



Speech By Michael Crandon

MEMBER FOR COOMERA

ADJOURNMENT

Coomera State School, Remembrance Day 2012

Mr CRANDON (Coomera—LNP) (9.52 pm): As Anzac Day 2013 is just eight days away, I want to bring to the attention of members a very special Remembrance Day 2012 event in the state electorate of Coomera. Coomera State School, in its 140th year, unveiled a plaque to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice. The pine trees at Coomera State School were planted in commemoration of these young men who were schooled in the Coomera area. The names of these men who gave their lives in the First World War were JWB Barr, E Beattie, G Beattie, SK Bignell, C Bourne, C Connor, F Curtis, R Howard, E Jenyns, S Lane, SJ Lane, W Lergessner, A Rathbone, G Shirley, EJ Thacker, A Tighe and FN Wilson. Those in the Second World War who made the ultimate sacrifice were SR Bignell, W Bignell, JJ Fletcher, HF Friske, V Heuston, AJ Kronledge, A Lane, RC McLean, WD Osbourne, RR Trotter, A West, and CB Young. The inscription on the plaque reads 'Lest we forget. With deep respect and appreciation. Students and staff of Coomera State School. Plaque laid on Remembrance Day 2012. Trees planted on an Arbor Day after World War I. Supported by the North Gold Coast RSL sub branch'—of which I am a proud member—'and the Department of Veterans Affairs. Saluting their service.' Those who are remembered are past students of 70 to 100 years ago. With your permission, Madam Speaker, I would like to recite the ode—

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them.