



Speech By  
**Hon. Cameron Dick**


**MEMBER FOR WOODRIDGE**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**Woodridge Electorate**

 **Hon. CR DICK** (Woodridge—ALP) (Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services) (6.44 pm): The electorate of Woodridge was humming with activity on Saturday, 17 October and I had the pleasure of attending multiple events in our community. These included the Logan Brothers Rugby League presentation day, the official opening of the Logan mosque, celebrating Prachum Benda, or Ancestors' Day, with the Cambodian Khmer community and attending the Egyptian Coptic Christian community's Taste of Egypt Festival with the member for Stretton.

The mighty Logan Brothers have had an absolutely stellar year producing premiership winning teams in the under-11s, under-12s, under-13s, under-14s, under-15s and under-16s. The under-18s team also made the finals for the first time in many years. I was fortunate enough to sponsor and present the trophies to the under-6s who put in a mighty effort during the season. I am sure those players will represent Queensland in the coming decades. I want to encourage the work and dedication of the Logan Brothers president, Mat Mead, whose dedication and commitment in building and growing the club is evident. I also want to acknowledge secretary Christine Blackwell and committee members like Fred Sanderson, as well as Logan Brothers Old Boys like Brian Roberts for the work they do to keep the club vibrant and strong.

Logan Brothers is strongly represented throughout the NRL, including players like Cameron Smith, Corey Parker and Antonio Winterstein, who are all forging careers with major clubs. Indeed, former Logan Brothers players were a key part of the all-Queensland grand final just a few weeks ago with brilliant performances by Corey Parker for the Brisbane Broncos and Antonio Winterstein for the North Queensland Cowboys. I doubt there is another Queensland junior Rugby League club that has produced players for both grand final teams and I challenge all honourable members to prove me wrong.

I then attended the opening of the new Logan mosque at Slacks Creek which was a significant day for the community. I presented a commemorative poem to Dr Mohammed Hossain, chairperson of the Australian Unity Centre; Imam Akram Buksh, Imam of the centre; and Abdel Shamim Khan, secretary of the centre—all of whom play a key role in the Logan Muslim community.

I also attended the Khmer Buddhist Society of Queensland's Prachum Benda, or Ancestors' Day. This was an extremely special day where I was able to witness outstanding traditional Khmer dancing. I want to acknowledge and thank Sovannary Uk for all the work he does in supporting the community and organising and promoting these important events.

I finished the day at the Taste of Egypt Festival in Calamvale with the member for Stretton. This event was organised by the Egyptian Coptic Christian Church community with a key role played by Odette Tewfik. I thank Odette for the work she does to make our community a better place. Saturday, 17 October was a special day because in a single day it demonstrated the vibrancy, diversity and unity of the Woodridge electorate.