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## ADJOURNMENT

### Dayboro Day Festival

 **Ms BOYD** (Pine Rivers—ALP) (11.27 pm): Once every year on the last Sunday of May the rural gem of Pine Rivers electorate, Dayboro, comes alive with thousands of visitors and puts on a great show to demonstrate what Dayboro is all about. It is the Dayboro Day Festival and Antique Fair. It really demonstrates what it is that makes Dayboro great. This year, Dayboro Day was another ratings success thanks to the wonderful work that the progress society and organising committee puts in. Dayboro and the surrounding suburbs have a fantastic sense of community spirit and volunteerism that keeps this event thriving and going from strength to strength, year on year.

This sense of community and volunteerism is on display for all to see with many community groups such as the Dayboro First Responders Group and the Rural Fire Brigades in Dayboro, Clear Mountain, Ocean View and Samsonvale to name only a few. For the House's benefit, during Dayboro Day the main street is cordoned off and comes alive with a vibrant street parade, a mix of stalls and shops, community organisations and groups that line the streets, adjoining parks and spaces. At the showground precinct there is the antiques and collectable stores. One of the highlights was the waterless raft race where five local community groups 'printed' down the street. Entrants built their raft crafts so they could race within that craft, and the Dayboro Lions Club had an entry named 'Priscilla'. They came to compete with their members dressed up in dresses with sequins and fabulous wigs. There was even the famous thong dress from the movie 'Priscilla' to go with the oversized eyelashes and the lips on the craft decorating it.

The Dayboro Day Festival awards are coveted community awards that acknowledge the dedication and commitment from local activists who go above and beyond. It was my pleasure to award the Young Achiever Award to Brent Steffensen, who has been actively involved in the Dayboro State School, the Scouts and the Lions. The Residents of the Year Award had joint recipients this year. Mark Rushton, whose daughter Millie received the award on his behalf, received the award for his work with the Dayboro Day, the show, the rodeo, Clean Up Australia Day and the flood clean-up effort. The other recipient was Errol Brough. He received his award for being a founding member of the Dayboro Trail Riders Club, for his work with the Dayboro Show Society over more than 26 years and for his involvement with the Dayboro Players. I also want to acknowledge Debbie Law, who picked up the Business Recognition Award for her work with a little cafe named Rendezvous, which is a fantastic cafe and bookstore in William Street that is nine years old.

I want to congratulate the organising committee, particularly Mark and Maria Hansen and Lexie Bell, who are stepping down from their roles after a very long time involved in Dayboro Day organisation and coordination. I want to pay a special tribute to them for their longstanding efforts in making Dayboro Day such a success for the community.