




Speech By
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Algester Electorate, Sports Clubs

 **Hon. LM ENOCH** (Algester—ALP) (Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef, Minister for Science and Minister for the Arts) (7.22 pm): In reflecting on the speech of the member for Mirani, I look forward to his support for the upcoming reef regulations to be debated in the House. The Algester electorate is home to some outstanding sports clubs that are led by truly incredible volunteers. Last month at Parliament House I hosted sports clubs from my electorate of Algester at a barbecue with the sports minister, Minister Mick de Brenni, who spoke about the Palaszczuk government's 10-year vision for sport in this state, Activate Queensland. As part of Activate Queensland, we want to see community sporting facilities thrive to create a more active and healthier Queensland that is equitable for all, regardless of age, ability or location. The sports clubs in my electorate of Algester are pleased to see a government taking the initiative on something that is so important in our community. This evening I want to share with the House a little about some of those sports clubs.

Thanks to the great work of Melissa McCusker and Robert Donald, by the end of their first season last year the Algester Swimming Club had over 50 registered members and they continue to exceed expectations. The Calamvale Leopards AFL Club have had a successful season with the under-12s and under-17s playing in the grand final this weekend, both against Coorparoo. I wish them all the very best. I congratulate the club leadership of Karen Arnold, Chris Arnold, Robyn Malouf and Darren Tsimpkas and thank them for all their hard work.

I am also fortunate to have two Little Athletics clubs in my electorate, which provide children with an opportunity to be fit and active. Recently I visited the Algester Little Athletics for their sign-on day. It was great to see many local families getting active in our local area. They do an outstanding job, supporting local children and the local community with their activities.

At Parliament House I had the opportunity to catch up with the Browns Plains Little Athletics, led by their amazing team of Charlotte Halvorsen, Chris Williams, Alana Capner, Jacque Mills, Tish Hatchman, Natalie Boon and Kylie Slater. It was also great to hear about the work being done by Michelle Jones and Litará Tolu from Cannons Southside Basketball Club; Edward Dimmack and Catherine Tucker from Logan City Speed Skating; Kelby Miller from Logan City BMX; Keith Fullerton and Peter Marcovick from Ice Skating Queensland; Blair Ivens and Phillipa Perlin from Ice Hockey Queensland; and Jason Mahoney from Southern Stars Ice Hockey Club.

As members can see from that long list, there are some diverse sporting clubs in my electorate. That is just a snapshot of the many sports clubs in my electorate, led by volunteers. The Palaszczuk government is committed to supporting them through Activate Queensland.