



Greg Piper MP

Member for Lake Macquarie



MEDIA RELEASE

29 June 2010

REGIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AND COMMUNITY AWARDS

Greg Piper, Member for Lake Macquarie, wants community groups to be rewarded for their efforts. Using the slogan of 'Stand up and be Counted' Mr Piper is inviting those doing good deeds in our community to apply for a share of \$30,000 in prizes through the NSW/ACT Regional Achievement & Community Awards.

Nominations are now open in the following categories:

- The Land and Property Management Authority **Community of the Year Award**
- The Land and Property Management Authority **Crown Reserve Trust Award**.
- The Industry and Investment NSW **Business Enterprise Award**
- The Industry and Investment NSW **Events & Tourism Award**
- The Salvation Army Employment Plus **Employment and Training Award**
- The Peabody **Environment & Landcare Award**

"The Regional Achievement and Community Awards are a great way to encourage and support local individuals and groups dedicated to enhancing our community," Mr Piper said. "You can nominate yourself, or someone else who you feel is worthy of recognition."

"Without the efforts of such individuals and groups our community would not be as vibrant as it is today, Mr Piper added. "With these awards we can continue to strengthen and build on past community success."

"Nominations close on 13 August and forms are available through my electorate office."

The NSW and ACT Regional Achievement & Community Awards are presented by PRIME Television and the Commonwealth Bank with the support of The Land Newspaper and The Local Government Shires Association of NSW.