

21 August 2015 Media Release

## Vince Catania Attends Carnarvon's Prestigious Long Table Lunch

Member for North West Central, Vince Catania MLA attended Carnarvon's prestigious Long Table Lunch which is part of the Annual Gascoyne Food Festival. The event was held last Friday at the picturesque Bentwaters Plantation.

The Gascoyne Food Festival is supported through Tourism Western Australia's (Tourism WA) Regional Events Scheme (RES) which is jointly funded by *Royalties for Regions*. The RES is part of the *Royalties for Regions* event program which supports smaller, developing events across the region.

The Festival has been running each year in Carnarvon since the inaugural event in 2010 and is hosted by the Gascoyne Food Council. The Festival features a series of events over four days enabling networking between local producers and representatives from the food industry.



Events over the four days include a chef's paddock tour for the visiting chef's and food industry representatives from Perth, the BBQ on the Beach, live cooking demonstrations, fresh produce for sale at the growers market, opportunities to meet celebrity chefs and the premier Long Table Lunch for 195 people.

Photo: Vince Catania MLA with the guest chefs at Long Table Lunch held in Carnarvon on 14 August 2015

"Thanks must go to the hard workers of this fantastic event as well as to all of the producers who have contributed their wonderful products. From fresh fruit and vegetables, herbs, seafood and rangeland beef we really have it all", said Vince.

"The unique diversity of products produced in the region is truly commendable. The food on the day was exceptional and to know that it was all sourced throughout the Gascoyne region is a credit to all involved."

For media enquiries please contact Vince Catania on (08) 99412 999 or email northwest@mp.wa.gov.au

Photo Courtesy - Anton Blume