



PARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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Community Recognition Statement

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CALLAGHAN DISTRICT NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Ms SONIA HORNERY (Wallsend) :

Everyone should be able to participate in sport and physical activity in a welcoming and inclusive way – regardless of gender, sexual orientation, ability, cultural background, ethnicity, location or life stage.

The Callaghan District Netball Association and IMB Bank Community Foundation have partnered together to organise a free new inclusive netball program. They recently held the first of eight sessions targeted at disadvantaged youth.

The sessions addressed inequality in sport, and physical and mental health among local youth.

Some kids struggle to find a safe place to socialise and be active and are often excluded based on their gender or background – but feel welcome with this program.

The support from IMB's Community Foundation covered costs and equipment and has allowed the Club to run more netball skills clinics, umpiring courses, and physical and mental health lifestyle programs.

Congratulations to all involved in setting up the program including Cherie Aoake Puru, Renee Ridgeway, Bronwyn Vosilla, Shane Vosilla, Sonia Leong, Suzanne Gillett, Jason Gillett, Allira Clemente, Nicole Liva, Emma Redgrove, Corinna Robertson, Helen Forde, Emily Trembath, Sharon Aoake, Michael Ridgeway, Corinne Dryburgh, Andrew Dryburgh, Darrylen Allen, Moana Puru, Hohaia Puru, Paul Forde, Janine Pilarski, Mark Vandermast and Natalie Beckett.