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Allora students work experience: Steve Hannan of Allora Heavy Mechanical mentors Daniel Erhardt on the finer details of truck repairs.

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Allora Students Join Local Workforce

Twenty-seven Allora State School students are currently taking part in the Work Experience program conducted from the 18th to the 22nd of June, allowing them all a totally new experience in the working world as opposed to usual class room activities to complete the semester prior to their mid year holiday break. Students can be seen working with businesses around Allora. Warwick & Toowoomba. The program has certainly planted a seed for most, and while some have firmed in post school ambitions, it has created uncertainty for others. Last year at least two students were fortunate enough to be offered apprenticeship positions for year's end as a result of their work experience efforts, something that may well occur again this week. While it may be an initial taste of life in the workforce for some, students are thoroughly enjoying a week that is exposing them to the realism of working life.

Students involved in this busy week in the working world included Danielle Benz (Naturalite Studio, Warwick), Ashleigh Brown (Terry White Chemist, Toowoomba), Brooke Christensen (Scots PGC Library, Warwick), Thomas Cocks (South Qld

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Letter to the Editor...

Dear Editor.

Remember when Cordell Jigsaw film company came to Allora on Friday of our show and stayed overnight at Talgai Homestead?

I've been advised that the 6 week documentary will start programming on Wednesday, June 20, at 9.30pm on ABC 2.

This is the concept - 'Australians get a bad rap overseas, and our stocks seem especially low in India. In this six-part factual series, journalist Joe Hildebrand takes four Indians on a road trip around Australia to examine our worst stereotypes - are we really beer-swilling, racist bogans, or are we simply misunderstood?'

Allora's small part in the documentary will be aired on July 18 and I have no idea how Allora will be portrayed. I hope it's favourable.

We certainly had a great time including them in our day's events. You can view the prelude on www.abc.net.au/tv/ dumbdrunkracist

Regards, Wendy Ardrey

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The man said, 'Great,' and off he went with the parrot and the pot of red paint.

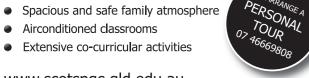
The next day he came back. He said, 'Hey, that parrot's dead.

The pet shop man said, 'I don't believe it. There's no way pot of red paint would kill a parrot.'

The man said, 'No, it wasn't the red paint that killed him. It was trying to get the blue paint off with a blowlamp!'



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Senior Citizens Afternoon Tea

The inclement weather didn't deter the happy crowd who supported our Afternoon Tea for Cancer, held at the Allora Senior Citizens Hall on Saturday over the long weekend

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Allora QCWA News

Where is this year going? Talking about Christmas bookings and Christmas Hamper Raffles already almost boggles the mind

Thank you for your great patronage of our recent street stall on the wet Friday. 1st June. It was very successful. Raffles were won by Max Bielefeld and Mary Schellbach.

On Tuesday, 19 June, some of our members are attending the Country Woman of the Year and Contest day at Glen Aplin. Many members of our branch have entries to be judged at Divisional Level.

We were sorry to farewell one of our members, Margaret Armstrong, who is leaving Allora to live in Melbourne. She will

This year our QCWA Allora Branch will be ninety years old. Much discussion at this meeting centred around planning our celebrations. More definite arrangements will be made known in the future.





June Meeting

Members of the Allora and District Development Board (ADDB) held a meeting with the Mayor of the Southern Downs, Peter Blundell last

week. The new Mayor was open and receptive to discussions and willing to work with Allora residents in progressing the region. It was agreed that a cost effective solution to Allora's water quality needed to be found and sewerage infrastructure was essential for the town's growth.

Discussion on the upkeep and repair of town and regional assets like halls, roads, bridges and parks were frank and the Mayor agreed that a bus trip, like the one that ADDB organised 12 months ago, would be a good idea for councillors, new and old, to see first hand, the issues Allora and regional constituents are concerned about.

The Mayor invited further dialogue and indicated that he, along with other councillors would be willing to come out to Allora to undertake further discussion on key issues as needed in the

The ADDB is a group of Allora and regional residents that meets quarterly to discuss perceived regional asset and infrastructure needs. ADDB representatives also meet with Council to discuss studies, repairs, work needed and priorities as and when needed. The group has being working for over four years and has seen a number of small, medium and major changes in the area due to the regular meetings with council officers (including the CEO) and councillors.

The ADDB informed the Mayor that a new public survey was being prepared on a number of topics in the Allora area and would be distributed to all Allora residents in the next 1-2 months. There was a great response to the original ADDB survey and Council agreed that the survey led to a number of changes in and around Allora. All requested minor road works and repairs were undertaken within a few months so it is hoped that the results of this new survey is as successful as the last. The ADDB also has a representative on the 'Councils Rates Consultative Group' that is working hard, along with council officers, councillors and other members of the Southern Downs community, to ensure rates are kept to an absolute minimum and are calculated so they are fair and equitable. An interim report on progress is expected within the next week and will be published in the Allora Advertiser.

If you have an issue that you feel you would like the ADDB to address either directly with council or when the councillors visit and undertake the bus tour please send details to our email address alloradistrictdevelopmentboard@gmail.com or write to ADDB % (care of) the Allora Post Office.

REMINDER: Get your listings in **TODAY for 2012 Seniors Week** Calendar of Events

Time is about to run out to list an event or activity in Council's Free Senior's Week Calendar of events with the closing date being TODAY, Thursday 21 June 2012.

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year, Council is compiling a calendar of Seniors Week events and activities happening across the Southern Downs region.

"The calendar of events is distributed far and wide throughout our region and is just one of the ways that Council supports the promotion of Seniors Week and its commitment to seniors in the Southern Downs," said Council's Manager Community Development, Sheila Stebbings.

"It would be a shame to miss out on this FREE opportunity to advertise your event in this listing", she said.

If you would like your event or activity included in this year's calendar of events, you will need to complete the Seniors Week Calendar of Events Listing Form.

Forms are available from Council's Customer Service Centres and Libraries or by phoning Customer Service on 4661 0300 (Warwick) or 4681 5500 (Stanthorpe), or why not download the form from the 'About Council' section on our website: www. southerndowns.qld.gov.au. Forms should be returned to Council no later than Thursday, 21 June 2012.

For more information about the calendar of events, contact Council's Community Development Officers Pam Burley on 4661 0404 or Gwen Jones on 4681 5522

Allora RSL Ladies Auxilliary

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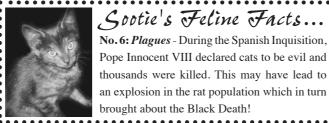
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Sootie's Feline Facts...

No. 6: *Plagues* - During the Spanish Inquisition, Pope Innocent VIII declared cats to be evil and thousands were killed. This may have lead to an explosion in the rat population which in turn brought about the Black Death!

Looking Back... Allora's Past 25 years ago 1987 **Chemical Storage Concerns**

At its monthly meeting held this week, Allora Shire Councillors expressed their concerns at the proposal by the Department of Primary Industries that Shire Councils provide a collection point for banned organochlorine pesticides and other chemicals. Although they agreed with the idea of the dangerous chemicals being disposed of in a safe manner, they felt that the tin shed that they had available at the Council depot in the town centre, was not a suitable place for the collection and storage of the chemicals The Shire Clerk, Mr. Lex Ellwood, was instructed to contact the Department suggesting that it supply a suitable lockable container to be used pending collection of the chemicals by the Department.

Allora's Past 50 years ago June 1962

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. A. E. Marshall wishes to announce that she

is resuming catering as from July 1st. (Mrs. Alice Marshall was left a young widow with three infant children following

the death of her husband in 1917. Mr. J. C. Marshall was Secretary of the Central Downs Agricultural and Horticultural Association when he met his death as a result of a horse accident at the Allora Show Grounds. In the days before Social Security payments, Mrs. Marshall took in sewing and built up a catering business to earn money to raise her family. She was a long serving member of the Allora RSL Ladies Auxiliary and died in Allora in 1983 at the age of 98)

Allora's Past 75 years ago June 1937

Death of Outstanding Educator

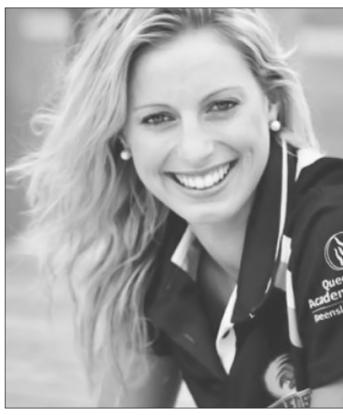
The death occurred vesterday of Mr. Bernard Joseph McKenna, former Queensland Director of Education. Mr. McKenna started his brilliant teaching career in 1884 at the age of 14, as a pupil teacher at the Allora State School. He served in succession as assistant teacher and head teacher of several Queensland schools, before being appointed as a district inspector in 1914. In 1922 he was appointed to the position of Under Secretary of Education, the former title for Director of Education. In this roll he achieved the highlight of his teaching career in being responsible for the setting up of the Correspondence School for outback children.

Allora's Past 100 years ago June 1912

Empire Day Following the example of all loyal

communities, Empire Day was observed as a closed holiday in Allora on Friday last. Some few residents of a sporting turn of mind ventured far afield in search of furred and feathered game, and some fair bags resulted. A tennis match or two was also played. However, Empire Day has always been regarded as the children's day, both under its new title and previously under that of the Queen's Birthday. "Twenty-fourth of May" picnics have long been an institution and the traditions of the day in this respect were well observed on Friday when separate picnic parties set out to spend a day in the open air, favoured by fairly pleasant weather conditions. The Church of England Sunday School enjoyed their day at the Show Grounds. They were regaled with buns and ginger beer followed by a comprehensive sports program. The Methodist Sunday School children were conveved to Harrison's Pocket in vehicles provided by Barnes & Co for their celebrations followed by a social gathering in the Town Hall at night. The Salvation Army young people's picnic was a more modest affair conducted in the Police Paddock near the creek.

Colin Newport



Geitz heads to Toowoomba

Mission Queensland Firebird Laura Geitz is hitting the road to deliver her popular Laura Geitz Clinics and she is heading to Toowoomba Netball Association.

Laura will be visiting Toowoomba Netball Association on Thursday, June 28 and places are filling fast.

Despite a heavy playing schedule, the Firebirds defender and Australian Netball Diamond always finds time to get out and about to deliver her clinics.

"I absolutely love hitting the road and delivering my netball clinics to young athletes around Queensland," she said.

"Having grown up in regional Queensland, I understand that it is hard to have access to your coaching from elite netballers and that's why I make an effort to travel around the state to deliver my clinics."

The clinics which are open to eight to 15-year-olds run for 2.5 hours and cover a range of skills and drills and include a signing session with Laura and her fellow Mission Queensland Firebirds.

Laura's clinics are a fun way to hone your skills with the ball on defence and attack, regardless of current abilities.

Young netballers can learn from the expert and see their game improve.

For more information about the clinics and to download a registration form visit www.laurageitz.com.au

Residents clear out their rubbish!

The Southern Downs Regional Council's Kerbside Cleanup campaign in the southern region has been completed with residents taking full advantage of this great opportunity to remove any accumulated rubbish. Council workers were kept busy over the three weeks of the campaign with over 100 cubic metres of waste collected from footpaths. This was made up of 29.25 cubic metres of green waste, 29.3 cubic metres of scrap metal and 50 cubic metres of general waste.

"Its great to see so many taking advantage of the opportunity to let Council clean up their unwanted items for them," said Council's Manager Environmental Services, Tim O'Brien. "As much of the rubbish collected as possible was separated to

be reused or recycled," he said. "In fact, more than half of all items collected were able to be

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- ◆ Fence critical areas to reduce soil erosion or improve biodiversity
- ◆ Revegetate using local species

All projects must be completed by the end of September 2012. Applications for funding will need to be received at the Condamine Headwaters Landcare office by 30 July 2012. All eligible grants will be allocated on a first in first served priority. For more information, contact the Landcare Office on 4661 9909. Alternatively, funding applications are available from the Landcare Office or can be downloaded from the website at http://headwaters.ddrlandcare.org



recycled, which is a great result.

Kerbside cleanups are carried out in the northern and southern town areas on alternate years to assist residents to keep their properties free of unwanted items and to remove mosquito breeding containers.

The northern region will benefit from the Cleanup Campaign in 2013 with the southern region to have their turn again in 2014.

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Engine Reconditioning, Allora), Angel Cullen (St.Patrick's School, Allora), Joshua Cullen (Allora Butchery, Allora True

Value Hardware, Allora & District Tyres, Allora Foodworks, Jenco Feeds & Seeds), Alison Dennis (Warwick RSL Services & Citizens Memorial Club), Shaunena Duffy (Warwick Veterinary Clinic, Allora), Michael Ellis (W.G. Collins, Richmond House, Allora), Daniel Erhardt (Allora Heavy Mechanical), Connor Falconer (Wilson & Rigby Motor Body Works, Allora), Cory Fogarty (Jason Piggford, Toowoomba), Brianna Francis (Homestead Aged Persons Hostel, Allora), Adina Gunnis (Toowoomba Chronicle), Connor Hill (Little Tackers Early Childhood Education & Care, Warwick), Brendan Lawrance (Darwella Poultry Farm, Talgai), Kaitlyn Lawton (Allora Community Kindergarten, Allora State School), Travis Lowe





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Students and staff from the Allora State School extend their sincere thanks to all businesses that are supporting the work experience week.

Glyn Rees

ALLORA SCHOOL STUDENTS WORK

FAR LEFT: Ben Ranger gets skilled up at Denny's Engineering & Welding.

Motor Body Repairs, Allora.

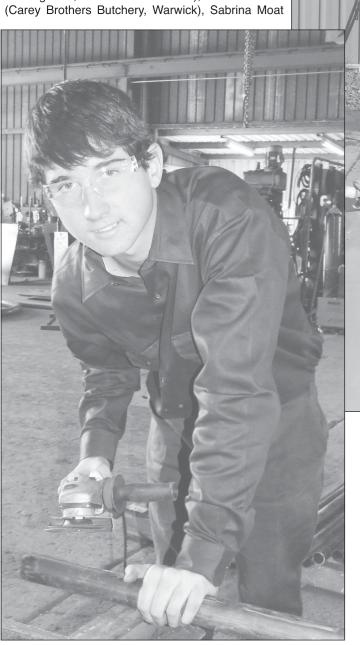
of the patients in care at the Warwick



LEFT: Connor Falconer puts some polish on a panel at Wilson & Rigby

ABOVE: Shaunena Duffy comforts one Veterinary Clinic, Allora.

RIGHT: Lydia Rowan takes some learned advice from Allora Pharmacy staff member Jodie Collins





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July -

June -

Sun 1 Alloa RSL "Produce to Pantry" Cent Sale

RSL Hall, Allora

Sun 1 Wattles v Vallevs

Platz Oval Clifton

Sat 14 Caxton Street Jazz Band

Allora Community Hall, 6.00pm Wattles v Oakey

Sun 22 Platz Oval Clifton

St Pat's Parish presents: An Afternoon of Song Sun 29

Allora Community Hall, 1,30pm

Sun 29 Wattles v Gatton

Platz Oval Clifton

August -

Sun 5 Wattles v Warwick

Platz Oval Clifton **Sun 19** Wattles v Brothers

Platz Oval Clifton

October -

Sat 6 High Tea Fundraiser

Allora Community Hall

Fri 19 St Patricks Parish Fete

St Patricks School Grounds Fri 26 **Anglican Parish Fete**

St David's Church Grounds, 4.30pm

November -

Allora Swimming Club Melbourne Cup Tue 6

Luncheon

Railway Hotel Allora

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

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

WIRAC pool closed for further maintenance

Warwick Indoor Recreation and Aquatic Centre's pools will be closed for further maintenance to the filter system from 23 June 2012 to 1 July 2012. This closure will include the first week of

"It is extremely unfortunate that we have to close the pools at this time, however the extra work needs to be done," WIRAC Manager. Don Warrener said.

"We apologise for any inconvenience to our customers while this necessary maintenance is carried out," he added.

All being well, the pools are expected to reopen on Monday 2

WIRAC's Holiday Activity Program will still go ahead during this time with great activities planned for those taking part.

Another great activity available during the holidays is a rock climbing. You can rock climb during the holidays for only \$5. To celebrate the reopening of the pools for the second week of the holidays, this offer will also include a free swim!

For more information on WIRAC's holiday activities please contact the friendly staff at WIRAC on 4661 7955.

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SEPTIC TANK CLEANING **WARWICK - ALLORA - 4661 7513** DARLING DOWNS SEPTIC SERVICE



The Allora Cricket club side that defeated the Allora Invitational Cavaliers in the Glen McGrath Foundation "Pink Stumps Day" at Allora Oval on Saturday. (Back) Tom Higgins, Graham Whittaker, Jeffrey Rees, Wilf Brown (Umpire), Mitchell McLennan, Matt Elford, John Meddleton, Luke Kilah, (Front) Robert Hoey, Scott Sparksman, Jason Nightingale, Kris McLennan.

Allora Dispatch Cavaliers in Pink Stumps Boilover

Breast cancer care nurse Athaline Mulhall thinks local cricketers hit a six on Saturday in the Pink Stumps Day held at Allora Cricket Oval. The day raised \$725.00 in aid of the McGrath Foundation, a charitable organization dedicated to raising money to fund more Breast Care Nurses in rural and regional Australia, and to educate young women to become 'breast



Allora CC batsman Scott Sparksman dispatches the pink ball on his way to a total of 13 not out.



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ABOVE: The Allora Invitational Cavaliers Eleven that played in the Glen McGrath "Pink Stumps Day" at Allora Oval on Saturday. (Back) Brett Lester, Gavin McLucas, Wilf Brown (Umpire), Steve Gibson, Kev Harrison, Max Mason, Graham Whittaker. (Front) Matt Hagenbach, Peter Morton, Des Canning, Beetle Wakeford, Jon Constable & David Dwan (Capt).

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Southern Downs Regional Council.

The feature match between the Allora Cricket Club side and the Allora Invitational Cavaliers provided more thrills than has been seen at Allora Oval in many a decade. While light hearted, the match sure had its competitive moments, with local cricket stalwart Keith Masters noting that the match was



Allora Invitational Cavaliers all rounder Beetle Wakeford and Allora Cricket Club top scorer Matt Elford congratulate breast cancer care nurse Athaline Mullhall on the success of the inaugural Allora "Pink Stumps Day"

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Cavaliers keeper Gavin McLucas ever alert behind the pink stumps against Allora on Saturday.

among the more entertaining clashes he had seen since he began watching cricket in Allora in 1945.

Local constabulary member & Cavaliers player Gavin McLucas stunned the crowd with his wicket keeping skills before bowling an over and taking a hat trick. Teammate Jon Constable top scored with the willow hitting 17 in a gritty innings. The aggressive captaincy style of Cavilers skipper David Dwan had the Allora side rocked back on their heels for much of the 20/20 match. "For the most part the team gelled well" said the skipper. "but not everyone contributed, we'll be better next time for the run". However, the Allora CC side scored a total of 95 including 20 each by Matt Elford and Jason Nightingale, to win by ten runs over the enthusiastic Cavilers.

Everyone was a winner on the day, especially the McGrath Foundation, while the Allora economy has achieved a positive spike due to the heightened sales of rodox & anti inflamitaries. The Allora Cricket Club Pink Stumps Day was a tremendous event, and yes, it will be happing again !!

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Wattles Fall Short Despite Spirited Fightback

The home ground advantage wasn't enough in inspire Wattles "National Farmer's Warehouse" A Grade side to a season first win on Sunday at Platz Oval, the Dalby "Diehards" snatching the two premierships points after winning in a high scoring match 48 - 30. Wattles were without their star centre Luke Baker, but the reappearance of seasoned former South West Division representative Tim Hentschel in Wattles number three jersey filled the vacancy admirably, Hentschel showing his class scoring two tries returning after an injury absence.

The immediate future looked grim for the Warriors when they were trailing 8 - 38 after the initial forty minutes of play, first stanza tries scored by team Captain and secondrower Glen McMillan and centre Tim Hentschel. The "Diehards" crossed twice after the second half restart to extend their lead to 48 - 8, before the local side embarked on a determined fight back ignited when five-eight Burwood Robinson offloaded a superb pass to send fullback Russell McMillan through a gap down the left side. McMillan found winger Michael Bracken in support, Bracken scoring the try that jolted the "Warriors" back into the game. Wattles were reduced to twelve men soon after with back-rower Aaron Scheid sin binned. Nevertheless they added to their total when guicksilver back Coedie Tandy sliced through the defence, and then regained his feet after slipping, to score and have Wattles trailing 18 - 48.

Wattles were in again when ball playing forward Brady Glass popped a pass to Russell McMillan, who split the defence and raced away to score and continue Wattles roll as they tried desperately to reel in the Dalby total. It was the "Warriors" again soon after when Tim Hentschel showed all the skills after gathering a Glen McMillan pass to race down the touchline evading defenders on his way to score his second try of the match.

Wattles had their supporters on the edge of their seats as they outscored Dalby 22 - 10 in the second half. Alas the hooter sounded to signal fulltime, dashing the "Warriors" chances, but in reality the match was lost in the first half dominated as it was by the "Diehards".

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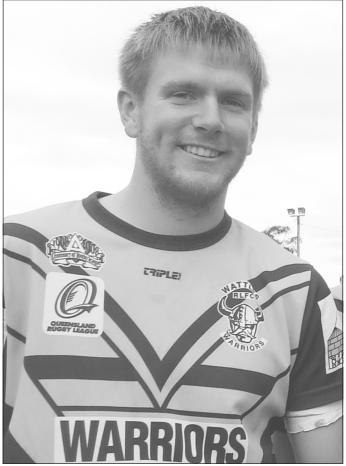


Russell McMillan were key to the home sides improved performance, McMillan also snaring the Wattles "Player's Player" honours. Young gun forwards Carl Gale & Lauchlan Hoey were also among Wattles best in a tough contest.

Wattles points came from tries by Tim Hentschel (2), Russell McMillan, Michael Bracken, Glen McMillan & Coedie Tandy, while Jordan Henry kicked three goals.

Wattles "Railway Hotel, Allora" Reserve Grade side added a premiership point to their total after drawing with Dalby 24 all. It was a tight even encounter throughout, both sides locked at 12 all at half time. Wattles were trailing 18 – 24 heading in to the latter stages, before back-rower Hakan Mackenzie scored from a dummy half charge, the successful Gary Hooper conversion

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Lachlan Hoev

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locking the scores. Mackenzie was judged the home side's best player, and also named "Player's Player", halfback Coedie Tandy, centre Gary Hooper also considered among Wattles best.

Wattles "Allora Foodworks" Under 18 side racked up an impressive thirty points against Dalby, but the "Diehards" denied them victory winning 40 – 30. Four players were sin binned in the match, Dalby also losing a player sent off. Wattles snatched an early 12 – 0 lead after fourteen minutes when fullback Dale McAntee scored under the posts off a well placed Josh Henry chip kick, before Michael Duggan, Josh Henry & Brodie Frizzell combined in a classy effort to send Brendon Nothdurft in to score. Despite Wattles handy start, Dalby hit back with three tries to lead 18 – 12 at half time.

Back-rower Jason Wilson was judged Wattles best, and shared "Player's Player" honours with representative utility player Brodie Sharman. Sharman and winger Brendon Nothdurft were also among Wattles better performers.

Wattles points came from tries to Brendon Nothdurft (2), Brodie Sharman (2), Dale McAntee & Jason Wilson, while Brodie Frizzell (2) & Jordan Hooper kicked goals.

Wattles head to Gatton's Cahill Park this Sunday to take on the Gatton "Hawks" in all grades. The "Hawks" are languishing at the base of the "Hutchinson Builders" Toowoomba Rugby



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League A Grade ladder, one rung above Wattles. They have two wins from nine starts to their credit this year, under coaching mentors and former Wattles top grade coach duo Lee Wharton & assistant Sam Achilles. The "Hawks" boast an array of talent including former Wattles star Luke Brosnan and former Warwick "Cowboys" stalwart hooker Aaron McVeigh. Wattles last met Gatton in the opening competition Round earlier this year, not getting the result they would have liked going down to the "Hawks" 18 – 34 at Platz Oval.

A win in Sunday's clash in the Lockyer is well within Wattles capabilities, especially if they can start the match in stride with their second half form from last week. Reserve Grade and Under 18 wins are also well within reach for the "Warriors", regardless of the "Hawks" home ground advantage and ever healthy supporter parochialism.

It will be a sad goodbye in one respect for the "Warriors", loyal front-rower Jason Nightingale kitting up in the green & gold colours for the final time for the foreseeable future. The quietly spoken graduate of Wattles juniors has been one of the "Warriors" main cogs in their playing machine in recent seasons, leading from the front and setting an inspiring example. The Bathurst "Panthers" appear to be the beneficiaries of one of Wattles favourite sons for the remainder of the 2012 season, with Jason leading the charge against clubs from Mudgee, Cowra, Lithgow, Orange & Bathurst. The thought of a final game for his beloved Wattles Club will no doubt have the Number 10 with the mighty ticker lifting to another level and hopefully going out a winner.

Sunday's program at Gatton will see the Under 18 match kick off at 11.30 am, followed by Reserve Grade (1.00 pm) and A Grade (2.30 pm).

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