

PETER SEAMAN — CLUBS WA

Statement by Member for Collie–Preston

MR M.P. MURRAY (Collie–Preston) [12.54 pm]: I rise today to pay tribute to Peter Seaman, retiring executive director of Clubs WA. Peter will be finishing up later this year after nearly 14 years at the helm. Clubs WA is a governing body for all licensed community clubs in Western Australia, and it helps those clubs realise opportunities available to them in the hospitality industry. Peter began work at Clubs WA in November 2000, after he left his role as deputy president of the Shire of Roebourne. In his time he has advocated strongly for clubs in WA around issues such as legislation, training and compliance. He travels extensively around WA, visiting community clubs and making sure they are assisted with their individual issues. Peter is a well-known face and a popular visitor at all the venues he visits. Peter has a couple of notable achievements that must be mentioned. There was his introduction of the Clubs WA Awards for Excellence in 2007, which is an annual highlight for those involved in the club industry. Peter also brought Clubs WA into the digital age with his strong drive to launch not only the Clubs WA website, but also two training-based websites called www.workbehindabar.com.au and hospitalityalliancetraining.edu.au. I congratulate Peter Seaman on his excellent leadership over the last decade or so at Clubs WA. His passion for the industry will be sorely missed, but I know he will continue to support a fair go for clubs in his retirement. He will have a chance to visit quite a few as he and his wife, Jenny, join the grey nomads golfing tour of Australia. Thank you, and best of luck, Peter Seaman!