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**Cooked Chooks Driving Meals on Wheels to National Record**

In celebration of National Meals on Wheels Day on 29 August, Meals on Wheels [SERVICE], along with other participating services across Queensland will attempt to beat the National Record for the most community meals produced in five hours.

To set the new national record, Meals on Wheels services across Queensland will need to produce more than 708 roast chicken meals within a five-hour timeslot.

The attempt coincides with National Meals on Wheels Day, an annual celebration which recognises the 15,000 dedicated volunteers and staff who provide two million meals to 10,000 Queenslanders in cities, regional and rural areas each year.

Leading the charge is Meals on Wheels (SERVICE) with a strong team of (X) volunteers. In addition to their regular client base, this year the (SERVICE) service is reaching out to their local community to help boost their meal tally.

(SERVICE) Meals on Wheels Business Manager (MANAGER NAME) said that it will all come down to how many orders they can lock in.

“We’re very confident in our volunteering team to produce the quality and quantity required, it’s just a matter of maximising the orders for roast chicken come Wednesday 29 August,” (PRESIDENT) said.

“This year we’re looking to members of the public as well as local businesses to get involved by ordering themselves roast chicken for the day. Every meal ordered on top of our usual client base will go a long way to helping us smash the National Record.

“On any given day, we’ll confidently produce over (INSERT avg. # of meals), so we’re very excited to see what we can achieve with all hands on deck. I have no doubt our dedicated volunteers are up to the task.”

Queensland Meals on Wheels State Manager, David Bannister, is confident the organisation will set an impressive national record that will be tough to beat.

“We are really excited about the national record attempt but in reality, this is what our volunteers are completing on any given day,” Mr Bannister said.

“Meals on Wheels services across the state prepare and deliver an incredible amount of nourishing meals to community members from Aurukun to Annerley. The national record attempt is really just an opportunity to showcase how amazing our volunteers are and how much of a difference services like [SERVICE] are making locally.

“Meals on Wheels is completely run by the community, for the community and I really encourage those wanting to meet other caring people, make new friends and make a positive contribution to their local area to contact their local Meals on Wheels service.”

For those wanting to support Meals on Wheels (SERVICE) in their National Record arrempt, they can contact the service to order a meal at (SERVICE PHONE), or email their order to (SERVICE EMAIL).