

## Media Release

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## Life-saving defibrillator for Headland Pacific Sports Club

Brent Mickelberg MP, State Member for Buderim donates a life-saving defibrillator to the Headland Pacific Sports Club.

Mr Mickelberg said "Having a defibrillator at the club could mean the difference between life and death".

Over 400,000 Australians have had a heart attack at some time in their lives and each year about 57,000 Australians suffer a heart attack, which equates to one every 10 minutes.

Chairman of the Board, Mr Errol Joppich said "It is great to know our players and their supporters will now have immediate access to life-saving equipment".

Mr Mickelberg said "Every second counts when a person is experiencing a heart attack. For every minute that passes without CPR or defibrillation the chance of survival reduces by 10 percent."

"Currently, less than 50 percent of people who suffer a heart attack have someone to step in to do CPR or use a defibrillator before an ambulance arrives."

"I am pleased to be able to support one of our local bowls clubs so that more people can get out and participate in activities like bowls, which is important for wellbeing and a healthy life."

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## **Fast facts**

- The survival rate for a cardiac arrest outside of hospital is only about 10%.
- If it is delayed by more than 10 minutes, the chance of survival in adults is less than 5 percent.
- If defibrillated within the first minute of collapse, the victim's chances for survival are close to 90 percent.



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