



Bill and Lila Olsen Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/03/2012 (Article No.53)

BILL AND LILA OLSEN SIXTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulate Bill and Lila Olsen, of Forster, on their sixtieth wedding anniversary.
- (2) Notes that Bill is a former builder from Harbord in Sydney and Lila, from Bingara, were married in Inverell on 20 February 1952 and have lived in Foster for the past 18 years.



Quotarian Volunteer of the Year Carolyn Erickson

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QUOTARIAN VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR CAROLYN ERICKSON

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Carolyn Erickson on being named "Quotarian Volunteer of the Year" by Quota International.
- (2) Notes that Carolyn joined the Quota Club of Taree five years ago and has also worked for the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service, Meals on Wheels and the Dune Restoration Program.





North Coastal Zone Volunteer of the Year David Burley

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NORTH COASTAL ZONE VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR DAVID BURLEY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates David Burley on being named North Coastal Zone "Volunteer of the Year" for his outstanding contributions to sport and the community.
- (2) Notes that David is also President of the Mid North Coast Junior Cricket Council, a delegate to the North Coastal Zone, manager of the under 16 team, and a coach of the under 14 Emerging Blues.
- (3) Acknowledges he continues to play cricket and mentors many junior cricketers on ways to improve their skills.



Forster Surf Life Saving Club

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FORSTER SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Forster Surf Life Saving Club for becoming Lower North Coast Branch Champions 2012.
- (2) Notes that the Forster beat six other surf clubs to win the title and won both the junior and senior-master categories.



Lawn Bowls Umpire Don Mcpherson

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/03/2012 (Article No.57)

LAWN BOWLS UMPIRE DON MCPHERSON

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House congratulates Don McPherson, a member of the Forster Bowling Club, on 25 years of service as a national umpire in lawn bowls.



Lawn Bowls Umpire Reg Woods

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LAWN BOWLS UMPIRE REG WOODS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House congratulates Reg Woods, a member of the Forster Bowling Club, on 20 years of service as a National Umpire in lawn bowls.



Manning River Times and Terry McCaffrey

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 08/03/2012 (Article No.59)

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Terry McCaffrey on his 40 years of employment with the Manning River Times.
- (2) Notes Terry started as an apprentice hand and machine compositor on 21 February 1972 and is now the production manager.
- (3) Notes Terry is known for his ability to adapt to rapid changes in technology.



Tribute to Jean Cupitt

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/03/2012 (Article No.13)

TRIBUTE TO JEAN CUPITT

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Jean Cupitt on the celebration of her 102nd birthday on 25 February 2012.
- (2) Notes that Jean married Dudley Cupitt and has three children, Trevor, Shirley and Ross and has 9 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren and 5 great great grandchildren.
- (3) Notes that after World War II, Jean moved to Taree and owned a clothing business that she ran until the age of 70.
- (4) Acknowledges that Jean lives at the Bushland Place Hostel, Taree, and remains largely independent and receives regular visits from her family.





Swimming Championship and Scott Bishop

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/03/2012 (Article No.14)

SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP AND SCOTT BISHOP

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Scott Bishop on his display of courage and determination to win a backstroke race after suffering a dislocated knee during an earlier event at the same swimming carnival.
- (2) Notes that Scott is a Year 6 student at Wingham Brush Public School, and with the support of his school, won the backstroke race and the Senior Boys Championship.



Manning Valley Heritage and Eric Richardson, OAM

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

MANNING VALLEY HERITAGE AND ERIC RICHARDSON , OAM

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Eric Richardson OAM for his significant contribution to heritage issues in the Manning Valley.
- (2) Acknowledges the importance of maintaining the heritage look of towns such as Wingham for the enjoyment and appreciation of future generations.





Wingham Farmers Market Eighth Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/03/2012 (Article No.16)

WINGHAM FARMERS MARKET EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Wingham Farmers Market on its eighth anniversary.
- (2) Notes that the market is a vibrant and dynamic environment for local residents and growers to display and sell their produce.
- (3) Notes the contribution made by Lyn Booth as the coordinator of the first Wingham Farmers Market.



Rotary Public Speaking Competition and Kristy Everett

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/03/2012 (Article No.17)

ROTARY PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION AND KRISTY EVERETT

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Kristy Everett for winning the 2011 Rotary Public Speaking Competition for District 9650.
- (2) Notes that Kristy travelled to Masterton, New Zealand, as her prize in the competition.





Nabiac Show 100th Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.49)

NABIAC SHOW 100TH ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Dave Reeve, President; Bev Harris, Secretary; and the Show Committee, on the 100th anniversary of the Nabiac Show.
- (2) Notes that Vivienne Mobbs was awarded the Best Dressed Period Costume.
- (3) Notes the show was a success and was officially opened by television vet and local farmer, Dr Harry Cooper.



Allan and Merle Richards Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.50)

ALLAN AND MERLE RICHARDS FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Allan and Merle Richards on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- (2) Notes that Allan, a retired dairy farmer from Singleton, married Merle from Wauchope on 7 April 1962 and they now reside in Taree.





Carmel Fox

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.51)

CARMEL FOX

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mrs Carmel Fox on her 90th birthday.
- (2) Notes that Mrs Fox was born in Numeralla, New South Wales, on 28 December 1921, now lives in Tuncurry and is active at the Foster Tuncurry Sports Club and Tuncurry Bowling Club.
- (3) Notes that Mrs Fox has two children, seven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.



Maxine and George Ireland Seventieth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.52)

MAXINE AND GEORGE IRELAND SEVENTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Maxine and George Ireland on their 70th wedding anniversary.
- (2) Notes that Maxine and George were married in Murwillumbah on 19 February 1942, the first day of the Japanese bombings of Darwin.
- (3) Notes that Maxine is an acclaimed bush poet and author.



Tuncurry Public School Student Leaders

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.53)

TUNCURRY PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT LEADERS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Notes the investiture of Tuncurry Public School's Student Representative Council.
- (2) Congratulates Anita Handono and Jordy Duggan, captains; Courtney Wyborn and Sam Hollis, vice captains; and Jake Forest, Rhiannon McBland, Maddi Duri, Jed McGowan, Danielle Rapley and Keaton Murray, councillors, on their election.



Manning Rural Referral Hospital

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.54)

MANNING RURAL REFERRAL HOSPITAL

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Manning Rural Referral Hospital on being ranked in the State's top five hospitals for hygiene standards.
 - (2) Notes that the hospital is part of Hunter New England Local District Health and that the MyHospital website has reported that Manning Hospital has a 88.3 per cent rate of compliance with standards.
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Tribute to Joy Davey, OAM

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.55)

TRIBUTE TO JOY DAVEY, OAM

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Joy Davey OAM on her 40 years of service with Quota International.
- (2) Notes that Joy is well known throughout the Taree community for her many years of involvement in community projects and organisations.



Colin Watts

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.56)

COLIN WATTS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Colin Watts on being dux of Chatham High School for 2011.
- (2) Notes that Colin has taken a gap year before commencing studies at university.





District 44 Masonic Charities

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.57)

DISTRICT 44 MASONIC CHARITIES

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates members of District 44 Masonic Charities who have raised \$16,000 for the purchase of a jet ski for the Lower North Coast Surf Lifesaving Branch.
- (2) Notes the jet ski will be based in Forster Boat Harbour and used as a rapid response unit to emergencies in the ocean and lakes from Crowdy Head to Pacific Palms.
- (3) Notes that District 44 Masonic Charities is the charitable organisation representing Masonic lodges in Wingham, Laurieton, Gloucester, Taree and Forster-Great Lakes.



Jai Renner

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.58)

JAI RENNER

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates 14 year old Jai Renner on saving the life of a man caught in a deep rip at Diamond Beach.
- (2) Notes that Jai heard cries for help and paddled out to a distressed man and brought him to shore before calling an ambulance.





Nabiac Public School Student Leaders

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.59)

NABIAC PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT LEADERS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Notes the induction ceremony of the 2012 school captains at Nabiac Public School.
- (2) Congratulates: McKenzie Walter and Nathan Monk, captains; Jemma Atkins and Luke Vella, vice captains; and Emma Kirk and Danny Nye, prefects.



Syd and Mary Stanley Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.47)

SYD AND MARY STANLEY SIXTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Syd and Mary Stanley, of Tuncurry, on celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on 12 April 2012.
- (2) Notes that Syd was a member of the Royal Australian Air Force until 1969 achieving the rank of Warrant Office First Class and went on to work in the health sector in the Australian Capital Territory until his retirement.
- (3) Notes that Mary grew up in Tasmania and trained as a mothercraft nurse before she met Syd and started their family of four children and eight grandchildren.





Old Bar Under 12 Cricket Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.48)

OLD BAR UNDER 12 CRICKET TEAM

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Old Bar under 12 cricket team for winning its local cricket competition undefeated.
- (2) Notes that Old Bar defeated Great Lakes in the Grand Final to record the Club's first ever under 12 title.



Public Speaking Award Recipient Courtney Dunn

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.49)

PUBLIC SPEAKING AWARD RECIPIENT COURTNEY DUNN

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Courtney Dunn for winning the public speaking award at the Lions Youth of the Year Regional Final in Taree.
- (2) Notes that Courtney is a student leader at St Clare's Catholic High School in Taree.





Surf Life Saving Champion Lillian Smith

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.50)

SURF LIFE SAVING CHAMPION LILLIAN SMITH

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Lillian Smith, of Blackhead, for winning the under 15 years surfboard event at the New South Wales Surf Life Saving Championships at Kingscliff contested by 6,000 competitors.
- (2) Notes that Lillian represented the Lower North Coast at the championships.



Old Bar Lions Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.51)

OLD BAR LIONS CLUB

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Old Bar Lions Club on its fundraising efforts and the purchase of a modified bicycle for disabled Old Bar resident, 11-year-old Lillian Rowsell, who needed a new bicycle.
- (2) Notes that Lillian is a local identity on the streets of Old Bar riding with her father Chris.
- (3) Notes the regular riding sessions improve Lillian's strength and coordination, core stability and balance and contribute to her independence.





Great Lakes Sailing Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.52)

GREAT LAKES SAILING CLUB

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Great Lakes Sailing Club for arranging and winning the inaugural Booti Booti Cup which attracted a fleet of more than 40 boats.
- (2) Notes that cup races included those for junior and senior sailors, with boats from Coomba, Port Stephens and Port Macquarie competing.
- (3) Notes that the purpose of the cup is to strengthen ties between sailing clubs in the region and to promote the sport of sailing.



Bob and Betty Stewart Seventieth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.53)

BOB AND BETTY STEWART SEVENTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Bob and Betty Stewart of Tuncurry on celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary on 23 March 2012.
- (2) Notes that Bob and Betty have three children, six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.



Mitchells Island Rural Fire Service Life Members Warwick Murray and Fred Cuneo

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.54)

MITCHELLS ISLAND RURAL FIRE SERVICE LIFE MEMBERS WARWICK MURRAY AND FRED CUNEO

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Warwick Murray and Fred Cuneo on their awards of life membership of the Mitchells Island Rural Fire Service.
- (2) Notes that Warwick and Fred have each been involved with the Mitchells Island brigade for 18 years.



Masters Surf Life Saving Champions Laura Thurtell and Kim Wynter

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.55)

MASTERS SURF LIFE SAVING CHAMPIONS LAURA THURTELL AND KIM WYNTER

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Laura Thurtell and Kim Wynter from Forster Surf Life Saving Club for winning the gold medal in the 45 years and over women's double ski event at the New South Wales Masters Surf Life Saving Championships.
- (2) Notes that Laura also won the 45-49 years women's individual ski race and bronze in the

surf race.

- (3) Notes that Kim won the 50-54 years 2 kilometre beach race, was placed second in the surf race and won bronze in the beach sprint.



Forster Men's Shed and Peter McWilliam

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.56)

FORSTER MEN'S SHED AND PETER MCWILLIAM

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates and acknowledges Peter McWilliam on his donation of \$50,000 to assist with the construction of a larger building for the Men's Shed in Forster.
- (2) Notes that Peter McWilliam, with the support of his wife Wendy, has previously donated \$5,000 to set up and fit out the Men's Shed in Forster.
- (3) Notes that Forster Men's Shed has 95 members and its membership has grown rapidly over the past 12 months.



Manning Valley Legacy Laurel Club Twenty-fifth Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.57)

MANNING VALLEY LEGACY LAUREL CLUB TWENTY -FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates members of the Legacy Laurel Club in the Manning Valley on the 25th anniversary of the group.
- (2) Notes that the Legacy Laurel Club is an important part of the support community of Legacy, which is dedicated to caring for the families of deceased and incapacitated veterans.
- (3) Notes that more than 60 members attended a celebration of the 25th anniversary at Club Taree.



Ruth Gardiner 103rd Birthday

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.58)

RUTH GARDINER 103RD BIRTHDAY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mrs Ruth Gardiner, of Wingham, on celebrating her 103rd birthday.
- (2) Notes that Mrs Gardiner was born and lived her entire life in Wingham and has raised two daughters with her late husband, John.



Swimming Champion Molly Arens

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.59)

SWIMMING CHAMPION MOLLY ARENS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Molly Arens, of Old Bar, who broke 13 club records in the under 10 division of the Taree Swimming Club.
- (2) Notes that Molly set new records in 50, 100, 200, 400, 800 and 1500 metres freestyle; 50, 100, and 200 metres backstroke; 100 and 200 metres breaststroke; 50 metres butterfly; and the 200 metres individual medley.
- (3) Notes that Molly will contest the Public School Sports Association titles in the 50 metres freestyle and breaststroke races in April.
- (4) Notes that Molly won the under 11 surf race at the New South Wales Country Championships at South West Rocks.



Taree Lions Club Youth of the Year Alexandra Sheather

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.60)

TAREE LIONS CLUB YOUTH OF THE YEAR ALEXANDRA SHEATHER

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Alexandra Sheather, a student at Taree High School, on winning the Taree Lions Club Youth of the Year Quest 2012.
- (2) Notes that Alexandra will now represent Taree Lions Club and her school in the regional final.
- (3) Notes that the quest aims to select an outstanding young individual to be an ambassador representing Australia at an international youth camp held by Lions International.



Bill and Lorraine Gray Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary

BILL AND LORRAINE GRAY SIXTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Bill and Lorraine Gray of Forster on celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on 12 January 2012.
- (2) Notes that Bill and Betty have four children, plus many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



Great Lakes Local Area Command

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.62)

GREAT LAKES LOCAL AREA COMMAND

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Superintendent Paul Fehon and the Great Lakes Local Area Command on their skill and persistence leading to the capture of Malcolm Naden.
- (2) Notes that Malcolm Naden was considered to be Australia's most wanted fugitive and had been hiding from police for more than seven years.
- (3) Notes the patience and diligence of police in tracking and arresting Malcolm Naden and the assistance given to police by members of the public.





Tribute to Max Beard

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.83)

TRIBUTE TO MAX BEARD

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the passing of Max Beard, of Tinonee, a former long-serving commander of Taree Fire Station.
- (2) Notes that Max Beard was a member of the fire fighting service for 41 years and was based in Taree for 19 years.
- (3) Notes that Max Beard was the eighth longest serving fire officer in New South Wales and is survived by his wife, Margaret and his three daughters and their families.



Seniors Week Award Recipients Pam Hollebhone and Lucy Bokulic

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.84)

SENIORS WEEK AWARD RECIPIENTS PAM HOLLEBONE AND LUCY BOKULIC

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Pam Hollebhone and Lucy Bokulic on being honoured at the Seniors Week Achievement Awards for their contributions to community service.
- (2) Notes Pam received her award for her stewardship of Taree's University of the Third Age, which caters to the learning interests of citizens aged over 50.
- (3) Notes Lucy received her award for her involvement in numerous community organisations, including 14 years with Manning Valley Neighbourhood Services.
- (4) Notes that Lucy was named Greater Taree City Council Citizen of the Year in 2007.



Manning Valley Senior Citizen of the Year Janet Dengate

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.85)

MANNING VALLEY SENIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR JANET DENGATE

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Janet Dengate on being named Senior Citizen of the Year by the Manning Valley Senior Citizens Association.
- (2) Notes that Janet has worked with the association for 18 years to encourage and assist seniors in the Manning Valley to enjoy active social and community lives.



Christmas Road Train and Craig Huth

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.86)

CHRISTMAS ROAD TRAIN AND CRAIG HUTH

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Craig Huth, radio announcer at 2RE in Taree, for raising more than \$40,000 for the Christmas Road Train charity.
- (2) Notes the money will support the Children's Ward at Manning Rural Referral Hospital in Taree.



Old Bar Clams Rugby Union Club Thirtieth Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 02/05/2012 (Article No.24)

OLD BAR CLAMS RUGBY UNION CLUB THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Old Bar Clams Rugby Union Club on celebrating its thirtieth anniversary this year.
- (2) Commends Richard Crook for his devotion to, and hard work for, the Old Bar Clams Rugby Union Club.



Valley Industries

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.37)

VALLEY INDUSTRIES

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges that Valley Industries is a not-for-profit organisation that provides support and training services for disabled persons and their carers.
- (2) Congratulates Valley Industries for its ongoing schedule of activities, including social events such as its fancy dress party, Skills for Life program and Transition to Work program which have assisted many to find work in a large variety of trades and administrative roles.
- (3) Notes that Valley Industries has upgraded its timber products division, with an updated mill,

new saws, conveyors and dust extractors.



6th Australian Machine Gun Battalion (AIF) Association

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.38)

6TH AUSTRALIAN MACHINE GUN BATTALION (AIF) ASSOCIATION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the 6th Australian Machine Gun Battalion (AIF) Association (6 MGB) on its work in maintaining a strong network of members comprising former gunners, their widows and families and supporters.
- (2) Notes that 6MGB holds regular memorial commemorations of important military incidents and achievements in which its members were engaged in when on active duty in the armed services.



Manning Valley National Servicemen's Association

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.39)

MANNING VALLEY NATIONAL SERVICEMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Manning Valley National Servicemen's Association on its annual Cards to the Troops program where schools and community groups in the Manning Valley write greeting cards to troops on overseas duty.

- (2) Notes that many servicemen from across the Manning Valley attended a special service at St Johns Church, Taree, in February to commemorate National Servicemen's Day.
 - (3) Notes that St Johns Taree holds the colours of the 13th Battalion in a special memorial section of the church.
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Stuart Weller Book Launch

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.40)

STUART WELLER BOOK LAUNCH

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Stuart Weller, of Nabitac, on the launch of his book *The Watershed: The Soldiers of the Wallamba*.
 - (2) Notes that Mr Weller is a Vietnam veteran and local historian who has written the book based on his experiences.
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Dorothy "Dot" Murray 100th Birthday

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.41)

DOROTHY "DOT" MURRAY 100TH BIRTHDAY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mrs Dorothy (Dot) Murray, of Storm Village, Taree, on the celebration of her 100th birthday on 24 March 2012.
- (2) Notes that Mrs Murray has two sons, Barry and Peter, from her first marriage to Hiliary Ryan, and that Hiliary was killed in a work accident in 1950.
- (3) Notes that Mrs Murray married Alec Murray in 1954 and after he died following a short illness in 1956 moved to the Manning region in 1965 where she and her partner Joe Warby were well known around the Taree area.



Beryl Pomplum

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.42)

BERYL POMPLUM

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House congratulates Beryl Pomplum on the celebration of her 90th birthday with her many friends at the Taree Railway Institute Bowling Club.



Wingham Cricket Club A Grade Premiership

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.43)

WINGHAM CRICKET CLUB A GRADE PREMIERSHIP

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Wingham Cricket Club on winning the A Grade premiership of the Manning River District Cricket Association for the second season.

- (2) Notes that Wingham defeated Forster in the grand final by seven wickets, and was led by captain, Brad Staff, who remained not out on 62.
 - (3) Notes that Wingham also won the C Grade competition and was runner-up in B Grade.
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New South Wales Ambulance Officer Gary Scott

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.25)

NEW SOUTH WALES AMBULANCE OFFICER GARY SCOTT

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates NSW Ambulance Officer Gary Scott on his retirement after 34 years of service as a paramedic.
 - (2) Notes that Gary joined the service in Sydney in 1978 and has been promoted through the ranks to become a specialist paramedic.
 - (3) Notes that Gary has served the community of Taree for the last 20 years and will retire to his property at Nabiac with his wife.
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Colin and Verna Newell Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.26)

COLIN AND VERNA NEWELL SIXTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Colin and Verna Newell, of Tuncurry, on the celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary.
- (2) Notes that Colin and Verna have lived their entire married lives in Tuncurry and that they celebrated their anniversary with 28 members of their family including grandchildren and great grandchildren.



Domenico and Giesppina Mazzone Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.27)

DOMENICO AND GIUESPPINA MAZZONE FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Domenico and Giesppina Mazzone, of Forster, on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.
- (2) Notes that both Domenico and Giesppina migrated to Australia from Calabria in the mid 1950s and that the couple have four sons and five grandchildren.



Weller Family Country Show Movement Contribution

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.28)

WELLER FAMILY COUNTRY SHOW MOVEMENT CONTRIBUTION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Selwyn and Val Weller and their children Murray, Penni and Kim of Nabiac on being awarded the Agricultural Societies of New South Wales Award for outstanding contribution to the New South Wales country show movement.
- (2) Notes that this is the first time in the Society's history that the award has been made to a family and that the award recognises the lifetime contribution made by each member of the Weller family.



Taree Rotary Club Seventy-fifth Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.29)

TAREE ROTARY CLUB SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Rotary Club of Taree on celebrating its 75th year of community service to the people of Taree and the Manning Valley.
- (2) Notes that the Rotary Club of Taree has been closely involved with local communities and overseas, such as developing a local hospital with suitable nursing quarters in Kokoda, since its inception on 25 September 1937.



Tribute to Joe Dawson

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.30)

TRIBUTE TO JOE DAWSON

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges and congratulates Joe Dawson, a member of the 39th Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment on his service to the country and to Legacy.
- (2) Notes that Joe Dawson served in New Guinea on the Kokoda Track and that his records assisted author Peter Fitzsimmons in writing his bestselling book, *Kokoda*.
- (3) Notes that Joe Dawson is a much loved member of the Forster community.



Country Rugby League Merit Award Recipient Bob Anderson

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.31)

COUNTRY RUGBY LEAGUE MERIT AWARD RECIPIENT BOB ANDERSON

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Bob Anderson, of Manning Point, on receiving the Country Rugby League Merit Award for his service and commitment to rugby league.
- (2) Notes that Bob Anderson first became involved in rugby league in 1952 playing with Wentworthville in junior league and played first grade before moving to Ourimbah to be a player-coach.
- (3) Notes that Bob took on a development job with Group Three before moving into administration as a member of the group's management committee, a position he still holds.



Norm And Ethel Foster Sixty-fifth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.32)

NORM AND ETHEL FOSTER SIXTY-FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Norm and Ethel Foster of Taree North on celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary.
- (2) Notes that Norm and Ethel, now aged 88 and 87 respectively, have two children, Heather and Kevin.



Tribute to Sandra Wilson

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.33)

TRIBUTE TO SANDRA WILSON

Page: 11505

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the death of Sandra Wilson, Patrol Captain, Club Treasurer, Trainer and Official of Pacific Palms Surf Life Saving Club who passed away suddenly following the Rock to Rock Swim at Elizabeth Beach.
- (2) Notes that Sandra joined the club in 2001 at the age of 54 and quickly gained many awards and qualifications, including Club Person of the Year for outstanding service in all areas of club life in 2010 and the 10 Year National Patrol Service Award from Surf Life Saving Australia in August 2011.
- (3) Notes that Sandra will be remembered as a tireless member of the Pacific Palms Surf Life Saving Club and as a woman who was devoted to her family, always had time for friends and was always willing to help out where needed.





Taree Police and Community Youth Club Gymaroos Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.38)

TAREE POLICE AND COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB GYMAROOS TEAM

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) congratulates Bryce Fisher, Chelsea Riley, Ebony Jennings and Zoe O'Byran members of Taree PCYC on their selection in the New South Wales team to participate at the 2012 Australian Gymaroo Acrobat Championships.
- (2) notes these gymnasts qualified at the NSW Acrobatic Gymnastic Championships in April and that the sport of gymaroo involves strength, agility, flexibility and grace.
- (3) notes that Taree PCYC Gymaroos is well known in Australia and overseas for its Gymaroo and Gymjoey performance teams.



Manning Great Lakes Riding for the Disabled

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.39)

MANNING GREAT LAKES RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) congratulates Tara Copp, Vicki Harris, Ryan McNeil and Patrick Bulbert, of Manning Great Lakes Riding for the Disabled, on their participation in the 2012 Sydney Royal Easter Show and on winning ribbons.
- (2) notes that each rider competed against 30 other riders in the mounted games, which involved bending, flags, barrel racing and key hole events.
- (3) notes that each rider qualified for the Sydney Show by achieving outstanding results in the mounted games held at Riding for the Disabled Association centres throughout New South

Wales.



Paracycling Champion Matt Formston

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.40)

PARACYCLING CHAMPION MATT FORMSTON

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) congratulates Matt Formston, a former Nabiac resident, on winning two gold medals at the 2012 Paracycling National Road Championships.
- (2) notes that Matt won the 96 kilometre tandem road race in the blind class and won the 24 kilometre tandem national time trial.
- (3) notes that Matt is unable to attend the 2012 London Para Olympics and is instead aiming to participate in the 2013 Paracycling World Cup in Canada.
- (4) notes that Matt has suffered from macular degeneration and only started to ride four years ago.



Manning River Dragon Boat Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.41)

MANNING RIVER DRAGON BOAT CLUB

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) congratulates Tara Manahan, Manning Dragon Boating Club, on winning a bronze medal at the Australian Dragon Boat Championships held in Melbourne in April.
 - (2) notes that Sean Page, Emily Thompson and Sam Thompson were members of a junior crew known as the Torpedoes.
 - (3) notes that the Torpedoes will travel to the World Club Crew Championships in Hong Kong in June 2012.
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Cundletown Museum

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.42)

CUNDLETOWN MUSEUM

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) congratulates the Cundletown and Lower Manning Historical Society on the opening of the Cundletown Museum at the Cundletown Hall in Main Street.
 - (2) commends Margaret Love and the committee on their work for the society and preparing the museum for its opening on 29 April 2012.
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Wingham Rifle Club Open Day

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.43)

WINGHAM RIFLE CLUB OPEN DAY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) congratulates the Wingham Rifle Club on organising its recent open day.
- (2) notes that more than 185 people, including families and children, attended the day.
- (3) congratulates Dennis Ruprecht and the committee on a well-organised day.



Killabakh Garden Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.44)

KILLABAKH GARDEN CLUB

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) congratulates Killabakh Garden Club for its recent open gardens day held on 29 April 2012.
- (2) notes that six members of the club opened their private gardens to the public and that more than 950 people attended and raised \$10,000 for Ronald McDonald House.
- (3) congratulates George Hoad and the committee on their work in preparing their gardens and promoting the district.



Luke Moore Australian High School Rodeo Team Selection

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.73)

LUKE MOORE AUSTRALIAN HIGH SCHOOL RODEO TEAM SELECTION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Luke Moore, of Wingham, on his selection by the National Student Rodeo Association to represent the Australian High School team in the saddle bronc event at the National High School Rodeo Association Finals in Rock Spring's, Wyoming, USA.
- (2) Notes that Luke gained selection in the team by beating more than 20 competitors at a recent rodeo in Coonamble.
- (3) Notes that Luke is also a successful athlete, having ranked fifth in New South Wales in high jump and has also performed well in running events at a regional level.



Australian Academy of Science Fellow Professor Paul Powles

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.74)

AUSTRALIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCE FELLOW PROFESSOR PAUL POWLES

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Winthrop Professor Paul Powles, a former student at Taree High School, on being admitted as a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Science.
- (2) Notes the academy represents Australia's leading research scientists that annually recognises a small number of scientists for their outstanding contributions to science by electing them to the academy.
- (3) Notes that after leaving Taree High School Professor Powles was sponsored by a local business to attend Tocal College, was a Rotary scholar and then completed his degree at Hawkesbury Agricultural College.
- (4) Notes that Professor Powles completed a Masters in Agriculture in the United States of America and in June will give an address to the US National Academy of Science on herbicide resistance.





Defence Technical Scholarship Recipients Thomas Wood, Jacob Shelton and Jeremy Miller

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.75)

DEFENCE TECHNICAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS THOMAS WOOD , JACOB SHELTON AND JEREMY MILLER

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Thomas Wood, Jacob Shelton and Jeremy Miller, year 12 students at Chatham High School, who have won Defence Technical Scholarships worth \$3,000 each.
- (2) Notes that Defence Technical Scholarships are aimed at students who intend to pursue entry into a technical trade career with the Australian Defence Force after completing year 12.
- (3) Notes that Thomas Wood is keen to join the Air Force and train as an aircraft technician.



Biripi Aboriginal Corporation Medical Centre

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.76)

BIRIPI ABORIGINAL CORPORATION MEDICAL CENTRE

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the significant donation of dental practice equipment to the Biripi Aboriginal Corporation Medical Centre, in Purfleet, to enable the provision of effective dental services to the local Indigenous community.
- (2) Notes that the equipment donated by Dr Nader is valued at \$25,000 and was made available through his friendship with Dr Eardley Rosario of the Biripi Aboriginal Corporation Medical Centre.

- (3) Notes that Dr Nader and Dr Rosario spearhead a campaign to improve the dental health of Indigenous people, in particular children.
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Tennis Champion Nathan Monk

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.77)

TENNIS CHAMPION NATHAN MONK

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Nathan Monk, of Nabiac, on being named the number one player in the New South Wales primary schools tennis team that will contest the Bruce Cup to be held in Perth in October.
 - (2) Notes that Nathan is one of seven boys selected following the New South Wales championships and will play singles, doubles and mixed doubles in the national teams championship in Perth.
 - (3) Notes that at the New South Wales championships Nathan won six out of seven singles matches for selection in the team as the number one seeding.
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Dr Annette Clement Great Lakes College Donation

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.78)

DR ANNETTE CLEMENT GREAT LAKES COLLEGE DONATION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges Dr Annette Clement for her donation of a baby grand piano to Great Lakes College.
- (2) Notes that Annette received the piano as a 21st birthday gift from her parents in the 1950s.
- (3) Notes that music has always been Annette's hobby and is pleased to donate the piano as arthritis in her hands has made playing more difficult.



Taree Historic Motor Club Fortieth Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.79)

TAREE HISTORIC MOTOR CLUB FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Taree Historical Motor Club on celebrating its 40th anniversary by hosting the National Motor Heritage Day on 20 May 2012.
- (2) Notes that a large crowd attended the successful event which drew a wide range of veteran, historic and current vehicles, ranging from a Model T Ford to a current series racing Porsche.
- (3) Acknowledges the dedication and hard work of club president, Michael Kemp, and the committee of: Lindsay Higeon, vice president; Don Phillips, AM, secretary; Brian Braithwaite, treasurer; and Bob Newling, Kevin Hickling and Paul Tollis, committee members.



Archery Medallist Ella Hartcher

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 31/05/2012 (Article No.80)

ARCHERY MEDALLIST ELLA HARTCHER

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates 17 year-old Ella Hartcher, of Wingham, on winning a bronze medal at the Trans Tasman archery tournament in New Zealand.
- (2) Notes that Ella shot personal bests in the competition and in the individual match.
- (3) Notes that Ella's next venture is to qualify for the World Youth Championships to be held in China in 2013.



Go-kart Champion Torey Blanch

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

GO-KART CHAMPION TOREY BLANCH

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Torey Blanch, of Bulahdelah, who has been chosen to represent Australia in go-karting at the Commission Internationale de Karting-Federation Internationale de l'Automobile (CIK-FIA) Karting Academy Trophy to be held in Italy in June 2012.
- (2) Notes that 15-year-old Torey was selected by FIA Women in Motor Sport as one of eleven young racers worldwide.
- (3) Notes that Torey has been go-karting since the age of 10 and won the Junior National Heavy category at the 2012 All Ladies Championships.





Apprentice Award Recipient Carl Schubert

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.15)

APPRENTICE AWARD RECIPIENT CARL SCHUBERT

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Carl Schubert, of Mount George, on being named the most outstanding first-year apprentice at the Hunternet Group Training Company awards.
- (2) Notes that Carl works in the production shop at UGL Rail and aims to study engineering at university when he finishes his apprenticeship.



Lillypilly Preschool, Forster

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.16)

LILLYPILLY PRESCHOOL, FORSTER

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Helen and Tim McCabe, owners of the Lillypilly Preschool in Forster, on being named the New South Wales-Australian Capital Territory winner of the Childhood Service of the Year category in the Australian Family Early Education and Care Awards.
- (2) Notes that Lillypilly Preschool was a State finalist in 2011 and, following its 2012 win, is shortlisted for the national awards.
- (3) Notes that Lillypilly Preschool cares for 28 children per day and has a strong environmental policy to educate children about recycling, composting, gardening and reducing waste.





Pacific Palms Arts Festival Twentieth Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.17)

PACIFIC PALMS ARTS FESTIVAL TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Pacific Palms Arts Festival on celebrating its twentieth anniversary.
- (2) Notes this festival commenced in 1992 to bring a new cultural event to the Pacific Palms area and raise funds for the local public school.



Forster Country Women's Association Sixty-fifth Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.18)

FORSTER COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION SIXTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Forster branch of the Country Women's Association on celebrating its sixty-fifth anniversary.
- (2) Notes that current president, Sue Hutchison, and more than 30 members and guests attended a luncheon to mark the occasion.





Keith and Frank Pearce Triathlon World Championships Selection

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.19)

KEITH AND FRANK PEARCE TRIATHLON WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS SELECTION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates 75-year-old twin brothers Keith and Frank Pearce on their selection in the Australian Age Group team in the Triathlon World Championships held in New Zealand during October 2012.
- (2) Notes that Keith, a well known Forster triathlete, will race in the Olympic distance triathlon of 1,500 metre swim, 40 kilometre bike ride and 10 kilometre run and Frank will contest the sprint distance race comprising a 750 metre swim, 20 kilometre bike ride and 5 kilometre run.



Powerboat Champion Troy Marland

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.20)

POWERBOAT CHAMPION TROY MARLAND

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Troy Marland, a member of the Taree Aquatic Powerboat Club, on winning the Union Internationale Motonautique Unlimited Displacement World Championship in his blown alcohol displacement boat named *Madness*.
- (2) Notes that this is the second time that Troy has won this championship, undefeated in 11 races.



Manning Point Bowling Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.21)

MANNING POINT BOWLING CLUB

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Manning Point Bowling Club on winning the men's number Three Pennant and women's number Four Grade region Two Pennant.
- (2) Notes that Manning Point Bowling Club is one of the smallest bowling clubs in the district and that the club's success in 2012 is a tribute to the support and participation of all members.
- (3) Notes that the men's team play for the zone flag in June at Tuncurry for the third year in succession.



Tess Gerrand Olympic Games Selection

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.22)

TESS GERRAND OLYMPIC GAMES SELECTION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Tess Gerrand, of the Manning River Rowing Club, and a member of the Australian Women's Eight who have won selection to represent Australia at the 2012 London Olympic Games.
- (2) Notes that Tess, who started rowing when she was 14 years old, will now be in the Australian crew to contest a round of the World Cup before the Olympic Games.

- (3) Notes that the Krumbach Race Club is recognising Tess's achievement by naming a race in her honour at the Gloucester Cup race meeting.



Manning Valley Combined Pensioners and Superannuants Association

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.40)

MANNING VALLEY COMBINED PENSIONERS AND SUPERANNUANTS ASSOCIATION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the executives of the Manning Valley branch of the Combined Pensioners and Superannuants Association: John Newell, President; John Flood, First Vice President; Len Bannister, Second Vice President; Sue Furlong, Secretary; Neville Mays, Assistant Secretary and Publicity Officer; and Nell Muhsimmer, Treasurer.
- (2) Notes that, through its committee, the branch has been active in providing advice to its members on financial and related matters.



Forster Tuncurry Hawks

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.41)

FORSTER TUNCURRY HAWKS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Dean Basham, captain of the Forster Tuncurry Hawks rugby league team, on playing his 200th game for the Hawks.
 - (2) Notes that the Hawks won this match defeating the Wingham Tigers 58 to 8.
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Order of Australia Medal Recipient Mark Vaile

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.42)

ORDER OF AUSTRALIA MEDAL RECIPIENT MARK VAILE

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Hon. Mark Vaile on being appointed as an Officer in the General Division of the Order of Australia in the Queen's Birthday Honours 2012 for services to the Parliament of Australia.
 - (2) Notes that Mark Vaile, AO, is a former member for Lyne, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Trade and Minister for Transport and Regional Development and was Leader of the Nationals from 2005 to 2007 and Deputy Leader from 1999 to 2005.
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Order of Australia Medal Recipient Mavis Richardson

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.43)

ORDER OF AUSTRALIA MEDAL RECIPIENT MAVIS RICHARDSON

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mavis Richardson on being appointed as an Officer in the General Division of the Order of Australia in the Queen's Birthday Honours 2012 for services to the community of Manning Valley.
- (2) Notes that Councillor Richardson has been a councillor on Greater Taree City Council since 2004, has been chairperson of numerous council committees and was awarded the Public Service Medal in 1999.



Order of Australia Medal Recipient Dr Moheb Ghaly

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.44)

ORDER OF AUSTRALIA MEDAL RECIPIENT DR MOHEB GHALY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Dr Moheb Ghaly, of Taree, on receiving the Medal in the General Division in the Order of Australia.
- (2) Notes that Dr Ghaly has been a general surgeon in Taree and a Visiting Medical Officer at Manning Rural Referral Hospital in Taree since 1986 and is a Fellow of the Royal Australian College of Surgeons.



Order of Australia Medal Recipient Ross Presgrave

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.45)

ORDER OF AUSTRALIA MEDAL RECIPIENT ROSS PRESGRAVE

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Notes that Ross Presgrave, late of Forster, received the Medal in the General Division in the Order of Australia.
- (2) Notes that Ross Presgrave was the founder and chairman of Ronald McDonald Family Retreat, Forster, and numerous other charitable and community organisations in the Great Lakes area.



Australian Fly Casting Championships and Lilley Family

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.55)

AUSTRALIAN FLY CASTING CHAMPIONSHIPS AND LILLEY FAMILY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Tony and Jayden Lilley, members of the Bulahdelah Fishing Club, on winning their age groups at the NSW Casting Championships held in Tuncurry.
- (2) Notes that Jayden is 14 years old and was placed second in the 2011 National Casting Titles with a 123 metre cast.
- (3) Notes that the Lilley family, including Therese and Leteisha, will take part in the Australian Casting Titles in Queensland during August.



Bulahdelah Lions Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.56)

BULAHDELAH LIONS CLUB

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Bulahdelah Lions Club on its donation of \$500 to provide breakfast for hungry children at Bulahdelah Central School.
- (2) Notes that breakfast is provided by volunteers and teachers every Thursday and Friday morning to up to 120 pupils from kindergarten to year 12.
- (3) Notes that the club intends to make a further donation of \$500 in term three to meet the demand for the breakfast.



Bonnie Wingham Scottish Festival

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.57)

BONNIE WINGHAM SCOTTISH FESTIVAL

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Manning Valley Historical Society, and its President, Eric Richardson, on organising the eighth Bonnie Scottish Festival that was held in Wingham on 2 and 3 June 2012.
- (2) Notes the festival was attended by thousands of people who came to celebrate and recognise the impact of early Scottish migrants on the area.



39th Australian Infantry Battalion Association Life Member Joe Dawson

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.33)

39TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION ASSOCIATION LIFE MEMBER JOE DAWSON

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Joe Dawson, of Forster, on being awarded life membership of the 39th Battalion Association for his services to the Association since the Battalion was first formed in 1942.
- (2) Notes that Joe was 19 years old when he joined the 39th Battalion and was sent to New Guinea to fight the Japanese forces and that only 34 of the original 600 soldiers survived.
- (3) Notes that Joe has also been an office bearer to various Legacy groups for over 48 years.



Tribute to Stanley Richards

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.34)

TRIBUTE TO STANLEY RICHARDS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Notes that Stanley Richards, of Mitchells Island, died on 15 May 2012 at the age of 99 years and 9 months and was laid to rest in the Mitchells Island cemetery.
 - (2) Notes that Mr Richards was one of 9 children and lived his whole life on Mitchells Island and was a keen sportsman who played A grade tennis and rugby league.
 - (3) Notes that Stanley was a foundation member of Manning Point Bowling Club and was vice-president from 1966 to 1972, and was awarded life membership.
 - (4) Notes that Stanley married Violet in Taree in 1943 and they had two children, Winsome and Roslyn, who live in Old Bar.
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Ivan and Norma Holden Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.35)

IVAN AND NORMA HOLDEN SIXTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Ivan and Norma Holden, of Taree, on the celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary on 13 June 1952.
- (2) Notes that Ivan and Norma have lived in the Manning area for most of their lives, before settling in Taree.
- (3) Notes that Ivan and Norma have 10 children, 32 grandchildren and 30 great grandchildren and celebrated their anniversary at Taree West Bowling Club.



Taree View Club Forty-fifth Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.36)

TAREE VIEW CLUB FORTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Taree VIEW Club on celebrating its 45th anniversary of helping women in the Manning Valley.
- (2) Notes that the VIEW Club was established in 1960 by The Smith Family's then general secretary, George Forbes as a service to women by promoting the Voice, Interests and Education of Women.
- (3) Notes that Taree VIEW Club currently help four children through their schooling from

kindergarten to Year 12, by assisting with school supplies and other educational resources.



Australian Air League Taree Squadron

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.37)

AUSTRALIAN AIR LEAGUE TAREE SQUADRON

Page: 13933

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Taree Aero Club on the formation of a new squadron of the Australian Air League in Taree.
- (2) Acknowledges that Carol Copeland, of Hannah Vale, has been a driving force behind the formation of the Taree Squadron.
- (3) Notes that the Taree Squadron is part of a national youth organisation for boys and girls aged eight to 18 years that aims to promote an interest in aviation.
- (4) Notes that the Australian Air League also promotes good citizenship, teamwork and resourcefulness through the physical and mental abilities of its members.



Sinfonia Quaver Fund

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.38)

SINFONIA QUAVER FUND

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges and congratulates the symphony Sinfonia and organisations, couples and individuals for their contributions to the Quaver Fund providing scholarships to mid North Coast music students.
- (2) Notes that Sinfonia is a not-for-profit organisation led by conductor, James Hannah, and his musicians range from people in their teens to seniors.
- (3) Notes that the donors include Bushland Health Group, Hallidays Point Lions Club, Richard and Anne-Marie Barnett, Raw Sugar Cafe, Geoff and Betty Stockman, Janelle Rostron, Walter Bolin and Meryl Bolin, Ray Stack, Tim Stack, Leigh and John Vaughan.



Harry Bennett Park, Taree

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.39)

HARRY BENNETT PARK, TAREE

Page: 13933

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Notes that the old Taree swimming pool site on the banks of the Manning River has been re-named Harry Bennett Park.
- (2) Notes the name was chosen by Taree ratepayers in honour of Harry Bennett who managed swimming pools in Taree and taught many people in the Manning district how to swim.
- (3) Notes that the official opening was performed by Harry's wife, Faye together with Taree Mayor, Paul Hogan and ended with a song performed by Nikki Bennett, Harry's daughter.



Bulahdelah Rural Fire Service Medal Presentation Ceremony

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.40)

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the members of the Bulahdelah Rural Fire Service who were recently presented with medals honouring their individual service.
- (2) Notes that the following officers were medal recipients: Trevor Hoare, National Medal for 17 years service; Steve Hoare, National Medal for 17 years service; Martin Ford, Long Service medal for 11 years service; Geoffrey Lowe, Long Service medal for 11 years service; Michael Jahnsen, Long Service medal for 13 years service; Richard Denniss, Long Service medal for 14 years service; Graeme Wilson, Long Service medal for 15 years service; Winnie Wilson, Long Service medal for 15 years service; Stuart Gentle, Long Service medal for 16 years service.
- (3) Notes the outstanding contribution each of these recipients has made to property owners in the Bulahdelah district.



**Taree Fire and Rescue Service Commander Shane Austin
Appointment**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.41)

TAREE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE COMMANDER SHANE AUSTIN APPOINTMENT

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Shane Austin on his appointment as the new commander of Taree Fire and Rescue Service.
- (2) Notes that Shane, from Sydney's northern beaches, wanted a change in lifestyle and to live in a rural setting.
- (3) Notes that Shane's work focus will be on fire prevention strategies, including a free smoke alarm battery replacement service for elderly residents.



Surf Life Saving Lower North Coast Branch Awards

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.18)

SURF LIFE SAVING LOWER NORTH COAST BRANCH AWARDS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates all winners of the Lower North Coast Surf Life Saving Branch annual awards of excellence held at the Tuncurry Sporties Club.
- (2) Acknowledges the following award winners:
 - (a) Mark Cerezo (Forster) Under 19 Lifesaver of the Year, with Amber Walters (Black Head) highly commended.
 - (b) Alan Bawden from Cape Hawke and Dan Brauer from Pacific Palms highly commended in the Lifesaver of the Year award.
 - (c) Lillian Smith (Black Head) Under 19 Competitor of the Year and Jordan Connolly (Black Head) - Open Competitor of the Year.
 - (d) Masters Competitors Kim Winter (Forster) and Terry Brooker (Pacific Palms) were highly commended.
 - (e) Team of the Year Forster women's IRB crew with Taree Old Bar women's surf boat crew and Cape Hawke women's veterans highly commended.
 - (f) Coach of the Year Kellie Connolly (Black Head), with Kel McCredie highly commended.
 - (g) Official of the Year Bernadette Nicholson (Black Head) and Rookie Official of the Year Helen Waller (Forster).
 - (h) Kel McCredie (Pacific Palms) and Deborah Dodd (Taree Old Bar) highly commended in the awards for Memorial Volunteer of the Year.
 - (i) Administrator of the Year Gary Curtis (Cape Hawke) and Sandra Wilson (Pacific Palms) highly commended.
 - (j) Age Manager of the Year Tim Koch (Cape Hawke).
 - (k) Training Officer of the Year Dan Brauer (Pacific Palms), with Paul Kremer (Black Head) highly commended.

- (l) Assessor of the Year Jim Wells (Forster).
- (m) Support Operations Member of the Year Greg Brown with Wayne Barry highly commended.
- (n) Junior Branch Champion of the Year and Junior Branch Handicap winners Forster.
- (o) Branch Champions of the Year and Branch Handicap winners Forster.
- (p) Most Outstanding Contributors of the Year to Surf Lifesaving Julie Wilcox (Forster) and Richard Ellery (Cape Hawke).



Old Bar Barbarians Football Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.19)

OLD BAR BARBARIANS FOOTBALL CLUB

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the members of the Old Bar Barbarians Football Club on celebrating its 30th anniversary this year.
- (2) Notes that the club is striving to reach the finals series of the Mid North Coast Premier League by winning the final game of the season at Old Bar Oval.
- (3) Notes that the club beat Tuncurry-Forster 2-0 in front of a large and enthusiastic crowd at its home ground in Old Bar.



Nicholas Butters Trust

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.20)

NICHOLAS BUTTERS TRUST

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Recognises the Nicholas Butters Trust for its charitable work that has led to the opening of a suite of rooms at Manning Rural Referral Hospital in Taree to comfortably accommodate terminally ill children and their families.
- (2) Notes that the room is named the Nicholas Room in honour of Nicholas Butters who lost his battle with cancer in 2005.
- (3) Notes that a donation of \$55,555 from the Newcastle Permanent Charitable Foundation enabled the Nicholas Room to be built.
- (4) Notes that Nicholas' mother, Jenny Butters created the trust in memory of her son and has been tireless in her pursuit of creating a permanent and significant legacy to him.



Wingham High School Blood Donations

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.21)

WINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL BLOOD DONATIONS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the students of Wingham High School on winning the annual Australian Red Cross Blood Service Vampire Shield, a state-wide competition encouraging students to donate blood.
- (2) Notes that Year 11 and Year 12 students at Wingham High School made 103 blood donations, organised by teacher Steve Harrell with the assistance of students Codie Ellul and Whitney Millikan, to win the competition.





Scott Williams Under 18 Rugby League Squad Selection

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.22)

SCOTT WILLIAMS UNDER 18 RUGBY LEAGUE SQUAD SELECTION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Scott Williams, of the Wingham Tigers, on his selection in the Australian Institute of Sport's (AIS) under18 rugby league squad.
- (2) Notes that Scott and the squad will tour the United Kingdom and France later this year.
- (3) Notes that Scott plays under 18s for the Wingham Tigers, backs up and plays in the first grade team, and travels to the AIS six times each year for training camps.



Campdrafter Jayden Dorney

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

CAMPDRAFTER JAYDEN DORNEY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Jayden Dorney, a student at Bulahdelah Central School, on winning the Eastern Zone highest point score for juvenile campdrafting.
- (2) Notes that Jayden will be presented with an embroidered jacket at the Gresford Show and will travel to Rockhampton to compete at the Paradise Lagoons campdraft.



Rural Fire Service Association Firefighter of the Year Clifford Fitness

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.24)

RURAL FIRE SERVICE ASSOCIATION FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR CLIFFORD FITNESS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Clifford Fitness, of Wingham, on being awarded the Rural Fire Service Association Fire Fighter of the Year award.
- (2) Notes that Clifford's tireless work in gaining the support of more than 150 businesses in the Manning, Great Lakes, Gloucester and Hastings communities for the Rural Fire Service Association Membership Benefits program.
- (3) Notes that Clifford is a deputy captain at the Taree Rural Fire Service Brigade for the communications team, manning the radios and monitoring fire fighters and conditions in the field.



Wingham District Tigers Rugby League Club Player Craig Ryan

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.25)

WINGHAM DISTRICT TIGERS RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB PLAYER CRAIG RYAN

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates long serving player and club stalwart, Craig Ryan for playing his 500th game over 30 seasons for the Wingham District Tigers Rugby League Club.
- (2) Notes that a large crowd attended the game where Craig was presented with special

awards to mark the occasion from the Wingham District Tigers Rugby League Club, Group 3, Country Rugby League and the Men of League group.

- (3) Notes that Craig's team, the Wingham Tigers reserve grade side won the match 16-10 to keep its semi final hopes alive.



Kyani McCubbin Under 18 Cricket Team Selection

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.26)

KYANI MCCUBBIN UNDER 18 CRICKET TEAM SELECTION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Kyani McCubbin on her selection in the Australian under 18s indoor cricket women's merit team for the second time.
- (2) Notes that Kyani plays indoor and outdoor cricket as well as women's football.
- (3) Notes that Kyani was captain of New South Wales at the national championships where the team finished third and she will still be eligible for selection in the under 18 side in 2013.



Dancer Lauren Deegenaaars

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.19)

DANCER LAUREN DEEGENAARS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Lauren Deegenars, a year 10 student at Wingham High School, on gaining a place at the prestigious Brent Street Dance Academy in Sydney.
- (2) Notes that Lauren and her mother, Annette, will move to Sydney in 2013 so that Lauren can commence study at the academy and that Lauren will undertake her Higher School Certificate studies by distance education.
- (3) Notes that Lauren has been dancing since the age of four and attends the Sherrienne Christie Dance and Talent Academy in Taree.



Narelle Saville Education Week Honour

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.20)

NARELLE SAVILLE EDUCATION WEEK HONOUR

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Narelle Saville on being recognised for her hard work and dedication with an Education Week honour.
- (2) Notes that Narelle works at Wingham Brush Public School as an administration officer and was recognised for her excellent customer service and efficient and effective management of school resources.



Steven Reeve Education Week Honour

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.21)

STEVEN REEVE EDUCATION WEEK HONOUR

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Steven Reeve on being recognised for his hard work and dedication with an Education Week honour.
- (2) Notes that Steven is employed at Wingham Brush Public School as a maintenance officer and was recognised for his enthusiastic support in all school activities.



Councillor Eddie Loftus Civic Service

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.22)

COUNCILLOR EDDIE LOFTUS CIVIC SERVICE

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Councillor Eddie Loftus for his service in local government and in particular to the Greater Taree City Council.
- (2) Notes that Councillor Loftus is retiring from the council at the local government elections in September 2012.
- (3) Notes that Councillor Loftus is a former mayor of Taree.



Councillor Mal Marks Civic Service

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.23)

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Councillor Mal Marks for his outstanding service in local government and in particular to the Greater Taree City Council.
- (2) Notes that Councillor Marks is retiring from the council at the local government elections in September 2012.
- (3) Notes that Cr Marks has served on Taree Council for the past seventeen years and during his last term in office served on the Access Committee and on the Traffic Committee.



Sir Leslie Hooker Award Winner Amanda Tate

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.24)

SIR LESLIE HOOKER AWARD WINNER AMANDA TATE

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Amanda Tate for winning the prestigious Sir Leslie Hooker Award in recognition of her outstanding achievements and success in real estate.
- (2) Notes that Amanda Tate is the owner of the Taree LJ Hooker franchise.
- (3) Notes that the citation for the award is for Amanda's business skills in establishing one of the group's most successful franchises.
- (4) Notes that LJ Hooker Taree also received the award for Top Community Relationship 2012.



Manning Valley Rifle Club Awards

MANNING VALLEY RIFLE CLUB AWARDS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the members of the Manning Valley Rifle Club who attended the annual awards presentations.
- (2) Notes that Mark Boyle is the 2012 Club Champion.
- (3) Notes that Ron Nutt is the 2012 hunting class champion.
- (4) Notes that Joshua Becroft is the junior champion.
- (5) Notes that the Beryl Heath Memorial Trophy for the most successful shooter was won by Janeane Barlin in both the hunting and the target classes.



Student Achievement Award Recipient Irena Cashman

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.26)

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENT IRENA CASHMAN

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Irena Cashman on being recognised as an outstanding student at the Regional Directors Awards which were part of the Education Week celebrations.
- (2) Notes that Irena attends Pacific Palms Public School and received her award for excellence in student achievement in primary school.
- (3) Notes that Irena is a keen sportsperson who is learning to sail on Wallis Lake with the Coomba Aquatic Club.



Hockey Player Emmerson Weiley

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.27)

HOCKEY PLAYER EMMERSON WEILEY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Emmerson Weiley on his selection as goalkeeper in the New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association's field hockey team.
- (2) Notes that Emmerson has played in goals for three years and will play in the New South Wales team which will contest the national championships in Adelaide in October.
- (3) Notes that Emmerson has played for the Hunter Diocese where his performances impressed the State selectors.
- (4) Notes that Emmerson is 12 years old and attends Holy Name Primary School in Forster.



Les Mantova 100th Birthday

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.28)

LES MANTOVA 100TH BIRTHDAY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Les Mantova who lives in the Baptist Community Services Age Care Kularoo Centre, on the celebration of his 100th birthday on 13 June 2012.

- (2) Notes that Les married Una Scott in 1937 and they have two children, Margaret and Peter, five grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and three great great-grandchildren.
 - (3) Notes that Les worked for the Australian Gas Light Company for 42 years until his retirement in 1979.
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Manning Landcare Champion Chris Scott

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.29)

MANNING LANDCARE CHAMPION CHRIS SCOTT

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Chris Scott of Cundletown on being named a local champion in Manning Landcare.
 - (2) Notes that Chris has been chairman of Manning Landcare for the past 18 years and has contributed to the development of the Landcare movement at local, regional and national levels.
 - (3) Notes that Chris is one of 88 finalists in the national Landcare awards to be held in Sydney in September 2012.
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Myall Coast Mudcrabs Rugby Union Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.30)

MYALL COAST MUDCRABS RUGBY UNION CLUB

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Myall Coast Mudcrabs on winning the 2012 Lower-Mid North Coast rugby premiership.
- (2) Notes that the Mudcrabs defeated the Old Bar Clams 17-10 in the grand final to register the club's first ever premiership.
- (3) Notes that Mudcrabs' captain Dayne Applebee was named player of the match in the grand final.
- (4) Notes that in the semifinals the Mudcrabs also defeated the Forster Tuncurry Dolphins who were undefeated minor premiers in 2012.



Real Estate Agent Troy Loretan

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.31)

REAL ESTATE AGENT TROY LORETAN

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Troy Loretan, from Taree Elders Real Estate, on being named the highest ranking exclusive listing agent in the Elders real estate franchise network in New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory.
- (2) Notes that to achieve this ranking Troy competed against other Elders real estate sales consultants operating throughout the Sydney metropolitan area, in high density population centres in the Australian Capital Territory, and in the mid North Coast and western New South Wales districts.



Forster Tuncurry Dolphins Player Ryan Scott

FORSTER TUNCURRY DOLPHINS PLAYER RYAN SCOTT

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Ryan Scott on winning the player of the year award for Lower-Mid North Coast rugby.
- (2) Notes that Ryan is a powerful backrower who plays for the Forster Tuncurry Dolphins and is noted for his aggressive lineout work and strong running.
- (3) Notes that Ryan graduated with honours in a construction management degree at Newcastle university and moved to the Great Lakes to work with MidCoast Water.



Quota International Community Champion Nathan "Nate" Quinell

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.33)

QUOTA INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY CHAMPION NATHAN "NATE" QUINELL

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Nathan [Nate] Quinell from Wallabi Point on being named Quota International Community Champion for 2012.
- (2) Notes that Nate was nominated by Taree Quota Club, which described Nate as a special person who has displayed courage, fortitude and determination, and is an inspiration to his community.
- (3) Notes that Nate has been a type 1 diabetic since the age of three; that he developed a hearing problem when he was eight, for which he received a cochlear implant at 18; and that at 16 Nate also began to lose his eyesight and can now only see large objects at a short distance.
- (4) Commends Nate's immense personal qualities which have enabled him to attend TAFE and receive a youth achievement award in 2006 and to graduate as a qualified chef.

- (5) Notes that Nate runs his own restaurant, Nate's on Old Bar, where he uses his other senses, smell and taste, to prepare good and popular food.



Manning Great Lakes Riding for the Disabled

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.34)

MANNING GREAT LAKES RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates members of the Manning-Great Lakes Riding for the Disabled [RDA] team, who won a gold medal in the RDA's international competition held in the United Kingdom.
- (2) Commends the members of the team Tarnee Reynen, Rodney Neal, Tara Copp, Dominique Power and Parris Green on their achievements.



Student Achievement Award Recipient Christopher Diessel

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.35)

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENT CHRISTOPHER DIESEL

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Christopher Diessel, a Year 11 student at Chatham High School, on receiving the Regional Director's Excellence in Student Achievement Award during Education Week.

- (2) Notes that Christopher received the award for his outstanding academic ability and his involvement in the school community and the Manning district.
- (3) Commends Christopher for helping Chatham High School's breakfast program and for running the school's sound system for assemblies, presentations and other performances.
- (4) Notes that Christopher helped create and maintain the school's website and was the school's head ambassador in the Careers Expo Ambassador Program.



Lower North Coast Surf Life Saving Branch

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.48)

LOWER NORTH COAST SURF LIFE SAVING BRANCH

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Surf Life Saving New South Wales Lower North Coast branch for winning the initiative of the year award at the Surf Life Saving Awards of Excellence.
- (2) Notes that the branch's introduction of a rapid response jet ski and pontoon, operated from the Forster marina, was found to be cost effective and allows for one operator to provide a timely initial response to an aquatic emergency.
- (3) Commends the Lower North Coast branch of Surf Life Saving New South Wales on partnering with the community of Forster-Tuncurry to provide the equipment.



Surf Lifesaver Jordan Connelly

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.49)

SURF LIFESAVER JORDAN CONNELLY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Jordan Connelly on his selection in the New South Wales Country Surf Life Saving under 19 years team.
- (2) Notes that Jordan is a member of the Black Head Surf Life Saving Club from the Surf Life Saving Lower North Coast branch.
- (3) Notes that Jordan will be touring New Zealand with the New South Wales Country Team in 2013.



Surf Lifesaver Jack Nicholson

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.50)

SURF LIFESAVER JACK NICHOLSON

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Jack Nicholson on his selection in the New South Wales Country Surf Life Saving under 16 years team.
- (2) Notes that Jack is a member of the Black Head Surf Life Saving Club from the Surf Life Saving Lower North Coast branch.
- (3) Notes that Jack will be touring New Zealand with the New South Wales Country Team in 2013.



Kimbriki Tennis Club Sixtieth Anniversary

KIMBRIKI TENNIS CLUB SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Kimbriki Tennis Club and its members on celebrating the club's sixtieth anniversary.
- (2) Notes that the club has recently installed a new synthetic grass tennis court which has replaced the old hard surface court that had been in use for more than 30 years.
- (3) Notes that the club provided \$8,000 in funding and many hours of labour to assist in the installation of the new court.
- (4) Commends the Kimbriki Tennis Club on being the centre of their community and for having the inspiring motto: "Having fun and it's for everyone".



Touch Footballer Joel Minihan

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.52)

TOUCH FOOTBALLER JOEL MINIHAN

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Joel Minihan, a year six student at Old Bar Public School, on being selected in the New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association touch football team.
- (2) Notes that Joel will play in the New South Wales team in the Australian championships in Brisbane in late October 2012.
- (3) Notes that Joel has played touch football from the age of eight and that he also plays as fullback for the under 12 years Old Bar Pirates rugby league team.



Taree High School Metalwork Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.53)

TAREE HIGH SCHOOL METALWORK TEAM

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the members of Taree High School's year 8 metalwork class on winning the New South Wales secondary challenge held at Sydney's Eastern Creek raceway.
- (2) Notes that the team members are Josh Hammond, Jai Hughes, Ryan Poulton, Ruby Young, Breana Webster, Jacob Hawkins, Randell Herps, Cameron McKenzie, Max LeMessurier, Lachlan Nesbitt and Harry Wallis under the direction of their teacher, Bob Weller.
- (3) Notes that the team worked on the project for six months in the design, material sourcing and construction stages
- (4) Commends the team for also winning the Secondary Road Safety Award for the North Coast Region.



Taree City Bulls Under 18 Rugby League Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.54)

TAREE CITY BULLS UNDER 18 RUGBY LEAGUE TEAM

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Taree City Bulls under 18 years rugby league team on winning the 2012 Group 3 premiership.
- (2) Notes that the Bulls defeated Camden Haven 24-22 in the grand final to register the Taree City Bulls first premiership in any grade since 2007.
- (3) Notes that the result of the match was in doubt until its final seconds and that Bulls' second rower Izaak Soloman was named player of the match.



Bulahdelah Central School Volunteering Awards

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.55)

BULAHDELAH CENTRAL SCHOOL VOLUNTEERING AWARDS

Page: 15551

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Commends students from Bulahdelah Central School for winning the Secondary Road Safety Award for the North Coast Region, and for volunteering in the school's volunteer scheme.
- (2) Notes that volunteering makes a real and positive difference in the community, with benefits for both the recipient and the volunteer.
- (3) Notes that the awards are given to students who reach hourly milestones in their volunteer records, including bronze (20 hours), silver (40 hours), gold (60 hours), diamond (100 hours) and opal (150 hours).
- (4) Congratulates the following winners:
 - (a) Opal award—Jayden Lilley.
 - (b) Diamond award—Kyra Gregory, Mitchell Blanch, Hayley Follett and Jodie Harragon.
 - (c) Gold award—Cordel Murphy, Arlee Francis-Neiswandt, Emily Kirkpatric and Tahlia Dee.
 - (d) Silver award—Arlee Francis-Neiswandt, Ruby Keys, Emily Kirkpatrick, Jayden Utley, Bradley Kirkpatrick and Dan Matthew.
 - (e) Bronze award—Meagan Markham, Marley Mezi, Emma Miller, Katelyn Sibert, Sally Tennyson, Brodie Warren, David Dodd, Daniel Sahyoun, Courtney Agett, Eryn Cameron, Ellie Gooch, Tia Nganwoo, Kari Price, Gemma Bland, Sofie Dorney,

Casey Gooch, Mary-Anne Gooch, Jacob Ison-Walker, Lauren Schultz, Adele Winn, Samantha Clouten, Brodie Donovan, Elizabeth Martin and Ellen Mathieson.



Mid North Coast Premier League Football Competition

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.56)

MID NORTH COAST PREMIER LEAGUE FOOTBALL COMPETITION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the five semi finalists in the 2012 Mid North Coast Premier League competition.
- (2) Notes that the Taree Wildcats, Macleay Valley, Wallis Lakes, Port FC and Port United will contest the semi finals.
- (3) Notes that the Taree Wildcats lost just one game during the regular season and go into the semi finals as favourites to win the Premier League title.



Retirement of Bob Richards

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.43)

RETIREMENT OF BOB RICHARDS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Bob Richards of Bulahdelah on his retirement after thirty three years of

service in the Ambulance Service of NSW.

- (2) Notes that Bob Richards worked for the service in Bourke, Dubbo, Brewarrina and Gilgandra before working for the Bulahdelah service for 24 years.
- (3) Commends Bob Richards on being an active member of the Bulahdelah community, including his roles as president of the Bulahdelah Lions Club and his executive positions in local football, golf and bowls clubs.



Bent on Food Cafe

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.44)

BENT ON FOOD CAFE

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Donna Carrier, owner of Wingham cafe, Bent on Food, on being inducted into the Hall of Fame at the 2012 North Coast Tourism Awards.
- (2) Notes that the prestigious award is only made to businesses demonstrating consistency of product by winning the same award category for three consecutive years.
- (3) Commends Donna Carrier and the staff of Bent on Food for the cafe being the most awarded business in the Manning Valley with nineteen awards, including the prestigious Qantas Australian Tourism Award in 2010, and for also winning four medals at the Royal Hobart Fine Food Show.



Bulahdelah Historical Society

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.45)

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Bulahdelah Historical Society on its efforts to have a nine tonne alunite specimen boulder accepted into the National Rock Garden in Canberra.
- (2) Notes that the alunite boulder comes from Worrimi and was taken from the footprint of road works during construction of the Pacific Highway upgrade at the base of Bulahdelah Mountain.
- (3) Notes that the alunite boulder will be displayed with more than 100 other rocks from around Australia to represent the diversity of Australian geology and the role geology played in the history and development of Australia.
- (4) Notes that the alunite boulder will represent the industrial history of alunite mining on Bulahdelah Mountain from its discovery in 1875 to its cessation in the 1950s.



Great Lakes Aquatic and Leisure Centre Twenty-first Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.46)

GREAT LAKES AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE TWENTY -FIRST ANNIVERSARY

Page: 16013

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Great Lakes Aquatic and Leisure Centre on celebrating 21 years of operation.
- (2) Notes that the facility was opened in 1991 following a twenty year fundraising effort that raised \$250,000, and the receipt of various council and government grants.
- (3) Notes that the YMCA was appointed to manage the centre at the time of its opening and has continued to do so in a highly competent and professional manner since.





Golfer Jac Delaney

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.47)

GOLFER JAC DELANEY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Jac Delaney, a student of Great Lakes College and a member of the New South Wales schools' team which won the National Golf Championship in Perth.
- (2) Notes that Jac, who is 17 and plays off a handicap of one, qualified for the New South Wales team by coming second in the New South Wales titles in 2012.
- (3) Congratulates Jac on also winning both the Forster Golf Club senior and junior club championships in which he was the defending champion.



Lilla White 100th Birthday

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.48)

LILLA WHITE 100TH BIRTHDAY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Lilla White of Tuncurry on celebrating her 100th birthday.
- (2) Notes that Lilla was raised in the Bulahdelah area and later moved to the Central Coast where she met and married James White and raised two children, Margaret and Alister.
- (3) Notes that Lilla has six grandchildren, sixteen great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.



Forster Bowling Club Super Veteran Ivy Ravell

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.49)

FORSTER BOWLING CLUB SUPER VETERAN IVY RAVELL

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Ivy Ravell on being presented with a second star for her New South Wales Women's Bowls "Super Veteran" badge.
- (2) Notes that ninety-eight-year-old Ivy plays at Forster Bowling Club every Thursday and is highly respected by her fellow members.
- (3) Notes that Ivy is also a passionate gardener and has two children, nine grandchildren, nineteen great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.
- (4) Notes that Forster Bowling Club dedicated a scoreboard to Ivy at Christmas 2011 for her efforts on the bowling green.



Kimbriki Progress and Recreational Centre

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.50)

KIMBRIKI PROGRESS AND RECREATIONAL CENTRE

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the residents of Kimbriki and surrounding districts on the opening of the new facilities and the installation of new lighting at the Kimbriki Progress and Recreational

Centre.

- (2) Acknowledges the hard work and dedication by the committee and its president Rod Saxby, secretary Craig Martin and treasurer and life member, Glenda Allen.
- (3) Notes that attending the official opening was ninety-two-year-old, Toby Polley whose father was one of the pioneers instrumental in getting the Kimbriki tennis centre under way.
- (4) Notes that four generations of the Polley family attended the opening with Toby Polley's son, John who has been a member for many years; his grandson, Josh and his great-grandson, Tobie Polley who both enjoy playing tennis.



Manning Valley Historical Society

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.51)

MANNING VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Manning Valley Historical Society on its celebrations marking History Week with the theme Threads and the display of wedding gowns worn in the district, including a gown made in 1860.
- (2) Notes the launch of the new Australian Inland Mission centenary publication of Vision Splendid, compiled by Darryl Lightfoot and Sue Pacey, which includes a short history of Reverend John Flynn, founder of the Australian Inland Mission, forerunner of the Aerial Medical Service and the Royal Flying Doctor Service.
- (3) Acknowledges the strong connection between the Manning Valley and the Australian Inland Mission.
- (4) Commends the dedication of the members of the Manning Valley Historical Society and its president Barbara Waters, secretary Kathy Taylor, treasurer Helen Joyce and patron Mac Gibson.





Bulahdelah Shokotan Karate Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.32)

BULAHDELAH SHOKOTAN KARATE CLUB

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Cathryn Guthrie, a member of the Bulahdelah Shokotan Karate Club, on being runner up in the NSW State Championship for point sparring as well as for continuous sparring at the Australian Martial Arts State Championships held in Sydney.
- (2) Notes that several club members participated in the championships, each of whom did well, including Elke Studdurt who won the NSW State Championship for sumo.



Stebercraft Pty Ltd

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.33)

STEBERCRAFT PTY LTD

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Bruce and Beryl Steber, founders of boat building company Stebercraft International, on winning the Bruce Cowan Memorial Award and the Manufacturing Business of the Year Award at the fifth annual Manning Valley Business Awards.
- (2) Notes that Bruce and Beryl Steber have spent 66 years in the boat building industry and started their business in Sydney before moving it to Taree in 1973.
- (3) Notes that Bruce and Beryl's three sons work alongside them in the company and that more than 100 apprentices have begun their careers at Stebercraft.
- (4) Acknowledges that Stebercraft has an outstanding and continuing commitment to the Manning region through its sponsorship of many clubs, service groups and charities.



Wingham and Valley Vets

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.34)

WINGHAM AND VALLEY VETS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the staff of Wingham and Valley Vets, including Peter and Louise Rourke, John Dooley, Lisa Swannack, Peta Annos, Hannah Kranz, Natalie South, Robyn Thomas, Sue Cook and Donna Bouro, on winning the Business of the Year Award, the top honour at the Manning Valley Business Awards.
- (2) Congratulates Wingham and Valley Vets for also receiving the Professional Services Business of the Year at the awards.



Taree Wildcats

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.35)

TAREE WILDCATS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Taree Wildcats and their captain-coach, Ben Sedlen on winning the Mid North Coast Premier League, with goal scorers Ricky Campbell, Brad Thompson and Justin Atkins (2), who also won the man of the match award.
- (2) Notes that Taree defeated the Macleay Valley Rangers 4-2 in the first grade final and 1-0 in

the reserve grade final.

- (3) Notes that Taree also won the title in 2001 and 2009 and that 2012 is the Wildcats' most successful season in the Premier League since the competition started in 2000.
- (4) Acknowledges that Ben Sedlen is retiring from football on a winning note, having also been a member of the 2009 premiership team.



About Inclusion Organisation

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.36)

ABOUT INCLUSION ORGANISATION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Notes that About Inclusion was formerly known as Manning Valley Respite Care Services Incorporated.
- (2) Acknowledges that the organisation has been active in the Taree community since 1986 with local people supporting residents with disabilities and their families to access their community through respite care and social support.
- (3) Congratulates the organisation's management committee of Peter Craig (president), Sue Doherty (vice president), Judy Hoppe (secretary), Mark Driscoll (treasurer), John Andrews and Mary Blackman (committee members).
- (4) Congratulates Nola Allan, service manager and her staff for their commitment to their roles and their efforts in providing such a vital service to those in need of the support of About Inclusion.



Wingham Warriors Football Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.37)

WINGHAM WARRIORS FOOTBALL CLUB

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Wingham Football Club on winning the Football Mid North Coast Men's All Age Premiership, the club's first premiership in 38 years.
- (2) Notes that Wingham defeated Bulahdelah 1-0 in the grand final.
- (3) Congratulates the Wingham Football Club on also winning the Football Mid North Coast Zone Championship by defeating 2011 champions, Pacific Palms 3-2 in extra time after the score was level at the end of normal time.
- (4) Congratulates Warriors' player of the match Dylan Cowie who scored two goals.



Sammara Schmitzer Newcastle Jets Selection

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.38)

SAMMARA SCHMITZER NEWCASTLE JETS SELECTION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Taree born footballer Sammara Schmitzer on being selected by the Newcastle Jets to play in the women's W-League competition.
- (2) Notes that although Sammara now lives in Nabadah, she travels to Newcastle to train at least four days per week and has had to resign from her job in order to fulfil her commitments to her new semi-professional club.





National Bream Angler of the Year Russell Babekul

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.39)

NATIONAL BREAM ANGLER OF THE YEAR RUSSELL BABEKUL

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Russell Babekul of Wingham on being named the National Bream Angler of the Year, which is one of the most coveted fishing titles in Australia.
- (2) Notes that Russell won the title by participating in only four of the eight fishing tournaments across the country, winning two and finishing fourth and sixth in the others, with the best four counting towards competition points.
- (3) Acknowledges that Russell is now the number one ranked angler in the tournament with the largest lead over his competitors since the competition began in 2006.



Clive and Patricia Wilkes Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.40)

CLIVE AND PATRICIA WILKES SIXTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Clive and Patricia Wilkes of Taree on celebrating their sixtieth wedding anniversary on 23 August 2012.
- (2) Acknowledges that close to one hundred family members from across Australia came to the secret anniversary party held at Wingham Services Club, much to the surprise of Clive and Patricia.
- (3) Notes that both Clive and Patricia come from large families, having 18 siblings between them, as well as 8 children, 17 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.



Manning Primary School Sports Association Carnival

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.30)

MANNING PRIMARY SCHOOL SPORTS ASSOCIATION CARNIVAL

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the following students who competed at the Manning Primary Schools Sports Association carnival.
 - (a) Emi Ruprecht—shot-put, high jump, long jump, PP5 relay;
 - (b) Nicholas Gilbert—long jump, high jump, shot-put, discus, 100 metres, 200 metres, PP5 relay;
 - (c) Daroo Morris—100 metres, 200 metres, PP5 relay;
 - (d) Kortney Dorries—high jump, long jump, 100 metres, 200 metres, PP5 relay, junior girls relay;
 - (e) Tylah O'Connor—junior girls relay;
 - (f) Amberlee Clark—junior girls relay; and
 - (g) Ebony Woodfield—junior girls relay.
- (2) Congratulates Mitchells Island Public School students Daroo Morris and Nicholas Gilbert on their selection to represent the Hunter Region at the Primary Schools Sports Association State athletics carnival.
- (3) Notes that Daroo Morris will compete in the 100 metres and 200 metres and Nicholas Gilbert will compete in the 100 metres, the shot-put and the discus.
- (4) Notes that Daroo Morris and Nicholas Gilbert will combine with Emi Ruprecht and Kortney Dorries to contest the Nigel Bagley Small Schools Relay, which was won by Mitchells Island Public School in 2010.
- (5) Congratulates Mitchells Island Public School for having State representatives each year in athletics from 2008 to 2012 and in swimming from 2010 to 2012.



Chatham High School Higher School Certificate Achievements

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.31)

CHATHAM HIGH SCHOOL HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE ACHIEVEMENTS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the students of the Chatham High School Higher School Certificate class of 2012 on their donation of a statue of the school's emblem, a griffin, to stand guard over the school.
- (2) Notes that Nigel Ferguson from Edstein Creative Stone made the statue.
- (3) Notes that these students will sit for the Higher School Certificate examinations in October and November 2012.
- (4) Congratulates the students on their achievements and wishes them well for their future studies and careers.
- (5) Congratulates the principal, Mr Horvast, and his staff for their dedication and skills in teaching these students for the past six years.



Tomorrow's Leader Award Recipient Lisa Cantwell

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.32)

TOMORROW'S LEADER AWARD RECIPIENT LISA CANTWELL

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Lisa Cantwell, acting Nurse Unit Manager at Manning Rural Referral Hospital, on receiving the 2012 Tomorrow's Leader Award at the Hunter/New England Local District Health Staff Achievement Awards.
- (2) Acknowledges that the nursing unit at Manning Hospital is delighted by Lisa's win and that Lisa's leadership qualities and professionalism have brought cohesion and stability to the unit.
- (3) Recognises that Lisa is seen as a role model for nursing staff at the hospital as she delivers personalised care to all patients and enables those working with her to do the same.
- (4) Notes that Lisa received the award on behalf of the staff at Manning Hospital and acknowledged the work of its nurses, support officers, ward clerks, medical staff and allied health personnel.



Beatrice Larkey 100th Birthday

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.33)

BEATRICE LARKEY 100TH BIRTHDAY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House congratulates Beatrice Larkey of Tuncurry, born on 1st November 1912, on celebrating her 100th birthday.



Taree Christian College Higher School Certificate Achievements

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.34)

TAREE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE ACHIEVEMENTS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the students of the Taree Christian College Higher School Certificate class of 2012 on their achievements and wishes them well for their future studies and careers.
- (2) Notes that these students will sit for the Higher School Certificate examinations in October and November 2012.
- (3) Congratulates the College's teachers Martine Chate and Amy Guiver and College Principal, Mr Ken Greenwood and his staff for the dedication and skills in teaching these students for the past six years.



St Clare's High School Higher School Certificate Achievements

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.35)

ST CLARE'S HIGH SCHOOL HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE ACHIEVEMENTS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the students of the St Claire's High School Higher School Certificate class of 2012 on their achievements and wishes them well for their future studies and careers.
- (2) Notes that these students will sit for the Higher School Certificate examinations in October and November 2012.
- (3) Congratulates their teachers Jennifer Watkins, Julianne Rowsell, Paul Smyth, Damien Bellante, senior student coordinator Ian Evans, assistant principal Philip Gibney, and principal Jim Dempsey for the dedication and skills in teaching these students in their senior school years.



Manning Valley Anglican College Higher School Certificate

Achievements

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.36)

MANNING VALLEY ANGLICAN COLLEGE HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE ACHIEVEMENTS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the students of Manning Valley Anglican College Higher School Certificate class of 2012 on their achievements and wishes them well for their future studies and careers.
- (2) Notes that these students will sit for the Higher School Certificate examinations in October and November 2012.
- (3) Congratulates their teachers and school principal, Glenn Turner and head of secondary, Sue Whiteman and stage 6 coordinator, Neil Dawes on the dedication and skills in teaching these students in their senior school years.



Taree High School Higher School Certificate Achievements

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.37)

TAREE HIGH SCHOOL HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE ACHIEVEMENTS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the students of Taree High School's Higher School Certificate class of 2012 on their achievements and wishes them well for their future studies and careers.
- (2) Notes that these students will sit for the Higher School Certificate examinations in October and November 2012.
- (3) Congratulates Taree High School's teachers, in particular year advisor Judy Hall, and relieving principal Alison Alliston, for their dedication and skills in teaching senior school students.



Tribute to Kenneth Kell

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.98)

TRIBUTE TO KENNETH KELL

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates 90-year-old Kenneth (Ken) Kell of Forster, who will make a trip to Papua New Guinea to mark the seventieth anniversary commemoration of the iconic World War II campaigns as a veteran of the Kokoda and the beachheads battles.
- (2) Notes that Ken enlisted in the Second AIF in November 1939 and was on the first Australian convoy to the Middle East, arriving in February 1940 as a member of the 2/1st Field Regiment, where his first experience of war was the Battle of Bardia against the Italians in Libya.
- (3) Notes that Ken returned to Australia in 1942 then went to Port Moresby and waited to be sent forward and took the opportunity to fly with the "biscuit bombers" that provided supplies to Australian forces in the Owen Stanley Range.
- (4) Notes that from December 1942 Ken served with his regiment during the Battle of the Beachheads where his strongest memory of the war is the relentless hard physical labour of being a gunner, carrying ammunition and other heavy loads which frequently reduced his battery members to exhaustion.
- (5) Notes that the guns of the 2/1st supported first American, then later Australian, infantry in their attacks on Buna, which fell in early January 1943, which he wrote about in his book *The Early Years*.
- (6) Notes that his final campaign was Aitape-Wewak in 1945.
- (7) Notes that on discharge he joined the NSW Fire Brigade and rejoined the army from 1950 to 1967 and in 1953 went to England with the Coronation Contingent.
- (8) Notes that he completed a horticulture course and worked as a gardener until his retirement.
- (9) Recalls the service and sacrifice of Australian, Papua New Guinean and allied service personnel in the Battle for the Beachheads which are commemorated at the Popondetta Memorial in Papua New Guinea.
- (10) Congratulates Ken Kell on his long and distinguished service to his country.



Valley Industries Business Awards

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.99)

VALLEY INDUSTRIES BUSINESS AWARDS

Page: 17400

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the management and staff of Valley Industries on winning three Manning Valley Business Chamber 2012 Business awards, including the "Manufacturing Award" and "Retail—Large Award".
- (2) Notes that Sid Ridgeway won the "Indigenous Employee of the Year Award".
- (3) Notes that Valley Industries is a highly respected Taree business that provides training and assistance to disabled and disadvantaged people.



Manning Valley Employee of the Year witha Disability Adam Polley

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.100)

MANNING VALLEY EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR WITH A DISABILITY ADAM POLLEY

Page: 17400

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Adam Polley, an employee of McGraths Meats, on being named the Manning Valley Business Awards 2012 Employee of the Year with a Disability.

- (2) Notes that Adam, who has Down syndrome, has worked at McGraths Meats two days per week for the past fourteen months and is known for his great attitude, work ethic and an amazing attention to detail.
- (3) Congratulates Adam on completing the two-year "Transition to Work" program with Break-Thru Employment Solutions which trains people with a disability to live independently and gain job application skills and training.



Harrison Lofts, Jordan Kremer and Hayden Foxwell Marathon Walk

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.101)

HARRISON LOFTS, JORDAN KREMER AND HAYDEN FOXWELL MARATHON WALK

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates St Clare's High School Year 11 students Harrison Lofts, Jordan Kremer and Hayden Foxwell on completing the marathon walk from Newcastle to Taree in five days.
- (2) Notes that the students raised more than \$1,000 for the Commando Welfare Trust, an organisation that supports the families of serving and former serving members of the Special Operations Command who have been killed or injured on duty.
- (3) Notes that the three students hope to join the armed services upon completion of their Higher School Certificate.



Bulahdelah Hospital Auxiliary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.102)

BULAHDELAH HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Bulahdelah Hospital Auxiliary on its fundraising efforts in raising \$7,998.89 for Bulahdelah Hospital.
- (2) Notes that the money was used to purchase twelve television sets for patients, tables, sandwich toasters and a spirometer.
- (3) Congratulates the Bulahdelah Hospital Auxiliary which has worked tirelessly to purchase this equipment for its local health service and the community.
- (4) Notes that the United Hospital Auxiliaries of New South Wales raised more than \$9.4 million for local health districts during the 2011-2012 financial year.



Manning Rural Referral Hospital Auxiliary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.103)

MANNING RURAL REFERRAL HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Manning Rural Referral Hospital Auxiliary on raising \$47,969.98 in funds for the hospital.
- (2) Notes that the money was used to purchase eight blood pressure machines, a cardiac monitor, a respiratory humidifier, a wound measure monitor, a saturation monitor, two wheelchairs and forty walking belts of various sizes.
- (3) Congratulates the Manning Rural Referral Hospital Auxiliary which has worked tirelessly to purchase this equipment for the local health service and the community.





Wingham Community Hospital Auxiliary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.104)

WINGHAM COMMUNITY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates members of the Wingham Hospital Auxiliary on raising \$6,076.83 in funds for the hospital.
- (2) Notes that the money was used to purchase two special rehabilitation pads, four roller blinds, a cushion relay duogel, a DVD player, a mobile chair and activity tray and an air comfort chair.
- (3) Congratulates the Wingham Hospital Auxiliary, which has worked tirelessly to purchase this equipment for the local health service and the community.



Equestrian Sui Watts

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.105)

EQUESTRIAN SUI WATTS

Page: 17401

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Sui Watts of Mitchells Island on her selection to represent Australia in the novice and freestyle events at the 2012 Hope Cup to be held in Taiwan to mark the International Day of the Disabled Person.
- (2) Notes that Sui, who came to live in Australia from an orphanage in China and who has Down syndrome, will achieve her dream to ride with the Australian flag on her jacket.
- (3) Notes that Sui is one of just two riders who represented Australia in Taiwan and has a particular love of horses.
- (4) Notes that Sui has been supported by the Wingham Pony Club and by DVW Vet

Wholesalers where she works.



Hockey Player Katrina Watts

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.106)

HOCKEY PLAYER KATRINA WATTS

Page: 17401

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Katrina Watts on winning the Australian Championship as a member of the New South Wales over 50 years team by defeating Victoria 2-1 in the final.
- (2) Notes that this was Katrina's first championship, in which her New South Wales team was undefeated.
- (3) Notes that Katrina is a long standing member of the Tigers Hockey Club, having played her first game for the club at the age of eleven, played A-grade from the age of fourteen and joined the masters two years ago.
- (4) Congratulates Katrina on being named the division 2 player of the year in 2011 and notes that she has no intention of retiring from the sport.



Australian Mixed Touch Football Team Captain Kylie Hilder

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.10)

AUSTRALIAN MIXED TOUCH FOOTBALL TEAM CAPTAIN KYLIE HILDER

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Kylie Hilder, from Taree, on being named captain of the Australian Mixed Team Touch football side.
- (2) Notes that the Australian team will play in the Trans Tasman series against New Zealand in Auckland in February 2013.
- (3) Notes that Kylie led the Australian team to victory against New Zealand in Mudgee during 2012.
- (4) Notes that Kylie has represented Australia in three World Cups, twice with the open women's team and once with the mixed team, and that on each occasion the Australian team won the World Cup.



Raging Bulls Beach Rugby Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.11)

RAGING BULLS BEACH RUGBY TEAM

Page: 17805

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Raging Bulls side from the Wallamba Bulls Rugby Club who won the first beach rugby competition held in New South Wales.
- (2) Notes that the Raging Bulls entered the competition having never played beach rugby, but won the B grade Plate Championship after playing seven pool games.



Rural Crime Investigation Award Recipient Senior Constable John Broadley

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.12)

RURAL CRIME INVESTIGATION AWARD RECIPIENT SENIOR CONSTABLE JOHN BROADLEY

Page: 17805

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Senior Constable John Broadley from the Manning Great Lakes local area command on receiving the Rural Crime Investigation Award.
- (2) Notes that Constable Broadley has been recognised for his devotion to police work and numerous acts of bravery.
- (3) Notes the pride of Constable Broadley for being part of the task force that captured Australia's most wanted man, Malcolm Naden, in early 2012.



Retirement of Jim Sinclair

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.13)

RETIREMENT OF JIM SINCLAIR

Page: 17805

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Jim Sinclair, of Taree, on his retirement after 60 years of continual service for NSW Railways and CountryLink.
- (2) Congratulates Jim Sinclair on his inspiration to others by working at the age of 75.
- (3) Notes his celebratory retirement morning tea was held at Taree Railway Station, and attended by CountryLink executives, colleagues and Jim's family.
- (4) Notes that Jim Sinclair started work at the age of 15 as a shop boy with the Department of Railways at Chullora in Sydney in 1952.
- (5) Notes that through his skills and abilities Jim was promoted on many occasions during his career and became an Engineman Class 5 with full driver status in 1975.
- (6) Notes that Jim transferred to Taree in 1979 and was especially proud of being promoted to Special Class Engineman in 1986.



Tribute to Paul Murray

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.14)

TRIBUTE TO PAUL MURRAY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Taree Fire Brigade captain Paul Murray on receiving a special servicemen's honour at Government House in Sydney.
- (2) Notes that only one hundred members of the army, navy, air force and emergency services in New South Wales received invitations to the event and that Paul was the only invitee from regional New South Wales.
- (3) Notes that Her Excellency, the Governor, thanked Paul and fellow invitees for their dedication and efforts.
- (4) Recognises that Paul joined the Fire Service in 1984 and has been Taree Fire Brigade captain for four years.



Triathlon Allage World Champion Grant Melzer

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.15)

TRIATHLON ALL-AGE WORLD CHAMPION GRANT MELZER

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Grant Melzer of Forster on winning the Triathlon All-Age World Championship in Auckland.
- (2) Notes that Grant won the 18-19 years final consisting of a 1.5 kilometre swim, 40 kilometre bike and 10-kilometre run.
- (3) Notes that Grant now lives and trains at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra and hopes to represent Australia in the Olympics.



Tribute to Kevin Johnson

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.102)

TRIBUTE TO KEVIN JOHNSON

Page: 17820

Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Minimbah Rural Fire Brigade on dedicating a garden in memory of the late Kevin Johnson, who was an active and dedicated member.
- (2) Notes that Mr Johnson's widow, Verena, unveiled a plaque at a ceremony at the Minimbah Fire station.
- (3) Notes that Mr Johnson's joined the Brigade in 1986 shortly after moving to the Minimbah area from Sydney.
- (4) Notes that Mr Johnson received the National Medal and a long service award in honour of his twenty years of service to the rural fire service.
- (5) Notes that Mr Johnson is remembered by his former colleagues for his dedication, camaraderie, sense of humour, bush poetry and generosity.



Manning Valley Under 13 Girls Indoor Hockey Team

MANNING VALLEY UNDER 13 GIRLS INDOOR HOCKEY TEAM

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the members and coaches of the Manning Valley girls under 13 years Indoor Hockey team that won the division two NSW State Championship in Tamworth.
- (2) Notes that Manning defeated Sydney by six goals to two in the final which was played before a large and supportive crowd that featured the only two undefeated sides in the championship.
- (3) Notes that the Manning team had only been able to train on turf leading up to the championships and, despite that disadvantage, scored 31 goals to 9 against during the competition.



Morgan Coleman New South Wales Under 13 Girls Indoor Hockey Team Selection

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/02/2013 (Article No.104)

MORGAN COLEMAN NEW SOUTH WALES UNDER 13 GIRLS INDOOR HOCKEY TEAM SELECTION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Morgan Coleman on being her selection in the New South Wales under 13s girls Indoor Hockey side.
- (2) Notes that Morgan is a member of the Manning under 13s girls Indoor Hockey team that won the 2012 division two New South Wales championship in Tamworth.

Question put and resolved in the affirmative .

Community recognition notices agreed to .



Great Lakes Council Employees Service Presentation

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.71)

GREAT LAKES COUNCIL EMPLOYEES SERVICE PRESENTATION

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates John Cavanagh, Melinda Moran, Sharon McMeeken and Andrew Braybrook, employees Great Lakes Council, who together have given 115 years of service to the Council.
- (2) Notes that Ms Moran (Pay Officer) and Mr Braybrook (Community Services Manager) are celebrating 25 years of service, and Ms McMeeken (Information and Technology Manager) and Mr Cavanagh (Waste and Regulatory Services Manager) are each celebrating 35 years of service.
- (3) Notes that each of the four was recognised for their services at a presentation during the Council's meeting on 11 December 2012.



Cancer Council Fundraiser Bruce King

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.72)

CANCER COUNCIL FUNDRAISER BRUCE KING

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Bruce King of Taree on raising more than \$1,200 for the Cancer Council

through decorating his street with colourful Christmas lights.

- (2) Notes that people who came to view the large displays placed money in a wishing well to support the charity.
- (3) Notes that Mr King spent two months setting up the display of lights and decorations, complemented by a snow machine, a small motorcycle for children to sit on, Santa Claus and candy canes that brought smiles to the kids who received them.
- (4) Notes that Mr King chose the Cancer Council in honour of his brother Craig and friend Wayne who both succumbed to the disease.



Great Lakes Sailing Club Open Bic State Sailing Titles

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.73)

GREAT LAKES SAILING CLUB OPEN BIC STATE SAILING TITLES

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the committee and members of the Great Lakes Sailing Club which successfully hosted round two of the Open Bic State Sailing Titles on Wallis Lakes on the Australia Day weekend.
- (2) Notes that five local junior sailors represented Great Lakes Sailing Club and each performed well against an experienced fleet of 40 boats.
- (3) Notes that Ethan White finished the regatta in third place, with Caleb White finishing ninth, Iggy Dunn eleventh, Kristian Fiebig fourteenth and Kyle Astorini in nineteenth place.
- (4) Notes that the young sailors will compete at the Combined High Schools Regatta on Lake Macquarie in April.



Housing Industry Award Recipient Melinda Oirbans

HOUSING INDUSTRY AWARD RECIPIENT MELINDA OIRBANS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Melinda Oirbans of Viison Kitchens in Taree on winning second place for her design of a kitchen at the Housing Industry Awards for the Hunter region in the \$20,000 to \$25,000 category.
- (2) Notes that Ms Oirbans has been designing kitchens for only three years and the award came for her first entry.
- (3) Notes that Viison Kitchens also manufactured and installed the award winning kitchen and have showrooms in Forster and Taree.



Alan and Barbara Martin Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.75)

ALAN AND BARBARA MARTIN SIXTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Alan and Barbara Martin of Wingham on celebrating their sixtieth wedding anniversary on 10 January 2013.
- (2) Notes that Mr and Mrs Martin met while they were attending Newcastle Teachers College and that they taught in numerous primary and high schools in the Manning Valley.
- (3) Notes that Mr Martin taught for 43 years before retiring in 1994 and Mrs Martin taught for 36 years and retired in 1989.
- (4) Notes that Mr Martin was a good cricketer and represented the Manning and captained the Mid North Coast team against Richie Benaud's New South Wales in Taree in 1962.
- (5) Notes that Mrs Martin also had great sporting ability and played A grade tennis and won

sporting Blues for tennis and basketball at NSW Teachers College.

- (6) Notes that Mr and Mrs Martin have three children—Phillip, Catherine and Frances, fourteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



Great Lakes Library Champion Janine Watson

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.76)

GREAT LAKES LIBRARY CHAMPION JANINE WATSON

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Janine Watson, editor of the Great Lakes Advocate, on being named the 2012 Great Lakes Library Champion.
- (2) Notes that Ms Watson published a series of articles on the reading interests of local identities, including herself, as part of the National Year of Reading.
- (3) Notes that Ms Watson was a member of the panel that selected the library's Ten Greatest Australian Books of All Time.



Col and Margaret Worth Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.77)

COL AND MARGARET WORTH SIXTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Col and Margaret Worth of Tuncurry on celebrating their sixtieth wedding anniversary on 20 December 2012.
 - (2) Notes that both Mr and Mrs Worth were school teachers and moved around the state as Mr Worth was promoted in the teaching profession and Margaret cared for her family.
 - (3) Notes that Mr and Mrs Worth have three children, Vicki, Peter and Mandy and seven grandchildren.
 - (4) Notes that the couple built a house in Tuncurry when Col was appointed principal of Forster High School before retiring in the late 1980s.
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Neil and Shirley Winkler Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 28/02/2013 (Article No.78)

NEIL AND SHIRLEY WINKLER SIXTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Neil and Shirley Winkler of Tuncurry on celebrating their sixtieth wedding anniversary on 12 December 2012.
 - (2) Notes that Mrs Winkler was born in Taree and the couple married in Grafton where Mr Winkler worked at the local sawmill.
 - (3) Notes that Mr and Mrs Winkler have four children—Raymond, Robert, Geoffrey and Diane and have many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.
 - (4) Notes that Mr and Mrs Winkler retired in Tuncurry about five years ago.
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Lower North Coast District Bowler of the Year Eula Webster

LOWER NORTH COAST DISTRICT BOWLER OF THE YEAR EULA WEBSTER

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Eula Webster of Forster on being named the Lower North Coast District Bowler of the Year for 2012.
- (2) Notes that Ms Webster also won this prestigious award in 2007 and that she is an outstanding bowler and club supporter.



Myall Lakes Electorate Sports Achievements

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/03/2013 (Article No.12)

MYALL LAKES ELECTORATE SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD (Myall Lakes) [1.18 p.m.]: I ask the House to note my congratulations to Tyler Potts on her selection in the Australian under-13 Futsal team which will play in Spain in November 2013. I note that Tyler, who is aged 11 years, is the youngest member of the Australian team and was selected after playing well for the Northern New South Wales under-12 side during the national titles. Tyler is playing in just her second season of Futsal and plays for the Lansdowne club as a striker or in the midfield.

I would also like the House to congratulate members of the Cape Hawke Surf Life Saving Club on winning the senior Lower North Coast Branch Championship. Many of the club's juniors from the under-15s and under-17s backed up to assist in winning the title. Ben Atkinson won the open surf race, open ironman and open board races. Connor Shakespeare won the under-17s surf race, with club mates Aaron King, Bryce Grant and Mitchell Hamilton finishing in the next four places. Clare Hern won the under-13s beach sprint and beach flags events, replicating her country championship results. Twelve-year-old Layne Grant won the 12-year-old girls ironwoman, swim, board and beach sprint and finished second in the beach flags.



Myall Lakes Electorate Community Achievements

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/03/2013 (Article No.20)

MYALL LAKES ELECTORATE COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENTS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD (Myall Lakes) [1.25 p.m.]: I bring to the attention of the House and ask the House to congratulate Warren Keegan of Forster on winning the tenth annual Bloody Big Swim race at Port Phillip Bay in Melbourne. I note that Warren won the 11.2 kilometre swim five minutes ahead of the runner-up John Van Wisse. I note that John Van Wisse is one of Australia's premier ultramarathon swimmers, making Warren's victory even better. I note that Warren also won the Gold Coast Pan Pac Masters five-kilometre open water swim, the Sri Chimony Canberra nine-kilometre swim and the Forrester's Beach ocean swim. I also ask the House to congratulate Kevin and Rosemary Lambert of Forster on celebrating their sixtieth wedding anniversary on 28 February 2013. Kevin was born and raised in Taree and Rosemary, who was born in the United Kingdom, immigrated to Australia with her family when she was 15. Kevin and Rosemary met by chance in 1949 on a Manly ferry and fell for each other at first sight. They have five children and moved to Forster to retire after bringing up their family in Sydney.



Australia Under 13 Futsal Team Member Tyler Potts

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.38)

AUSTRALIA UNDER 13 FUTSAL TEAM MEMBER TYLER POTTS

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Tyler Potts on her selection in the Australian under 13 years futsal team that will play in Spain during November 2013.
- (2) Notes that 11-year-old Tyler is the youngest member of the Australian team and was selected after playing well for the Northern NSW under 12 years side at the national titles.

- (3) Notes that Tyler is a striker or midfield player for Lansdowne and is in her second season of futsal.



Australia Post Certificate of Merit Recipient Col Haines

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.39)

AUSTRALIA POST CERTIFICATE OF MERIT RECIPIENT COL HAINES

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Col Haines, manager of the Lansdowne Post Office, on being awarded a Certificate of Merit by Australia Post.
- (2) Notes that Col was named in the top 10 in Australia Post's Hunter network for October 2012.
- (3) Notes that Col puts his success down to the loyal customers who transact their business in the post office.



Cape Hawke Surf Life Saving Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.40)

CAPE HAWKE SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates members of the Cape Hawke Surf Life Saving Club for winning the senior

Lower North Coast Branch Championship.

- (2) Notes that Ben Atkinson won the open surf race, open ironman and open board races.
- (3) Notes that Connor Shakespeare won the under 17 years surf race, with club mates Aaron King, Bryce Grant and Mitchell Hamilton finishing in the next four places.
- (4) Notes that Clare Hern won the 13 years beach sprint and beach flags events, replicating her country championship results.
- (5) Notes that Layne Grant won the 12 year girls ironwoman, swim, board and beach sprint and finished second in the beach flags.



Bill and Roslyn Mitchell Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.41)

BILL AND ROSLYN MITCHELL FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Bill and Roslyn Mitchell, of Wingham, on celebrating their fiftieth wedding anniversary on 2 February 2013.
- (2) Notes that the couple are both from dairy farming families in Currumbin in Queensland and that they met in Sydney where Roslyn was nursing and Bill was a marine engineer.
- (3) Notes that Bill and Roslyn have four children and six grandchildren who all travelled to be with them for the anniversary.
- (4) Notes that Bill and Roslyn attribute their long relationship to respecting and considering each other.



Jump for the Cure Fundraiser Nicole Van Dijk

JUMP FOR THE CURE FUNDRAISER NICOLE VAN DIJK

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Nicole van Dijk, of Tinonee, on her undertaking to overcome her fear of heights by skydiving in the Jump for the Cure fundraising campaign for research into type 1 (juvenile onset) diabetes through the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.
- (2) Notes that Nicole's daughter, Cheyanne, attends Taree High School and is a type 1 diabetic requiring four insulin injections every day.
- (3) Notes that Nicole has raised more than \$1,000 and is hoping to raise more money by the time she has to undertake the skydive.



Kevin and Rosemary Lambert Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.43)

KEVIN AND ROSEMARY LAMBERT SIXTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Kevin and Rosemary Lambert, of Forster, on celebrating their sixtieth wedding anniversary on 28 February 2013.
 - (2) Notes that Kevin was born and raised in Taree and Rosemary emigrated to Australia from the United Kingdom when she was fifteen.
 - (3) Notes that Kevin and Rosemary have five children and moved to Forster after bringing up their family in Sydney.
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Combined High Schools Second XI Team Member Bryan Warren

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.44)

COMBINED HIGH SCHOOLS SECOND XI TEAM MEMBER BRYAN WARREN

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Bryan Warren on his selection in the Combined High Schools Second XI for the second successive year.
- (2) Notes that Bryan is in year 12 at Great Lakes College and represented the Hunter Education Region in the Combined High Schools titles.
- (3) Notes that Bryan will now compete in the NSW Schoolboys Cricket Championship to be held in Sydney in March.
- (4) Congratulates Bryan on being the second highest wicket taker in 2012 and on his selection in the NSW Schools Cricket Association team.



NSW Junior State Cup Under 18 Runner-up Taree Touch Football Team

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.45)

NSW JUNIOR STATE CUP UNDER 18 RUNNER-UP TAREE TOUCH FOOTBALL TEAM

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the players, coach and managers of the Taree under 18s State Junior Cup touch team who were runners up in the final in Port Macquarie.

- (2) Notes that the team was coached by Darren Rowsell and narrowly lost the final 12-11 to Bankstown Jets.



Ultramarathon Swimmer Warren Keegan

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.46)

ULTRAMARATHON SWIMMER WARREN KEEGAN

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Mr STEPHEN BROMHEAD—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Warren Keegan of Forster on winning the tenth annual Bloody Big Swim, the ultramarathon race on Port Phillip Bay in Melbourne.
- (2) Notes that Warren won the 11.2 kilometre swim five minutes ahead of the runner-up, John Van Wisse, one of Australia's premier ultramarathon swimmers.
- (3) Notes that Warren also won the Gold Coast Pan Pac Masters five kilometres open water swim, the Canberra's Sri Chimony nine kilometres swim and the Forrester's Beach ocean swim.