOGY

Page: 11397

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges Adam McCluskey and researchers at the Centre for Chemical Biology at University of Newcastle who have developed a technique to stop viruses and bacteria multiplying in the body.
- (2) Notes this technique could be used to fight diseases such as HIV, cancer, hepatitis C and neurological disorders.



Frock On! Fashion Design Competition

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 09/05/2012 (Article No.28)

FROCK ON! FASHION DESIGN COMPETITION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates "Frock On", which was held on 3 September 2011, on raising \$50,000 for the Aspect Hunter School for children with autism.
- (2) Notes that the fashion design competition provides a professional platform to showcase the work of designers and to raise the profile of Newcastle as a fashion destination.



Wallsend YMCA Youth Parliament Representative Rebekah Outteridge

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 09/05/2012 (Article No.35)

WALLSEND YMCA YOUTH PARLIAMENT REPRESENTATIVE REBEKAH OUTTERIDGE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Rebekah Outteridge, youth member for Wallsend, on her contributions in the YMCA Youth Parliament program.
- (2) Notes that since being selected, alongside 88 other young people, Rebekah has been working with the committee investigating education and training in New South Wales.



Professor Trish Davidson Appointment

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 09/05/2012 (Article No.37)

PROFESSOR TRISH DAVIDSON APPOINTMENT

Page: 11398

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the appointment of Professor Trish Davidson, of John Hunter Hospital, as the Director of Children, Young People and Families in the Hunter Children's Health Network.
- (2) Notes this role will draw together diverse services to ensure they are of a consistently high standard throughout the Hunter region.



Wallsend Red Cross

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 09/05/2012 (Article No.38)

WALLSEND RED CROSS

Page: 11398

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Wallsend branch of the Red Cross on its continued community assistance.
- (2) Notes the appointment of its new executives: Julie Urquhart, President; Elaine Plessiant, Secretary; Sue Stein, Treasurer; Karen Rose, Assistant Secretary; Pat Watson, Vice President and Gary Rose, Publicity Officer.



McGrath Foundation

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 09/05/2012 (Article No.39)

MCGRATH FOUNDATION

Page: 11399

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates the McGrath Foundation on its fundraising efforts which enabled the financing of a cancer nurse to support breast cancer sufferers at the Calvary Mater Hospital.



Northern New South Wales State League Football Grand Final

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 09/05/2012 (Article No.55)

NORTHERN NEW SOUTH WALES STATE LEAGUE FOOTBALL GRAND FINAL

Page: 11401

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges Broadmeadow Magic's stellar season, culminating in winning the minor premiership and the Northern New South Wales State League Football Grand Final.
- (2) Commends the performance of South Cardiff Gunners in the grand final with the match decided by a penalty shoot out.
- (3) Congratulates South Cardiff coach, Steve Piggott and Broadmeadow Magic coach, Damien Smith, the players and the volunteers of all the teams in the Northern New South Wales League.



Prostate Cancer

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 09/05/2012 (Article No.57)

PROSTATE CANCER

Page: 11401

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that September is Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.
- (2) Commends men in the Hunter for raising awareness of prostate cancer, and increasing testing levels from the previous lowest in NSW to the highest.



Touch Football World Cup

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 09/05/2012 (Article No.59)

TOUCH FOOTBALL WORLD CUP

Page: 11402

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that 11 players and one referee from Wallsend were recently selected to play for Australia at the 2011 Touch Football World Cup in Scotland.
- (2) Notes that Australia has now won its fifth World Cup title, with the Men's Open, Women's Open, Mixed Open, Men's 30s and Men's 35s teams taking out their respective titles.
- (3) Congratulates Wallsend representatives Stephanie Halpin, Kylie Hilder, Holly Smith, Amy Smith, Nathan Jones, Joshua Sparke, Jason Toby, Matthew Stanton, Darren McSpadden, Brad Squires, John Clarke and Beau Newell.



Colon Exhibition

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 09/05/2012 (Article No.62)

COLON EXHIBITION

Page: 11402

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates Calvary Mater Hospital and Rotary Australia on funding the \$6,000 colon exhibition in Newcastle to highlight colon cancer facts and increase public awareness.



Headstart Acquired Brain Injury Service

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 09/05/2012 (Article No.64)

HEADSTART ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY SERVICE

Page: 11402

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes the Hunter's Headstart Acquired Brain Injury Service, established 25 years ago, to help people suffering from brain injuries.
- (2) Acknowledges the Service's Acquired Perspective Photo Exhibition, created by 10 students all of whom have suffered from brain injury and have attended photography classes run by Headstart.



Hunter Academy of Sport

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 09/05/2012 (Article No.65)

HUNTER ACADEMY OF SPORT

Page: 11402

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the 27 talent development squads of the Hunter Academy of Sport who were acknowledged at their annual presentation night on 6 September 2011.
- (2) Congratulates the Academy and all participants for their tremendous efforts.



Good Start Breakfast Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 09/05/2012 (Article No.74)

GOOD START BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Page: 11404

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Red Cross, and the Wallsend Branch of the Red Cross, for their continued support of the Good Start Breakfast Program.
- (2) Notes that Plattsburg Public School and Shortland Public School in the Wallsend electorate participate in this program by providing breakfast to its pupils.



Triathlete Aaron Royle

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 09/05/2012 (Article No.79)

TRIATHLETE AARON ROYLE

Page: 11405

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Aaron Royle for being selected to compete at the U23 International Triathlon Union World Championship Series in Beijing.
- (2) Notes that Aaron finished in 45th place at the World Championship Series race in London in August 2011.



Wallsend Maryland Junior Rugby League Football Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.34)

WALLSEND MARYLAND JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB

Page: 11505

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates the executive, volunteers and players, both past and present of the Wallsend Maryland Tigers Junior Rugby League Club, for the 50 years of rich and successful football history in the Hunter.



Lutheran Women New South Wales Convention

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.35)

LUTHERAN WOMEN NEW SOUTH WALES CONVENTION

Page: 11505

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates local Lutheran women for hosting a very successful annual Lutheran Women New South Wales convention last weekend in the Hunter.
- (2) Notes that women from all over the State attended, some remaining in the area to enjoy the beautiful Hunter environment.



Alzheimer's Disease

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.36)

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Page: 11506

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the work of an interdisciplinary team of scientists at the University of Newcastle on their potential discovery of a simple blood-based test to identify people in the early stages of Alzheimer's disease.
- (2) Notes the study makes a considerable step towards cheap, non-invasive testing by identifying a blood protein panel to predict Alzheimer's disease in its early stages.



Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College Anzac Day Service

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.37)

BISHOP TYRRELL ANGLICAN COLLEGE ANZAC DAY SERVICE

Page: 11506

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College for conducting an Anzac Day service on 24 April 2012, which commemorated fallen soldiers of the past in an admirable manner.
- (2) Notes Anzac Day is an important time for students to learn about our country's history and understand the sacrifices these soldiers made for the nation.



Cardiff North Public School Anzac Day Service

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.38)

CARDIFF NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL ANZAC DAY SERVICE

Page: 11506

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends Cardiff North Public School for conducting an Anzac Day service on 27 April 2012, which commemorated our soldiers who fought in war.
- (2) Notes Anzac Day is an important time for students to learn about our nation's history and understand the sacrifices made by our soldiers in the past and present.



Australian Under 18 Women's Hockey Championship

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.39)

AUSTRALIAN UNDER 18 WOMEN'S HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP

Page: 11506

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates local 16-year-old Mariah Williams on her performance as a major player for New South Wales at the Australian Under 18 Women's Hockey Championships held at the Newcastle International Hockey Centre during April 2012.
- (2) Commends the outstanding efforts of Newcastle teenager, Estelle Hughes, playing for Tasmania to help its hockey profile.



Australian Under 17 Netball Championship

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.40)

AUSTRALIAN UNDER 17 NETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Page: 11506

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Newcastle netballers Tanisha Stanton and Phoebe Seamer on their performance for New South Wales against Victoria at the Australian Under 17 Netball Championships.
- (2) Commends their efforts in helping New South Wales win its first national championship in five years.



Warren Tennant Memorial Scholarship Recipient Mathew Wicks

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.83)

WARREN TENNANT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT MATHEW WICKS

Page: 11513

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates local athlete Mathew Wicks for being awarded the Warren Tennant Memorial Scholarship at the Newcastle District Cricket Association Awards night on 28 April 2012.
- (2) Thanks the members and executive of Newcastle District Cricket Association for creating opportunities for young athletes.



Newcastle District Under 17 Cricketer of the Year Cameron Roxby

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.84)

NEWCASTLE DISTRICT UNDER 17 CRICKETER OF THE YEAR CAMERON ROXBY

Page: 11513

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates local athlete Cameron Roxby for his award for under 17 Cricketer of the Year at the Newcastle District Cricket Association Awards night on 28 April 2012.
- (2) Acknowledges the members and executive of Newcastle District Cricket Association for their promotion and support of young athletes.



Soul Cafe and Wallsend Baptist Church

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/05/2012 (Article No.37)

SOUL CAFE AND WALLSEND BAPTIST CHURCH

Page: 11671

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Thanks the volunteers from Soul Cafe and Wallsend Baptist Church who prepare and serve free meals at the Church for disadvantaged members of the Wallsend community every Monday and Thursday.
- (2) Notes the service provides meals for different people in the community, including those who are homeless, having financial difficulties, and seniors, and feeds over 40 people each session.
- (3) Commends Phil Skinner of Wallsend Baptist Church for his efforts and initiative.



Joel Herbert

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/05/2012 (Article No.42)

JOEL HERBERT

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates Joel Herbert of Elermore Vale, on his selection as a ball boy at the Davis Cup World Group play-off tie between Australia and Switzerland from 16 to 18 September 2011.



Regal by the Lake Film Festival

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/05/2012 (Article No.46)

REGAL BY THE LAKE FILM FESTIVAL

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates the fundraising efforts of the hard working Friends of the Regal Cinema Group, in partnership with Lake Macquarie City Council, on conducting the 2011 film festival at Lake Macquarie Performing Arts Centre.



Indigenous Apprentice of the Year Thomas Libbesson

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/05/2012 (Article No.48)

INDIGENOUS APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR THOMAS LIBBESSON

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates the achievements of Thomas Libbesson, Elmore Vale, on winning the indigenous apprentice of the year at the NSW Group Training Awards and on achieving outstanding academic results throughout his study for the Certificate III in construction carpentry.



Manufacturing Education Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/05/2012 (Article No.59)

MANUFACTURING EDUCATION PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates Regional Development Australia and leading manufacturers Varley Engineering, Ampcontrol, BAE Systems and Forgacs along with local schools on working together to open up career opportunities for local students through the Manufacturing Education Program.



John Hunter Hospital Veteran Volunteers

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/05/2012 (Article No.66)

JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL VETERAN VOLUNTEERS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends all the veteran volunteers for their continued support and work at John Hunter Hospital.
- (2) Notes that the veteran volunteers are a vital part of the team at the hospital committed to their volunteer work.
- (3) Notes that one volunteer, Pat Fields, recently celebrated her 80th birthday.



Ozharvest Newcastle

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/05/2012 (Article No.71)

OZHARVEST NEWCASTLE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends the good works of Ozharvest Newcastle for providing 300,000 meals to disadvantaged Hunter residents since its formation a year ago.
- (2) Notes the generous help and donation from the nib foundation, and the commitment of many volunteers and supporters.



Eureka Prize for Medical Research Finalist Professor Chris Levi

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/05/2012 (Article No.75)

EUREKA PRIZE FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH FINALIST PROFESSOR CHRIS LEVI

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates Professor Chris Levi, named as a finalist in the Australian Museum's Jamie Callachor Eureka Prize for Medical Research.



Stroke Specialist Dr Longting Lin

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/05/2012 (Article No.82)

STROKE SPECIALIST DR LONGTING LIN

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the John Hunter Hospital, the University of Newcastle and the Hunter Medical Research Institute on their initiatives to exchange ideas between stroke specialists.
- (2) Commends Dr Longting Lin of China whilst on placement in the Hunter for her work in regard to the area of clinical methods and advanced imaging technology, and for sharing her knowledge and use of acupuncture in the rehabilitation of stroke patients.



University of Newcastle

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/05/2012 (Article No.32)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) congratulates the University of Newcastle on retaining its prestigious place in the top 300 universities in the world.
- (2) acknowledges the university is increasing its enrolments among regional students.
- (3) welcomes new Vice Chancellor, Professor Caroline McMillen.



Cricketer Leah Poulton

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/05/2012 (Article No.34)

CRICKETER LEAH POULTON

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) congratulates Australian Cricket Representative, Leah Poulton, of Wallsend, on her support of girls' cricket in Newcastle.
- (2) notes that Leah Poulton gave her time on 4 November 2011 as coach and special guest at a "Come and Try Evening" for girls.



Athlete Jade Grover

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/05/2012 (Article No.36)

ATHLETE JADE GROVER

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) congratulates Jade Grover, of Glendale Technology High School, on his recent third place in the Combined High Schools State cross country championships.
- (2) notes that Jade will take part in the State athletics championships later this season.



Mental Health Nurse of the Year Jon Chesterton

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/05/2012 (Article No.38)

MENTAL HEALTH NURSE OF THE YEAR JON CHESTERTON

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) congratulates Jon Chesterton on receiving the Mental Health Nurse of the Year award at the International Mental Health Nursing Conference held on the Gold Coast.
- (2) notes that the award recognises Mr Chesterton's contribution to professional development and training for mental health nurses, much of which was undertaken voluntarily.



Munibung Hill

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/05/2012 (Article No.40)

MUNIBUNG HILL

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Councillor Daniel Wallace and the Lake Macquarie Council on the proposed recreation and tourism plans for Munibung Hill.
- (2) Notes that Munibung Hill is an important Aboriginal site and the proposed plans include walking tracks, picnic tables and a statue of an Aboriginal family to acknowledge the site's history.



Newcastle Jets W-League Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/05/2012 (Article No.46)

NEWCASTLE JETS W-LEAGUE TEAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes the Newcastle W-League Jets with "Matildas" Lisa De Vanna, Emily Van Egmond and Melissa Barineri and German international Ariane Hingst have a new look this season.
- (2) Notes that the Newcastle W-League Jets are running second in the W-League competition.



Hunter Academy of Sport Girls Water Polo Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/05/2012 (Article No.50)

HUNTER ACADEMY OF SPORT GIRLS WATER POLO TEAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Hunter Academy of Sport girls water polo team for winning top honours in the under 16 division of the Hawaiian invitational water polo tournament.
- (2) Commends coach Shannon Johansen and the team for their efforts.



Memory Magic Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/05/2012 (Article No.54)

MEMORY MAGIC PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Hunter based Anglican Care and the Jesmond Grove Hostel on winning the Positive Living award for the use of the "memory magic" program in its nursing homes.
- (2) Notes this innovative board game is used to help jog the memory of those who struggle with short-term memory loss and to help improve morale and behaviour.



John Hunter Children's Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/05/2012 (Article No.61)

JOHN HUNTER CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL NEONATAL INTENSIVE CARE UNIT

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the wonderful achievements of the John Hunter Children's Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.
- (2) Notes that since 1991 nearly 19,000 babies have passed through this unit receiving specialist care.



University of Newcastle School of Medicine and Public Health

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.31)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND PUBLIC HEALTH

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) commends the work of Chameleon, an initiative of the University of Newcastle's School of Medicine and Public Health, which provides clinical skills training for medical students.
- (2) notes the initiative is based at John Hunter Hospital Campus and comprises seminar and consulting rooms to provide students opportunities to gain strong clinical skills and rehearse in simulated clinical situations.
- (3) notes that this initiative will lead to students developing skills to better diagnose, troubleshoot and adapt to rapidly changing medical situations.



Elernore Vale Public School Parents and Citizens Association

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.32)

ELERMORE VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) notes Elernore Vale Public School's Parents and Citizens Association have supported the quality of education at the school through monthly meetings and its close relationship with school staff.
- (2) commends its objective to provide equipment and facilities for children that are not covered by funding from the Department of Education.
- (3) commends the Parents and Citizens Association for its activities.



St John Ambulance Bicycle Emergency Response Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.33)

ST JOHN AMBULANCE BICYCLE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) notes the Hunter's St John Ambulance volunteers will be the first outside Sydney to use bicycles at major events, which will allow officers to move through crowds faster than on foot and cover greater areas.
- (2) commends the Newcastle Permanent Charitable Foundation who provided the funds to establish the Bicycle Emergency Response Team.
- (3) praises the efforts of ambulance officers who regularly treat injuries at events.



Refugee Children Support Pilot Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.98)

REFUGEE CHILDREN SUPPORT PILOT PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acclaims Dale Christian School which has commenced a new pilot program for refugee children who have little or no formal education.
- (2) Notes the refugees have migrated from war-torn countries in Africa and have been unable to have an education due to political instability in their countries.
- (3) Commends refugee support provider Sister Di Santleben who instigated the scheme.



Hunter United Netball Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.99)

HUNTER UNITED NETBALL TEAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates former national netball league players Kelly Pepper, Tiffany Lincoln and Bronwyn Denham for forming the successful Hunter United team, which is now placed in the top division in the New South Wales State League.
- (2) Commends the importance of local sport as it encourages participation in sporting activities and a sense of belonging within the community.



Lambton-New Lambton Lioness Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.100)

LAMBTON-NEW LAMBTON LIONESSE CLUB

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Lioness Club of Lambton-New Lambton on the organisation of fundraising activities and its continued donations to the Samaritans, Stockton Hospital Welfare Association, Australian Lions Foundation disaster appeal, Lions NSW-ACT Save Sight and Public Health Care Foundation, Sister Annie Laure "Make Today Count" charity and to those disadvantaged in the community.
- (2) Recognises the great commitment to the continued activities by President and Secretary of the Lioness Club, Elizabeth McHugh and her committee.

Question put and resolved in the affirmative .

Community recognition notices agreed to .



Youngcare

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.41)

YOUNGCARE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House notes:

- (1) That there are 6500 young people, requiring 24-hour care, who due to a lack of appropriate alternatives live in aged-care facilities.
- (2) That Youngcare is seeking to make available more facilities for young people who require ongoing support.



Blue Gum Hills Regional Park Tenth Anniversary Celebrations

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.43)

BLUE GUM HILLS REGIONAL PARK TENTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House notes:

- (1) The wonderful achievements of the Blue Gum Hills Regional Park and congratulates it on its 10th anniversary celebration.
- (2) The celebrations focussed on the theme of maintaining and strengthening ecological health through biodiversity.
- (3) That groups such as Our Green Corridor, Trees in Newcastle, the Hunter Bird Observers Club, the Wilderness Society, Wetland Care Australia, the Tom Farrell Institute for the Environment (Newcastle University), Newcastle City Council and NSW Fire Brigades took part in the celebrations.



Speedway Champion Sam Masters

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.45)

SPEEDWAY CHAMPION SAM MASTERS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Sam Masters, of Jesmond, on his recent British Premier League title in Speedway, the highest individual rider achievement for competitors in the sport's second tier of racing.
- (2) Notes that, at 20 years of age, Sam is the youngest person to win this title.



Newcastle Chapter of Bikers Against Child Abuse

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.49)

NEWCASTLE CHAPTER OF BIKERS AGAINST CHILD ABUSE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates the Newcastle Chapter of Bikers Against Child Abuse for its endeavour to keep Hunter children safe, especially, Boyd ("Torro"), Shane ("Sumo"), Jan ("Patience"), Ian ("Dobbo"), Mick ("Bubba"), Siropan ("Poojar"), Willy ("FJ"), and Astrid ("Assy").



Water Board Bowling Club and Women's Bowling Club Fortieth Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.51)

WATER BOARD BOWLING CLUB AND WOMEN 'S BOWLING CLUB FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Water Board Bowling Club and the Water Board Women's Bowling Club for celebrating its 40th anniversary on 19 November 2011.
- (2) Acknowledges club president, John McDonald, women's president, Frances Webb and all trophy winners.



Hockey Player Mariah Williams

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.56)

HOCKEY PLAYER MARIAH WILLIAMS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mariah Williams, of Hunter Sports High School, on being selected in the School Australia under 16 years girls hockey team to compete in international matches.
- (2) Notes that in the recent National Schools Championships, held in the Newcastle, Mariah was named the Player of the Championships.



Dr Melinda Neve Obesity Research

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.59)

DR MELINDA NEVE OBESITY RESEARCH

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Doctor Melinda Neve, a researcher at Newcastle University, on winning the Penn Foundation Post Doctoral Research Fellowship into Obesity.
- (2) Notes the funding of \$40,000 over two years will be used to conduct research into online weight loss and maintenance programs for overweight and obese adults.



Salvation Army Wills Day

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.63)

SALVATION ARMY WILLS DAY

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the sixteen Newcastle and Lake Macquarie solicitors, including lawyers from Baker Love Lawyers, who volunteer at the annual Salvation Army Annual Wills Day.
- (2) Notes the Wills Day allows people to have simple wills drawn up and will also raise funds for Clulow Court which provides crisis accommodation for women.



Lifestyle Solutions

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.65)

LIFESTYLE SOLUTIONS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that Lifestyle Solutions creates employment opportunities for people with disabilities or mental illness.
- (2) Congratulates the outstanding work of the Wallsend Community Nursery and Tony Still, the general manager of Lifestyle Solutions Social Enterprise, for the Lifestyle Solutions Work Assist Program.



Professor Peter Gibson Asthma Research

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.67)

PROFESSOR PETER GIBSON ASTHMA RESEARCH

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates the work of Professor Peter Gibson, conjoint professor and John Hunter Hospital staff specialist, and his team for the development of a treatment which may halve asthma attacks in pregnant women.



University of Newcastle Alumni Award Recipient Dr Abu Bakar Jaafar

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.96)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE ALUMNI AWARD RECIPIENT DR ABU BAKAR JAAFAR

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Dr Abu Bakar Jaafar on winning the University of Newcastle's Convocation Medal for Professional Excellence at the 36th annual alumni awards.
- (2) Notes that Dr Jaafar graduated as a mechanical engineer in 1974, specialised in environmental science before working as a maritime expert, and served as an adviser to the United Nations and the Malaysian Government on maritime issues and the continental shelf.



Indigenous Netballers

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.100)

INDIGENOUS NETBALLERS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the New South Wales indigenous netballers whose talents were on display in October 2011 at the Charlestown Koori Netball Tournament.
- (2) Commends this tournament to all locals as an entertaining display of top netball talent.



Bookfest

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.102)

BOOKFEST

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Lifeline Newcastle and Hunter on its annual Bookfest which raises funds for its many services.
- (2) Wishes Lifeline Newcastle and Hunter a successful 2012 and offers its support to this organisation.



University of Newcastle and Hunter TAFE

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.103)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE AND HUNTER TAFE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House commends the partnership between Newcastle University and Hunter TAFE to allow researchers and training specialists to work together on emerging energy and resources productivity and sustainability issues.



Shortland to Wallsend Landcare

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/05/2012 (Article No.105)

SHORTLAND TO WALLSEND LANDCARE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the wonderful achievements of the Shortland to Wallsend Landcare, on receiving three regional Landcare awards at the 2011 State Landcare Awards.
- (2) Notes the group won the Community Landcare Award, the Urban Landcare Award and its volunteer coordinator won the Champion of the Catchment Award.



FIFA World Cup 2014

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 30/05/2012 (Article No.34)

FIFA WORLD CUP 2014

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that New South Wales will host three games of the 2014 Football World Cup qualifying matches.
- (2) Encourages the Government and Football Federation Australia to consider Newcastle to host one of the games.



Tribute to Margaret Goumas

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.16)

TRIBUTE TO MARGARET GOUMAS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the passing of Margaret Goumas.
- (2) Notes that Margaret served as a councillor on Newcastle City Council and, with her husband Theo, provided art house cinema in Newcastle.
- (3) She will be sadly missed but she leaves a great legacy.



University of Newcastle Centre of Excellence

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.17)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the initiative and vision of Professor Caroline McMillen, the new Vice-Chancellor at the University of Newcastle, in her desire for a new vision for the institution.
- (2) Notes the planned development of a Centre of Excellence to assist disadvantaged school leavers and mature age students to qualify for university.



Glendale Technology High School Fitness Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.18)

GLENDALE TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL FITNESS PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Glendale High School sports co-ordinator, Shayne Mason and physical education teacher, Dylan Morgan who developed a gym program to make fitness a part of life for students.
- (2) Notes they donated their own gym equipment for use by selected students with poor self esteem, behaviour problems, or who were at risk of leaving school.
- (3) Notes the efforts of the school, teachers and students in raising self-esteem and fitness outcomes.



ArtExpress Exhibition

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.19)

ARTEXPRESS EXHIBITION

Page: 12415

Ms SONIA HORNERY Ms Sonia Hornery—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the 19 Higher School Certificate students from the Hunter who have work currently on display at Newcastle Art Gallery as part of the annual ArtExpress exhibition.
- (2) Notes the exhibition is one of the most popular exhibitions at the gallery, and displays the extraordinary quality and maturity of the works.



Hunter Children's Research Foundation

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.20)

HUNTER CHILDREN'S RESEARCH FOUNDATION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Hunter Children's Research Foundation on raising \$2,500 from its ladies only high tea event.
- (2) Commends the founding member of the foundation, and the secretary and treasurer, Lorraine Gardner and her committee members Sheryl Nisner, Natasha Beyersdorf, Judy Hogan, Helen Ancuk and Debra Robinson.
- (3) Notes the funds will assist the Hunter research projects in such areas as asthma, cancer, diabetes, cystic fibrosis and sleep disorders.



University of Newcastle Master of Clinical Medicine (Leadership and Management) Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.21)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE MASTER OF CLINICAL MEDICINE (LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT) PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes the University of Newcastle is Australia's first tertiary institution to offer doctors post graduate education to gain leadership and communication skills with the Master of Clinical Medicine (Leadership and Management) program.
- (2) Commends the University of Newcastle and NSW Health who have collaborated to deliver the degree.
- (3) Commends Professor Balakrishnan Nair for his involvement with the program that aims to teach doctors to develop essential skills.



Cook for a Cure Community Event

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.22)

COOK FOR A CURE COMMUNITY EVENT

Page: 12416

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes Cook for a Cure is a community event where the public can help Hunter medical researchers find cures and new treatments for illnesses and conditions.
- (2) Congratulates the Hunter Medical Research Institute for participating in Cook for a Cure.
- (3) Commends Glenn Turner and Jodi Thompson for their efforts supporting medical research into more effective treatment for asthma.
- (4) Commends the many hardworking medical researchers who work tirelessly to develop treatments and cures.



Hunter TAFE Create and Innovate Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.23)

HUNTER TAFE CREATE AND INNOVATE PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends the Create and Innovate program, facilitated by Hunter TAFE, to promote innovative cultures within the workplace and encourage local people to think creatively.
- (2) Notes the importance of encouraging people to develop sustainable products for the future, such as the electric supercar developed by Jeff Phillips and his team at Varley Australia.



Catavolt Designer Jon Eggenhuizen

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.24)

CATAVOLT DESIGNER JON EGGENHUIZEN

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Hunter TAFE student Jon Eggenhuizen, of Cardiff, for designing an electric motorbike, the Catavolt.
- (2) Commends the motorbike that set the Australian land speed record of 177 kilometres per hour in 2010 and costs only \$1.20 to charge the battery.
- (3) Encourages developments in environmental sustainability.



BMX Rider Brock Griffiths

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.64)

BMX RIDER BROCK GRIFFITHS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates BMX rider, Brock Griffiths, of Cardiff South, on his second in the seven round 14 years boys' national champbikx series to earn selection in the Australian team.
- (2) Wishes Brock all the best in his BMX career.



World's Greatest Shave and Andrew Pryce

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.65)

WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE AND ANDREW PRYCE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends Glendale East Public School principal, Andrew Pryce, for participating in the World's Greatest Shave to support a student's younger sibling suffering from leukaemia.
- (2) Recognises the efforts of the World's Greatest Shave in raising money for people living with blood cancer.



Hunter Cancer Action Network

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.66)

HUNTER CANCER ACTION NETWORK

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends the Hunter Cancer Action Network, a dedicated group of volunteers, for seeking to improve cancer control in the Hunter region.
- (2) Commends Gary Rosevar and Erin Marney for their tireless work to highlight the importance of early detection of cancer.



Hunter Healthdirect Hotline

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.67)

HUNTER HEALTHDIRECT HOTLINE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Healthdirect hotline on its efforts to ensure the Hunter's emergency departments are not overloaded with people with non-acute illnesses.
- (2) Recognises the great commitment to the hotline by Clinical Advisor to Healthdirect Australia, Dr Jenny Bartlett, and her colleagues.



Newcastle Family History Society Open Day

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.68)

NEWCASTLE FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY OPEN DAY

Page: 12860

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Newcastle Family History Society on its open day on 21 April 2012, when 70 visitors signed the attendance book.
- (2) Recognises the great commitment to the open day by president Brian Engel and secretary Elaine Sheehan.



Heal for Life Foundation and Annie Nothnagel

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.81)

HEAL FOR LIFE FOUNDATION AND ANNIE NOTHNAGEL

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the importance of long-term psychiatric health care in helping people recover from trauma and become active members of society.
- (2) Congratulates the Heal for Life Foundation, its employees and volunteers, on providing much-needed psychological services for victims of childhood trauma.
- (3) Congratulates Annie Nothnagel, a survivor of trauma and a recipient of Heal For Life Foundation services, on her scholarship from the Greater Building Society enabling her to volunteer for the Heal for Life Foundation at its Eva House for Girls and undertake a Bachelor of Behavioural Studies.



Aged Care Volunteers

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.82)

AGED CARE VOLUNTEERS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Recognises, in the spirit of National Volunteer Week, the invaluable, unpaid and often thankless work undertaken by volunteers in countless segments of the community and that every volunteer counts.
- (2) Acknowledges the essential work provided by volunteers in bringing much-needed services to the elderly.
- (3) Acknowledges the tireless work of organisations such as Anglican Care and Meals on Wheels in the provision of aged care to the elderly.



Hunter Education Workshops

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.83)

HUNTER EDUCATION WORKSHOPS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Recognises the importance of parents engaging with their children's education and encourages this engagement.
- (2) Congratulates Maryland Public School and the TAFE NSW Hunter Institute on providing workshops for parents that will help them engage with and further encourage their children's learning on a deeper level.



Newcastle Herald School Newspaper Competition

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.84)

NEWCASTLE HERALD SCHOOL NEWSPAPER COMPETITION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the importance of encouraging youth engagement with community.
- (2) Acknowledges the importance of encouraging youth literacy.
- (3) Congratulates the *Newcastle Herald* on its school newspaper competition, encouraging students to research and write articles about school and their community and promoting engagement with that community and literacy in general.
- (4) Congratulates the staff and students of Jesmond Public School on the publication of their entry, *The Jesmond Journal*, and specifically recognises students Maryam Ahmad, Jomana Ahmed, Simon Gordon, Alyssa Howard, Julia Lawrence, Leilana Lawrence, Lara McEwan, Carlin Morton, Zjardai Ninevski and Kaila Stead.



Georgetown Neighbourhood Watch

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.18)

GEORGETOWN NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Page: 13473

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Recognises the commitment to community, safety and security displayed by members of Neighbourhood Watch groups.
- (2) Congratulates Morris Graham who has been the secretary of the Georgetown branch of Neighbourhood Watch since the branch was founded in 1987.



NSW Swifts Netball Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.19)

NSW SWIFTS NETBALL TEAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends the NSW Swifts for winning their match against West Coast Fever at the Newcastle Entertainment Centre on 20 May 2012.
- (2) Congratulates NSW Swifts' coach Lisa Beehag on her efforts in leading the team to win five straight matches in the Trans-Tasman Netball Championship.
- (3) Congratulates Susan Pratley who shot 32 goals out of 39 attempts in the match.
- (4) Notes the important role that professional sport plays in the community, with the players, the public and the economic benefit of sporting events taken to regional centres.



Documentary Filmmaker Hayley Mackay

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.20)

DOCUMENTARY FILMMAKER HAYLEY MACKAY

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends Hayley Mackay, from the Hunter, for producing a documentary highlighting the numerous areas across Cambodia and Vietnam that are filled with landmines.
- (2) Notes that Ms Mackay is a graduate of the University of Newcastle and that the documentary will be released later in 2012.



University of Newcastle Flu Monitoring Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.21)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE FLU MONITORING PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends the University of Newcastle for developing the second largest influenza monitoring program in the world.
- (2) Notes the online influenza surveillance program alerts health officials to large outbreaks of influenza.
- (3) Congratulates coordinator Dr Craig Dalton and the researchers at the University of Newcastle and Hunter New England Health for devising this initiative.



Katie Ebzery Emerging Opals Squad Selection

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.22)

KATIE EBZERY EMERGING OPALS SQUAD SELECTION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates basketballer Katie Ebzery, of the Newcastle Hunters, for being named in the Emerging Opals squad to play six games on a tour of China in June 2012.
- (2) Notes that Ms Ebzery was the Waratah Basketball League's leading scorer in 2011.



Footballer Isaac Heaney

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.23)

FOOTBALLER ISAAC HEANEY

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Isaac Heaney, of the Australian Football team Cardiff Hawks, on making the under-16 NSW/ACT Rams representative squad.
- (2) Offers its best wishes to Isaac in his young Australian Football career.



Corporal Ryan Avery Medal for Gallantry Award

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.24)

CORPORAL RYAN AVERY MEDAL FOR GALLANTRY AWARD

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Corporal Ryan Avery, of Shortland, on receiving the nation's third highest military honour, the Medal for Gallantry.
- (2) Commends Corporal Avery on his extreme courage and selflessness which enabled his patrol to safely withdraw in the face of significant enemy forces.



Hunter Medical Research Institute Researcher of the Year Professor Amanda Baker

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.60)

HUNTER MEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE RESEARCHER OF THE YEAR PROFESSOR AMANDA BAKER

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Professor Amanda Baker on receiving the Hunter Medical Research Institute researcher of the year award, the first female recipient since the awards inception in 1999.
- (2) Commends Professor Baker on her extensive research into the treatment of mental health and drug and alcohol-related problems.



Callaghan College Healthy Schools, Healthy Futures Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.61)

CALLAGHAN COLLEGE HEALTHY SCHOOLS , HEALTHY FUTURES PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Callaghan College, Wallsend Campus, on its selection to be involved in the Healthy Schools, Healthy Futures research program.
- (2) Commends the Healthy Schools, Healthy Futures program for its efforts to work with the school community to increase the resilience of students and to improve their health and wellbeing.
- (3) Recognises the great commitment to the program by Principal Paul Tracey and School Project Officer Tanya Wedesweiler.



Callaghan College World Environment Day Activities

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.62)

CALLAGHAN COLLEGE WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY ACTIVITIES

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Callaghan College Jesmond Campus students on their involvement in World Environment Day.
- (2) Recognises the great commitment by students who pedalled bicycles attached to mini-generators in an attempt to highlight the increasing cost of their personal electronic equipment.

Question put and resolved in the affirmative .

Community recognition notices agreed to .



Newcastle Lake Macquarie Career and Training Expo

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.48)

NEWCASTLE LAKE MACQUARIE CAREER AND TRAINING EXPO

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes the Newcastle Lake Macquarie Career and Training Expo was presented by Career Links on 19 May 2012.
- (2) Notes the expo allows people to discover career opportunities by talking with more than 100 local and interstate exhibitors.
- (3) Commends Career Links on this initiative delivered in conjunction with the University of Newcastle and TAFE Hunter Institute.



Tribute to Tim Austin

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.49)

TRIBUTE TO TIM AUSTIN

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes the death of Tim Austin.
- (2) Commends and thanks Tim Austin for his extraordinary commitment and determination to see a school for autistic children become a reality with the completion of the Hunter Aspect School at Thornton.



Simon Orchard Olympic Games Selection

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.50)

SIMON ORCHARD OLYMPIC GAMES SELECTION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates hockey player Simon Orchard, of Maitland, on his selection for the 2012 London Olympics.
- (2) Wishes Simon all the best at the Olympics.



Baden-Powell Scout Award Recipient Eliza Geale

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.51)

BADEN-POWELL SCOUT AWARD RECIPIENT ELIZA GEALE

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Eliza Geale for receiving the Baden-Powell Scout Award for her work with Scouts Australia and Rovers Australia.
- (2) Notes that the Baden-Powell Award aims to encourage members to seek ways to widen their interests and extend their knowledge and experience.
- (3) Commends Wallsend Rover Crew and Wallsend Scout Group for their celebration of Ms Geale's award.



Star Struck 2012

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.52)

STAR STRUCK 2012

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates Callaghan College Jesmond Campus, Cardiff North Public and Glendale Technology High students on their involvement in Star Struck 2012.



Newcastle University Students Association

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.53)

NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Recognises that Newcastle University Students' Association has been running an online poll to improve lighting in Jesmond.
- (2) Commends the 350 Newcastle University students on their proactive efforts to improve street lighting around Jesmond for student safety.
- (3) Applauds the ongoing commitment to the online poll, by Students' Association president, Heather Richards.



Hunter Medical Research Institute

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.110)

HUNTER MEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Hunter Medical Research Institution (HMRI) Director, Michael Nilsson, and the team of researchers on their continued perseverance and move into the new \$90 million HMRI building at Newcastle's John Hunter Hospital Campus.
- (2) Notes that the state-of-the-art facility will eventually have 340 staff, working in areas such as mental health, pregnancy and reproduction, asthma and vaccines.



Hunter Netball Umpires

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.111)

HUNTER NETBALL UMPIRES

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates up-and-coming Hunter netball umpires, Kirani Sourris, Grace Eldrige and Claudia Smith on their success in the Hunter Academy of Sport netball umpire program.
- (2) Notes the three girls have reached the level of a C grade badge through their respective club ranks.
- (3) Wishes the trio all the best with their B grade badges and future umpiring endeavours.



Newcastle City Local Area Command Superintendent John Galton

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.112)

NEWCASTLE CITY LOCAL AREA COMMAND SUPERINTENDENT JOHN GRALTON

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Superintendent John Galton on his appointment as the Newcastle City local area Police Commander.
- (2) Recognises the achievements of Superintendent Galton throughout his career and particularly over the last twelve months in his capacity as acting local area Police Commander, including a significant reduction in the incidences of violent crime and absenteeism.



Calvary Mater Newcastle Auxiliary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.113)

CALVARY MATER NEWCASTLE AUXILIARY

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the vital importance of volunteer work at the Calvary Mater Newcastle.
- (2) Commends 30 volunteers, known as the auxiliary, on their continued efforts to ensure patients with cancer at the Mater are comfortable and cared for.
- (3) Congratulates 94-year-old Auxiliary President, Glad Dent, on her tremendous leadership that has raised a staggering \$445,684 for cancer patients.



University of Newcastle Chamber Choir

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.114)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE CHAMBER CHOIR

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Recognises the University of Newcastle Chamber Choir for its impressive performance at the World Choir Games where they achieved a world choral ranking of six.
- (2) Congratulates local choir members Ben Lambert and Grace Leonard on receiving silver medals at the championships.



Dr Nikola Bowden Melanoma Research

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.115)

DR NIKOLA BOWDEN MELANOMA RESEARCH

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the vital importance of continued medical research.
- (2) Congratulates the researchers at the Hunter Medical Research Institute, including Dr Nikola Bowden and her colleagues, for their promising research into melanoma.
- (3) Applauds Dr Bowden for going above and beyond the call of duty, by pursuing unfinanced work to help relieve the suffering of cancer patients.



Shooting Champion Stuart Foate

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.116)

SHOOTING CHAMPION STUART FOATE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Pays special tribute to Stuart Foate, of New Lambton, on qualifying first at the National shooting titles held in Perth this year.
- (2) Congratulates Stuart on winning the light section of the Australian Shooting Championships as well as the prestigious light and heavy bench rest combined classes.
- (3) Wishes Stuart all the best for the World Championships to be held in Sydney in 2013.



Aids Council of New South Wales Mental Health Education Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.119)

AIDS COUNCIL OF NEW SOUTH WALES MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that a new education program aimed at reducing the impact of mental distress in the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and Intersex (GLBTI) community has been launched in Newcastle.
- (2) Commends ACON, in partnership with the Mental Health Co-ordinating Council and in collaboration with the National GLBTI Health Alliance and Gay and Lesbian Health Victoria on developing the program.
- (3) Congratulates Geoff Honnor, the chief executive officer of ACON on his continued commitment to the success of the program.

Question put and resolved in the affirmative .

Community recognition notices agreed to .



Women's Football Forum Organisers Peter Haynes and Nyssa Suchanow

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.87)

WOMEN'S FOOTBALL FORUM ORGANISERS PETER HAYNES AND NYSSA SUCHANOW

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Recognises the work of Peter Haynes, Northern NSW Football community football manager, on the success of the inaugural women's forum on 25 July 2012.
- (2) Acknowledges and thanks, Ms Nyssa Suchanow, female participation officer Northern NSW Football, for her efforts in co-ordinating the event.
- (3) Wishes Mr Haynes and Ms Suchanow all the best with establishing and growing future women's forums as an annual event.



International Students

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.88)

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the importance of international students to the Australian economy and to the culture of our education system.
- (2) Congratulates Mr Ireneo Pelayo, an assistant professor at Mindanao State University in the Philippines, on graduating with a Master of Education at the University of Newcastle.
- (3) Notes Mr Pelayo was one of 60 international students who graduated at a recent special ceremony.
- (4) Congratulates Newcastle University on fostering and mentoring international students.



Lake Macquarie Aboriginal Community Plan 2012-2015

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.89)

LAKE MACQUARIE ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY PLAN 2012-2015

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates the Lake Macquarie City Council on its efforts in developing its Aboriginal Community Plan 2012-2015.



Hunter Institute of Mental Health Mindplay Drama Competition

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.90)

HUNTER INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH MINDPLAY DRAMA COMPETITION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Hunter Institute of Mental Health on its efforts to raise awareness of various mental health issues, including running the MindPlay drama competition, which encourages year 11 drama students to put on plays addressing mental health issues.
- (2) Acknowledges the efforts of Lambton High School students in winning the MindPlay competition which is judged on the quality of the dramatic performance as well as and the play's accuracy in conveying the mental health issue of gender identity disorder.



Lambton-New Lambton Lioness Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.91)

LAMBTON-NEW LAMBTON LIONESSE CLUB

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the work done in the local community by the Lioness Club of Lambton-New Lambton.
- (2) Congratulates the new executive of the club for 2012-2013, including: president, Laurel Leddy; secretary, Elizabeth McHugh; treasurer, Patricia McMahon; vice presidents, Suzanne Walker, Wanda Ritchie and Margaret James, and the directors.



Hunter Academy of Sport Athletes

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.92)

HUNTER ACADEMY OF SPORT ATHLETES

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Hunter Academy tennis and track and field talent development squads on their invitation to compete in the country championships at District Park in July 2012.
- (2) Recognises athletes: Georgia Rowan and Aiden Hampton, of Wallsend; Tim Bowman, of New Lambton; Dean Colligan, of Fletcher; and Daniel Mazzantini, of Cardiff, on their continued involvement in the track and field squad.



Livewire Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.93)

LIVEWIRE PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the work of the Starlight Children's Foundation, with the assistance of a NIB Foundation grant, in setting up and launching Livewire, a specialised space for teenage patients at John Hunter Children's Hospital.
- (2) Congratulates those involved for their efforts to create a safe, peer-oriented space for teenage patients.



Asthma Research

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.94)

ASTHMA RESEARCH

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates the University of Newcastle's Microbiology, Asthma and Airways Research Group on its asthma research, particularly in establishing a link between chronic bacterial infection and steroid-resistant asthma.



Anglican Care Executive Colin Osborne

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.95)

ANGLICAN CARE EXECUTIVE COLIN OSBORNE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates well known health executive, Colin Osborne, on joining the aged care sector at Anglican Care.
- (2) Acknowledges the importance of Anglican Care as an aged care provider and wishes Mr Osborne and Anglican Care further success.



Bowls Champions Brian and Paul Black

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.36)

BOWLS CHAMPIONS BRIAN AND PAUL BLACK

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Lambton-New Lambton RSL duo Brian Black and his son Paul on winning their club's bowls fours championship this year.
- (2) Congratulates Paul on winning the Newcastle district No. 7 grade pennant and State president's pairs this year.
- (3) Commends them for playing in a charity fundraiser at Lambton-New Lambton RSL to raise funds for their No. 7 grade side to travel to Port Macquarie for the State play-offs.
- (4) Wishes them all the best in future championships.



NSW Apprentice of the Year William Peters

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.37)

NSW APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR WILLIAM PETERS

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates carpentry and joinery apprentice, William Peters, on winning the NSW Training Award for apprentice of the year.
- (2) Notes that William will complete a Certificate III and Certificate V in building and construction, and a degree in construction management at Newcastle university in 2012.
- (3) Extends its best wishes to William in his future carpentry endeavours.



Hunter Cancer Services

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.38)

HUNTER CANCER SERVICES

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that two extra medical oncologists could be in place by the end of the year under a new regional cancer plan for Hunter New England Health.
- (2) Notes that operational plans for different aspects of cancer services are set to follow from the strategy, with a medical oncology plan already advanced.
- (3) Thanks Hunter New England Health chief executive, Michael DiRienzo for prioritising much-needed recurrent funding for the Calvary Mater.



Hunter Academy of Sport Cricket Squad

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.39)

HUNTER ACADEMY OF SPORT CRICKET SQUAD

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates all of the members of the Hunter Academy of Sport's cricket squad, named by coaches Fiona McKenzie and Gary Pinches, on their impressive progress made during training sessions and acknowledges the following local squad members:

- (a) Olivia Beck (Wallsend), highly commended
- (b) Kaliah Slade (Maryland), highly commended
- (c) Harrison Hanlon (Lambton), highly commended
- (d) Rhys Hanlon (Lambton), highly commended.



Anthony Albrecht Juilliard School Selection

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.40)

ANTHONY ALBRECHT JUILLIARD SCHOOL SELECTION

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Hunter-raised cellist, Anthony Albrecht, on his official acceptance to the prestigious Juilliard School of dance, drama and music, where he is set to study a two-year master's degree.
- (2) Notes that Anthony is one of only two cellists in the world accepted into the course, which begins in September 2012.
- (3) Extends its best wishes to Anthony in his future endeavours as a cellist.



Hunter Valley Electric Vehicle Festival

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.41)

HUNTER VALLEY ELECTRIC VEHICLE FESTIVAL

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that electric vehicles are a key technology in making our cities and towns more sustainable places to live.
- (2) Recognises the importance of the Hunter Valley Electric Vehicle Festival in raising awareness of the need for alternative energy sources and sustainable transport within Australia.
- (3) Thanks the Tom Farrell Institute for the Environment at the University of Newcastle for initiating the festival.



Glendore Public School

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.42)

GLENDORE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Glendore Public School on its fourth consecutive win in the Kids Design Challenge-NRMA Techno push challenge at Eastern Creek Raceway in August 2012.
- (2) Notes that over 2,000 children from 70 different schools across the State participated in the event.
- (3) Commends principal Donna Baguley and assistant principals Glen Punchon, Anthony Pearson, Simone White and Linda Pirillo for making Glendore Public School's participation in the event possible.



Jesmond Public School

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.43)

JESMOND PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the students and teachers of Jesmond Public School on making this year's excursion to Canberra possible after the excursion was cancelled in 2011 due to lack of funds.
- (2) Acknowledges the combined efforts of staff and students to publish a cookbook titled "*Around the World in a Lunchbox*", which celebrates the school's multicultural flavour.
- (3) Commends principal Jacqueline Howard on ensuring all sales from the cookbook went towards the Canberra excursion in 2012.



Hunter Women Athletes

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.44)

HUNTER WOMEN ATHLETES

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Supports women athletes and their contribution to Hunter sport and football.
- (2) Acknowledges that both Lake Macquarie Football Club and Adamstown Rosebud are integral to the Hunter football community.
- (3) Congratulates Adamstown Rosebuds team, coaches and support crew on winning the Women's Premier League grand final.
- (4) Commiserates with minor premiers Lake Macquarie Football Club, which had not been defeated since joining the Women's Premier League this season.
- (5) Congratulates Tara Andrews, who scored the only goal for Lake Macquarie.
- (6) Acknowledges the spectacular goals scored by Adamstown Rosebud's Stacey Day, Gemma Simon, Kim Wilt and Taylor Smith.
- (7) Wishes the best to all players in the Women's Premier League in future games.



Hunter Football

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.36)

HUNTER FOOTBALL

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Supports athletes and their contribution to Hunter sport and Hunter football.
- (2) Acknowledges both the Lambton Jaffas and Adamstown Rosebud football teams promotion of soccer within the Hunter and New South Wales.
- (3) Congratulates Lambton Jaffas, its coaches and support crew on finishing top of the first division in the NewFM Football League.
- (4) Congratulates Scott Carter and Mathew Paul, who added class and experience to the Adamstown Rosebud team.
- (5) Wishes the best to all players in the NewFM first division and NBN football leagues in 2013.



Newcastle City Council Parks and Playgrounds

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.37)

NEWCASTLE CITY COUNCIL PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends Newcastle City Council on the completion of new skate parks at Wallsend and Maryland.
- (2) Notes that the new facilities in Newcastle's western suburbs will enable teenagers and children to make the most of their school holidays.
- (3) Notes that the Council is also preparing to officially open a \$425,000 bowerbird-themed playground at Blackbutt Reserve.



University of Newcastle and Hunter New England Health Stroke Research

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.38)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE AND HUNTER NEW ENGLAND HEALTH STROKE RESEARCH

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that a multi-disciplinary team from the University of Newcastle and Hunter New England Health has made a genetic discovery that will help towards pre-determining the risk factors for stroke.
- (2) Recognises the commitment and dedication of chief analyst and lead author, Dr Elizabeth Holiday, PhD student on the project, Dr Jane Maquire, Professor Chris Levi, Professor John Attia and Professor Rodney Scott, in making this discovery.



Hunter Prostate Cancer Research

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.39)

HUNTER PROSTATE CANCER RESEARCH

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that Hunter medical researchers are studying new ways to screen for prostate cancer.
- (2) Notes that Newcastle Knights captain, Kurt Gidley and the Old Boars Motorcycle Club, are set to ride on 15 September 2012 for nine days around the Hunter/New England region in support of the Hunter Prostate Cancer Alliance.
- (3) Commends Hunter residents Barry and Rose Preston, who run the Cessnock Prostate Cancer Support Group, for their ongoing commitment and dedication in the provision of support and information to sufferers of all types of cancers.



John Hunter Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.40)

JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL NEONATAL INTENSIVE CARE UNIT

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Recognises the importance of the vital services provided by the neonatal intensive care unit at John Hunter Hospital.
- (2) Congratulates the Humpty Dumpty Foundation, which raises money for medical equipment for children's hospitals, and Orica, on the donation of a specialised crib valued at \$56,200 which provides heat, light and other functions to help keep premature babies alive.



Lambton High School Soccer Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.41)

LAMBTON HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER TEAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Lambton High School soccer team on winning the New South Wales club knockout.
- (2) Commends coach Steve Bland's hard work and dedication to the team.
- (3) Extends its best wishes to the team in future knockout competitions.



Liam Wood Diving Championships Selection

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.42)

LIAM WOOD DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS SELECTION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Liam Wood on his selection to represent New South Wales at the 2011 and 2012 Australian Age Diving Championships.
- (2) Extends its best wishes to Liam in his future diving endeavours.



Youth Rockin' the Black Dog Organiser Amy Vee

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.43)

YOUTH ROCKIN' THE BLACK DOG ORGANISER AMY VEE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges Amy Vee for her coordination of the Youth Rockin' the Black Dog event, which provides a platform for emerging musicians to raise awareness of mental health issues amongst Hunter youth.
- (2) Commends Ms Vee for her ongoing dedication and commitment to the event.



Discus Champion Stephanie Scigala

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.44)

DISCUS CHAMPION STEPHANIE SCIGALA

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Ms SONIA HORNERY to move—

That this House congratulates Stephanie Scigala, of Maryland, for breaking the discus record in the 12 to 13 years girls category with a 39.70 metre throw at the 2012 Hunter Primary Schools Sports Association championships at Hunter Sports Centre, Glendale.



Steel Magnolia Award Recipient Sally Chapman

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.56)

STEEL MAGNOLIA AWARD RECIPIENT SALLY CHAPMAN

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates Shirley Chapman on receiving the Steel Magnolia title for 2012, awarded for two decades of co-ordinating a volunteer group that has created more than 2,500 blankets for needy people in the community and internationally.



Touch Footballer Chloe Cheney

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.57)

TOUCH FOOTBALLER CHLOE CHENEY

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Chloe Cheney, of Lambton, on her selection in the Australian under 18 years touch football train-on squad.
- (2) Commends 15-year-old Chloe and her coaches, for their hard work and dedication to make the Australian squad.
- (3) Extends its best wishes to Chloe for the forthcoming trans-Tasman series in New Zealand in January 2013.



University of Newcastle

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.58)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE

Page: 16015

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Vice-Chancellor Professor Caroline McMillen and the University of Newcastle, staff and students, on being ranked among the best universities in the world for the second time in one week in August 2012.
- (2) Notes that the University of Newcastle was ranked 45th on the Times Higher Education World University Rankings for the top 100 world universities under 50 years old.
- (3) Commends the University of Newcastle on placing fourth among the 14 Australian universities that made the list.



Christopher Gerty San Francisco Ballet School Traineeship

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.59)

CHRISTOPHER GERTY SAN FRANCISCO BALLET SCHOOL TRAINEESHIP

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates 18-year-old Maryland teenager, Christopher Gerty, on his traineeship with the San Francisco Ballet School.
- (2) Notes that Christopher was one of only six young male dancers from around the world to be offered a traineeship, which he will undertake in 2013.
- (3) Extends its best wishes to Christopher during his traineeship.



Harleys for Humanity

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.60)

HARLEYS FOR HUMANITY

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges Harleys for Humanity for its ongoing efforts to raise funds for the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service.
- (2) Notes that Harleys for Humanity provides considerable financial and promotional support for the helicopter service in the Hunter region.
- (3) Commends Harleys for Humanity founder, David Golledge, for his continued commitment and dedication to the organisation.
- (4) Extends its best wishes to all involved in Harleys for Humanity and thanks them for their selfless contribution to the Hunter community.



NSW Public Schools State Dance Festival

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.61)

NSW PUBLIC SCHOOLS STATE DANCE FESTIVAL

Page: 16015

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that students from four Hunter and Central Coast schools were among 1,500 dancers from New South Wales who successfully auditioned for the state dance festival.
- (2) Acknowledges ensemble co-ordinator Jo-Anne Thorn for her ongoing dedication and commitment to the festival.
- (3) Congratulates all of the dancers who took part in the dance festival held at the Seymour Centre, Sydney on 13 September 2012.



Leukaemia Foundation Volunteer Lachlan McVicar

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.62)

LEUKAEMIA FOUNDATION VOLUNTEER LACHLAN MCVICAR

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Commends Lachlan McVicar, of Wallsend, for his ongoing commitment and dedication to the Leukaemia Foundation over the past 10 years.
- (2) Notes that Mr McVicar has supported the Foundation by volunteering up to seven days a week, giving presentations, building a family retreat centre, and raising money, including by becoming a key player in the Newcastle Light the Night fundraiser.
- (3) Acknowledges the vital importance of Mr McVicar's volunteer work and thanks him for his selfless contribution to the Hunter community.



Hunter Institute of Mental Health Director Trevor Hazell

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.63)

HUNTER INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTOR TREVOR HAZELL

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Trevor Hazell, director of Newcastle-based Hunter Institute of Mental Health, on receiving an award for exceptional contribution to mental health services in Australia and New Zealand.
- (2) Acknowledges Trevor's contribution to the development of national approaches to teacher training, working with the media and the development of evidence-based strategies to address the needs of people who live with, or care for, someone with depression.
- (3) Wishes Trevor all the best in his future endeavours.



Dancing with the Wallsend Business Stars Event

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.64)

DANCING WITH THE WALLSEND BUSINESS STARS EVENT

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Maxine Johnson and her team at Maxi-Jazz Dance Studio, Wallsend, for their tireless efforts in organising the Dancing with the Wallsend Business Stars event.
- (2) Notes that the event raised \$6,000 for the Nicholas Trust for Paediatric Palliative Care.



NBN News Junior Journos Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.9)

NBN NEWS JUNIOR JOURNOS PROGRAM

Page: 16512

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Recognises the importance of journalism and journalistic ethics to the proper functioning of a democratic society.
- (2) Acknowledges the value of the NBN News Junior Journos program, which gives primary school students the opportunity to experience the challenges and duties inherent in being a journalist.
- (3) Encourages the continuation of this program and the development of similar programs in the future.



Newkulele Festival

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.88)

NEWKULELE FESTIVAL

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Recognises Newcastle for having Australia's highest number of ukulele players per head of population.
- (2) Notes that Newcastle will host the "Newkulele Festival" at the Wickham Croatian Sports Club on 26 October 2012.
- (3) Notes that the festival brings together ukulele educators and luthiers in separate sessions that provide Novocastrians with fruitful opportunities to learn from professionals.



Dancing With the Wallsend Business Stars Event

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.89)

DANCING WITH THE WALLSEND BUSINESS STARS EVENT

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Maxine Johnson and her team at Maxi-Jazz Dance Studio, Wallsend, for their tireless efforts in organising the Dancing With the Wallsend Business Stars event.
- (2) Notes that the event raised \$6,000 for the Nicholas Trust for Paediatric Palliative Care.



Regal Cinema

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.90)

REGAL CINEMA

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that contracts have been signed for the transfer of the Regal Cinema from Newcastle Council to the Regal Cinema Trust of Newcastle Pty Ltd.
- (2) Commends the collaborative efforts of Newcastle Council and the local community for making this transfer possible.
- (3) Thanks parliamentarians and key players in the Australian film industry for their continued practical support.



Go4Fun Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.91)

GO4FUN PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that simple messages about nutrition are the key to promoting better household health in the Hunter.
- (2) Acknowledges Maria Roberts and other health practitioners for leading the charge in the Hunter with a free public health program called "Go4Fun".
- (3) Commends John Hunter Children's Hospital for its involvement in the running of the program.



Go Red for Women Healthy Heart Challenge

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.92)

GO RED FOR WOMEN HEALTHY HEART CHALLENGE

Page: 16525

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that 90 percent of women in Australia have at least one risk factor for heart disease and 50 percent have two or three.
- (2) Acknowledges the vital importance of the "Go Red for Women" campaign in raising awareness of heart disease amongst women.
- (3) Commends the ongoing commitment and dedication to the campaign by chief executive officer, Tony Thirlwell.



Upper Ironbark Creek Rehabilitation Project

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.93)

UPPER IRONBARK CREEK REHABILITATION PROJECT

Page: 16525

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that the Hunter community is getting busy and taking action along Ironbark Creek in an effort to protect and improve the habitat value and appearance of the creek.
- (2) Commends the continued contribution towards the Upper Ironbark Creek Rehabilitation Project by private landholders in New Lambton Heights, Cardiff Heights and Elermore Vale.
- (3) Thanks the Hunter-Central Rivers Catchment Management Authority, Lake Macquarie City Council and The City of Newcastle for coming together as partners to improve the stability of the creek.



Jesmond Lions Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.94)

JESMOND LIONS CLUB

Page: 16526

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the work of the volunteer members of the Jesmond Lions Club.
- (2) Commends club members for their involvement with the national tree planting project at the Pambalong Nature Reserve.
- (3) Notes that on 1 September 2012 branch members attended a maintenance visit where they repaired wire cages surrounding the trees as well as spreading mulch to further enhance the survival of the trees in the reserve.



Newcastle Jets W-League Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.95)

NEWCASTLE JETS W-LEAGUE TEAM

Page: 16526

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Commends the Jets Women's-League squad for encouraging female participation in football.
- (2) Welcomes American trio Tori Huster, Tiffany Boshers and Angela Salem to the all female team.
- (3) Extends its best wishes to the Jets W-League for the forthcoming season.



New Lambton Public School Fete

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.40)

NEW LAMBTON PUBLIC SCHOOL FETE

Page: 16951

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that New Lambton Public School hosted its annual school fete on 15 September 2012, raising \$21,000 to improve school facilities.
- (2) Recognises the efforts made to support the fete and raise funds by the Parents and Citizens Association, school principal Mrs Taylor, fete co-ordinator Juliane Turner, the entire school community and the families of children who attend the school.



Mattara Dancesport Ballroom Competition

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.41)

MATTARA DANCESPORT BALLROOM COMPETITION

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that the Mattara Dancesport Ballroom Competition was held on 30 September 2012, at Cardiff Panthers.
- (2) Notes that the competition is one of the biggest events on Newcastle's ballroom dancing calendar.
- (3) Commends the event's organiser Maxine Johnson, who is the owner and principal of Maxi-Jazz Ballroom Dance studio, for her dedication and commitment to the event.
- (4) Extends its best wishes to Maxine and her team of talented dancers.



Australian Transplant Games Medallist Ian Patten

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.42)

AUSTRALIAN TRANSPLANT GAMES MEDALLIST IAN PATTEN

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that the 13th Australian Transplant Games took place at Lambton Pool on 2 October 2012.
- (2) Congratulates Ian Patten, aged 79, on his 12th championship win.
- (3) Recognises that Ian is the oldest competitor at the games and has won more than 50 medals over the years at the Australian Masters Games as well as in national and world transplant competitions.
- (4) Extends its best wishes to Ian in his future swimming competitions.



New Lambton Public School Netball Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.43)

NEW LAMBTON PUBLIC SCHOOL NETBALL TEAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates New Lambton Public School on its second consecutive win at the New South Wales Public Schools Sports Association knockout netball competition.
- (2) Commends the school's team, comprising of Jasmine Sheng, Kate Hughes, Courtney Burling, Emma Bramble, Caitlin Bray, Monica Vrtkovski, Nicole Crossley and Sinita Lee for its hard work and competitiveness.
- (3) Thanks coach Carolyn Goverd for steering the team to victory.
- (4) Extends its best wishes to the team in future netball competitions.



Northern New South Wales Football Awards

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.44)

NORTHERN NEW SOUTH WALES FOOTBALL AWARDS

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

Congratulates all award winners at the Northern New South Wales Football Association annual awards night including:

- (a) Joel Cockbain—Rookie Referee of the Year,
- (b) Tim McGilchrist—Referee of the Year,
- (c) Con Gounis (Hamilton Olympic Football Club)—Bill Turner Award,
- (d) John Wainwright (Tionee Soccer Club)—Volunteer of the Year,
- (e) Matthew Kenny (Lambton Jaffas FC)—NEWFM1st Division Leading Goal scorer (20 goals),
- (f) Lambton Jaffas Football Club—NEWFM1st Division Club Championship,
- (g) Adamstown Rosebud Football Club—NEWFM1st Division Club of the Year,
- (h) Kate Hensman (Lake Macquarie City Football Club)—Herald Women's Premier League Leading Goal scorer (23 goals),
- (i) Tracey Baker (Lake Macquarie City Football Club)—Herald Women's Premier League Player of the Year,
- (j) Mereweather United Football Club—Herald Women's Premier League Club of the Year,
- (k) Hamilton Olympic Football Club—NBN State League Club Championship,
- (l) Kate Bradbery (Newcastle Jets Youth)—NBN State League Leading Goal scorer (18 goals),
- (m) Weston Workers Football Club—NBN State League Club of the Year Award,
- (n) Blake Green (Newcastle Jets Youth)—BJS Insurance Rookie of the Year,
- (o) Chris Bowling (Broadmeadow Magic)—Bill Mahoney Goalkeeper of the Year,

- (p) Mark Wilson (Charlestown City Blues Football Club)—NBN State League Coach of the Year,
- (q) Scott Pettit (Broadmeadow Magic Football Club)—NBN State League Player of the Year.



Shipley and Smith Family and Go4Fun Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.45)

SHIPLEY AND SMITH FAMILY AND GO 4FUN PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Monique Shipley and David Smith as well as their children, Ivy Horan and Domonick Bruckner-Smith for completing the Go4Fun 10-week program.
- (2) Notes the family participated in the program's education sessions and physical activities, which helped family members to lose weight and increase their energy levels.
- (3) Applauds eight-year-old Ivy on obtaining a healthy weight through participating in the program.
- (4) Wishes the family all the best in their future endeavours.



Bald and Beautiful Foundation

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.46)

BALD AND BEAUTIFUL FOUNDATION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Les Jones, director of the Bald and Beautiful Foundation, on his wonderful and inspiring voluntary work in the Newcastle community.
- (2) Notes that the Bald and Beautiful Foundation hosts a day of fun, pampering and wellbeing for adults with cancer, in May each year in Newcastle.
- (3) Thanks the Rotary Club of Newcastle Sunrise for championing the event and for providing planning and ongoing financial support.



Lions Clubs International Save Sight Campaign

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.47)

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL SAVE SIGHT CAMPAIGN

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the vital importance of volunteers in the Hunter.
- (2) Commends the Lions Club for its international Save Sight Campaign, which has raised over \$415 million since its inception.
- (3) Notes that the Lions Club has nearly 1.4 million members worldwide.
- (4) Extends its best wishes to incoming president of the Lions Club International, Barry Palmer, who will fill the role for a year from July 2013.



University of Newcastle Indigenous Graduates

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.85)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE INDIGENOUS GRADUATES

Page: 16958

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that almost half of the Indigenous doctors working in Australia graduated from the University of Newcastle.
- (2) Acknowledges that the university produced the largest number of Indigenous health workers.
- (3) Commends the University of Newcastle for its lead the in provision of higher education for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.



University of Newcastle Community Engagement Project

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.65)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROJECT

Page: 17394

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the dedication and efforts of Newcastle University to bridge the gap between its Callaghan campus and the community through a community engagement project launched in August 2012.
- (2) Notes that the project has been developed under the banner "our community, your university" and is thought to be the first of its type for a university in Australia or overseas.
- (3) Commends community partnerships manager, Sharon Douglas, for her continued commitment to Newcastle University and the Hunter community.



John Hunter Hospital Organ Donations

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.66)

JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL ORGAN DONATIONS

Page: 17394

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates John Hunter Hospital on having the highest rate of organ donations in New South Wales for the past five years.
- (2) Commends all of the hardworking staff at John Hunter Hospital who have collaborated to improve communications concerning organ donations.
- (3) Thanks the Hunter community for its generosity and community spirit.



Heaton Birmingham Gardens Bowling Club Fiftieth Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.67)

HEATON BIRMINGHAM GARDENS BOWLING CLUB FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that Heaton Birmingham Gardens Bowling Club celebrated its fiftieth anniversary on 27 October 2012.
- (2) Notes that the celebration included bowling and a competition to win a container of ashes from the original building, which was tragically destroyed by an arson attack in late 2000.
- (3) Recognises the hard work and dedication to the day by the club president, Alwyn Dennis.
- (4) Extends its best wishes to Alwyn and the club for future celebrations.



Canteen National Bandanna Day

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.68)

CANTEEN NATIONAL BANDANNA DAY

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the vital importance of CanTeen and the role it plays in the lives of family members and victims of cancer.
- (2) Recognises National Bandanna Day, held on 26 October 2012, as a major fundraiser for CanTeen, a non-profit organisation that does not receive government funding.
- (3) Commends Hamilton South brother and sister, Ben and Eliza Fleming, for encouraging their community to don a bandanna on National Bandanna Day.
- (4) Extends its best wishes to CanTeen for its future fundraising endeavours.



Professor Peter Gibson Asthma Research

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.69)

PROFESSOR PETER GIBSON ASTHMA RESEARCH

Page: 17394

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Newcastle researcher, Professor Peter Gibson, on making the finals of the national GlaxoSmithKline Award for Research Excellence.
- (2) Acknowledges the vital importance of Professor Gibson's work, which has led to major advances in treatments and care for people suffering asthma.



Triathlete Aaron Royle

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.70)

TRIATHLETE AARON ROYLE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates 22-year-old Maryland resident, Aaron Royle, on winning the acclaimed International Triathlon Unions' World Triathlon Championships under 23 years event in Auckland, New Zealand.
- (2) Wishes Aaron all the best in his preparations for the 2016 Rio Olympics.



Salvation Army Salvonista Campaign

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.71)

SALVATION ARMY SALVONISTA CAMPAIGN

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Salvation Army on its Salvonista campaign which visited universities including the University of Newcastle throughout October 2012.
- (2) Commends the second-hand clothing and wares chain for encouraging people to re-use and recycle clothes and other items.
- (3) Commends students from the University of Newcastle who took part in the campaign that also assists the environment and community.



Mental Health Short Film Workshop

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.72)

MENTAL HEALTH SHORT FILM WORKSHOP

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates high school students from Toronto, Glendale and West Wallsend on tackling the topic of mental health by participating in workshops to produce short films about issues such as bullying, drugs, stress and body image.
- (2) Commends and thanks Hunter Care for organising such inspirational workshops.
- (3) Notes that the students' films were shown at the Digi-Tell festival at the Lake Macquarie Performing Arts Centre on 30 October 2012.



Hunter Institute of Mental Health

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.73)

HUNTER INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the vital role of the Hunter Institute of Mental Health.
- (2) Notes that the Hunter Institute of Mental Health is developing a program to reduce the psychological stress on the families of chronically ill children.
- (3) Commends the institute for securing \$750,000 from a charitable foundation to conduct a three year study in conjunction with the John Hunter Hospital's Kaleidoscope centre.



Cricketers Chelsea Bower and Jesmond and Ben Evans

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.93)

CRICKETERS CHELSEA BOWER AND JESMOND AND BEN EVANS

Page: 17818

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House

- (1) Congratulates cricketers Jesmond and Ben Evans from Lambton High School, and Chelsea Bower, from Callaghan College, for their strong performances for the Hunter during the 2012 New South Wales carnivals.
- (2) Notes that each cricketer won a place in the Combined High Schools Firsts' team for the New South Wales All School Championships.



Footballer Hayley Crawford

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.94)

FOOTBALLER HAYLEY CRAWFORD

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates 28-year-old former Matilda, Hayley Crawford, on returning to the Jets this year as a key player and skipper as well as being an assistant coach.
- (2) Notes that Hayley Crawford has taken on the female scholarship position, created by Northern New South Wales Football, with the national women's competition side.
- (3) Wishes Hayley and the W-League all the best for the future.



University of Newcastle Chamber Choir

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.95)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE CHAMBER CHOIR

Page: 17818

MS SONIA HORNERY— That this House:

- (1) Commends globally known composer, conductor and lecturer, Dr Philip Matthias, and his prize-winning Newcastle Chamber Choir on its continued success in the World Choir Games.
- (2) Notes that the choir placed sixth at the last world choir games where 370 world class choirs competed.
- (3) Congratulates Dr Matthias and the choir for also winning the 2012 National Eisteddfod in Canberra.
- (4) Wishes Dr Matthias and his prestigious choir all the best in their future music endeavours.



Newcastle Jets Football Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.96)

NEWCASTLE JETS FOOTBALL TEAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Newcastle Jets football team on defeating the Sydney FC 3-2 in a thrilling match at the Sydney Football Stadium on 20 October 2012.
- (2) Notes that the Jets began the game with a confidence that was absent in their season opener against Adelaide United.
- (3) Wishes the Newcastle Jets all the best in the 2012-13 season.



Hunter Touch Football Development Squad Selections

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.97)

HUNTER TOUCH FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT SQUAD SELECTIONS

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the following athletes on being selected for the 2012-13 Hunter touch development squads: Joshua Caruso from Belmont; Jack Flanagan from Hamilton North; Sam Morgan from Macquarie Hills; Amelia Hughes from New Lambton; Rachel Jeffs from Valentine; Layne Morgan from Macquarie Hills; Jessica Potts from Valentine; Natasha Robards from Lambton; Hannah Simons from Charlestown; and Brittany Treacy from West Wallsend.
- (2) Congratulates Beau Newell from the Wallsend Touch Association who has taken on the role of the academy's touch program co-ordinator.



Hunter Walk of Pride for Mental Illness

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.98)

HUNTER WALK OF PRIDE FOR MENTAL ILLNESS

Page: 17819

Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that on 20 October 2012, proud family members and friends of people with mental illness took part in a march to raise awareness of the role they play in caring for their loved ones.
- (2) Recognises that the walk brings together members of the community, including politicians, service providers, families and people living with a mental illness, as well as those who care for them.
- (3) Thanks all those involved in the walk for their selfless contribution to improving mental health in the community.



Australian Transplant Games

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.99)

AUSTRALIAN TRANSPLANT GAMES

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that the official opening of the Australian Transplant Games took place in Newcastle on 30 September 2012, and was celebrated with a parade of participants and cars along the Newcastle foreshore to Nobby's Beach.
- (2) Acknowledges 11-year-old Adam Welsh for participating in cycling, swimming, ten-pin bowling and athletics at the games.
- (3) Notes that Adam was a one year old when he suffered kidney failure and his father, Peter, donated a kidney.
- (4) Acknowledges Col Granter, owner of one the cars involved in the procession, for giving Adam a trial run in his prestige 1928 Dodge.
- (5) Wishes Adam all the best in his future endeavours.



National Carers Week

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.100)

NATIONAL CARERS WEEK

Page: 17819

Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that Carers Week took place between 14-20 October 2012.
- (2) Commends unpaid family and friends for their ongoing commitment and support to those that they care for.
- (3) Thanks carers for their selfless contribution to the Hunter community.



Hunter Hospitals Medical Internships

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.62)

HUNTER HOSPITALS MEDICAL INTERNSHIPS

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that the Hunter region has welcomed 100 new medical interns and that most of the group commenced their induction at John Hunter Hospital.
- (2) Recognises that for the first time all of the region's new interns chose the Hunter New England district as their first preference to complete their internships.
- (3) Acknowledges that the majority of the interns are female, including Wickham local and Newcastle graduate, Dr Bethany Croker.
- (4) Wishes Dr Croker and the other new Hunter interns every success in their future careers.



Blue Gum Hills Men's Shed

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.63)

BLUE GUM HILLS MEN'S SHED

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends members of the newly established Blue Gum Hills Mens Shed, particularly the President, Paul Gow, the Public Relations Officer, Garry Rose and the newly appointed Secretary, Dennis Crooks.
- (2) Acknowledges the charitable role that this group plays in the Blue Gum Hills area, assisting the elderly and individuals in need with important building repairs.



Callaghan College Jesmond Senior Campus School Leaders

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.64)

CALLAGHAN COLLEGE JESMOND SENIOR CAMPUS SCHOOL LEADERS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mitchell Gatavicuis, Lucy Stanley, Siahn Spiers and Malik Anne on their achievement in being chosen to be School Leaders at the Callaghan College Jesmond Senior Campus.
- (2) Acknowledges that, as the new School Leaders are chosen by their teachers and peers, it is evident that these students already possess leadership qualities.
- (3) Notes that this is the start of the students' path to success.
- (4) Wishes the students every success in their new roles and trusts that they prove to be great leaders for their peers.



Callaghan College Wallsend Campus School Leaders

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.65)

CALLAGHAN COLLEGE WALLSEND CAMPUS SCHOOL LEADERS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Blake Kingdom, Annabelle Hungerford, Jordan Andres and Jeremy Bullen on their achievement in being chosen to be School Leaders at the Callaghan College Wallsend Campus.
- (2) Acknowledges that, as the new School Leaders are chosen by their teachers and peers, it is evident that these students already possess leadership qualities.
- (3) Notes that this is the start of the students' path to success.
- (4) Wishes the students every success in their new roles and trusts that they prove to be great leaders for their peers.



Cardiff High School Leaders

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.66)

CARDIFF HIGH SCHOOL LEADERS

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Captains Caitlin Waide and Callum Reedman and Vice Captains Abbey Mateer and Aden Blanch on their achievement in being chosen to be School Leaders at Cardiff High School.
- (2) Acknowledges that, as the new School Leaders are chosen by their teachers and peers, it is evident that these students already possess leadership qualities.
- (3) Notes that this is the start of the students' path to success.
- (4) Wishes the students every success in their new roles and trusts that they prove to be great leaders for their peers.



Elernore Vale Mens Shed

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.67)

ELERMORE VALE MENS SHED

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends the Chair, Dave Corbett, and all the other members of the Elernore Vale Mens Shed for the construction of the new gardens and deck at the Silveridge Community Cottage.
- (2) Acknowledges the charitable role that this group plays in the Elernore Vale area helping others, particularly the elderly and infirm.



Glendale Technology High School Leaders

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.68)

GLENDALE TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL LEADERS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Captains Jorja Gow and Jaxson Ryner and Vice Captains Nicholas Della and Lauren Jeffrey on their achievement in being chosen to be School Leaders at Glendale Technology High School.
- (2) Acknowledges that, as the new School Leaders are chosen by their teachers and peers, it is evident that these students already possess leadership qualities.
- (3) Notes that this is the start of the students' path to success.
- (4) Wishes the students every success in their new roles and trusts that they prove to be great leaders for their peers.



Lambton High School Leaders

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.69)

LAMBTON HIGH SCHOOL LEADERS

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Taylor Sansom, George Bland, Charlotte Mahony, Jonathan Hann, Lauren Bradney and Remy Rey Lescure on their achievement in being chosen to be School Leaders at Lambton High School.
- (2) Acknowledges that, as the new School Leaders are chosen by their teachers and peers, it is evident that these students already possess leadership qualities.
- (3) Notes that this is the start of the students' path to success.
- (4) Wishes the students every success in their new roles and trusts that they prove to be great leaders for their peers.



Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus School Leaders

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.70)

CALLAGHAN COLLEGE WARATAH TECHNOLOGY CAMPUS SCHOOL LEADERS

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Lachlan Callen, Samantha Tuli, Jackson Myers and Tyeson Lalaga on their achievement in being chosen to be School Leaders at the Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus.
- (2) Acknowledges that, as the new School Leaders are chosen by their teachers and peers, it is evident that these students already possess leadership qualities.
- (3) Notes that this is the start of the students' path to success.
- (4) Wishes the students every success in their new roles and trusts that they prove to be great leaders for their peers.



Hunter TAFE Alumni Association

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/03/2013 (Article No.13)

HUNTER TAFE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY (Wallsend) [1.19 p.m.]: Today I recognise the vital role TAFE has played and continues to play in the education and training of New South Wales citizens and the specific contribution of Hunter TAFE to training and education locally. I note that the Hunter TAFE Alumni Association provides a variety of services for the alumni, including opportunities to network, mentoring programs and, importantly, fostering the involvement of former students in TAFE life. I note the crucial contribution of TAFE teachers, who have helped TAFE alumni with lifelong skills and knowledge that can lead to further education. I especially mention that 11 out of 13 art graduates from Hunter TAFE have carried their studies on to university. I acknowledge alumni Karen Howard, Melissa Polwarth and Jazz Andrews, who spoke at the first alumni function and provided moving testimony about their TAFE experiences. I pay tribute to the Hunter TAFE Alumni Association and wish the organisation and its members well in their future development.



Raw Comedy Competition

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/03/2013 (Article No.21)

RAW COMEDY COMPETITION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY (Wallsend) [1.26 p.m.]: Today I recognise that Raw Comedy is Australia's largest open-mic comedy competition and provides the opportunity for hundreds of aspiring comics to chase their dreams each year. I acknowledge the importance of comedy in alleviating the stresses of day-to-day life as well as the difficulty of performing before a crowd—a stress that we in this Chamber are all familiar with. I acknowledge Mr David Gairdner, who won the Newcastle Raw Comedy competition and went on to compete in the semifinals in Sydney, for his talent and dedication in pursuing his dream. Mr Gairdner, who grew up in Cessnock, lives in Shortland, attended the University of Newcastle and works in Jesmond. He is a true citizen of the Hunter and will no doubt do us all proud.



Sport and Healthy Lifestyles

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/03/2013 (Article No.25)

SPORT AND HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

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Ms SONIA HORNERY (Wallsend) [1.29 p.m.]: Today we acknowledge the importance of sport to Australian culture and the importance of encouraging and maintaining active lifestyles for all ages. It is a matter of public health and happiness. We recognise the establishment of organisations specifically geared towards training people to play soccer, with the aim of playing for such august bodies as the W-League Jets, Newcastle Jets, Central Coast Mariners, the Socceroos and the Matildas. We congratulate 12-year-old Kyle Williams, a Glendale resident and constituent. Kyle, a keen footballer, has a wonderful dream of playing for the Socceroos one day. We wish Kyle all the best for his future sporting career.



University of Newcastle Asthma Research Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.29)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE ASTHMA RESEARCH TEAM

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Newcastle scientists, led by Professor Joerg Mattes, on their breakthrough that has led them to create treatments to stop asthma attacks.
- (2) Notes that the discovery has already helped scientists develop therapeutic treatments to prevent and treat asthma and that laboratory tests on mice are encouraging.
- (3) Commends the hard work and dedication of lead researcher, Professor Joerg Mattes.



Lake Macquarie Citizen of the Year Melinda Brown

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.30)

LAKE MACQUARIE CITIZEN OF THE YEAR MELINDA BROWN

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Recognises the outstanding contribution of Melinda Brown, of Muloobinbah Aboriginal Education Consultative Group, who has spent 15 years improving literacy and cultural awareness among aboriginal and non-aboriginal students.
- (2) Congratulates Ms Brown on being named the citizen of the year.
- (3) Notes that the award acknowledges her work in supporting local families, helping with transport to appointments and family health checks and opening her home to people in crisis.
- (4) Commends and thanks Ms Brown for her continued commitment, dedication and service to those in need.



Hunter Medical Research Institute

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.31)

HUNTER MEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Chairman Bob Kennedy and the Hunter Medical Research Institute on celebrating its fifteenth anniversary on 12 February 2013.
- (2) Commends the institute's board for recently approving a new strategic plan for 2013-2017, developed by Director Michael Nilsson.
- (3) Notes that the institute is focused on implementing a new patient-focused strategic plan and extending its global reach.



Hunter Academy of Sport

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.32)

HUNTER ACADEMY OF SPORT

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House congratulates the Hunter Academy of Sport for promoting a sporting environment in the Hunter region in which talent is identified and opportunity provided to develop that talent to its fullest.



Hunter Stroke Treatment Program

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.33)

HUNTER STROKE TREATMENT PROGRAM

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Ms SONIA HORNER—That this House:

- (1) Notes that a program to ensure stroke patients are treated quickly to minimise their injury will be rolled out across the State after being pioneered in the Hunter.
- (2) Recognises that the statewide program builds on results in the Hunter, where the program has enabled more patients to be treated with a thrombolytic therapy or "clot-busting treatment" to dissolve blood clots, reducing permanent brain damage.
- (3) Congratulates Hunter stroke expert Chris Levi and his committee for developing this program.



Surfest Newcastle Vanuatu Student Participation

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.34)

SURFEST NEWCASTLE VANUATU STUDENT PARTICIPATION

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Notes that five Vanuatu teenagers participated in the Newcastle's Surfest in February thanks to a five-year collaboration between Stewart Free, of Elermore Vale, and expatriate Australian Simon Pettiford.
- (2) Thanks Mr Free for billeting the Vanuatu teenagers and for gathering and delivering much-needed school and surfing supplies to Vanuatu over the past five years.



University of Newcastle School of Medicine and Public Health Fitness Trial

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.35)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND PUBLIC HEALTH FITNESS TRIAL

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Dr Ben Ewald from the University of Newcastle's School of Medicine and Public Health and his team on their important research looking at the impact of medical exercise specialists on fitness.
- (2) Notes that a trial program may show that there are big health benefits from seeing an exercise physiologist.



University of Newcastle Centre for Asthma and Respiratory Diseases Research

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.36)

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE CENTRE FOR ASTHMA AND RESPIRATORY DISEASES RESEARCH
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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledge the great work being conducted by Professor Phil Hansbro in the race to develop urgently needed treatments for the deadly lung disorder Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease [COPD], also known as emphysema.
- (2) Notes that due to new modeling the time taken to conduct laboratory testing on the effects of cigarette smoke, the major cause of COPD in the western world, has been reduced from six months to eight weeks.
- (3) Congratulates Professor Hansbro and the team of researchers from the University of Newcastle for their work.



Hunter Men's Sheds

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.37)

HUNTER MEN'S SHEDS

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Ms SONIA HORNERY—That this House:

- (1) Commends members of Men's Sheds across the Hunter for working together to collect tools to aid fire-ravaged Coonabarabran.
- (2) Recognises in particular the volunteering efforts of the Swansea, Elermore Vale, Maitland, Singleton and Merriwa Men's Sheds.
- (3) Acknowledges the leadership efforts of the project coordinator, Martyn Leist, who was instrumental in the transportation of the tools to Coonabarabran.



Calvary Mater Newcastle

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.169)

CALVARY MATER NEWCASTLE

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Ms SONIA HORNERY (Wallsend) [4.53 p.m.]: Today we acknowledge the vital contribution that the Calvary Mater Hospital has made to the health and wellbeing of the people of Newcastle and the people of the Hunter more broadly. Pleasingly, the hospital has spent more than \$150,000 to upgrade existing equipment, including two ventilators for the intensive care unit, six low electric beds, 10 iPads and five bar fridges for adolescent patients in isolation. The Mater Auxiliary Group raised this money and all those purchases will go towards increasing services and better patient outcomes. I congratulate the Mater Auxiliary Group on its excellent work in raising \$445,000 in 2012, which made these purchases possible.



Hunter Service Men and Women

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.177)

HUNTER SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

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Ms SONIA HORNERY (Wallsend) [4.59 p.m.]: We acknowledge the importance of maintaining and observing history for future generations. We recognise the enormous contribution of Hunter soldiers to Australia's campaigns prior to World War I, during World War I and World War II, and since. We remember that shortly we will hold a special commemoration of Anzac Day in 2015. We congratulate Newcastle author Juan Mahony on his work in collecting and preserving primary source material relating to World War I and his effort in publishing this information to inform and educate the public about this important and significant period in Australian and world history.