



Greg Piper MP

Member for Lake Macquarie



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POLLIES FOR SMALL BUSINESS

Greg Piper, Member for Lake Macquarie, will once again be doing his bit to promote small business in the area. In previous years he's worked in a legal practice, a health food shop, a home lender and a newsagency. This year he will be at Brumby's Bakery at Morisset and Simply Pharmacy (formerly Amcal) at Toronto.

While he's there he will be learning more about what it takes to run small businesses and looking for ways to help.

Your chance to be served by your local MP will be from 9am to 10am on Tuesday 28 July at Brumby's Morisset and from 2pm to 3pm on Wednesday 29 at Simply Pharmacy Toronto.

According to Mr Piper, small business makes a huge contribution to the state's economy and is a major generator of employment.

"Small business in Lake Macquarie deserve the support of politicians and the community alike," said Mr Piper. "I've been a small business operator and I know how much effort it takes and what the risks are."

"I hope that Pollies for Small Business is a success this year, but mostly I hope that all of our local businesses survive these tough economic times."

According to Stephen Cartwright, CEO of NSW Business Chamber, "*Pollies for Small Business* puts our politicians at the coalface and gives small business operators the chance to raise their concerns directly with their local MP.

"During a global recession that opportunity has never been more important." Mr Cartwright said.

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