



Hon Brendon Grylls with new Nationals MP Hon Vince Catania

Catania's decision puts the electorate first

Vince Catania's decision to join the ranks of The Nationals is a sign of a new political era in WA politics, one that puts the needs and aspirations of the electorate before those of the Party. Members of The Nationals WA are afforded a conscience vote on every issue that is debated in the Parliament, and are encouraged to

vote according to the best interests of the electorate they represent. Vince has returned to his electorate this week to discuss his decision with the people he represents, while The Nationals have begun progressing his membership application as per normal Party processes.

News headlines

Hon Terry Waldron MLA

- Liquor bans implemented for two Kimberley communities
- Minister congratulates RWWA on country harness stake strategy

Hon Terry Redman MLA

- Minister for Agriculture gets back from his GM tour

Hon Grant Woodhams MLA

- 'The Road Ahead' Interactive national touring exhibition

Hon Brendon Grylls MLA

- Community invited to Design Forum for Broome North

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What's on next ...

Hon Wendy Duncan will be at the Carnarvon Tropicool Festival this weekend

Hon Mia Davies and Hon Wendy Duncan will be in the North West for a familiarisation tour of APPEA and CMEWA next week

Hon Philip Gardiner will attend the WA Rock Lobster Council Conference in Fremantle 22-23rd July

Hon Max Trenordan and Hon Terry Waldron are attending the Conference Of State Parliamentarians conference in Melbourne next week

Hon Terry Waldron and Hon Brendon Grylls will be on ABC TV's Stateline, Friday 24th July at 7.30pm

Hon Mia Davies will be in Geraldton on Wednesday

Royalties for Region helping GROH more homes at Tom Price

The first of more than 400 new homes for Government employees in regional Western Australia are almost ready for their first tenants. The homes are being funded through the Royalties for Regions initiative to help reduce the shortage of housing for Government officers around the State. Hon Brendon Grylls MLA inspected one of eight modular homes that will go to Tom Price and watched as it was loaded on to three trucks for the journey north.

Member for Moore in United States of America

Hon Grant Woodhams MLA, who is Speaker of the Legislative Assembly is at the National Conference of State Legislatures in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania until the 24th of July. Over 6000 representatives from both the USA and overseas will be attending the conference, where they will cover a diverse range of topics such as the global economic crisis, new technology, best legislative practice and new challenges in education. Grant will be representing the Legislative Assembly of WA, and this will provide an excellent opportunity to meet with legislators from around world.

Member for Agricultural region has busy week on road

The Hon Philip Gardiner spent two days earlier this week in the north of the state, as a guest of BHP Billiton Iron Ore. Phil toured their facilities and learnt more about the way in which the company invests in local communities. From there, it was off to Dalwallinu, where Phil attended a WAFarmers Zone meeting. The grain freight rail network and multi-peril crop insurance were on the top of the agenda for discussion. To cap the week off, Phil attended a dinner with the

Governor in New Norcia.

US Consul General shows keen interest in regional WA

Hon Brendon Grylls, Hon Wendy Duncan and Hon Mia Davies have met with Ken Chern, United States Consul General, this week. Nearly two years into his three year posting, Mr Chern emphasized the importance of the relationship Australia has with the United States, particularly for Western Australia and its strong trade based economy. Mr Chern also expressed his desire to visit more of regional WA, particularly the remote parts of the State, to gain a greater understanding of the challenges facing regional and remote communities.

Minister for Agriculture returns from overseas trip

Hon Terry Redman MLA has returned from his farm tour of the northern parts of the United States and Canada. While overseas, Terry met with farmers, seed companies and politicians to gain a greater understanding of genetically modified produce. He has come back from the trip saying he believes we are heading down the right path and that GMO's will provide farmers with more choices.



Hon Terry Redman MLA inspecting Rusty Lee's genetically modified crop in Missouri in the United States of America