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## MEDIA RELEASE

### DRAPER HIGHLIGHTS GUNNEDAH WEEK OF SPEED IN PARLIAMENT

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Member for Tamworth Peter Draper detailed the upcoming Week of Speed Festival and its importance to the Gunnedah community during a recent speech in Parliament. The Festival, which commences March 13<sup>th</sup>, will attract many visitors to the town, all either viewing or participating in speed related events.

“This successful tourist attraction has operated with great support for 8 years,” Mr Draper said, “and the week long festivities showcase everything from cars, bikes, go-carts, athletics, yachts, greyhounds, horses and even yabby races.”

“Gunnedah is using tourism as a powerful tool to draw people to the district.”

“Branding Gunnedah as the Koala Capital of the World has raised the profile of this community both internationally and nationally, and with events such as the National Tomato Contest, Ag Quip and the Week of Speed, the reputation as a significant tourism destination is growing,” Mr Draper said.

“ I would encourage anybody with an interest in speed to go to Gunnedah during this festival. There is something for everybody in Gunnedah during the Week of Speed,” Mr Draper concluded.

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