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A few thoughts on suggestions about names …

Why do people think that federal electorates should be named after state politicians? If you think a state politician should have an electorate named after them then why not suggest it at a state redistribution?

- I therefore do not support these ideas:
    - Bob Richardson's suggestion to use the name Adermann
    - Callan's suggestion to use the name Goss

Why should electorates be named after federal politicians or Governors-General? They are simply jobs, that a reasonable number of people have and we don't name after all of the people who had those jobs. How are they different to an ordinary backbencher, and there are not a lot of divisions named after them.

I therefore do not support:

- Delunn's idea to use the name Hayden
- McDowall's idea to use the name Hayden

Getting rid of geographic names fits with the naming guidelines.

- I therefore do not support:
    - Ty Hardin's ideas to use indigenous river names
- I therefore support:
    - David McSweeney's idea to abolish Wide Bay

Neville Bonner is worth naming an electorate for.

- I therefore do not support:
    - McDowall's plan to abolish Bonner

Hinkler is a good electorate name, flying solo from England to Australia in 1928 is pretty impressive and worth acknowledging.

- I therefore support:
    - Corey Baker's plan to keep Hinkler

Flynn is a good electorate name, the founder of the Royal Flying Doctor Service, and someone who used new technology at the time to benefit Australian's living remotely, is someone worth acknowledging.

- I therefore do not support these ideas:
    - Bob Richardson's suggestion to abolish Flynn
    - Corey Baker's suggestion to abolish Flynn
- I therefore support:
    - Kamler's suggestion to keep the name Flynn

I think Leichhardt should be kept – naturalists are worth recognising, and so few are.

- I therefore support:
    - Gretchen's views that Leichhardt should be kept
- I therefore do not support:
    - Ty Hardin's plan to abolish Leichhardt

I had not heard of Maccrossen. I think it's worth having one electorate in each state named for someone who contributed to the development of the Constitution and Federation, and better if it's not a Premier.

- I therefore support Neal Macrossen and Louise Shellshear, but only if Griffith is abolished.

Have you noticed how few people have suggested naming an electoral division for a women?

- I therefore support:
    - McSweeney's proposed for Cleary
    - Gretchen's proposal for Kellermann, Lyell and Bonita Mabo.

I also support Gretchen's argument to not reuse names that have been excluded by the recent Queensland state redistribution.