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TASMANIAN CRAFT FAIR
Notice of Motion – Parliament of Tasmania

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Mr Guy Barnett MP [*Member for Lyons*] to move—That the House:—

- (1) Recognises that the 34th annual Tasmanian Craft Fair was held over the weekend just past from Friday, 31 October 2014 to Monday, 3 November;
- (2) Notes that this annual event—Australia’s largest working arts and crafts fair—provides an opportunity for artists and craftsmen and women from across Tasmania, the mainland states and overseas to showcase their work and art across the artistic and artisan spectrum with a special focus in this year’s Fair being on handcrafted musical instruments;
- (3) Further notes that this event, now held in multiple venues across the picturesque town of Deloraine in the Meander Valley, regularly attracts more than 220 stallholders and more than 25 000 visitors from across the state and overseas making an important economic and social contribution to the region;
- (4) Commends this year’s special award winners including:
 - a. Emily Snadden, the Premier’s Award for Excellence
 - b. Greg Ash, Crafts Arts International Award – Artistic Excellence
 - c. Daryl Bilney, Working Exhibit Award
 - d. Chris Mitchell, Stand Presentation Award
 - e. Tamika Bannister, First Time Exhibiter Award
 - f. Anne Dechaineux, Provedores Award
- (5) Acknowledges the hard work and commitment of the Rotary Club of Deloraine in again organising this event and the efforts of the more than 1 000 volunteers from community organisations such as Apex, the Lions and local churches who help make this great event happen;
- (6) Commends the organising team for the re-investment of the Craft Fair proceeds—more than \$2 million now—back into the community over the years with projects ranging from aged care facilities and Learn to Swim schools to scholarship funds and public health benefiting.

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