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MANJIMUP SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL YEAR 10 FOOTBALL TEAM

Statement by Member for Warren-Blackwood

MR P.D. OMODEI (Warren-Blackwood - Leader of the Opposition) [12.53 pm]: I pay tribute to the Manjimup Senior High School year 10 football team, which won the Australian Football League SportsReady Cup grand final at Subiaco Oval a couple of weeks ago as a pipe-opener to the Eagles-Richmond game. Manjimup Senior High School had to account for a number of schools. It participated in a lightning carnival. It left Manjimup on 1 August at about four o'clock in the morning. It played Kent Street Senior High School, Sacred Heart College and Governor Stirling Senior High School. The team then beat Warwick Senior High School after extra time and went on to play Rossmoyne Senior High School in the grand final. I was fortunate to attend that game. I was very proud of the boys and particularly Tim Harrington, a schoolteacher at Manjimup Senior High School, who does a great deal of work with young footballers and athletes in the Manjimup area. He is a Deanmill stalwart, much to my chagrin being a Southerners man. The boys played extremely well. They were five goals down at half time and I thought they were gone for all money, but they kicked seven goals and three behinds in the last half and won the game by 15 points in front of a growing crowd at Subiaco Oval. Members can imagine the great pride that they felt. It is a major achievement for them. It is their second year in this kind of competition. I give them due praise for their marvellous effort.