



Speech by

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REDLAND MUSEUM

Mr BRISKEY (Cleveland—ALP) (10.27 a.m.): It gives me great pleasure to rise today to speak about the Redland Museum in my electorate. Those who have visited the Redland Museum would be aware of the outstanding cultural experience which the museum's committee and members have worked tirelessly to achieve. Those dedicated members have been truly hardworking, and I have no doubt that the museum will continue to develop due to their commitment. That group of Redlanders have ensured that the museum has been opened for the enjoyment and interest of the public as well as contributed to its development in our community. Those involved have, for many years, achieved a great deal within the museum and the Redland community.

The Redland Museum has been operating for 27 years. It was started in 1970 and was given to the community in 1972. Some of those involved have been involved for all those 27 years. A full-time curator, Diane Moon, has been appointed to the museum for a period of six months, which will ensure that visitors to the museum will gain greater knowledge of and insights into the history of the Redlands. The museum has continued to help Queensland Rail keep the Sunlander railmotor at Normanton running through the use of their identical parts and their historic RM 74. The museum has added to the range of historical artefacts by purchasing display models and by receiving a long case clock and the Ormiston school piano. The museum has invested in the restoration of some of their valued displays, including the Good Mariners Chart. Importantly, the museum now has a blacksmith by the name of Paul Jones to operate a blacksmith shop two days per week and on two Sundays each month. Paul also demonstrated his skills as art at the Redland Show and the Strawberry Festival.

A new display called Nandeebie, which honours the Blue Nurses, is now open at the museum. The museum continues to develop and provide for the future, not only for Redlanders but for all the people of Queensland who are fortunate enough to visit it. Many members of the museum have played an active role in the Redland Shire in the past year with the composition of education materials which are now available to all schools. This will ensure the youth of the Redlands will obtain a greater depth of knowledge about our history from their excursions.

Time expired.
