



Greg Piper, MP
Member for Lake Macquarie



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Seniors Week Grants Available

Greg Piper, Member for Lake Macquarie, is encouraging organisations to apply for funding to stage events during Seniors Week 2009.

"Funding is available through the Seniors Week Grants Program for events to be run during Seniors Week which will be from 15 to 22 March 2009," Mr Piper said. "This is an opportunity to celebrate the important role seniors play in our community."

Mr Piper said there are two categories for funding under the 2009 program:

- up to \$500 - applicants don't need to contribute any funds of their own
- up to \$1000 - applicants must contribute an equal amount in cash or in kind

The objectives of Seniors Week 2009 are to celebrate the roles and diversity of older people in family and community, to provide opportunities for older people to interact with others, to show that older people are active and continue to learn and to challenge stereotypes about old people.

"Projects that meet any of these objectives can be considered for funding," said Mr Piper. "

Application forms can be obtained by phoning or visiting Mr Piper's electorate office or at www.nswseniorsweek.com.au