

MAGRA COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION 55TH ANNIVERSARY Notice of Motion

26 June 2014

176 Mr Barnett to move—That the House:—

- (1) Recognises that 4 June 2014 was the 55th anniversary of the founding of the Magra Country Women's Association (CWA) branch in 1959.
- (2) Notes that Magra CWA was the 15th branch to be founded in the Derwent Group of the Tasmanian Country Women's Association and has been an integral part of the Derwent Valley community ever since.
- (3) Acknowledges the tremendous service provided to the regional community by Magra CWA, service that includes holding fundraisers to support worthy causes, cooking for the local Meals on Wheels, knitting clothes for premature babies, providing meals to those affected by bushfires—including the terrible firestorm of 1967, hosting regular Soup Days and Christmas lunches, starting a 'Learn to Swim and Water Awareness' program for 5-9 year olds that is still running, supporting fundraising events to assist the Derwent Valley Concert Band in their interstate and overseas trips, catering for weddings and Christmas lunches and donating funds raised to St Vincent de Paul and a local church to purchase Christmas gifts for the underprivileged.
- (4) Notes that without the service of organisations such as Magra CWA, our regional communities would be all the poorer and that such groups are the backbone of our towns.
- (5) Thanks and congratulates all members of Magra CWA for their unstinting generosity and sacrificial service in the Derwent Valley.
- (6) Notes the words of present members of Magra CWA that they are 'a group of proud ladies working tirelessly for the community and hope to do so for many years to come' and wholeheartedly wish them every success in their future endeavours.
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