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### OFFICIAL OPENING OF NEW SURF LIFE SAVING HEADQUARTERS

Hunter Surf Life Saving will today officially open its new Headquarters, built with the assistance of a \$311,300 Commonwealth grant.

"This grant is recognition of the vital services provided by Hunter Surf Lifesaving to our community," Ms Grierson said.

"Beaches are an integral part of the Newcastle identity, and the surf lifesaving movement has a proud tradition in our region."

"As a patron of Hunter Surf Lifesaving, I was pleased to be able to support its application for Commonwealth funding, and I look forward to the organisation building on its already outstanding community work."

"Hunter Surf Lifesaving runs education programs for over 10,000 school children a year, provides ongoing training to its members, coordinates surf carnivals and events, and supplies vital rescue equipment to clubs in our region."

"2007 is the Year of the Lifesaver, so it is appropriate that Hunter Surf Lifesaving has opened its new Headquarters to allow it to grow and continue its excellent work long into the future."

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