



## **Grafton Daily Examiner Hockey NSW Media Award**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/03/2012 (Article No.28)

### ***GRAFTON DAILY EXAMINER HOCKEY NSW MEDIA AWARD***

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates The Grafton Daily Examiner on winning Hockey New South Wales's top media award for Outstanding Coverage in 2011.
- (2) Commends sports writer Gary Nichols for his reporting on local hockey activities in the Clarence Valley.
- (3) Commends the Grafton Hockey Association, in particular Robyn Anderson, Stephen McIlveen and photographer Shane Sedger for the role they play in compiling articles on local hockey.



## **Grafton Regional Gallery Foundation**

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

### **GRAFTON REGIONAL GALLERY FOUNDATION**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates The Gallery Foundation, its Chairperson George Burkitt and Committee, on the successful d'Art 7th Anniversary Dinner and Art Auction on 2 March 2012.
- (2) Thanks author Dr Shirley Walker being the guest speaker for the evening.
- (3) Commends the Foundation for its commitment and dedication to support the Grafton

Regional Gallery through various fundraising activities during the year to fund the gallery's collection and facilities.

- (4) Notes the economic benefits from the gallery and its contribution to the cultural, social and educational life of the Clarence Valley.



## **Clarence Valley Fundraising and Roger Green**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.9)

### **CLARENCE VALLEY FUNDRAISING AND ROGER GREEN**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the fundraising efforts of Grafton busker, Roger Green, who has been singing and playing the guitar for many years through regional New South Wales.
- (2) Commends Roger on donating more than \$20,000 to help people affected by cancer in the Clarence Valley.



## **Clarence Valley Dragons Abreast**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.10)

### **CLARENCE VALLEY DRAGONS ABREAST**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Commends the Clarence Valley Dragons Abreast on its active role in promoting the

awareness of breast cancer in the local community.

- (2) Acknowledges the dedication of Cindy Hewitt, Co-ordinator; Gill Goddard, Assistant Co-ordinator; Roz Jones, Publicity Officer, and all the other members.



## **Grafton Dragon Boat Club**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 29/03/2012 (Article No.11)

### **GRAFTON DRAGON BOAT CLUB**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Grafton Dragon Boat Club on being named the New South Wales Dragon Boat Club of the Year at the state championships in Sydney.
- (2) Notes the Grafton club is the first regional club to receive the award in the 10 years that clubs have been recognised for contributions to dragon boat racing.
- (3) Commends the Grafton club on its willingness to assist and support new clubs.
- (4) Acknowledges the dedication of Martin Thompson, President, and the contribution made by all club members.



## **Richmond Valley Business Excellence Awards**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.34)

### **RICHMOND VALLEY BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Casino RSM Club on being named the Business of the Year at the Richmond Valley Business Excellence Awards held at Casino on 17 March 2012.
- (2) Congratulates Jack and Denise Londy and Nell Pinkerton on being awarded Lifetime Achievement Awards for their commitment to the people of Casino and surrounding districts.
- (3) Congratulates all other award winners and nominees.
- (4) Congratulates the Casino Chamber of Commerce and Industry on its commitment in staging the event.
- (5) Recognises the support of all the sponsors of this event and commends them on their commitment and dedication to the local community.



## **Casino RSL Women's Auxiliary Seventy-eighth Anniversary**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.35)

### **CASINO RSL WOMEN'S AUXILIARY SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Casino RSL Women's Auxiliary on celebrating its 78th anniversary in February 2012.
- (2) Acknowledges the efforts and service to the Casino RSL Women's Auxiliary by Leila McLachlan for 40 years service; Mavis Goodlad for 30 years service; Barbara Magnay, Carolyn Slade and Adelle Vogt for 20 years service; and, June Lamont, Laurel Unicomb, Mae Golding and Heather Wallwork for 10 years service.
- (3) Commends the Casino RSL Women's Auxiliary on the work it does in the local community.





## **Tribute to Vince Castle**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 04/04/2012 (Article No.36)

### **TRIBUTE TO VINCE CASTLE**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Vince Castle, Clarence Valley canegrower and industry stalwart, on being awarded the Grower Service to Industry Award at the Sugar Research and Development Corporation's Grower Innovation Awards.
- (2) Recognises Mr Castle on his commitment, dedication and active involvement in the industry over 40 years.



## **Port of Yamba Historical Society Exhibition**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.27)

### **PORT OF YAMBA HISTORICAL SOCIETY EXHIBITION**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Port of Yamba Historical Society on its success in putting together the Ghosts of WWI-101 Local Heroes Exhibition which opened recently.
- (2) Commends the exhibit's architect and researcher, Peter Edmunds, the Society's President, Maria Buist, other society members, and members of the special interest group for their commitment and dedication in putting on this exhibition.





## **Allen Wheeler Medal Recipient Don Waldron**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.28)

### **ALLEN WHEELER MEDAL RECIPIENT DON WALDRON**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Don Waldron, of Casino, on being presented with the Allen Wheeler Medal, one of the NSW Greyhound Racing industry's highest honours.
- (2) Commends him on his commitment and dedication to the greyhound racing industry, in particular the development of the Casino Greyhound Club and his service as Secretary/Manager of the club for more than 40 years.



## **Harwood Hilton Cricket Club**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.29)

### **HARWOOD HILTON CRICKET CLUB**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Harwood Hilton Cricket Club on winning the Clarence River Cricket Association's Premier League grand final.
- (2) Recognises the performance of the runner-up, South Services Club.
- (3) Acknowledges the sportsmanship, commitment and dedication given to the Harwood Hilton club over many years by retiring captain, Tim (Ferret) McMahon, and wishes him well in the future.



## **Grafton Midnight Basketball**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 03/05/2012 (Article No.30)

### **GRAFTON MIDNIGHT BASKETBALL**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Midnight Basketball on its successful eight-week midnight basketball program at the Grafton Regional Sports and Entertainment Centre.
- (2) Recognises the aim of Midnight Basketball is to give kids something positive to do with their time in a safe environment.
- (3) Acknowledges the commitment and dedication of the chair of Midnight Basketball, Grafton, Craig Howe, and his committee members, Alan Grainger, Jackie Milsom, Dylan Parbery, Emma Hannan, Glen McClymont, Deborah Stafford and Pat Hagan.
- (4) Recognises the support given by numerous organisations in the Clarence Valley, including Clarence Valley Council and individual volunteers, to enable the program to be conducted.



## **United Hospital Auxiliaries of New South Wales North Coast Regional Conference**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.75)

### **UNITED HOSPITAL AUXILIARIES OF NEW SOUTH WALES NORTH COAST REGIONAL CONFERENCE**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Casino branch of the United Hospital Auxiliaries of NSW for staging a

successful North Coast Regional Conference at Casino on 24 April 2012.

- (2) Acknowledges the commitment and dedication given to the Casino branch by its President, Edna Fuller, and Secretary, Robyn Spruce, and other members.
- (3) Acknowledges the attendance at the conference by the Mayor of Richmond Valley Council, Councillor Col Sullivan, Executive Officer of the Northern Rivers Local Health Network, Chris Crawford, State President of the UHA, Mollie Strong, Executive Officer of Casino and District Memorial Hospital, Ray Phelps, and guest speaker, State Coordinator of RSL Day Clubs, Tom Barnsley.



## Casino Eyewatch

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 10/05/2012 (Article No.76)

### CASINO EYEWATCH

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Casino Neighbourhood Watch on holding an information session on the new online crime prevention initiative Eyewatch at Casino on 24 April 2012.
- (2) Acknowledges the commitment and dedication of the coordinators of Casino Neighbourhood Watch, Peter and Donna-Maria Adams, who were instrumental in establishing the local group and promoting the event.
- (3) Acknowledges the attendance at the meeting by the Mayor of Richmond Valley Council, Councillor Col Sullivan, officers of the Richmond Local Area Command, as well as presentations by Chief Inspector Joshua Maxwell from NSW Police Headquarters and Tweed Heads Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator, Gordon Levensen, and the "welcome to country" by Aunty Gwen Hickling.



## Retirement of Librarian Fran McGuire



## RETIREMENT OF LIBRARIAN FRAN MCGUIRE

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Pays tribute to Mrs Fran McGuire for her 22 years of service given to the Maclean community and who recently retired as the local librarian.
- (2) Commends her passion and commitment in helping people from all walks of life in her role as the local librarian.
- (3) Wishes her well in her retirement.



## Grafton Show

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.47)

## GRAFTON SHOW

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) congratulates the Clarence Pastoral and Agricultural Society for staging the 146th annual Grafton Show held on 4 and 5 May 2012.
- (2) acknowledges the commitment and dedication of its current President, Alan Morgan, Show Secretary, Sue Patricks, and other members of the Show Society Committee.
- (3) congratulates Lisa Green on being named Miss Grafton Showgirl and Ashleigh Griffin on being runner-up, and acknowledges the hard work in preparing the showgirl entrants by co-ordinator, Katrina Norton.
- (4) acknowledges the contribution made by outgoing Showgirl, Madeline McDonald, in representing Grafton throughout 2011.



## **Maclean Show**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.48)

### **MACLEAN SHOW**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) congratulates the Maclean Show Society on staging a successful 121st annual Maclean Show held on 1 and 2 May 2012.
- (2) acknowledges the commitment and dedication of its current President, Brian Ferrie, Show Secretary, Dawn Stewart, Chief Ring Steward, Robbie Sutherland, Co-ordinator of the pavilions and fine arts displays, Fay Johnson, and all other members of the Show Society Committee.
- (3) congratulates Allira Farlow on being crowned Maclean Showgirl 2012, and acknowledges the hard work put in preparing the showgirl entrants by co-ordinator, Nancy Brown.
- (4) acknowledges the contribution made by outgoing Showgirl, Laura Towell, in representing Maclean throughout 2011.



## **Casino Rescue Squad**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 24/05/2012 (Article No.49)

### **CASINO RESCUE SQUAD**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the work the Casino Rescue Squad does in the Richmond Valley council area, particularly over the past month dealing with road fatalities in the area.
- (2) pays tribute to the squad executive: Philip Cornish, President; Lynda Cole, Secretary; Barry O'Connell, Treasurer; Brian Boyd, Squad Captain; and original members Brian Boyd, Bill Evans, Eric Box and Noel Ball who have been active members of the squad since its establishment in 1979.
- (3) congratulates these unsung heroes on their professionalism in carrying out their duties under difficult circumstances.



## **Rural Fire Service Officers Neil Thompson and Wayne O'brien**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.61)

### **RURAL FIRE SERVICE OFFICERS NEIL THOMPSON AND WAYNE O 'BRIEN**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Captain Neil Thompson and firefighter Wayne O'Brien of the Lawrence Rural Fire Brigade on being awarded Certificates of Commendation from the Commissioner of the NSW Rural Fire Service.
- (2) Acknowledges their commitment and dedication to deliver training workshops for a number of village and rural fire brigade units in the use, care and maintenance of automated external defibrillators units.
- (3) Acknowledges Mr Thompson's leading role in the delivery of the Rural Fire Service Cadet Program in the Clarence Valley district.
- (4) Thanks them both for their efforts and exemplary performance in their roles with the Rural Fire Service.



## **Youth Worker Sam Kapeen**

## YOUTH WORKER SAM KAPEEN

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges Aboriginal Education Officer Sam Kapeen of Maclean High School for his commitment and dedication to the Lower Clarence Magpies Junior Rugby League Club.
- (2) Acknowledges the voluntary hours he devotes to youth, particularly Aboriginal youth, as a mentor and a role model.



## Health Services Advocate Jim Agnew, OAM

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/06/2012 (Article No.63)

## HEALTH SERVICES ADVOCATE JIM AGNEW , OAM

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges Jim Agnew, OAM, of Yamba for his tireless efforts over a number of years in advocating at all levels of government for better health services in Yamba.
- (2) Congratulates Mr Agnew on leading the campaign for better health services and being instrumental in helping to secure funding for an ambulance station at Yamba in 2003 and, more recently, funding for the establishment of a community health centre at Yamba.



## Grafton Legacy Club

## GRAFTON LEGACY CLUB

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the commitment and dedication of members of the Legacy Club of Grafton Inc., in providing services to defence force families.
- (2) Pays tribute to outgoing President Legatee, Ron Shoebridge, and other members of the executive, Vice President Tom Cross, Junior Vice President M. Sexton, Honorary Secretary E. J. Tanner, Honorary Treasurer R. P. McFarlane and Sergeant-at-Arms J. A. Campbell.
- (3) Congratulates Tom Cross on his election as President Legatee and wishes him well in his role over the next two years.
- (4) Thanks all members of the Legacy Club of Grafton for their fundraising efforts over many years and also thanks the community for its generosity.



## Red Rock-Corindi Surf Life Saving Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.12)

## RED ROCK-CORINDI SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Red Rock-Corindi Surf Life Saving Club on another successful season.
- (2) Acknowledges the efforts of its volunteer surf lifesavers in keeping beaches safe for residents and visitors.
- (3) Acknowledges the following surf lifesaving volunteers who received awards at the annual presentation night held at Corindi Beach on 26 May 2012: Mitchell Wright, club person of the year; Narelle Wright, female member of the year; and Leane McLachlan, associate member of the year.

- (4) Acknowledges the commitment and dedication of the Club's current president, Brad Kearns and outgoing secretary, Leane McLachlan.
- (5) Pays tribute to the commitment and dedication of Leane McLachlan who has held a number of positions over a period of 13 years in the junior and senior clubs including secretary, publicity officer, fundraising officer, social club secretary, branch delegate, team manager and member protection officer.



## **Baryulgil Community Health Program**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 21/06/2012 (Article No.13)

### **BARYULGIL COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAM**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Dr Ray Jones, from the Bulgarr Ngaru Aboriginal Medical Service in Grafton, on his role in implementing a preventative health program for Aboriginal children at Baryulgil.
- (2) Acknowledges the support of Dr Andrew Black and Farmer Lou's in Grafton which provided the fruit and vegetables to the Baryulgil community.
- (3) Commends Dr Jones, Dr Black and Farmer Lou's for working together to deliver this program, which has halved the rate of deafness in Aboriginal children in Baryulgil and had profound health benefits for them overall.



## **Primex Agricultural Expo**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.10)

**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Director, Bruce Wright, for the successful Primex event held at Casino from 14 to 16 June 2012.
- (2) Recognises the contribution of his father, John Wright in turning his vision into a reality.
- (3) Congratulates the participants on making Primex the premier agricultural expo on the North Coast.
- (4) Recognises the contribution it makes to the local economy of Casino and surrounds.



## **Surf Life Saving Far North Coast Awards**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.11)

### **SURF LIFE SAVING FAR NORTH COAST AWARDS**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Evans Head-Casino Surf Life Saving Club for hosting the Surf Life Saving Far North Coast awards on 16 June 2012 at Evans Head.
- (2) Acknowledges in particular the efforts of the President Ben Redman, Secretary Wendy Roberts, Treasurer Avan Christie and Club Captain Jon Rigley.
- (3) Recognises the contribution that Surf Life Saving Far North Coast has made to saving lives on north coast beaches this year with 44,687 patrol hours and 477 rescues.
- (4) Congratulates Ballina Lighthouse and Lismore Surf Life Saving Club on being named Club of the Year as well as all other award recipients.





## Daily Examiner Pacific Highway Campaign

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.29)

### *DAILY EXAMINER PACIFIC HIGHWAY CAMPAIGN*

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Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates The Daily Examiner for its "Fix the Pacific Highway - no excuses" campaign to complete the duplication of the Pacific Highway by 2016.
- (2) Acknowledges the passion and commitment of newly appointed Editor of The Daily Examiner, Jenna Cairney, who has been the driving force behind the campaign.
- (3) Recognises the importance of the duplication of the Pacific Highway on the North Coast as a road safety measure in saving lives.
- (4) Recognises that The Daily Examiner has been a long-time advocate for public safety on the Pacific Highway and should be congratulated for its bipartisan stance.



## Maclean Combined Churches Ladies Fellowship Fiftieth Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.83)

### MACLEAN COMBINED CHURCHES LADIES FELLOWSHIP FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

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Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Combined Churches Ladies Fellowship of Maclean on celebrating 50 years of unity on 3 June 2012.
- (2) Acknowledges the commitment and dedication of members of the group, their fundraising efforts and contribution in supporting the following worthy church and community causes over its 50 years of activity: Rathgar Children's Home; Lower Clarence Retirement Village;



The Bible Society in Australia; Maclean Hospital Chapel; World Day of Prayer; Aussie Boats for East Timor; Lower Clarence Christian Education for High School Scripture Teacher; Leprosy Mission; Disabled Society; Beswick House Grafton; Right to Life Association; Unicare; Ethiopian Appeal; Grafton Women's Refuge; Telecross; Youth Housing Service; Westpac Helicopter Healthy Breakfast Scheme at Maclean High School; The Salvos; St Vincent de Paul and Drought Relief.

- (3) Pays special tribute to Glenys Irons who is the only remaining foundation member and continues to be a driving force in the fellowship.
- (4) Acknowledges the involvement and co-operation of the many dedicated women from different denominations in Maclean, as well as the support from the local clergy, the Minister's Fraternal, the congregations and the wider community.



## **Marine Rescue Wooli**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.84)

### **MARINE RESCUE WOOLI**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Marine Rescue Wooli on the recent commissioning of the latest addition to the Marine Rescue NSW Fleet, the offshore rescue vessel Wooli 30.
- (2) Congratulates local boat building company Yamba Welding and Engineering, on its magnificent job and workmanship in building the Wooli 30.
- (3) Acknowledges that the Wooli 30 will also be known as JJ Ensbey 11 in recognition of Joe and Jean Ensbey, foundation members of the original Wooli volunteer rescue organisation.
- (4) Acknowledges the efforts of Marine Rescue Wooli Commander, Richard Taff, and other volunteers in providing a professional marine rescue service for locals and visitors.
- (5) Thanks the government and the local community for investing in this valuable marine rescue vessel for the region.





## **Clarence Coast Theatrical Society Seussical the Musical Production**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.85)

### **CLARENCE COAST THEATRICAL SOCIETY *SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL* PRODUCTION**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Clarence Coast Theatrical Society on its staging of "Seussical the Musical" at Maclean and Yamba.
- (2) Pays special tribute to debut Director, Troy Castle, of Palmers Island, for his vision and creative talent in bringing this production to life.
- (3) Acknowledges the 120 cast, crew and musicians for their commitment and dedication over many weeks to deliver a wonderful story woven from the Dr Seuss books.



## **Maclean Neighbourhood Watch**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 16/08/2012 (Article No.86)

### **MACLEAN NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the efforts of the Maclean Neighbourhood Watch group for the active role they play in encouraging community participation in preventing and reducing crime and improving personal safety in local communities.
- (2) Thanks its executive for the role it plays in keeping the group active: Brian Haselum, President; Vince Schultz, Treasurer; Warren Rackham, Secretary; and other active members of the group, Barry Skinner, Susie Green, Rebecca Fitzpatrick, Lenore Parker, Ray Mahoney-Smith, Albert Kelly, John Connell and Beryl Wickham.

Question put and resolved in the affirmative .

Community recognition notices agreed to .



## Casino Cup

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.85)

### CASINO CUP

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Casino Racing Club on the successful staging of the Casino Cup race day on 12 August 2012.
- (2) Acknowledges the commitment and dedication of the secretary/manager of the club, Dianne Stanley; president, Bede Pratt; and members of the board.
- (3) Acknowledges the major sponsor of the Casino Cup, the Richmond River Express Examiner and other race sponsors: South Casino Pharmacy; the Charcoal Inn; Trackside Photography; Casino RSM Club; Cross Miller Wilkinson Accountants; and Sky Racing NSW.



## Clarence Valley Dragons Abreast

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.86)

### CLARENCE VALLEY DRAGONS ABREAST

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Clarence Valley Dragons Abreast on celebrating seven years of paddling on 12 August 2012.
- (2) Thanks the group for its efforts in promoting breast cancer awareness in the community.
- (3) Acknowledges the contribution made by its members including co-ordinator and founding member, Cindy Hewitt; publicity officer, Roz Jones; treasurer, Jill Goddard; and secretary, Karen Marsden.



### **Casino Village RV Resort**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.87)

#### **CASINO VILLAGE RV RESORT**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Casino Village RV Resort on winning the "Best NSW Residential Park" award at the Caravan and Camping Awards of Excellence held in July 2012.
- (2) Notes this is the third consecutive year the resort has won this award.
- (3) Acknowledges the commitment and dedication of general manager, Julie James, in promoting the village as another option for retirement living and for her success in setting a benchmark for the industry.



### **RSL Meritorious Service Medal Recipient John May, OAM**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.88)

**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates John May, OAM, of Casino, on being presented with the Meritorious Service Medal, the highest honour of the Returned and Services League of Australia.
- (2) Commends Mr May on his commitment, dedication and service to the RSL movement over more than 50 years, including the positions of president of the Casino RSL Sub-branch for seven years; pension and welfare officer for 20 years; as well as chairman of Casino Legacy.



### **Grafton Minimart Fortieth Anniversary**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.89)

### **GRAFTON MINIMART FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Grafton's Minimart on its 40th anniversary on 31 July 2012.
- (2) Commends its volunteers on their commitment and dedication in supplying the infants of Grafton with knitwear and dolls since 1972, with proceeds going to worthy charities such as the Westpac Life Saver Rescue Helicopter, community transport, palliative care and cancer research.
- (3) Acknowledges its three life members, Val Wood, Kelvin March and Anne March, all of whom have been involved with Minimart since its inception.





## Coraki Hockey Club

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.90)

### CORAKI HOCKEY CLUB

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Coraki Hockey Club's junior members: Lucas Brown; Britney Gwynne; Jackson Gwynne; Hayden Scurr; Bailey Powell; Tom Brown; and, Aleesha Marks, on their selection in the New South Wales representative teams.
- (2) Congratulates senior members, David Brown and Peter Ryan, on selection in the Australian squad to travel to England to participate in the Hockey World Cup.
- (3) Acknowledges the remarkable achievement by a club from a small rural village and wishes all the very best to the players in their respective hockey competitions.



## Maclean Community Soup Kitchen

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 23/08/2012 (Article No.91)

### MACLEAN COMMUNITY SOUP KITCHEN

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Pays tribute to Lower Clarence resident David Lorenzo for his vision in establishing a community soup kitchen in Maclean.
- (2) Acknowledges and thanks the team of volunteers for their generosity to assist in preparing meals for the less fortunate in the community.
- (3) Acknowledges and thanks local businesses, Maclean Hot Bread, Causley Fresh Wholesale and Espresso Botero for donating food, tea and coffee to the soup kitchen.



## **Georgie's Cafe**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.72)

### **GEORGIE'S CAFE**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mark and Judy Hackett on the 10 years of fine dining they have provided to the community through Georgie's Cafe at the Grafton Regional Art Gallery.
- (2) Acknowledges their commitment and dedication in providing a wonderful venue with excellent cuisine and their staff for the high level of customer service provided.



## **Grafton Probus Club Thirtieth Anniversary**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.73)

### **GRAFTON PROBUS CLUB THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Grafton Probus Club on celebrating its 30th anniversary.
- (2) Acknowledges the good work the club does in initiating projects for the senior community.
- (3) Pays tribute to the many members of the club and in particular to Mr Jack Lumley and Mr Athol Mulligan who were awarded life membership for their loyalty and support.
- (4) Congratulates Milestone Award recipients: Mr Tas Cameron, Mr Harry Layton and Mr Bill Skelly on their 20 years or greater membership; and Mr Stan Attewell, Mr Bill Marr, Mr Ron Timbs and Mr Neville Truer on their 25 years or greater membership.

- (5) Wishes the Grafton Probus Club continued success for the future.
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### **Tribute to Mrs Joan Nelson**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.74)

#### **TRIBUTE TO MRS JOAN NELSON**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mrs Joan Nelson on her retirement as the publicity officer of the Grafton Women's Bowling Club.
  - (2) Congratulates Mrs Nelson on holding this position for more than 20 years.
  - (3) Acknowledges her dedication and endurance in having held this volunteer position for so many years.
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### **Tribute to Mrs Norma Thomas**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.75)

#### **TRIBUTE TO MRS NORMA THOMAS**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mrs Norma Thomas on her recent retirement as an Australia Post mail contractor.



- (2) Congratulates Mrs Thomas on holding this position for more than 30 years.
  - (3) Acknowledges the level of dedication and professionalism over such a long period of time and wishes her well in her retirement.
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### **Maclean Rotary Club**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.76)

#### **MACLEAN ROTARY CLUB**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Rotary Club of Maclean on hosting its 58th changeover dinner.
  - (2) Acknowledges the commitment and dedication of its past president, Daniel Butt; past vice president, Paul O'Halloran and all members of the outgoing executive.
  - (3) Congratulates the incoming executive which is led by president, John King; vice president, Ken Ford; secretary, Greg Saul; treasurer, Ian Buddle; along with the other members of the executive.
  - (4) Acknowledges the contribution made by the Rotary Club of Maclean and wishes it continued success in all its upcoming endeavours.
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### **Bendigo Bank, Grafton**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 06/09/2012 (Article No.77)

#### **BENDIGO BANK, GRAFTON**

**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges the tremendous work done by Mr Des Plunkett, the past manager of the South Grafton branch of the Bendigo Bank.
- (2) Congratulates the Bendigo Bank on its community spirit in providing community grants to the value of \$20,000 to extremely worthy groups from the community including Cowper Public School, Coutts Crossing Coronation Hall Inc, the Cowper Music Group, Copmanhurst Campdraft Club Inc, the Ulmarra Rural Fire Brigade, Glenreagh School of Arts Hall and the Clarence Valley Dragons Abreast Inc.
- (3) Wishes Mr Plunkett well on his retirement.



## **Grafton Tigers Australian Rules Football Club**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.54)

### **GRAFTON TIGERS AUSTRALIAN RULES FOOTBALL CLUB**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Grafton Tigers Australian Rules Football Club on winning back-to-back grand finals.
- (2) Acknowledges the team's commitment and dedication to come from behind, after trailing at each of the intervals and to score 50 points to one in the final quarter.
- (3) Congratulates Lee Anderson on winning the Woodlock Medal for best on ground.
- (4) Acknowledges the coaching staff and the club's executive along with retiring captain Daniel Zacek.





## **Tribute to Cheryl Kinnane, OAM**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.55)

### **TRIBUTE TO CHERYL KINNANE, OAM**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mrs Cheryl Kinnane, OAM, on her many years as president of the Grafton Women's Hockey Association.
- (2) Acknowledges the dedication and commitment shown by Mrs Kinnane in providing leadership, knowledge and expertise to the association.
- (3) Acknowledges the junior umpire training provided by Mrs Kinnane over a number of years.
- (4) Acknowledges that Mrs Kinnane is continuing to volunteer her time to the association in the position of senior vice president.



## **Tribute to Peter Roland**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.56)

### **TRIBUTE TO PETER ROLAND**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mr Peter Roland on his retirement after 39 years as a lawyer based in Grafton.
- (2) Acknowledges his dedication and commitment to the local community in a variety of volunteer organisations.
- (3) Wishes him, and his wife, Heather, a long, happy and healthy retirement.



## Clarence Valley Business Excellence Awards

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 13/09/2012 (Article No.57)

### CLARENCE VALLEY BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Notes the Clarence Valley Business Excellence Awards were held on 1 September 2012 and acknowledges the hard work of the coordinator of the awards, Ms Maggie Barnwall, and congratulates her on a wonderful event.
- (2) Acknowledges the major sponsor of the awards, CHESS Employment and Support Services, on its support of this event.
- (3) Congratulates the businesses listed below on winning 2012 Clarence Valley Excellent Business awards, and acknowledges their dedication and commitment to the Clarence Valley:
  - (a) Complete Staff Solutions: winner in workplace safety category, professional services fewer than five employees category, and overall Clarence Valley Excellent Business Award.
  - (b) Clarence River Seafoods: winner in Food and Beverage category and retailer with fewer than five employees category.
  - (c) Impulsive Creations Hair Studio: new business start-up first year of operation category.
  - (d) Quickloader Australia: new business start-up to two years of operation category.
  - (e) Priceline Pharmacy Yamba Fair: winner in professional services more than five employees category, retailer with more than five employees category, and better access award category.
  - (f) Valley Signs and Printing: trade, industry and manufacturing category.





## Casino Regional Livestock Exchange Thirtieth Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.60)

### CASINO REGIONAL LIVESTOCK EXCHANGE THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Casino Regional Livestock Exchange (Casino Saleyards) on its thirtieth birthday.
- (2) Acknowledges that the saleyards have been rated on many occasions by Meat and Livestock Australia as one of the top five cattle saleyards in New South Wales.
- (3) Acknowledges that in the 2011-12 financial year 120,000 head of cattle went through the Casino saleyards.
- (4) Acknowledges the economic and social importance of the saleyards to the economy and community of the Richmond Valley.



## Sleek Geeks Science Eureka Prize Winner Brandon Gifford

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.61)

### SLEEK GEEKS SCIENCE EUREKA PRIZE WINNER BRANDON GIFFORD

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Brandon Gifford on winning the Sleek Geeks Science Eureka Prize for the second year in a row.
- (2) Acknowledges the dedication and commitment shown by the year 11 Casino High School student in taking out this prestigious award for his video entry called The Legendary Lizard.
- (3) Acknowledges the skills shown by Brandon in scripting and editing the video, as well as catching and handling the 30 different lizards shown in the video.

- (4) Wishes Brandon well with his goal of one day owning his own zoo.
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## **Photography Award Winner Adam Hourigan**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 20/09/2012 (Article No.62)

### **PHOTOGRAPHY AWARD WINNER ADAM HOURIGAN**

Page: 15553

**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mr Adam Hourigan on his achievements at the 2012 Australian Professional Photography Awards.
  - (2) Acknowledges the dedication and commitment Adam has shown to his chosen profession.
  - (3) Acknowledges this is the fourth year in a row Adam has successfully competed in the awards and wishes him well for the 2013 awards.
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## **Wallaby Kane Douglas**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.65)

### **WALLABY KANE DOUGLAS**

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Kane Douglas, from Yamba, on making his debut for the Australian Wallabies on 17 September 2012.

- (2) Acknowledges the commitment and dedication shown by Kane to reach the highest level of his chosen sport.
- (3) Acknowledges the dedication of his parents, Trish and Chris, in supporting Kane in his sporting career, which saw him progress from the Yamba Buccaneers to the NSW Waratahs and onto the Australian Wallabies, and also supporting their eldest son Luke who is playing for the Gold Coast Titans and has now played 170 consecutive games of rugby league in the NRL.
- (4) Wishes Kane all the best for the rest of the Wallabies games for this season and for his continued involvement in the team.



### **Casino Beef Week Life Member Verla Hayes**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.66)

#### **CASINO BEEF WEEK LIFE MEMBER VERLA HAYES**

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Verla Hayes on being named a life member of the Casino Beef Week, only the third person to receive this honour.
- (2) Acknowledges the dedication and commitment Verla has shown, not only to Beef Week, but to numerous charity and community groups in Casino and the Richmond Valley.
- (3) Acknowledges that Verla played an instrumental role in the establishment of the Beef Week festival.



### **TAFE Awards Recipient Jamie Bradley**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.67)

## TAFE AWARDS RECIPIENT JAMIE BRADLEY

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Jamie Bradley on his achievements at the 2012 TAFE Awards.
- (2) Congratulates Jamie on being named TAFE's Student Achiever in the Transport Category and TAFE's Overall Student of the Year.
- (3) Acknowledges this is the third consecutive year that Jamie has been recognised for his dedication and commitment as a mature-aged apprentice.
- (4) Wishes Jamie continued success in the future.



## Grafton Hockey Associations

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.68)

## GRAFTON HOCKEY ASSOCIATIONS

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Grafton Hockey Association and Grafton Women's Hockey Association on an extremely successful grand final day.
- (2) Congratulates the following winning teams:
  - (a) Women's A Grade, McAuley White;
  - (b) Women's AR1, Demons Red;
  - (c) Women's AR2, Kylies Kaos;
  - (d) Women's AR3, McAuley Gold;
  - (e) Women's B Grade, Demons Tartans;
  - (f) Women's C Grade, Mixtures;



- (g) Men's A Grade, Barbarians;
  - (h) Men's B Grade, Barbarians;
  - (i) Men's C Grade, Sailors; and
  - (j) Men's C Grade Consolation, joint champions Sailors Old Boys and Royals Originals.
- (3) Congratulates Jeff Thomas on having his name added to the Legends Board for his work with junior boys hockey and especially his work in brining indoor hockey to the local area.
  - (4) Congratulates Janet Gould on being given life membership of the Grafton Hockey Association for her many years of dedicated service to the administration of hockey at both a local and a state level.
  - (5) Congratulates the Grafton Hockey Association on the quality of the facilities they provide for the hockey community.



## **Woodburn Shire Council Building 100th Anniversary**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 18/10/2012 (Article No.69)

### **WOODBURN SHIRE COUNCIL BUILDING 100TH ANNIVERSARY**

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Mid-Richmond Historical Society Museum on the celebrations to mark the 100th anniversary of the Woodburn Shire Council building on Adam Street, Coraki.
- (2) Notes the Museum's restoration of the 1914-1918 Buckendoon and Bungawalbin Honour Rolls.



## **Woodburn Orchid Show**

## WOODBURN ORCHID SHOW

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Woodburn Orchid Society on another successful orchid show.
- (2) Acknowledges the work of the society's president Ken Woods and secretary Sally Irons in the lead up to the show.
- (3) Wishes the Society all the best for the future.



## Clarence Valley Business Excellence Awards

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.57)

## CLARENCE VALLEY BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Acknowledges that the Clarence Valley Business Excellence Awards were held on 1 September 2012.
- (2) Congratulates the members of the dedicated committee who ensured the success of the Awards, including:
  - (a) Chair—Sandy Stewart,
  - (b) Deputy—Chair John Robson,
  - (c) Committee members—Dean Broughton and Helyn Davison,
  - (d) Grafton Chamber of Commerce representative—Janeen Booth,
  - (e) Yamba Chamber of Commerce representative—Lyn Watson, and

(f) Treasurer—Denene Cavanagh.



## **Tribute to Bruce Leonard**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.58)

### **TRIBUTE TO BRUCE LEONARD**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Bruce Leonard on having the Grafton Basketball Facility named in his honour.
- (2) Acknowledges the dedication and commitment Bruce has brought to the sport of basketball in Grafton and within the Clarence Valley.
- (3) Wishes Bruce many more years of involvement in the sport he loves and has been involved in for more than 60 years.



## **Lions Clubs 39th District Convention**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.59)

### **LIONS CLUBS 39TH DISTRICT CONVENTION**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the organisers of the Lions Club 39th District Convention held in Grafton.

- (2) Congratulates District Governor Deyann McDonnell and the five Lions Clubs in the Clarence Valley for their collaborative work in ensuring the success of the event.
- (3) Acknowledges the contribution that Lions Clubs make within their communities with the many projects they undertake.



### **Spar Brand Ambassador of the Year**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.60)

#### **SPAR BRAND AMBASSADOR OF THE YEAR**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Bob and Judith Little on having their Spar supermarket named Spar Brand Ambassador of the Year.
- (2) Acknowledges the strong bond Bob and Judith and their staff have forged with their community by providing the exemplary customer service, consistent standards and tailored local offers.
- (3) Wishes Bob and Judith many years of continued success.



### **Casino Show Society**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 25/10/2012 (Article No.61)

#### **CASINO SHOW SOCIETY**

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**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Casino Show Society on the success of the 122nd Annual Show, held on 12 and 13 October 2012.
- (2) Acknowledges the hard work and dedication of the president of the Show Society, Doug Bennett and the honorary secretary, Susan Serone, together with the many volunteers who put the show together.
- (3) Acknowledges the three volunteers who were awarded life membership of the Show Society, Warren and Brenda Armfield and George Parker, for their commitment to the show over many years.
- (4) Congratulates this year's Miss Show Girl Hannah Brooks and runner-up Cathy Broadrick.



### **Officer of the Order of St John William Wesslink**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.52)

#### **OFFICER OF THE ORDER OF ST JOHN WILLIAM WESSLINK**

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates William (Russ) Wesslink on being promoted to Officer of the Order of St John.
- (2) Acknowledges Russ' 36 years of service to the Clarence Valley as a volunteer with the St John Ambulance Service.



### **RSL Fifty Years Membership Award Recipient Bruce Dunn**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.53)

**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Bruce Dunn on receiving an award for his 50 years of membership in the Returned Services League.
- (2) Acknowledges Bruce Dunn's contribution during the Second World War.
- (3) Wishes Mr Dunn many more years of being able to attend ANZAC Day services.



## **Australian National Goanna Pulling Competition**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 15/11/2012 (Article No.54)

### **AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL GOANNA PULLING COMPETITION**

Page: 16954

**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the organising committee of the 2012 Australian National Goanna Pulling Competition held at Wooli, consisting of president Bruce Bird, secretary Debby Thompson and treasurer Kellie Blacksell.
- (2) Acknowledges that crowd numbers at the event increased from last year with over 1,800 people attending the event.
- (3) Acknowledges that funds raised from the gold coin donation on entry will greatly assist the work of the State Emergency Service in the community.



## **Casino Dragracing Champions**

### CASINO DRAG-RACING CHAMPIONS

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Terry Forsyth, Grant Manning, Roger Sommerfield, John Richards and Andrew Richards on being Casino Drag Races 2012 Champions for Bikes.
- (2) Congratulates the team on the fastest time of 6.44 seconds for the 1/8 mile at the Casino Drag Races.
- (3) Wishes the champions every success for 2013.



### Casino RSM Club Chairman Bill MacMahon

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.59)

### CASINO RSM CLUB CHAIRMAN BILL MACMAHON

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Bill MacMahon on being a board member of the Casino RSM Club for 36 years.
- (2) Congratulates him on being Chairman of the Board of the Casino RSM Club for 25 years.
- (3) Wishes Bill MacMahon a long and happy retirement.





## **Joan Muir, OAM, Community Service**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.60)

### **JOAN MUIR, OAM, COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Page: 17393

**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mrs Joan Muir, OAM, on having the community centre at the Clarence Village named after her.
- (2) Acknowledges the commitment provided by Mrs Muir during her more than 40 years of service on the committee and board of Clarence Village.
- (3) Wishes Mrs Muir many more years of service to the community.



## **Jacaranda Festival**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 22/11/2012 (Article No.61)

### **JACARANDA FESTIVAL**

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the Jacaranda Committee, including its executive members president Monique Morrissey, festival manager Janelle Ellem, and treasurer Marnie Henwood, as well as all of the Committee's hard working volunteers, on organising the successful 2012 Jacaranda Festival, being the seventy-eighth festival.
- (2) Congratulates Sara Filewood on being crowned Jacaranda Queen, Sharni Rouse on being crowned Holiday Princess, Jenna Atherton on being crowned Jacaranda Princess, Emma Essex on being crowned Junior Jacaranda Princess and Courtney McKew on being crowned Junior Jacaranda Queen at the festival.





## **Order of Australia Medal Recipient Elizabeth Webb**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.47)

### **ORDER OF AUSTRALIA MEDAL RECIPIENT ELIZABETH WEBB**

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Elizabeth Webb on being awarded an Order of Australia Medal in the Australia Day Honours.
- (2) Commends Mrs Webb on her tireless volunteer work and service to the Glenreagh community over many years.
- (3) Wishes Mrs Webb many more years of volunteer work.



## **Clarence Valley 2013 Australia Day Awards**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.48)

### **CLARENCE VALLEY 2013 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS**

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mrs Vois Bancroft on being named the Clarence Valley Citizen of the Year, which recognises her many years of volunteer work with numerous organisations within the Clarence Valley especially in the Lawrence area.
- (2) Congratulates Ms Bronte Beresford on being named the Clarence Valley Young Citizen of the Year, which recognises her many sporting representative achievements and her community service works.

- (3) Congratulates the Lower Clarence Community Garden Inc. on being named the Clarence Valley Community Achievement Organisation Award and acknowledges the many hours of work performed by the volunteers in providing a wonderful garden environment for the community to enjoy.
- (4) Congratulates Mr Noel Welldon on being named the Clarence Valley Local Hero which recognises the wonderful work that Noel does in assisting those less fortunate in the community.



## **Richmond Valley 2013 Australia Day Awards**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.49)

### **RICHMOND VALLEY 2013 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS**

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**Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS**—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Mrs Shirley Wheatley on being named Richmond Valley Citizen of the Year, which recognises the many years of volunteer work and community service she has provided to the Richmond Valley, especially in the Casino area.
- (2) Congratulates Ms Alice Warner on being named the Richmond Valley Young Citizen of the Year, which recognises her community service and winning the Casino Lions Youth of the Year Quest along with a number of other awards throughout the year.
- (3) Congratulates Mr Kenneth Whitton on being named the Richmond Valley Sports Person of the Year, which recognises his years involved in supporting local boxing in the Casino area.
- (4) Congratulates the Casino RSM Youth Club on being named the Richmond Valley Sports Team of the Year, which recognises the many hours of coaching and training provided in the pursuit of excellence in the sport of boxing.
- (5) Congratulates the Casino Beef Week Committee on their Beef Meets Reef @ Evans Head Event winning the Richmond Valley Community Event of the Year Award.





## South Grafton RSL Sub-Branch Anniversary

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.50)

### SOUTH GRAFTON RSL SUB-BRANCH ANNIVERSARY

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Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates the South Grafton RSL Sub-Branch on its seventy-fifth birthday in January 2013.
- (2) Acknowledges the hard work undertaken by its members in supporting the wellbeing and care of serving and ex-serving Defence Force personnel and their dependants.



## Leadership Ambassador Award Recipient Joyce Clague

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.51)

### LEADERSHIP AMBASSADOR AWARD RECIPIENT JOYCE CLAGUE

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Mr CHRIS GULAPTIS—That this House:

- (1) Congratulates Ms Joyce Clague on being awarded the 2012 Leadership Ambassador Award for her outstanding contribution to the advancement of Indigenous peoples' lives.
- (2) Acknowledges her many years of service in various executive positions on the Woolitji Co-operative, Maclean, including eight years as chairperson.
- (3) Acknowledges the many programs implemented by Ms Clague including the housing program, small crop farming operations, and education and social activity programs for members and their children.





## **Iluka Women's Bowling Club Fiftieth Anniversary**

Extract from NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard of 14/03/2013 (Article No.170)

### **ILUKA WOMEN'S BOWLING CLUB FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY**

Page: 18717

**Mr CHRISTOPHER GULAPTIS** (Clarence) [4.53 p.m.]: I congratulate the Iluka Women's Bowling Club on celebrating its fiftieth anniversary on 17 February 2013. I congratulate the past and present members of the club on their commitment to keeping the club strong over such a long period and I wish them another 50 years and more.