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 **Ms PUGH** (Mount Ommaney—ALP) (7.15 pm): As we heard in parliament this morning, we have recently had a game-changing announcement for Queensland's sports clubs which were impacted by the terrible February flooding and weather events. The funding for this program is fifty-fifty between the state and federal governments. As I have mentioned before in the House, my community was terribly impacted—in particular, my sports and clubhouses—by the flooding events in February so we are really excited about this funding. There is over \$2 million for Mount Ommaney community clubs. I recently announced some of the larger community gambling grants for some of my flood-affected clubs. Those grants were up to \$100,000. However, as I said, there is another \$2.2 million on the table to fix our community clubs. It is a huge list, and I now have two minutes left in my speech so I will get into that list.

There is \$274,000 for the Carrington Boating Club. This is a lovely little club nestled down by the river. The idea of the club is to provide an affordable option for everybody to participate in boating so it is accessible for everybody. I know they will use those funds wisely. There is another \$61,000 for the Corinda pony club, on top of the community gambling grant they received a few weeks ago. Their club was completely decimated by the floods so every dollar is going to help. A lot of their gear was washed away and floated down the street.

There is a fantastic \$686,000 for the Jindalee Bowls Club. This is the premier venue for seniors morning teas in my electorate so we need that venue back. This will go a long way to helping with that. There is \$220,000 for the brilliant Jindalee Jags. These guys host the Centenary Little Athletics so that will be important. This facility is used year-round and is also used by Jindalee State School every Friday. We need those fields to be as good as they can be, and there is money to rebuild the clubhouse as well. There is \$302,000 for the Oxley Bowls Club. They host community events every year. They do Queensland Day and Australia Day citizenship ceremonies. They also did a Diwali in Oxley a while ago which was fantastic.

An honourable member: A great club.

Ms PUGH: I take that interjection. There is \$446,000 for the Centenary Rowing Club. I was privileged to visit this club over the weekend and share the good news about this funding in person, alongside the federal member, Milton Dick. There is \$100,000 for the Centenary Stormers to resurface their fields. There is \$100,000 for the Oxley United playing fields. For the interest of members, that is the oldest soccer club in Queensland, founded over 100 years ago. Finally, there is \$100,000 for St Cats. This fantastic soccer club will host our annual Christmas carols this weekend. For my community, this is Christmas come early.