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Guy Barnett, Liberal Member for Lyons

Great Lakes community catering to the world

As a passionate fly fisherman and long-time supporter of our world class fishing facilities within the Tasmania's Central Highlands, I was pleased to visit the Great Lake Community Centre to see firsthand the new oven and two new bbqs bought with a \$6,050 grant from the Hodgman Liberal Government.

These new additions will be put to great use catering for community events including next weekend's Miena Bushfire Thank You event and the World Fly Fishing Championships held in November/December this year.

The 2019 World Fly Fishing Championships will put Tasmania's Central Highlands on show to the rest of the world, with three of five events held across this magnificent region.

The Government is committed to sustainably developing our world class trout fishery that supports rural businesses and communities, and regional jobs by attracting more than 26,000 licensed anglers annually, including more than 5,000 interstate and overseas anglers.

Our Tasmanian Inland Recreational Fishery Management Plan 2018-28 outlines measures to increase participation locally and from tourism markets, and balances the needs for individual fishery management at key lakes and rivers and standardising fishing regulations.

We are committed to working with local communities and ensuring that all Tasmanians can share in the benefit of a strong economy and tourism boom, and we are on track to achieve our target for 70% of all visitors to stay overnight in regional areas during their trip to Tasmania by 2022.