

## Question on Notice

No. 716

Asked on Wednesday, 16 October 2013

**MR STEVENS** asked the Minister for Transport and Main Roads (MR EMERSON)—

### QUESTION:

Will the Minister outline what support the State Government provides to 'Driver Reviver' stops in Queensland and will the hours of these stops be extended over holiday periods?

### ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Mermaid Beach for the question.

Driver Reviver is a community-based road safety initiative of the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) and Queensland Police Service (QPS).

The program began in Queensland in 1990 and approximately 182,000 people annually visit one of 33 sites in Queensland. The program operates during school holidays and public holiday periods.

"Driver Reviver sites play an important role in promoting safer driving habits among long distance drivers, and helping motorists to arrive safely at their destinations."

Motorists are encouraged to stop at rest stops throughout the state and enjoy complimentary tea or coffee and a snack provided by the program's national sponsor, Bushells Tea.

TMR Regional Road Safety officers work with volunteer organisations to source volunteers to operate sites. Driver Reviver operating sites, dates and times are dependant on the number of volunteers required to operate each site.

Core times of operation cannot be extended unless there are sufficient volunteers available. Variations to core times of operation may be impacted due to the number of volunteers available or adverse weather conditions.

The Driver Reviver timetable is uploaded to the TMR website [www.tmr.qld.gov.au](http://www.tmr.qld.gov.au) approximately six weeks prior to the commencement of each seasonal campaign.

Information includes the operating sites, dates and times of all Driver Reviver sites throughout Queensland.