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Community Recognition Statement

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GRAFFITI REMOVAL DAY

Ms SONIA HORNER (Wallsend) :

This year, Graffiti Removal Day was held on 28 March. The aim of the day is to highlight the problem of graffiti across the state and encourage people to volunteer their time to remove and prevent graffiti.

Graffiti vandalism costs NSW more than \$300 million every year. The Rotary Club of Wallsend-Maryland has participated in Graffiti Removal Day for many years.

Each year a dedicated team gather on the day to volunteer their time to remove graffiti.

This year's team cleaned up around the Wallsend CBD and included Philip Gorton, Alyn Miranda, Thomas Wilson, Jim and Wilma Simmons, Sarah Hill and Safiyah Faleako.

The Club not only remove graffiti on Graffiti Removal Day, they also assist in its removal throughout the year.

Some of these jobs have included the suburbs of Shortland, Maryland, Jesmond, Minmi, Wallsend and Lambton. Inspirations Paint and Dulux Australia very kindly donate products to assist in the clean-up.

I hope to be able to join the team again in future years.

Thank you to the Club for their ongoing dedication and proactive approach to preventing and removing graffiti from our suburbs.