



Speech by

Hon. PETER BEATTIE

MEMBER FOR BRISBANE CENTRAL

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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Queensland Week

Hon. PD BEATTIE (Brisbane Central—ALP) (Premier and Minister for Trade) (9.37 am): After last night's win by the mighty Maroons, it is great to be a Queenslander. During Queensland Week from 3 to 10 June we will have a chance to embrace all of those things that make Queensland such a wonderful place to live, and I seek leave to incorporate the details of that event in *Hansard*.

Leave granted.

I encourage everyone to celebrate Queensland Week by "Wearing Maroon with Pride", attending a Queensland Week event or holding their own event.

There are already more than 100 events and activities to choose from during the week.

The week's celebrations start with the announcement of the Queensland Greats Awards, followed by the announcement of the Suncorp Queenslander of the Year and Suncorp Young Queenslander of the Year Awards.

Then on 6 June, we celebrate the 148th birthday of Queensland as a self governing State.

Queensland Week winds up with the Big Queensland BBQ to be held at Roma Street Parkland on Sunday 10 June.

The Queensland Week Citizenship Ceremony will also be held on 10 June when 550 people will be sworn in as Australian citizens.

I encourage you all to wear maroon with pride and join in the fun and celebrations.