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With the National Rugby League 2012 Telstra Premiership kicking off tonight when the St. George/Illawarra Dragons run on against the Newcastle Knights at Hunter Stadium, many local league starved fans will also be reaching for their tipping competition booklets as they embark on a season long campaign to win a tidy cash sum. Of course the title of competition top tipper also boasts considerable rank among the league faithful.

Local hotel tipping boards are filling fast with tippers at the Blue Cow Hotel and the Railway Hotel ready for this weeks season commencing action.

There are other opportunities though with the Allora State School Footy Tipping Competition still with plenty of positions open to prospective tipsters. The State School Competition is one of a number of fundraising activities planned annually to help offset costs of the School's Year 10 trip to Canberra. If you are interested in a tipping slot in the school competition, and assist the Year 10 students while possibly winning either first, second or third prize come seasons end, contact the School on 4666 7222 today, or submit your name at Allora Hardware. The cost is a more a than reasonable \$52.00 to be part of the

This 2012 season will also see the inaugural Wattles Rugby League Club Tipping Challenge, in support of Wattles Ambassador Rachael Eddison's fundraising efforts for the "Warriors". If you wish to be part of this competition, which also has great prize money and prizes available for those leading at

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It would be greatly appreciated if all correspondence relevant to the 8th March issue of The Allora Advertiser (including material sent prior to 6th March) could instead be emailed to our backup address -

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Please use our regular email addresses after 8th March. Thank you.

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seasons end, contact Glyn Rees on 0417 765 801 or 4666

Tipsters must be on the tipping competition sheets and tips submitted for what is Round 1 of another giant year of rugby league today, with kick-off of tonights match at 7.30 pm. Don't Miss Out !!!!!

Glyn Rees

#### **BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK**

A paramedic was asked on a TV talk-show program: "What was your most unusual and challenging 000 call?"

"Recently we got a call from that big white church at 11th and Walnut," the paramedic said. "A frantic usher was very concerned that during the sermon an elderly man passed out in a pew and appeared to be dead. The usher could find no pulse and there was no noticeable breathing."

"What was so unusual and demanding about this particular call?" the interviewer asked.

"Well," the paramedic said, "we carried out four guys before we found the one who was dead."

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## Sister Clare Departure an End of an

Many have missed that tiny spark that is the light to our future. akin to having missed your calling. But for Sister Clare Vogler, Allora's last Josephite Nun, a tiny spark was provided by an Irish Nun in her school years, igniting a passion that led her to a lifetime ministry in the community and service to her beliefs. This Sunday after morning Mass at St. Patricks Catholic Church at Allora, local parishioners and friends will gather to bid farewell to a lady who has left a significant impression on the Allora community, with Sister Clare leaving the area and relocating to Brisbane, Nundah to be precise.

Sister Clare has been in Allora for the past three years, life's curtain falling on her sixty years in the Josephite order when she leaves the "Best Little Town on the Downs" this weekend.



Sister Clare is very recognizable as she cruises Allora's streets on her scooter making her wonderful contribution to St. Patrick's parish Ministry of Visitation.



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Her departure will see her active ministry complete, but her time in Allora actually saw the hand of time turn back. Allora presents our friend to the community with many happy memories, the little town being her first assignment after joining

and training in the Sisters of St. Joseph order, teaching infants in Allora from 1952 to 1954.

"Allora is a special place for me, I felt at home as soon as I arrived" recalls Sister Clare, "I especially love the people, all so friendly, and accepting of you for what you are". While our last Josephite Nun may feel a special bond with Allora folk, she has contributed much herself as she cruises our country town streets to spend time with our community's elderly, ill, alone & those that find it difficult to get around. Sister Clare, so recognisable on her red "Cruizer" scooter sporting an Allora sticker on the guard, and wearing her trademark blue wide brimmed hat, is on the roads around Allora by 9.30 am four days a week to assist people in need where she can, regardless of denomination, providing friendship, understanding and opportunity for a chat. Sister Clare's special ministry takes her to people homes to be with them, a situation where our country born and raised lady is so so comfortable. "I have been visiting around thirty people of late, but that list numbered forty soon after I arrived back in Allora".

"My Special Ministry all started when I was in Gin Gin some years back now, but wherever I have been there is always a wonderful welcome, not to mention all those cuppas and goodies" says Clare with a grin. "I have enjoyed helping and being there for people, I have given much, but I have also had much given for me" Clare recalls in an ever so grateful tone. "I got such a lot out of spending time and talking to people, and felt so honoured to have earned their trust, confidence and friendship". Sister Clare loves mixing with country people, having been raised on a farm near Esk in the Brisbane valley. As a young girl from a family of six children, she admits she didn't inherit the country cookery skills that most girls did, because "if I had the choice she was outdoors with Dad". Our country girl, who in her words is "built for the country",

attended Mt. Beppo State School for a couple of years.

with her Along brothers and sisters she would ride a horse to school, but for the most her education was by correspondence. In 1946, Clare spent a year at a Catholic School, the opportunity unlocking a door that would reveal future. The her very next year she was asked to teach a class at the school after the passing of one of Then the Nuns. there was that spark that lit the way to her future, "It was towards the end of 1947 and I was asked by an Irish sister at the school if I would like to be a Nun". The Sister's suggestion had already been on Clare's mind, and in 1948 she entered



The last Josephite Nun to serve in Allora, Sister Clare Vogler with local parishioner and good friend Jackie Gallagher & St. Patrick's Parish Leader John Briffa.

Josephite order, and recently celebrated her diamond Jubilee. As the saying goes, "you can take the girl out of the country, but you can't take the country out of the girl", with Clare spending over forty years in rural centres such as Quilpie, Julia Creek, Mt. Isa, Clermont, Chinchilla and Gin Gin, as well as the Brisbane area.

The Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart, known as the Josephites were founded in Penola, South Australia in 1866 by Mary MacKillop and Father Julian Tenison Woods.

Mary MacKillop's canonization was announced on 19 February 2010 and subsequently took place on 17 October 2010, making her Australia's first saint. An absolute highlight in Clare's life was a two week pilgrimage. "In the Steps of Mary MacKillop" she took to Penola in South Australia. While reluctant to go initially, she made the journey that she later considered such a marvelous experience.

Sister Clare would have loved to stay on in Allora and be part

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of the celebration of 100 Years of the Sisters of St. Joseph arriving in the area, but family needs must be met with the health of her older sisters to the forefront of her mind. It doesn't end when Sister Clare leaves Allora, with the focus of her caring intention to be directed within the community around

Clare is comfortable in thinking she can enjoy many more years of spreading her friendship and company. Her reasons... while hard work on the farm and tough times were the order of the day, her father lived for 100 years, three months and fifteen days, while her mother's brother turned 102 in February this

> The goodbye's will be special on Sunday, as our community not only bids farewell to a special lady in Sister Clare Vogler, but an era ends as a the curtain falls on a 96 year presence of the Sisters of St Joseph in Allora, the order founded by our nation's first Saint.

> > Glyn Rees

#### Looking Back... **Bravery Award**

Ross Downes, accompanied by his cousin Pamela McGregor, travelled from Moruya, N. S. W., on Saturday to view the Certificate of Merit awarded by the Royal Humane Society of Australia to Colin Muir for saving Ross's father Sydney Downes, from drowning in Dalrymple Creek in 1914. The framed certificate was donated to the Allora and District Historical Society museum by the Muir family.

On the 5th November 1914, Colin Muir aged 11, and Sydney Downes aged 12, were among a group of eight Allora schoolboys bathing in Dalrymple Creek when Sydney got out of his depth and was sinking. Colin Muir went to his aid and with much difficulty, dragged Downes to the shallow water where they were helped to the bank by the other

In addition to the Certificate of Merit, Colin Muir was also presented with a gold medal pendant by Mr. Charles Downes for his act of bravery in the rescue of his grandson, Sydney. The medal was handed over at Sydney Downes (seated) and Colin Muir who saved him a ceremony at the Allora State School on



from drowning in Dalrymple Creek in 1914.

the 13th November 1914, by the Mayor, Alderman James Dean, on behalf of Sydney's father Mr. Henry Downes.

(Charles Downes and his wife Mary, grandparents of Sydney Downes, had a boarding house and refreshment rooms in Drayton Street from 1890. Charles conducted an auctioneer and commission agency business from 1891 and Mrs. Downes opened Downes Cafe on the site of the present Warwick Credit Union building in 1910. The cafe and a bakery were carried on by their son Henry in 1913. Both Downes' sons, Henry and Frank, served in WWI.

Charles and Mary Downes were also the grandparents of Mrs. May Guy of Clifton (formerly of Allora), and greatgrandparents of the Tickle family of Talgai West)

Colin Newport



Ross Downes with the Certificate of Merit awarded to Colin Muir for saving the life Ross's father Sydney Downes in Dalrymple Creek in

goodbye to Allora on Sunday 4th March. Sr. Clare has made the decision to move back to Brisbane so that she can be closer to her aging sister whom she wants to support. Sr. Clare has made a wonderful contribution to the Ministry of Visitation in our parish over the last four years. The Allora community along with St Patrick's Parish will genuinely

on Sunday 4th March commencing with the 9.00am would like to extend an invitation to any members of the Allora community who have shared of us this Sunday as we say farewell to Sr. Clare.

In other news, are there times when you ask yourself, "What Is God Asking Of Me?". All are invited to come and spend an afternoon of reflection on "Our Relationship with God", Sunday 11th March. The afternoon, to be led by Sr. Monica Cavanagh, will provide an opportunity to listen, reflect and respond to the God who calls each of us.

1.00pm and conclude with our Sunday Eucharist at 6.00pm. Please bring something to share for afternoon tea. The Reflection Day is open to all and a welcome is extended to members of the wider community.

### ST PATRICK'S **PARISH NEWS** Sr. Clare Vogler will be saying

miss her.

There will be an official farewell Mass to be followed by a special morning tea. The parish Clare's grace to please join with

The afternoon will begin at





Allora's final Josephite Nun, Sister Clare Vogler relocated to Brisbane on March 4th ending a 96 year presence in Allora by the Sister's of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart.

#### **World Day of Prayer**

The World Day of Prayer is observed on the first Friday in March. This world wide movement is a Fellowship of Prayer and Christian Worship which involves 170 countries. It began

The hosts for this year's Allora service, which has been prepared by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Malaysia, will be the Uniting Church. The theme is "Let Justice Prevail." The service will be held in St Andrew's Uniting Church in Warwick Street, commencing at 9.30 a.m.

Following the service, fellowship will continue over a cup of tea in St Andrew's Hall. A plate of food would be much appreciated.

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Attention all Footy Tippers - ALL TIPPING MUST BE IN BEFORE 6.00PM THURSDAY 1st MARCH

SPECIALS END 31 MARCH 2012

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#### Love2Read at Southern Downs libraries

Southern Downs libraries (including Allora Library) are inviting you to celebrate 2012's National Year of Reading by joining in their 'Love2Read' programs running all year.

Highlights of the 'Love2read' program will include a 'Desert Island Books' survey asking readers to nominate their five favourite books and why.

Southern Downs libraries will also run a writing competition inviting all members of the community to put pen to paper to



share their joy of reading.

"May to July will see a membership drive, including a monthly prize draw, to encourage those who have not yet discovered the fabulous free services we offer to join," said Samantha Shelbourn, Principal Librarian.

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"April focuses on encouraging our readers up to eight years of age. September will include the popular Fathers' Day event 'Dads Read' and in October the spotlight is on teenagers," Ms Shelbourn said.

"Throughout the year there will be something for everyone so stay tuned."

The Year of Reading is a national initiative to celebrate the joy of reading throughout the country in 2012.

With actor William McInnes as patron and Queensland ambassadors including Anna Bligh, Kevin Rudd and authors Gary Crew & Nick Earls the aim is to promote reading, boost literacy and encourage creative writing.

It's sure to be a great success with recent research showing that 84% of Queenslanders gave reading and writing creative fiction as their most popular arts activity (More than bums on seats: Queenslanders and the arts, Arts Queensland & the Australia Council. 2010).

Southern Downs libraries are in Allora, Warwick and Stanthorpe.



Grand champion Steer at Killarney Show on the weekend - Steer was bred by Graham & June Bool of Sapphire View, Goomburra and shown by Rougan & Rowena Geraghty (above).

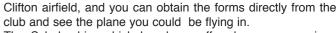


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It is anticipated a concentrated training course will start during the June school holidays.

#### Clifton Fly-in: 11 March 2012

The skies over the Clifton area will be very active as the Darling Downs Sport Aircraft Association Inc. host the long running iconic Annual Fly-In at the Clifton airfield on Sunday 11th March 2012, from 8am to 2pm.

The fly-in is very attractive to aviators as the first major event

on the aviation calendar each year whilst usually offering good weather and a very attractive area to fly around. For the general public it offers a special window of opportunity for anyone who has an interest in any aspect of aviation the chance to speak with pilots and to inspect aircraft including some of the latest versions of performance recreational aircraft.

The club is offering youth aged 15 to 21 who are looking at aviation as a career, sport or hobby, the chance to talk with pilots or club members with a view to applying for a Darling Downs Sport Aircraft Association recreational aviation flying training scholarship that the club has offered for 2011. The scholarship is valued in excess of \$5,500.

A Fly-In is a gathering of pilots and aircraft on an airfield with a chance to meet with friends, swap

ideas and information whilst giving pilots an opportunity to fly somewhere. It is not an airshow and there is no organised flying demonstrations or activities taking place. Previous years have seen over 130 aircraft attending. Aircraft

attendance is very dependant on weather as aviators who attend these fly-ins are very particular, careful and safety conscious, cautiously considering weather.

Attending aircraft cover all aspects of aviation, including carefully restored vintage aircraft dating back to the mid 1930's, recreational aircraft of all designs and colours including home and factory built examples.

This not for profit annual aviation event is open to the public and has no admission fees or charges.

BBQ and drinks facilities will be available on the day.

The airfield is situated 6 km west of Clifton alongside the Clifton-Leyburn Road. Clifton is located halfway between Toowoomba and Warwick.

Club Treasurer and Flying School Chief Flying Instructor, Trevor Bange can be contacted on 0429 378 370 for more information. The club website can be viewed on www. loneeagleflyingschool.org.au

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The club is offering youth, male or female, aged 15 to 21 who are looking at aviationas a career, sport or hobby, the chance to apply for the annual Darling Downs Sport Aircraft Association Inc. recreational aviation flying scholarship being offered for

A completed application form must reach the Darling Downs Sport Aircraft Association Inc. by the scholarship closing date of 5.00pm on 31st March 2012. The scholarship is valued in excess of \$5,500.

The information pack and application form can be obtained by contacting the Darling Downs Sport Aircraft Assn., 549 Clifton-Leyburn Rd, Clifton, 4361, telephoning 0429 378 370 or after hours 07 4695 8541, or by emailing: trevorbange@bigpond. com or visiting our club website at www.loneeagleflyingschool.

Come to the annual club Fly-In on the 11th March 2012, at the

## **Countdown Continues to Cattle Drive Auction**

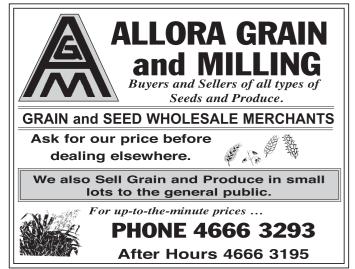
The momentum of Allora's Cattle Drive Auction grows daily with the Allora district community giving such amazing support to the fundraiser that will contribute to the establishment of a new Medical Centre for the Allora region population.

Allora Medical Support Group Chairman Jon Constable and Cattle Drive organizer Garry Wilson are thrilled with the public response to the event. Garry recognized a legend in our midst in Eddie Bassingthwaighte, who in an amazing gesture has donated a Brangus Cow as well as \$1000.00 cash to the Allora Cattle Drive Auction. "Eddie's support is typical of so many in our community, people recognizing our need for a new medical centre and the value of the facility to our town" says Garry.

Bruce & Cathie Wilson reluctantly take the accolades for the notion of a fundraising cattle drive, their only concern is that the money raising venture that has enveloped the "Best Little Town on the Downs" and it's surrounds plays a significant role in the financing and ongoing maintenance of a new Medical facility. "We did a sheep drive where we lived at Bullarah near Moree in New South Wales in 1965" recalled Cathie, "it raised money to line the walls of the hall that served as the local school". Originally from Glen Innes, the Wilson's spent forty years on the land in the Moree area before settling at "Wybaleena" just east of Allora in 2005.

I have to say that a few cups of coffee on the homestead veranda with such pleasant company and surrounds while gazing across emerald green paddocks to the Goomburra Valley is far from hard to take. There's nothing guite like the peace and tranquility of country life, even if the baler is getting a belt around the ears while enduring a few necessary repairs. Bruce & Cathie now live three kilometres as the crow flies from the son Garry and his family, and having got to know Allora and its community, they can fully appreciate why the Cattle Drive Auction is gaining momentum by the day. "Allora is such a friendly town, great people with the drive to see a new medical centre come to fruition" says Bruce, who with Cathie has donated a Droughtmaster cow to the auction. But they also realize the immense value of having quality well equipped medical services close by, with Bruce in Brisbane this week having undergone significant heart surgery. I'm sure I speak for all community members when I wish him a speedy recovery, there's possibly still work to be done on that baler.

Another Allora area stalwart and community supporter Peter Cavanagh has donated \$1000 cash to the Cattle Drive fundraiser and has no doubts Allora will achieve its medical centre goal. "Rural communities need Doctor's, it puts a lot of pressure on the town without them" according to Peter, "we have a hard working committee in the Allora Medical Support Group driving the proposal on the community's behalf, and the Cattle Drive is proving a very successful fundraiser in support of a medical centre".



Glenn & Marg Hentschel of Glenmar Fuels have stepped forward yet again to donate to benefit their community, with 1000 litres of fuel valued at around \$1400 in a mighty gesture. If your passing Allora Pharmacy over the next few days, check out the Cattle Drive donor/sponsor updates in the window, but also take a look at the exceptional handmade carving set donated by Libby & David Blomfield.

With 14 days remaining before Auction registrations close, there is still plenty of time for community members to be part of what is a novel fundraiser for a new Allora Medical Centre.

To participate in the Auction, all you need do is complete a Vendors registration Form, and deliver the donated cattle to the Allora Sale Yards on Sunday 11th & Monday 12th of March, or contact Garry Wilson (4666 3231), Jon Constable (46663100), Bruce & Cathie Wilson (4666 2441) or David Dwan (4666 3362) to arrange for your cattle to be collected. Please note that registrations close at 5.00 pm on Monday, 12th March. The Allora Cattle Drive Auction has three well known locals as Auction Ambassadors in Barrie Geitz (0407 751 476), Ted Cowley (0418 731 514) & Neil Phelan (4666 6198) who can also be contacted regarding information on the Cattle Auction. To date kind supporters of the Allora Cattle Drive Auction include:

Sponsors: Glenmar Fuels (1000 litres of fuel valued at \$1400), Allora Heavy Mechanical (two \$300 vehicle services), Adele Thomas (hand painting of cattle), Riverina Australia Pty Ltd (two \$250 feed vouchers), Libby & David Blomfield (hand made knife & fork carving set valued at \$500), Pursehouse Rural (25 bags of Gran Am fertilizer valued at \$550), \$350 of Packed Beef from Allora Butchery, \$500 Livestock Produce from Norco Bowdlers, Signed & framed Queensland Firebirds bib/photo donated by Allora's International netballer Laura Geitz.

The Allora Cattle Drive Sponsor Auction will take place at the Allora Sports Club on Friday evening, March 9th at 7.00 pm by local auctioneer Barrie Geitz. Everyone is invited to what is a night of celebration, a sausage sizzle and entertainment by Allora's own Denny's Band. The Allora Medical Support Group will also be presented with cheques for funds raised in aid of a proposed medical centre at the Allora New Year Mega Party.

Those who donate cattle to the4 Cattle Drive or a minimum of \$500 cash will be eligible to win some great prizes to be drawn at the Blue Cow Hotel on Friday, 16th March at 7.15 pm. There will be three draws - \$500 worth of fuel, \$300 vehicle service & \$250 stock feed voucher for some lucky donors.

Donors: Cattle – Bruce & Cathie Wilson (Droughtmaster cow running with stud Droughtmaster bull –"Ebony Hills Cougar"), Garry & Kaye Wilson (Droughtmaster steer), Jock Dwan (Steer), Tom & Margaret Bryant (Droughtmaster heifer), Colin Salm (Angus Cross Steer), Dalrymple Creek Lowlines (Purebred Stud Lowline Steer), Neil & Robyn Phelan (Grain Fed Steer), Imperial Saphire Pty Ltd (2 head)), KR Livestock Trading Pty Ltd (Charbray weaner), Anonymous (1 steer), John & Tony Cowley (1 steer), Eddie Bassingthwaighte (1 Brangus cow), John & Karen Denny (1 Pole Black Angus Steer), Graham & Theresa Bourke (1 cow).

Cash donors — John Lee-Lewis \$100, Dorothy Free \$50, Anonymous \$2000, K.A. & G.K. Gillam \$1000, Anonymous \$1000, Jon & Justine Constable \$1000, Anonymous \$200, I.F. Matuzelski \$50, Anonymous \$25, Martin & Ann Thompson \$50, Anonymous \$200, Anonymous \$200, Peter Cavanagh \$1000, Jim Deacon \$100, Sue Selby \$50, John Ellwood \$500, Anonymous \$100, D.J. & B.J. Wright & Sons \$1000, Jill Leeson \$50, Lynne Patterson \$100, Garth Free \$1000, Benjamin Brittain \$100, Clifton Auto Ag Repairs \$500, Eddie Bassingthwaighte \$1000, Maud Drewery \$50, Milton & Hall Piggery \$50, Les & Beryl Gwynne \$1000, Anonymous \$20, Stuart & Anne Campbell \$500, Peter & Margaret Salm \$200, Anonymous \$100.

And some food for thought, "Donating a Cow Today Could Save Your Bacon Tomorrow".

Glyn Rees

### Events Calendar

#### <u>2012</u>

April -Sat 21 Scope Club of Allora Afternoon Tea Allora Community Hall, 1.30pm Allora QCWA International Day - Chile Fri 27 St Andrews Hall, Allora May -Sun 20 2012 Goomburra Valley Classic Fun Run Goomburra Fri 25 St Pat's Rattle of the Brains Trivia Night Allora Commuity Hall June -"All Things Blue" Afternoon Tea St David's Hall, Allora, 1.30pm

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - Clients wishing to include their events in the *Events Calendar*, must book a display (boxed) advertisement for the event in *The Allora Advertiser*, sized at least 2 column x 8 cm. Clients will then automatically receive, as a bonus, a calendar entry. These entries will be in a 2 line format as above, starting in bold with date and event, followed by venue and time.

If people wish to contact The Allora Advertiser and discuss their particular needs, please feel free to do so. Ph 4666 3128.

## Council commits to improve customer service

Southern Downs Regional Council has launched a customer service survey to help improve its service levels.

Business Services Manager Cassie Martinez said it was important to get the community's feedback.

"This is an innovation for Council as this type of survey has not been conducted in the past," Ms Martinez said.

"We want people to know that we are committed and we are changing."

She said the survey covered satisfaction with Council service in a wide range of areas and helped identify which services and assets residents consider most important.

"We want to assess which services you place most value on, where we need to improve and where we are doing well," Ms Martinez said. "The only way to find out is by asking the community."

Council also has new feedback forms at both its Stanthorpe and Warwick customer service counters.

"We encourage everyone to take a few moments to fill out one of these forms after they have interacted with Council," Ms Martinez said.

"Whether it's good feedback, or feedback about what we can do better, we really want to hear it. That's the only way we will know what to improve."

Five hundred surveys have been mailed today to randomly selected residents across the region with a request to return them by 30 March 2012.

Any resident can also complete the survey online at www. southerndowns.qld.gov.au by this deadline.

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The works involve road surface repairs and asphalt resurfacing along a 1km section of the northbound lane on the New England Highway.

Part of the work consists of milling and filling operations, and due to the nature of this work, some increase in noise levels can be expected during these operations.

Works will be carried out at night during non-peak periods between 6 pm and 6 am to reduce traffic delays and maximise safety for the travelling public and roadworkers, weather permitting.

One lane will remain open at all times. Traffic controllers will be in place to minimise traffic delays and keep traffic flowing.

Access to side streets and properties will generally be maintained during these works.

We ask that you assist us by ensuring vehicles are not parked within the worksite or on the road shoulder during these works to assist with continuity of works and to avoid any accidental damage.

We will work hard to minimise traffic disruption as much as possible while roadworks are carried out, however delays of up to ten minutes may be necessary due to the nature of the work. The project will be carried out by RoadTek, the department's construction arm, with all work expected to be completed by the morning of 2 March 2012, weather permitting.

Safety is our top priority and we ask that motorists drive to changed traffic conditions and obey all instructions and signage from traffic controllers to ensure their own safety and the safety of roadworkers during works.

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**ABOVE**: Inaugural Champions of the Rotary Club of Allora's Trivia Team Trophy Nite held at the Allora State School Hall on Saturday night were "Bob's Yr Uncle", (Back) Paul Gordon, Sue Wallace, John Gordon, Roy Nott, Peter Gordon, (Front) Tania Gordon, Sue Higgins & Ros Hibberd.

**RIGHT**: Illustrious "Rotary Wooden Spoon" winners at last Saturday evenings Rotary Club of Allora's Trivia Team Trophy Nite at the Allora State School Hall were the team of "Desparate Farmers", Hugh Huston, Kaye Mullins, Norm Tranberg, Tom Mullins and Sue Huston



#### THINGS THAT HAPPENED ON THIS DAY - 1st MARCH

- 705 John VII begins his reign as Catholic Pope.
- 1692 Sarah Goode, Sarah Osborne, and Tituba arrest for witchcraft (Salem, MA).
- 1780 Pennsylvania becomes 1st US state to abolish slavery (for newborns only).
- 1784 E. Kidner opens 1st cooking school, in Great Britain.
- 1790 1st US census authorized.
- 1869 Postage stamps showing scenes are issued for 1st time.

- 1872 Yellowstone becomes world's 1st national park.
- 1873 E. Remington and Sons in Ilion, New York begins production of the first practical typewriter.
- 1896 Henri Becquerel discovers radioactivity.
- 1910 3 passenger trains buried at Steven's Pass in Cascade Range. 118 die. Worst snow slide in US
- 1912 Albert Berry makes 1st parachute jump from an airplane

- 1914 The Republic of China joins the Universal Postal Union.
- 1928 Paul Whiteman & orchestra record "Ol' Man River" for Victor Records.
- 1936 The Hoover Dam is completed.
- 1941 "Captain America" appears in a comic book.
- 2004 Mohammed Bahr al-Uloum becomes President of Iraq.
- 2006 English-language Wikipedia reaches its one millionth article, Jordanhill railway station

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"May they Rest in Peace"

Please accept this as our personal thank you.

#### Birth Notice...

JOSEPH - Wade & Tanya (Chandler) proudly welcome with love, a son, JACK LEONARD, born 13/02/2012, 9 lb 3 oz.

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## Allora Golf Notes 26-2-12

Last Sunday we had 9 teams play in a 2 ball ambrose which was sponsored

by Toowoomba Golfworld. It was good to see so many arrive on the day with the weather conditions preceding the day. The winners for the day were Anthony Bowe and Aarron Simpson with a score of 56.75 nett. The runners up went to Adam May and Marne Jakins with a 59 nett. Third place was Adam Cummins and Graham Whittaker with a 59.75 nett.

Thanks again to Golfworld who sponsored the competition with the prize winners receiving some great golfing apparel, their support is greatly appreciated.

This Saturday 3rd of March will be the Patrons day. This is a 3 person competition comprising of 9 holes of golf with bowls in the evening to follow. There will be dinner catered for and entertainment after the presentations. Names are to be in by 1.00pm with a tee off at 1.30pm. So organise your team for one of the bigger events held for the Allora Sports Club.

This Sunday's golf competition will be the Monthly Mug sponsored by the Railway Hotel with tee off at 12.00noon. Don't forget your sand buckets and remember - to play is to live



## Allora Prowl for a Second Premiership

It's the business end of the season for the Allora Foodworks/Railway Hotel cricket side, and this Sunday they take on the Inglewood "Roos" at

Warwick Cricket Association Headquarters Slade Park in the "Commonwealth Bank Cup" Reserve Grade Preliminary Final. A win for the Allora eleven will book a Grand Final spot for them for Saturday 17th of March.

Allora have a Reserve Grade Premiership to their credit and skipper Cameron Masters is confident his side have the ability to add another piece of silverware to the Allora mantelpiece. Allora have yet to play a full match against Inglewood in this 2011-12 season, with washouts the main hindrance and the "Roos" collecting some easy points when Allora forfeited in Round 15. While Inglewood have hung around the base of the table throughout the season, they have a couple of classy wins to their credit over top three sides Wheatvale on one occasion, and a mighty effort to beat RSL Diggers by 10 wickets in Round 14.

They obviously can't be taken lightly, but the Allora line up is enhanced with the return of Cameron Masters and all rounder Adam May for Sunday's match. Steve Hughes posted an outstanding all round effort in Allora's last start when they toppled the Sovereign Hotel Animals by eight wickets at Queens Park. Hughes excelled with the ball taking three wickets, before hitting 42 not out off the bat in Allora's total of 2 for 72. Another to shine was Matt Kiernan routing the "Animals" line up with an outstanding 5 for 24 off six overs.

Masters will be looking to all his players to focus on their individual performances against the "Roos", solid form a vital requirement if Allora are any chance of premiership glory, "the ability is there, it's just a matter of it all coming together on Sunday".

Allora "Foodworks/Railway Hotel cricket side to play Inglewood this Sunday at Slade Park, Warwick at 10.30 am: Cameron Masters, Adam May, Steve Hughes, Brodie Frizzell, Matt Kiernan, Nat Hooper, Aaron Vietheer, Lauchlan Hoey, Mitchell McLennan, Kris McLennan, Andrew Petersen. 12: Shane

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Allora's Landcare Group have registered as an official "Clean Up Australia Day" event. The Group is seeking assistance from everyone interested in protecting our environment and keeping our town clean. They plan to meet at the Reservoir on Allora mountain at 9.30 Sunday morning, and it is intended the activity will finish no later than midday.

The "Clean Up" will be followed by a sausage sizzle, sponsored partly by Allora Foodworks. Some protective equipment will be provided on the day for those wishing to take part, but please wear stout shoes or boots and bring a hat. Drinking water and cups will be provided for "Clean Up" volunteers, but extra personal water bottles would be advisable.

There are two access points to the Reservoir. Firstly via the parking area on Forest Plains Road opposite the Pursehouse Rural depot, where there is a public gate with access to the mountain with a walk of a few hundred metres up to the reservoir. The other approach is via the Allora Refuse and Transfer Station, the walk is shorter to the reservoir and parking in that area is off-road. Directional assistance is available at each site. For further information on the Allora Landcare clean-up on Allora Mountain please contact the clean- up convener, Adele Thomas on 4666 6210 or 0419 724 025.

Glyn Rees

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All enquiries to Glyn Rees on 4666 3803.

Commonwealth Bank Cup" Points Table 2011/2012							2012
Team	Played	Won	Lost	Bye	N/R	B/P	Total
"A" GRADE							<b>Points</b>
Colts	13	8	4	2	1	6	38
Diggers	13	7	5	2	1	8	36
Wheatvale	13	6	5	2	2	7	31
Maryvale	13	6	5	2	2	4	28
RESERVE GRADE							
Allora	11	4	5	2	2	5	20
Inglewood	11	3	5	2	3	4	19
Sovereign	11	1	7	2	3	1	5
Points Table After Round 17							

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Special thanks also to our Saturday raffle regulars, "the Allora Army" of John, Wayne, Andy J, Andy C, Dick, Steve, Paul, Garth & others. It was pressure cooker stuff last week, but no one buckled under the strain, Garth especially impressing off his short run, improving his average and never taking a backward step against a relentless attack. The willow wasn't needed to seal the win, just some tactical advice to foes..."May All Your Balls Be Bouncers" !!!!