



MEMBER FOR BUNDAMBA

Hansard Tuesday, 30 October 2012

BUNDAMBA ELECTORATE, EVENTS

Mrs MILLER (Bundamba—ALP) (10.03 pm): It is always my great pleasure as the member for Bundamba to attend and support great community events and school awards nights. They both showcase the diversity and talent of our community, and the last few weeks have been very busy—even busier than usual. Springfield is a growing part of my electorate serviced by great state facilities delivered under the previous Labor government such as the great state schools, the Springfield Lakes Community Centre and of course the much anticipated Springfield railway.

Mr Stevens: A big function in Springfield tonight. You weren't invited. I was invited.

Mrs MILLER: I am here doing my job as the member for Bundamba. Last Sunday it was my great pleasure to join Maha Sinnathamby, Bob Sharpless and the community in celebrating 20 years at the Robelle Domain Parklands. Thousands of local residents flocked to the entertainment and the community spirit flowed through the parklands. It is another local project which received the support of the previous Labor government and, may I say, no support from the LNP government. It sent a minister out there, Minister Crisafulli, who came with empty pockets. There was no money whatsoever for the next stage of the Robelle Domain. Not to be forgotten is the Jacaranda Festival in Goodna. This annual festival is always something that local residents start getting ready for when the flowers start to bloom. The events involve local schools and community groups and has talent quests, performances from artists, rides, stalls and great fireworks displays.

Another way that I see the creativity, dedication and talents of our young people is through our school awards nights. Bundamba State Secondary College has been going great guns through a succession of great school leadership and staff and the utilisation of the fantastic school facilities delivered under our previous Labor government. I was recently pleased to accept their invitation to assist in handing out awards to the fantastic students there. The results speak for themselves with the mature, dedicated and successful students of whom Andrew Peach, the principal, is very proud—and rightly so.

Also, last night the Westside Christian College held its awards night. Steve attended on my behalf. It was great to hear how wonderful and heart warming it was. I usually hand out the community awards at the school. I am always stunned by the dedication and Christian compassion shown by the students. The principal, Chris Meadows, and his team of dedicated staff do an outstanding job.

Whilst we are talking about Springfield, let me just say that the Springfield Lakes Community Centre, which was built and delivered by our Labor government, is going to be hypocritically opened by the minister for community services. She is going to turn up there with one of the parliamentary secretaries, making out that it was an LNP initiative. Let me tell you: anything that has happened in Springfield was funded and built by a Labor government.