

# MEMBER FOR COWAN ANNE ALY

Hello welcome to my newsletter,

For the past three years I have loved working alongside and advocating for the incredible individuals and organisations in our community. As your Member for Cowan, I'm honoured to continue representing this exceptional community in the Federal Parliament.

I'm a Madeley resident and a mother of two. Before entering Parliament, I was a professor specialising in counterterrorism who worked with Government, schools and communities to keep Australia safe.

I believe every child and every person deserves access to quality education and health care.

Please don't hesitate to give my office a call or send me an email - your feedback helps me better represent you in Parliament.





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#### **HAVE YOUR VOICE HEARD!**

I am running Meet your Member events over the next few months, come and say "hello"here is where I will be:

- ✓ Ballajura Central Shopping Centre September 21 from 10:30am to 12:00pm
- ✓ Landsdale Forum Shopping Centre October 19 from 10:30am to 12:00pm
- ✓ Alexander Heights Shopping Centre November 16 from 10:30am to 12:00pm



### **WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CANBERRA?**

I am so humbled and grateful to be have been reelected as the Federal Member for Cowan, serving you for another three years. I hope you know that I'll be representing you in Canberra with great pride.

The opening day of Parliament saw a traditional Indigenous ceremony of welcome take place, led by an elder from the **Ngunnawal nation**. Afterwards, I and my fellow representatives were sworn in to take our seats in the 46th Parliament. It was wonderful to see Members from a diversity of religions being sworn in on their religious texts.

During this first week back in Parliament, we paused to pay our respects to the late **Bob Hawke**. Hawke was the longest serving Labor

Prime Minister and achieved so much in his time, from establishing Medicare to reforming the economy. Vale Bob Hawke, a leader who was larger than life.

In Parliament I've spoken on Type 1 Diabetes and continuous glucose monitoring, prostate cancer, new terrorism laws and the Federal Integrity Commission. You can see what I have said on my facebook page.

In Canberra I have also been pushing to raise the Newstart allowance. My travel allowance for one day over in Canberra is about the same someone on Newstart gets in an entire week. It's time we get people out of poverty and in to work!





With Jullian Leeser MP and Andrew Wallace MP

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Are you receiving the Age Pension? The Government has cut the deeming rate for large investments from 3.25% to 3% and for small investments from 1.75% to 1%.

The deeming rate is the amount of income the Government deems you get from your assets. This estimate is used to decide how much pension you get.

Retirees could be better off by \$62 to \$3875 a year if the Government committed to matching the deeming rate to the cash rate of 1%.

I and my Labor colleagues will continue to fight for pensioners' standard of living.

## **WHAT'S HAPPENING IN COWAN?**



In June, I visited **Landsdale Primary School** and was interviewed by the Year Four class as they learned to be 'rookie reporters'.



I joined Anthony Albanese to visit **The Pantry**, a great local not-for-profit organisation.



I was delighted to present an Australian national flag to the **Perth Northern Metros** baseball team.



At the **Ashdale Primary School** Night Markets receiving henna artwork.



Sabbia Tilli and I celebrating her 106th Birthday.

## **COWAN SHOUT OUTS**

Sabbia Tilli - for reaching 106 years old

Jordan Anthony - for making it to the finals on The Voice

**Vivek Shetty** – for winning a healthcare catering award for the quality of his hospital meals

**Laurin Lang** – For running the Knitting for Homeless organisation at Kingsway Shopping centre on Tuesday mornings.

### **FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS**

I am excited about the launch of the Local Schools Community Fund.

Schools can apply for funding for one project between \$1000 to \$20,000. This could be used for things like outdoor play areas, new sporting equipment, classroom upgrades etc.

I will be writing to all schools to invite them to apply for a grant. So get your thinking caps on for new projects at your local school. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to give my office a call.





### CALLING ALL SPORTING CHAMPIONS!

Are you a sporting champ?

Did you know you can receive \$500-\$750 towards the cost of attending the competitions?

The **Local Sporting Champions** program offers financial assistance for coaches, officials and competitors aged beween 12-18 who are participating in state, national or international competitions. Applications for the next round of grants close on 30th of September 2019 with four rounds of applications taking place every year.

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In July, I had the pleasure of hosting a morning tea for the latest Local Sporting Champions grant recipients. These superstars compete in a wide range of different sports like athletics, volleyball, hockey, gymnastics and even dragon boating! Congratulations to this talented group!

To check if you are eligible to receive the grant, you can visit the Sports Australia website:

www.sportaus.gov.au/grants\_and\_funding/local\_ sporting\_champions

If you have any questions don't hesitate to give my office a call on **9409 4517** 





