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## 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 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 three days enabling networking between local producers and representatives from the food industry.

Events over the three days include a chef's paddock tour for the five visiting chef's from Perth, an industry networking night, beef workshop, live cooking demonstrations, fresh produce for sale at the growers market, opportunities to meet celebrity chefs and the Long Table Lunch for 180 people.

"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.



Chefs attending the Long Table Lunch with Carnaryon Community College teachers and students who did an outstanding job waiting on the day.

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