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## ADJOURNMENT

### Coomera Electorate, Events

 **Mr CRANDON** (Coomera—LNP) (11.37 pm): Much is happening in the Coomera electorate, where heaven meets earth. I had the pleasure of representing the Minister for National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing at the launch of the memorandum of understanding between Gold Coast City Council and the Queensland government at Ormeau Woods State High School last week. Simply put, it is a Community Use of Schools program, a collaborative approach to meet the sport and recreation needs of our schools and the wider Gold Coast community.

The partnership aims to maximise the use of current facilities, avoid duplication of facilities and improve ongoing sustainability of sport and recreation resources. With funding of \$20,000 from Councillor Donna Gates and a state government grant of \$75,000, Ormeau Woods State High School now has the auxiliary infrastructure to run a full athletics program. The funding has allowed for planning to commence for a Little Athletics centre and a centre of excellence in athletics, with assistance from Glynis Nunn-Cearns OAM. The partnership benefits all parties but, most importantly, our children, who now have increased opportunities to participate in sport and enhance their sporting skills.

The 26th annual Sanctuary Cove International Boat Show opens this Thursday, showcasing the best in boating, marine and lifestyle, catering to everyone from boaties on a budget to big dreamers, big spenders and families looking for a fun-filled day out. A stellar entertainment line-up and child-friendly activities will form part of the show's program, along with Women on Water activities, TV star spotting, cooking presentations, roving entertainment and much more. There are more than 300 exhibitors on display and a great entertainment line-up. There will be a wide range of products, including marine technology, trailer boats, jet skis and, of course, the glamorous boats on the marina. There is much more happening this coming weekend.

If honourable members are not into boating, how about dropping in to the Jacobs Well Village Arts by the Sea Festival from Friday to Sunday? On Friday we have the Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea at the Jacobs Well Community Hall as well as the official Jacobs Well Historical Book Launch at Harrigans Drift Inn. On Saturday, on the village green we have arts and craft markets, street performers, local artists, and much more as well as eighties band Back to the Future. On Sunday at Harrigans Drift Inn will be Rhythm of the Bay Festival, featuring Casey Barnes and Lisa Hunt and the Forever Soul Band. That is a free event.

On Saturday morning at 9.30 we also have the official opening of the new Coomera Crushers Rugby Union Club clubhouse after many months of hard work. I will be representing the Minister for National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing in conducting the official opening.

There is no doubt that there is much happening in the state seat of Coomera, the fastest growing electorate in Queensland. With 28 per cent growth over the past five years and five new schools in five years and two more opening in 2015, we are renowned as the adrenalin capital of Australia.