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 **Mr BLEIJIE** (Kawana—LNP) (7.30 pm): It is an honour to represent the people of Kawana in my 10th year now since being elected in 2009. Kawana is a happening place. There is lots happening. Businesses are opening. There are great people and great community groups right around Kawana. A couple of weeks ago I stood out the front with the Buddina P&C president and we talked about how hot the classrooms were in the temperatures we had had. It is beyond time for the state government to air-condition every state school classroom in Queensland. The time for talk is over. It is time for action. Every state school classroom should be air conditioned. With the government's announcement two weeks ago of \$100 million being rolled out, many schools miss out. It is time for a little less conversation and more action in this regard. That is why we are campaigning for air conditioning in all state schools.

Congratulations to Kawana Surf Life Saving Club. The lifesavers are out on patrol with their new Jarrod Bleijie marquees. They looked great on the beach on the weekend—as did the marquees! It is all going spectacularly for the lifesavers. The Kawana Surf Life Saving Club looks after one of the longest stretches of beach in Queensland—over seven kilometres of beach—and they do a fantastic job. I wish them luck for the upcoming season.

There was going to be a severe impact on craft brewers as a result of the state Labor government's beer tax, including on Your Mates Brewery. Your Mates Brewery is the fantastic story of a couple of guys, Heppy and McGarry, who went on *Shark Tank* and now have Your Mates Brewery. They make a couple of beers: the famous Larry, which is a great drink and recently they released Sally. They say about Sally that it is a botanical beauty, strong, wild and free. They could have named it after my wife. They didn't but they should have. Congratulations to those boys. Unfortunately they were going to be hit with a \$5,000 increase—a 900 per cent increase—with Labor's tax but because of the efforts of the craft brewery industry the Labor government caved in to the pressure and reduced it. It is still an unacceptable increase in taxation from this tax loving government. Labor taxes; they love it. It will not be as much as it was going to be.

I also congratulate Michelle and Ian of Malt Shovel Taphouse in Birtinya. Hello Harry has opened recently as well. The Malt Shovel Taphouse will also have NightQuarter on the Sunshine Coast which we stole from the Gold Coast—Hooray for the Sunshine Coast! It is going to be excellent. I went to the opening night. I congratulate Ian and Michelle for investing in the Sunshine Coast and the Kawana electorate. We are a great electorate—the best place to live in all of Queensland.