

KALGOORLIE ELECTORATE — AWARDS

Statement by Member for Kalgoorlie

MR K.M. O'DONNELL (Kalgoorlie) [12.57 pm]: The 2020 City of Kalgoorlie–Boulder Citizen of the Year went to a very worthy recipient—Michael Worthington, whom I nominated. Michael set up the Worthy Parts expo and auction in 2018 after the collapse of a previous mining expo, with the purpose of bringing the mining industry together to support the economy. Through the expo, the Mining Legends project was born. The project led to a rebuild of an underground loader, made entirely possible by the donation of parts and time by various mining providers throughout Australia. The loader sold for \$600 000, which was donated to the Goldfields Esperance Community Trust and Miner's Promise. The Kalgoorlie–Boulder Bega Tobacco Action Team was awarded the Bob Elpick Medal by the Australian Council on Smoking and Health, for their great work in assisting Aboriginal people to quit smoking. The Eastern Goldfields cricket team brought home the Boan Cup after winning the WA senior country week A-section final in January. The Kalgoorlie–Boulder team's 54 kilometre-run victory against Bunbury and districts broke a 16-year drought since 2004. Also in January, a team of 50 kids from the Eastern Goldfields Little Athletics Centre brought back a 103-medal haul from the Little Athletics WA Country Championships: 35 gold, 34 silver and 34 bronze. Kambalda-raised McKenzie Dowrick made history in February when she debuted with the West Coast Eagles first Australian Football League women's fixture—a 27 point loss to the mighty Collingwood at Victoria Park. Wizard Pharmacy Kalgoorlie has been named a finalist in the national 2020 Pharmacy of the Year competition. The pharmacy has been recognised for its innovative approaches from branching out from the norm to suit community needs.