

BREAST CANCER — PINK SHEARING FOR LIZ DAY

Statement by Member for Central Wheatbelt

MS M.J. DAVIES (Central Wheatbelt — Leader of the Opposition) [12.53 pm]: I rise to pay tribute to an outstanding annual event in my electorate organised to raise funds for research into breast cancer. The Pink Shearing for Liz Day was an idea formed in 2014, when shearer Tom Reed and his wife Lucy tragically lost their good friend Liz Roberts to breast cancer. The event is held at Di and Quent Davies' shearing shed in Yorkrakine. I can almost guarantee that it is the only shearing shed in the state painted pink, and for the event it is liberally decorated with bras of all shapes and sizes.

This year the event raised an enormous \$70 000-plus, which included \$3 000 from the Jumbuck Shearing team, which donated nearly two days of wages to the cause. We were treated to the Jumbuck Shearing team blade-shearing sheep from the Manunda Merino Stud in Tammin, enjoyed woodfired pizza prepared by Bernie Quade and were entertained by live music well into the night. Attendees were quick to put their hands up to support this most worthy cause. They had plenty to choose from, with generous donations from businesses and individuals for the 65-plus auction items including saltbush plants, tonnes of lime, tonnes of finishing pellets and much, much more.

This event is now one of the major contributors toward Breast Cancer Research Centre Western Australia's annual fundraising targets. I congratulate Tom and Lucy and the Jumbuck Shearing crew, Di and Quent Davies and family, and everyone involved for their continued efforts in the fight against breast cancer. It is an illness that has impacted so many of our families and friends.