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TREASURER ADDRESSES LOCAL BUSINESSES AND COUNCILS

NSW Treasurer the Hon Gladys Berejiklian MP addressed local businesses and Councils on the 2016/17 Budget. Minister Berejiklian highlighted the budget surplus of \$3.7 billion, the \$73.3 billion infrastructure spending and the States triple A rating.

Camden has seen major road upgrades such as Camden Valley Way, The Northern Road and Narellan Road to cater for the residential developments and the expected increase in our population to 250,000 over the next two decades.

Camden Council is overseeing developments in Oran Park, Gregory Hills, Gledswood Hills, Elderslie, Spring Farm, Catherine Field and Harrington Grove.

Photo: Chris with NSW Treasurer the Hon Gladys Berejiklian MP and Camden Councillor Therese Fedeli



Photo: Chris with Local School Leaders, NSW Treasurer the Hon Gladys Berejiklian MP and Narellan Chamber of Commerce President Adriana Care.



NSW LEADING THE NATION



The NSW 2016-17 Budget checklist

- ✓ **Budget surplus**
\$3.7billion in 2016-17
- ✓ **Net debt**
Virtually zero
- ✓ **Credit rating**
Triple-A
- ✓ **Infrastructure spending**
Record \$73.3B over forwards
- ✓ **Services spending**
Record \$73.3B in 2016-17
- ✓ **Housing supply**
70,000 annual approvals
- ✓ **Consumer confidence**
104.8 nation's strongest
- ✓ **Business investment growth**
Only state in positive territory
- ✓ **Demand growth**
3.9% nation's strongest

\$50,000 FOR LOCAL SPORT

Local sporting groups received funding through the 2016 Local Sport Grant Program. The main aim of this program is to increase regular and ongoing participation opportunities in sport and active recreation in NSW.

Bringelly Netball Club

\$5000

Assistance for Rep Players

Mt Annan Swimming Club

\$10647

Purchase of timing equipment

Camden Rugby Union Club

\$6653

Clubhouse Infrastructure

Oran Park Cricket Club

\$4600

Purchase of equipment

Camden & District Netball

\$2000

Training & Development

Campbelltown City Hockey

\$5400

Training & equipment

Camden Red Sox Baseball Club

\$2000

Purchase of equipment

Camden Equitation Club

\$6000

Purchase dressage arenas

Camden Cricket Club

\$5000

Purchase of equipment

Metropolitan South West Hockey

\$2700

Assist in hosting State Championships



THANK YOU TO OUR LOCAL SES TEAM AND COUNCIL STAFF DURING OUR JUNE FLOODS

I would like to thank the local SES and Camden Council staff for their outstanding response to the major rain event experienced in June. Camden and Picton suffered significant damage from the flood caused by unrelenting rain over a 48 hour period. The SES and Council staff were on hand to assist businesses and residents who were affected by the inundation of water. Our local Camden SES officers also assisted at Picton. Camden Council held a thank you lunch for the volunteers who gave their time to assist throughout the Camden LGA.



Photo: Camden Council Mayor Cr Lara Symkowiak and Chris with volunteers

CAMDEN FIRE BRIGADE CELEBRATES 100 YEARS

The Camden Fire Brigade celebrated 100 years of service to the Camden community. After a major fire in the Whiteman's building in 1878 the Camden community decided there was a need to establish a fire brigade. Early in the 1900's a building was purchased for £350 pound and it cost £329 pound to re-fit the old Temperance Hall which now houses the Narellan Library and the Camden Historical Society. In 1993 the Brigade moved to their current premises in Macarthur Road.

Photo: Camden Captain Daniel Coles, Fire and Rescue NSW Commissioner Greg Mullins AFSM, Chris and Camden Deputy Captain Joel Kursawe and the Camden Public School Choir



LOCAL SCHOOL RECEIVES MAJOR ENVIRONMENT AWARD

Narellan Vale Public School received the coveted Eco-Schools Australia Silver Award. Narellan Vale Public School has dedicated a whole section on their school web page to "Going Green." The school is very proactive in the responsibilities of recycling, reusing, reducing and refusing waste. Narellan Vale Public School is the second school in Australia to receive the award. Congratulations to the school and it's Eco Committee for their efforts.

Photo: Presentation of the award at the school assembly with Chris and Camden Councillor Cr Therese Fedeli



LOCAL BUSINESSES FIGHTING FOR A CAUSE

The annual Corporate Clash in Macarthur was held to raise funds for the Cure Brain Cancer Foundation. This was the 3rd year the event was held and the event has raised over \$325,000 for the Cure Brain Cancer Foundation in the past 3 years. What was once a mere thought bubble has now become a not to be missed charity night. The aim of the Foundation is to increase five-year survival of brain cancer from the current 20 percent to 50 percent by 2023. Funds raised with events such as the Corporate Clash in Macarthur are needed to enable vital research to continue.

For more information go to www.curebraincancer.org.au

Photo: Organisers, competitors and supporters at the event



PLANNING UNDERWAY FOR SPRING FARM LINK ROAD

\$30m has been allocated in the 2016/17 NSW Budget for the planning and scoping of the Spring Farm Link Road. The road will run from Liz Kernohan Drive at Spring Farm to the M31 (Hume Highway) at Menangle. When the road is completed it will give residents direct access to the M31.

Photo: Chris with resident Ben von Wortburg at Liz Kernohan Drive



MINISTER BARILARO OPENS BUSINESS COLLEGE CAMPUS

The Hon John Barilaro MP, Minister for Regional Development, Skills and Small Business opened the Australian Careers Business College (ACBC) in Liverpool. The college is a four-level state of the art campus. The college will also offer a new Diploma of Sport Development and is now accepting enrolments for 2017. ACBC has had 20 years of success in the field of education and the opening of their new campus will give further opportunities in the Liverpool and Macarthur regions.

Photo: The Hon John Barilaro MP with Anne Elisha CEO of ACBC



ATTORNEY-GENERAL CELEBRATES LOCAL JP 50 YEAR SERVICE

NSW Attorney-General the Hon Gabriel Upton MP presented Mr Keith Smith a certificate recognising his service to our community as a Justice of Peace for the past 50 years. I congratulate and thank Mr Smith on his 50 years of service.

For further information on how to become a JP go to:
www.jp.nsw.gov.au

Photo: Attorney-General the Hon Gabriel Upton MP, Mr Keith Smith, Mrs Marjorie Smith, Mr & Mrs Canard and Chris



MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADDRESSES MARSDENS CONFERENCE

The Hon Paul Toole MP, Minister for Local Government recently addressed the Marsdens Local Government Conference. The annual Conference, hosted by Marsden's Law Group, gives NSW Councils and businesses the opportunity to workshop issues regarding development, planning and the environment.

Photo: Ron Moore General Manager Camden Council, Jim Marsden OAM, NSW Minister for Local Government the Hon Paul Toole MP, Luke Johnson General Manager Wollondilly Council, Lindy Deitz General Manager Campbelltown City Council and Chris



LAUNCH OF PILOT PROGRAM FOR STROKE VICTIMS

With the assistance of a Camden Council Small Grant, the Camden Stroke Recovery Club launched a pilot program for stroke patients at Camden Hospital. The grant enabled the Club to purchase and donate equipment for Camden Hospital inpatients to use during their hospital stay. This included 5 ipads, 10 portable DVD players and iTune cards. Camden Library also assisted with the donation of 700 DVDs,



CDs and talking books and free access to library services. For further information regarding the Camden Stroke Recovery Club contact: dcrooks9@bigpond.net.au

Photo: Alison Derrett – General Manager, Camden and Campbelltown Hospitals, Katja Schwerin – Operational Nurse Manager, Camden Hospital, Erin Chaplin – Social Worker, Camden and Campbelltown Hospitals, Carmel Thorn – Coordinator, EnableMe, Strokefoundation, Angela Firtko – Clinical Nurse Consultant Stroke Services SWSLHD, Linda Glanfield – Member, Board of Directors, NSW Stroke Recovery Association, Christine and David Crooks and David Napier – Camden Stroke Recovery Club and Chris

CAMDEN ROTARY RELAY FOR LIFE SEPTEMBER 17 - 18 2016

Join Camden Rotary for the 2016 RELAY FOR LIFE September 17 from 9.30am to 10am on September 18 at the Camden Showground. Relay for Life is an overnight experience that raises vital funds for the Cancer Council's research, prevention, information and support services.

The event gives the local community the opportunity to come together to meet and have fun while raising much needed funds.

For further information go to:
www.camdenrotary.org.au

Photo: Chris with Camden Rotary Secretary Aneek Mollah



LOCAL ABORIGINAL STUDENT OF THE YEAR

Elderslie High School Student, Anikka Pike has been awarded the Local Aboriginal Student of the Year Award. Anikka proudly leads her school by volunteering to do the Acknowledgment of Country at school assemblies, volunteering in the school stage crew and increasing her involvement in our Aboriginal community. Anikka is a credit to her local culture.

Photo: Anikka Pike with Chris



COUNTRY V CITY SOCCER

The annual Macarthur Football Association Country V City Soccer match was held in July. Both games were hard fought with the City Ladies defeating Country 4 - 2 in penalty shoot-out after 1 all at full time. City Mens team defeated Country 1 - 0.

Photo: Chris with the Camden Council Mayor Cr Lara Symkowiak and the Men's City Team



SHARE THE DIGNITY

Share the Dignity provides homeless and at risk women with sanitary products to enable them to have a sense of dignity. A donation drive will be held in August/September 2016 and my office will be a collection point for anyone who wishes to donation items. Please feel free to bring in any donations to my office from Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm.

For further information go to:
www.sharethedignity.com.au

Photo: Chris with Aneek Mollah of Blooms Pharmacy



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