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Mrs ANDREWS (McPherson) (16:45): Today I rise to recognise a very special group of my constituents, those who volunteer their time and energy to help our local community organisations. These are the people who are the heart and soul of the various charities, sporting clubs, community and advocacy groups, RSLs, chambers of commerce, and other social other social and support networks that make the Southern Gold Coast such a special place.

Last month I was very proud to recognise 73 local residents as recipients of the 2014 MacPherson Community Achiever Awards. I host these awards each year as a way for the community to say 'thank you' to those special people who are always willing to lend a hand. They never seek recognition but they deserve to know that their efforts are noticed and appreciated. All award recipients are nominated by grateful community members.

I would like to take a moment to inform the parliament that this year's recipients of the MacPherson Community Achiever Awards were: Jill Allport, Doris Boyd, Tom Boyd, Linda Carpenter, Christine Clancy, Barbara Conway, Kenneth Conway, Tony Davies, Pearl Du Bois, Joseph Dunlop, Tanya Forbes, Janet Fuller, June Gamble, Judy Gillespie, Sally Gower, Rob Greenwood, Anthony Grima, Peggy Hall, Bev Harding, Keith Harding, Graham Herlihy, Barry Hinze, Cliff Hitch, Dianne Hoogendoorn, Noel Hull, Denis Hutton, Jon Jessen, Kala Kaiser, Eliza Knowles, Di Loddon, Elia McNamee, Glenda Myles, Kacey Patrick, Elise Poulton, Malcolm Prentis, Jill Ransom, Kath Rice, Deborah Ross, Hayley Spears, June Swatton, Ron Tiedeman, Peter Tong, Diana Traversi, Noel Underwood, Yvonne Van Daalen, Brian Williams, Jillian Withycombe. And an award was made posthumously to Allan Hay.

The recipients of the McPherson Young Community Achiever Awards were: Scott Blakemore, Ryan Lim, and Courtney Taylor.

The recipients of the McPherson Surf Lifesaving Community Achiever Awards were: Loretta Axelsen, Derek Baldwin, Garry Bell, Nicholas Bell, Anthony Cassone, Laurie Cavill, Russ Harmon, David Hogben, Michael Kearney, Troy Kling, Christine Marshall, Stuart Marshall, Tony McKeaten, Shelley Nolan, Greg Piper, Peter Serone, Ted Stanton, Courtney Taylor, Jy Taylor, Stephanie Teixeira, Caterina Timpano-Hair, Rick Van Kampen, and Clayton Webster.

This year, for the first time, category winners were recognised. The 2014 McPherson Community Achiever joint winners were: Tanya Forbes and Janet Fuller. The 2014 Young Mcpherson Community Achiever was Ryan Lim. The 2014 Lifesaving Community Achiever was Shelley Nolan.

I take this oportunity to recognise the great work of our community volunteers and especially thank the recipients of the 2014 McPherson Community Achiever Awards.