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TEENAGE ADVENTURE CAMP QUEENSLAND; KIRRA SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

 **Mrs STUCKEY** (Currumbin—LNP) (2.43 pm): In the final week of June I was delighted to attend the annual Teenage Adventure Camp Queensland—TAC-Q—which was held at Currumbin. This week-long camp offers teenagers with life-threatening and debilitating diseases the chance to have some fun in a safe and organised environment. The camps have been running at Currumbin since 1995, with this year's organiser, David Cameron, providing an unforgettable experience for the 26 campers as well as the 23 volunteer carers. Campers came from as far north as Cairns and Proserpine and as far south as Ballarat in Victoria to take part in the week of fun. Highlights included a wheelchair disco, helicopter flights, Harley-Davidson rides and a trip to Jupiters casino to watch the live show *Stomp*.

As the patron of TAC-Q, the highlight of the camp is always the final dinner, held on the last night of the camp where you can see how the campers have grown and developed over the week, challenging themselves beyond their known abilities and you witness the beaming smiles on each of their faces. I give many thanks to David Cameron and his team.

I also wish to congratulate the Kirra Surf Life Saving Club, which was this year's winner of the Point Danger branch Patrol Club of the Year and recipient of my annual donation of a new surf rescue board. Each year, the winner of the Point Danger Patrol Club of the Year is determined using a point-score system, with the Kirra Surf Life Saving Club coming out on top with 843 points—over 70 points ahead of their nearest competing club. Surf-lifesaving has a deep history in Currumbin and it is an integral part of the community. Of the 11 clubs in the Point Danger branch, eight are situated in the Currumbin electorate. Together over the past 12 months those 11 clubs within the Point Danger branch performed 288 rescues, 6,550 warnings and 2,360 first-aid treatments, with no lives lost between the flags. I salute them all.

Our surf clubs are filled with hardworking, dedicated lifesavers and volunteers who put in hundreds of hours on patrol, providing an invaluable service to the many tourists and locals who flock to our beaches all year round, particularly at Currumbin.