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Slinky stall a winner for Spring Spectacular

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But in 2012 an excited Mr Higgins, along with Principal Jason Callcott are taking the humble spud out of its 'chip' comfort zone with their potato slinky stall.

"It's like chips but on a stick," Mr Higgins said.

"Jason and I have been checking out revolutionary new product at markets and festivals we've been to and we think we have a winning stall with potato slinkys."

The good-humoured Deputy has been testing out his new machine and his slinky technique in the school tuckshop.

The fun and quirky doesn't stop there with Year Six students flying high with their "Free the bird" stall.

Year six teacher, Sharon Gimm came up with the novel idea of "Free the bird" to help raise money as part of the School's annual fete. Ms Gimm has had her students scrounging at home for old keys over the past few weeks so that students can sell fete patrons the chance of taking home some cash.

"The idea is that someone buys an envelope that has a key in it," Ms Gimm said.

"If the key fits the lock to the bird cage, then the lucky key-holder frees the bird and takes home the cash attached to him." Warwick West School's Spring Spectacular will be held on Friday, September 7 from 2.30pm to 8.30pm. Any enquiries on the fete should be made to the school by phoning 4660 5333.

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LEFT TO RIGHT: Kelsey Hoger, Ashleigh Kane & Kyle Webster

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Letters to Editor...

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Congratulations to Maggie Stokes and her husband Graham for organising a great 3 Day Country Music Festival. There were reportedly up to 200 caravans, campers and motorhomes parked on the 20 acre site at Goomburra to listen to great amateur and professional artists.

We met music lovers from all over the country. Some follow the Country Music Festival circuit and others just came for this Festival in Goomburra. They vowed to return again next year. I would thoroughly recommend that all local country music lovers check out this event next year. It was great to hear again local music artists, Syd and Cyril Wickham. Cyril sang a Glen Campbell number dedicating it to his late brother John. Thank you to all the Country Music followers who help Maggie and Graham host this event.

Lyn Wright

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Solution in classifieds section

Dear Sir,

I'm specifically writing to your paper to ask your readers to consider helping with a vital cause that means so much to so many Australians – our rivers.

Sometimes we all put rivers out of sight and out of mind. The reality is, as readers are reading this letter now, that 31% of Australia's rivers have been damaged in some way, less than 10% of Australia's iconic Murray Cod are left and numerous species of fish in Australia are under threat.

There has been a lot of abuse and neglect around our rivers. Some have been used as sewers and waste dumping grounds. Here's the big positive. On Sunday September 30th it's World Rivers Day across the planet including Australia. We want schools and communities groups in your local area to consider organising some kind of celebration in the lead up to that day to reconnect with rivers.

We also want people in your local area to send us a photo of their favourite spot on the river locally because we are going to build a big tribute to rivers across Australia. Please send photos to patricia@riverfoundation.org.au. We ask your readers to join us in celebrating local rivers.

All the answers ultimately lie in action. Doing something makes a real difference. Our rivers – at a local level – deserve nothing less. Our rivers provide jobs, food, tourism, recreation and much more. We want people to reconnect to local rivers.

We know that the water quality of many rivers has been affected. We know river flows have been reduced. Investing in our rivers right now is investing in tomorrow. Millions will celebrate around the world and every day heroes are everywhere. People can get more information at www.riverfoundation.org.au.

Many celebrities will help us push the message. Last year's supporters included Wil Anderson, Tammy van Wisse, Duncan Armstrong, Icehouse star Iva Davies and more. Be a local hero because rivers are critical to local communities.

Yours sincerely,
Matthew Reddy,
Chief Executive Officer,
International RiverFoundation.

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ALLORA: "THE BEST LITTLE TOWN ON THE DOWNS" - What does the future hold?

Southern Downs Regional Council has received a development proposal which is planned for Warwick-Allora Road (located approximately 2km on the right hand side, south of Allora township).

The proposal is to change the 80 acre prime farming land from Rural to Medium Impact Industry – Intermodal Agricultural Hub. The applicant has lodged an application with Council to build a massive Grain Storage area where grain will be transported by train and by trucks. The heavy vehicles will be using the already stressed South Street and turning onto Warwick-Allora Road.

The proposed:

- grain bunker storage sheds will be 350 metres long, 37 metres wide and 7.8 metres in height.
- rail in-load holding silos are 27.8 metres in height!
- container handling and storage area is approximately 19 acres in total.

The proposal has been put forward for operation from 6.00am to 6.00pm, but the planning scheme definition for Medium Impact Industry could allow a 24 hour day, 7 days a week operation.

The proposal is to use prime farming land and turn it into an industrial site. Doesn't Allora already have an industrial area? It is believed the applicant has the Hendon-Allora rail lease for 80 years. Will he bring the train into Allora as well?

The proposal means:

- Property valuations will decline.
- Huge dust problems – which has potential to be fatal for asthma and allergy sufferers including gluten allergy sufferers
- A lot of us rely on rain water to drink and for household use. The water will be tainted with grain dust (will affect our water quality).
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Allora boasts a quiet small friendly county town with clean country air. I'm sure this is why many other residents are living in and around Allora too.

This is a major development and everyone has the right to make an objection and have their say.

All concerned residents need to put a written objection through to Council with their concerns by Thursday 13th September 2012.

Quoting Application No. MCU/01280, written comments are to be made to:

The Assessment Manager
Southern Downs Regional Council
PO Box 26
Warwick Qld 4370
Ph 07 4661 0300
Email: mail@southerndowns.qld.gov.au

A copy of the full application can be viewed or obtained from the assessment manager (the front counter) at Southern Downs Regional Council (64 Fitzroy Street, Warwick).

BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

A clergyman walking down a country lane and sees a young farmer struggling to load hay back onto a cart after it had fallen off.

"You look hot, my son," said the cleric. "why don't you rest a moment, and I'll give you a hand."

"No thanks," said the young man. "My father wouldn't like it."

"Don't be silly," the minister said. "Everyone is entitled to a break. Come and have a drink of water."

Again the young man protested that his father would be upset.

Losing his patience, the clergyman said, "Your father must be a real slave driver. Tell me where I can find him and I'll give him a piece of my mind!"

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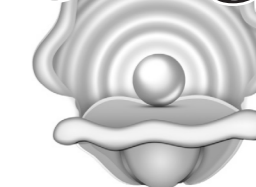


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There will be a steam train – of course, the Mayor Paul Antonio will be doing the opening honours, we are hoping for TV coverage and lots of members of the community.

Everyone is invited and we have a sausage sizzle on the go, raffles, lucky dips, railway display and entertainment. So if you are looking to come, festivities will be starting on from 10.30am through to 1.30pm.

Cynthia Conway, Secretary,
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Disability Action Week, from 6 – 14 September, encourages positive attitudes towards people with a disability and promotes improved access to the wider community.

“Everybody has a role in creating a truly welcoming and inclusive community, from businesses and government to community organisations and individuals,” said Southern Downs Regional Council Mayor, Cr Peter Blundell.

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 - Flower Show and items of interest for everyone
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| <p>FRIDAY 19th
11.30am to 2.30pm - QCWA Lunch.
7pm - Photography Competition.</p> <p>SATURDAY 20th
7am to 1pm - Ute & Boot Market
12 noon to 4pm - Iris & Rose Show.
10am to 12 noon - Teddy Bears Picnic.
Ron's Old Cars
2pm - Play: "Watt's Mine is Mine"</p> <p>SUNDAY 21st
9am onwards - Enjoy a</p> | <p>"A Day In The Valley".
9am to 4pm - Iris & Rose Show.
9.30am - Clifton Lions Car Rally & BBQ Lunch.
10am to 4pm - Museum open.
11.30am to 1pm - The "Downs Dasher" Steam Train. To book call 4661 5401 or 4612 3087.
2pm - Play: "Watt's Mine is Mine".
9am to 4pm - Clifton Railway Station.</p> | <p>TUESDAY 23rd
1pm - Golf With A Twist.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY 24th
1pm - The "Passion for Fashion" Parade.</p> <p>THURSDAY 25th
2pm - \$17 "COUNTRY WEEK" HIGH TEA.</p> <p>FRIDAY 26th
7pm - Movie Night at New Tivoli Theatre.</p> <p>SATURDAY 27th
11am - Annual Clifton Race Day.</p> |
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- Everyone is invited to Clifton and Pilton to enjoy the festivities.
Info: www.cliftonpa.org or Ph: 4612 3087, 4697 3313 or 4697 3226

Looking Back...

Allora's Past 150 years ago Allora 1862

The following is a description of European settlement in Allora 150 years ago. It must be remembered that being only 22 years after the first white settlers arrived on the Darling Downs, there would have still been plenty of the original aboriginal inhabitants living in the area, probably wondering what all the little white pegs were in their hunting grounds.

The survey of the town of Allora was completed in July 1859 and the first land sale took place on the 5th March 1860. This sale involved 30 town allotments and 36 small farms on the outskirts of the town. Allora in those days was virtually an island without dividing fences, surrounded on the south and east by Goomburra Station, on the west by Talgai and on the north by Clifton Station. Census figures for 1861 show that Allora had a population of 55 persons; 32 male and 23 female. We could probably assume that in 1862 the population would have still been under 100 residents, including children.

The start of the 1862 year saw the advertisement for sale of the Dalrymple Hotel by Donald Clark. The hotel had been built by Clark in late 1860 and would have been the only substantial building in the town. It was situated in Raff Street facing the creek and consisted

of three large rooms, six bedrooms, bar and landlord's apartments with kitchen and stables detached. By the middle of 1862 the hotel was in the hands of John Holmes.

There were probably only two other businesses in the town. Henry Ramsdale was a practising doctor, had a small farm to the east of the town and conducted Allora Stores out of Yap Yan's cottage in Drayton Street. Andreas Rickert and his three sons operated a blacksmith's shop on the corner where the Railway Hotel stands today. Scattered slab and bark huts made up the rest of the buildings in the town.

When describing the town in 1862 it would be easier to list what was not there rather than what was. There was no bridge over Dalrymple Creek. Access to the town would have been via the Shepherd's crossing which would have been uncrossable for days at a time in the summer. Tenders for a bridge were called for in October 1863.

There was no local government of any kind. There would have been no formed streets and only dirt tracks through the long grass between the buildings. The first municipal council was elected in July 1869.

There was no police presence in the town. The first policeman was appointed to the town in September 1864 following a petition complaining about riotous behaviour and drunkenness at the hotels of a Sunday by the workers from the

surrounding stations.

There was no cemetery. When John Holmes, aged four, son of John and Mary Ann Holmes of the Dalrymple Hotel, drowned in the creek in October 1862 he was buried on land belonging to the Church of England.

There was no Post Office. Mail was dropped off at a hut in Drayton Street. The Post Office was gazetted in April 1863.

There was no government school. James and Agnes Gwynne settled in Allora in 1862 on the suggestion of the Rev. Benjamin Glennie and lived in a slab hut on land belonging to the Church of England. Mrs. Gwynne started a small private school in a tent attached to the hut. The first National School was opened in 1867.

Allora's first wedding ceremony took place in April 1862 when James Kingsford married Sarah McInnes. On the 25th August in the same year Edward Sparksman married Lucy Ward. Both ceremonies took place in the Dalrymple Hotel.

The first known birth of a white child in the town was that of David Holmes who was born in the Dalrymple Hotel on the 17th June 1862. Joseph Erhardt, son of Michael and Christina Erhardt was born on the 4th July and Anna Meyer, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Meyer was born on the 11th July 1862.

Colin Newport

Council Funds \$33,124 Projects with Queensland Government Regional Arts Funding

Projects including contemporary impressionism in oils, a photographic exhibition, pottery and writing workshops, a cultural collection of stories are among the 7 projects in the latest arts grant round from Southern Downs Regional Council, announced RADF Chair, Cr Jo McNally.

"In this round of funding from the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF), a partnership between the Queensland Government and regional councils, we will see people being brought together through their own personal discoveries from within the arts world, with a writing workshop being held for the emerging, talented writers within the Southern Downs Region." A new arts program in Warwick will be provided by professional artists to community members often excluded because of their age, disability, mental issues or low level of self esteem.

The unique technique of Raku firing will be introduced in to the Southern Downs Region teaching our local potters this new skill.

"The arts and cultural sector of our community provides opportunities for shared cultural experiences, which can generate a sense of community belonging and pride", Cr McNally concluded.

Minister for the Arts Ros Bates said RADF was Australia's only locally-delivered regional arts grants program.

"In 2011-2012, the Queensland Government allocation to RADF is \$2.047 million with another \$1.5 million from 55 Queensland councils, meaning more than \$3.5 million is available for arts projects across the state," Ms Bates said.

"From its beginnings in 1991, RADF now supports more than 3000 arts and cultural projects each year in communities across Queensland."

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For more information on RADF please contact Sue Organ on 4681 5524 or email sue.organ@southerndowns.qld.gov.au

The second round of funding for the year will close at 5pm on Monday, 3 December 2012.

Application packages are available from the Southern Downs Regional Council Offices, Art Galleries and Libraries in Warwick and Stanthorpe or from Council's website www.southerndowns.qld.gov.au

Applicants should be aware that projects should not commence prior to approval being granted by the RADF Committee and Council and that grant monies will not be received until after the approval process is finalised at Council's General Meeting at the end of January 2013.



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Community Sponsorship Grant for Clarke Family History Book Launch

Southern Downs Regional Council has approved a Community Sponsorship Grant to The Allora & District Historical Society to help fund the costs associated with the launch of an important family history book in Allora.

Mary Clarke, descendant of early settlers Henry and Joseph Clarke, who arrived in Australia and settled in Allora in 1865, will launch her book at the Allora Senior Citizens Hall this

Saturday, 1 September, at 11.00am. The book, "Travelling Through Time", explores the Clarke family over the centuries from the 1700s in England to the present descendants who live in Australia.

Mary has another association with Allora residents and that is her connection with the Gordon family.

Mary's Great Grandmother (and wife of Joseph Clarke) was Sarah Eleanor Gordon, daughter of Samuel Gordon, an early Mayor of the Allora Municipal Council. "Notes from Allora" in the Warwick Argus, while reporting the Wedding in June 1882, recorded that the "respected townsman" and "host of the Princess of Wales (Hotel), has been treating all his buildings to a coat of paint" in honour of the occasion. It also reported that the bridegroom, Joseph, was the manager of Headington Hill Station at the time of his marriage.

Mary Clarke is very interested in her connection with the



Joseph Clarke family c. 1888: William b. 1886, Joseph Clarke, George Henry (Harry known as Boney b.1884, Mary Eleanor Clarke (nee Gordon), Gertrude b.1887, Florence b. 1883.

various past members of local government in Allora. Samuel Gordon's son and Sarah Eleanor's brother, Andrew, also became a Mayor of Allora Municipal Council, serving on two occasions in the 1890's. Alexander Cameron, the other Son-in-Law of Samuel Gordon, was a long term Shire Clerk of the Allora Municipal Council until his untimely drowning death in 1882, leaving his wife, Esther Ann, and seven children.

As a result of this interest, Mary will donate all the proceeds from the sale of her book to the Allora & District Historical Society to fund a current project. This is the undertaking to refurbish and copy the portraits of Mayors, Chairmen, Councillor Groups and other components of the Local Government Photographic Collection, for display at the Old Town Hall in Warwick Street and to provide a protective cover for the original Council Meeting Table.

Mary's generous donation is much appreciated by the Allora heritage community.

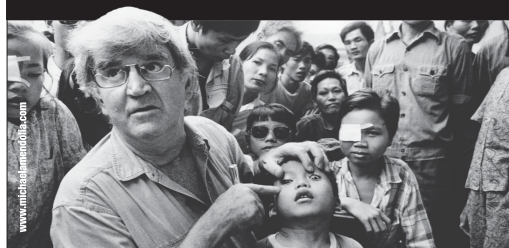
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Marriage Notice: Warwick Examiner and Times (St. Lucia Qld), Saturday, 3 June 1882

THINGS THAT HAPPENED ON THIS DAY - 30th August

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| <p>257 - St Sixtus II begins his reign as Catholic Pope.</p> <p>1146 - European leaders outlaw crossbow intending to end war for all time.</p> <p>1835 - Melbourne, Australia is founded.</p> <p>1850 - Honolulu, Hawaii becomes a city.</p> <p>1860 - 1st British tram opens (Birkenhead).</p> <p>1873 - Austrian explorers Julius von Payer and Karl Weyprecht discover the archipelago of Franz Joseph Land in the Arctic Sea.</p> <p>1884 - Jack "Nonpareil" Dempsey wins middleweight title in 1st fight with boxing gloves.</p> <p>1885 - 13,000 meteors seen in 1 hour near Andromeda.</p> <p>1901 - Hubert Cecil Booth patents vacuum cleaner.</p> <p>1909 - Burgess Shale fossils discovered by Charles Doolittle Walcott.</p> | <p>1918 - Czechoslovakia forms independence republic.</p> <p>1918 - Lenin, new leader of Soviet Russia, shot and wounded after speech.</p> <p>1933 - Air France forms.</p> <p>1933 - Portuguese dictator Salazar forms secret police (PIDE).</p> <p>1945 - Dmitri Shostakovich completes his 9th Symphony.</p> <p>1945 - Hong Kong liberated from Japan.</p> <p>1968 - 1st record under Apple label (Beatle's <i>Hey Jude</i>).</p> <p>1968 - John & Yoko's "One on One" benefit for children at Madison Square Garden.</p> <p>1973 - Danny Seiwel quits Wings.</p> <p>1974 - Express train runs full speed into Zagreb, Yugo rail yard killing 153.</p> <p>1974 - Launching of 1st Dutch satellite, ANS, from Vandenberg.</p> | <p>1979 - 1st recorded occurrence - comet hits sun (energy = 1 million hydrogen bombs).</p> <p>1979 - Ian Botham makes 1000 runs/100 wkts in Tests in his 21st match.</p> <p>1979 - Kathy Horvath (14y 5d) is youngest to play in US Tennis Open, she loses.</p> <p>1979 - Pres Carter attacked by a rabbit on a canoe trip in Plains Ga.</p> <p>1983 - Guion Bluford becomes 1st African-American astronaut in space.</p> <p>1989 - Roman Polanski marries actress Emmanuelle Seigner.</p> <p>1993 - 150,000,000 millionth visitor to Eiffel Tower.</p> <p>1999 - East Timorese vote for independence in a referendum.</p> |
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September -

Sun 9 Reppels B&B Create Your Own Hat
Reppels B&B, Allora.

Sun 9 St Pat's Parish Thanksgiving Celebration For Sisters of St Joseph
St Patricks Church, 11.00am

Fri 14 Allora Diggers Youth Disco
Allora RSL Hall, 6.30pm - 9.30pm

Sat 15 Allora State School Spring Fair
Allora State School, 9.00am - 2.00pm

Fri 28 - 1 AMSG Fund Raiser Progressive Campout
Various camping locations from 28 Sep - 1 Oct

October -

Wed 3 to Sun 7 Allora Sheep Dog Assoc. Trials - Qld Champ.

Sun 7 Allora Show Grounds

Sat 6 High Tea Fundraiser
Allora Community Hall

Sat 13 & Sun 14 Open Garden Fundraiser

Sun 14 118 Ryan Road, Allora, 10.00am - 4.00pm

Fri 19 St Patricks Parish Fete
St Patricks School Grounds

Fri 26 Anglican Parish Fete
St David's Church Grounds, 4.30pm

November -

Sat 3 Allora Daylily Expo
Allora RSL Hall

Tue 6 Allora Swimming Club Melbourne Cup Luncheon
Railway Hotel Allora

Tue 13 Late Night Christmas Shopping Sale
Allora Pharmacy

Sat 24 Allora Chaplaincy Christmas Musical "Songs of Bethlehem"
Allora State School Performing Arts Hall

December -

Fri 7 BlueCare Christmas Market Day
Allora Blue Care Boutique, 8.00am

Fri 7 Allora Rotary Bush Christmas
Herbert Street, Allora

Sun 16 RSL Mega Christmas Cent Sale
Allora RSL Hall, 2.00pm

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

Gardens spruced up for Spring!

For the past week Council's Parks staff have been hard at work pruning the roses around town in Warwick in preparation for a fantastic bloom in Spring. Pruning commenced on 21 August with all pruning expected to be completed by 31 August.

Additional work is also being carried out to revitalize the centre plot roses in Palmerin Street. Over the years the garden beds have sunk and this problem needs to be addressed to ensure the healthy growth of our roses.

"Parks staff will be adding additional soil to the garden beds as well as fertilisers and insecticides to provide the roses with the best possible environment for healthy growth," said Michael Bell, Manager Parks and Major Projects.

"We are trying new fertiliser products which we feel will be beneficial to the roses," he said. "We are hoping the roses will provide a colourful display in late October for everyone to enjoy."

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Henry was born in a tent on the Grenfell goldfields of New South Wales (17 June 1867) and grew up around Pipeclay, Eurunderee, and Mudgee.

From such small and isolated bush beginnings emerged a giant of Australian literature, an author who was to paint upon the canvas of our national culture with brilliant literary brushstrokes that illustrated life in the Australian bush in such a way that his writings resonated with people around the nation.

Sometimes Lawson could also paint a picture that was humorous, such as in "The Loaded Dog" and "The Captain of the Push", but on occasion he also gave a somewhat melancholy view of life in the country, as expressed in the "Ballad of the Drover" and "The Union Buries its Dead".

He wrote of life in the country (in poems like "The Fire at Ross's Farm" and "Andy's Gone With Cattle") and expressed his concern for the downtrodden and battlers ("The Army of the Rear" and "Faces in the Street"). His works were enjoyed by millions of Australians during his life-time, as they are appreciated by many today.

Henry Lawson gave to our country an ever-lasting present, a gift that will always keep on giving, in a wide-ranging body of literary works that have recorded for posterity the way of life of Australians of a previous generation.

Our nation owes its thanks to people like Henry Lawson for giving to us the foundation stone for the culture and way of life that we have today. The life of Henry Lawson is one worth remembering on this day.

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Snakes can put a spring in your step

Environment and Heritage Protection (EHP) is warning people to look out for snakes as warmer weather makes reptiles more active.

EHP Director Wildlife Management, Dr Ashley Bunce, said lush growth from good rains this year meant people should be extra cautious in their homes, gardens and workplaces and when hiking.

"Reptiles are an interesting and important part of the wildlife found in Queensland, but most people didn't welcome surprise encounters with snakes," Dr Bunce said.

"Snakes present little or no danger to people when they are left alone.

"A few precautions will reduce the chances of surprise meetings," he said.

"If you see a snake, give it a wide berth and don't threaten or provoke it.

"Most bites happen when people threaten a snake by interfering with it or trying to kill it. Leave it alone, and after a while the snake should move on.

"If you find a snake indoors, open external doors and windows, close internal doors and place 'door snakes' or rolled towels along the bottom of those doors.

"If the reptile shows no signs of moving after an hour, residents should contact a licensed snake remover."

Dr Bunce said EHP did not remove snakes, but licensed private contractors could undertake this function, generally on a fee-for-service basis.

"In yards, remove rubbish piles, sheets of tin and stores of timber where snakes might shelter and also keep grass short. Wear gardening gloves and remove any food sources for snakes or their prey," he said.

"When in the bush, take care and never pick up any type of reptile. Stay on formed paths or tracks so you can spot and avoid snakes, and do not walk alone.

"Wear protective clothing such as covered shoes and trousers and carry a torch at night. Carry a first aid kit, and if someone is bitten, apply a pressure immobilisation bandage, avoid moving the patient and seek medical attention immediately," Dr Bunce said.

Snakes are protected under the Nature Conservation Act 1992 and cannot be taken from the wild to be kept as pets. Keeping a snake or any type of reptile requires a licence from EHP, and reptiles must be obtained from licensed breeders - go to www.ehp.qld.gov.au for more information

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Dalby Dominate to Retain Rod Frahm Cup

Wattles final opportunity of claiming a victory in this 2012 Toowoomba Rugby League season slipped past on Sunday, the "National Farmer's Warehouse" A Grade "Warriors" falling victims to the Dalby "Diehards" by 64 - 18. The prize for victory was the "Rod Frahm Memorial Cup", retained by the "Diehards" in 2012.

Wattles top grade side took the field on twenty occasions this season without success, two pre-season trials and eighteen competition fixture matches, the club's first winless season since the winter of 1999. Wattles committee are looking to a more successful 2013, already planning and preparing to have the club bounce back as a competitive force. Rumours and reports are circulating of the Wattles Club among others being dismissed from the TRL competition for various reasons, however players, committee club stalwarts, sponsors and the Central Downs & wider community are refusing to accept that the gallant "green & gold" Warriors will be an absentee from the competition they have been part of since 1968.

Wattles teams and individual players have been renewed for their courage and loyalty over the club's 46 year history and despite the results on Sunday at Dalby, that fighting spirit is very evident in the current generation of players.

Outstanding Under 18 player Jayden Baker made his first grade debut against Dalby, and actually ran on in all three of Wattles teams on Sunday. He faced off against his older brother and two time Wattles "Player of the Year" Luke Baker. The elder Baker commenced the 2012 season with Wattles,



Wattles A Grade Captain Glen McMillan watches on as Dalby "Diehards" skipper Dillon Hunt receives the "Rod Frahm Memorial Cup" from Mrs. Janette Frahm.. Dalby defeated Wattles by 64 - 18 to retain the prestigious award they won last year.

before a midyear move to the "Diehards". Dalby snatched the lead in Sunday's feature match in just the first minute through a try by second-rower David Tait, the home side racking up a 22 - 0 lead after just ten minutes. Wattles skipper and above average performer Glen McMillan scored soon after, and with a successful Jordan Henry conversion, the "Warriors" trailed 6 - 22, before going to the half time break with Dalby enjoying a healthy 34 - 6 lead.



Wattles A Grade debutante Jayden Baker takes his older brother and Dalby centre Luke Baker around the legs while Wattles forward Hakan Mackenzie moves in from the front in the Toowoomba Rugby League A Grade match at Dalby on Sunday.

Wattles got off to a positive start for the second forty minutes, back-rower Lauchlan Hoey touching down after a nippy dummy half dash by hooker Josh McIntosh. The "Diehards" responded briskly running in four tries before second-row Captain/Coach McMillan ran in his second four pointer of the game. Halfback Jordan Henry converted for the extras, his third success of the match, to have Wattles trail 18 - 58. Dalby claimed another try in the dying moments as they achieved their winning total. Glen McMillan was Wattles' shining light, the experienced forward among Wattles most consistent performers of the season. The former West's Panthers (Brisbane) premiership winner was also voted Wattles' "Player's Player". Another in the "Mr. Consistency" class who was among Wattles best in the match was back-rower Aaron

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Scheid, along with veteran utility player Ross Hentschel.
Reserve Grade

The Neil Wilson coached Wattles "Railway Hotel, Allora" reserve grade side were desperately unlucky not to achieve a season ending win, Dalby finishing ahead 36 - 32. The home side raced to an early 12 - 0 lead before classy young half Josh Henry sent Mark Duggan away for Wattles first try. Front-rower Lindon Langton & Josh McIntosh scored further tries for Wattles, to have their side leading 22 - 18 at half time. The second stanza saw ever improving outside back Aaron Vietheer add a try to Wattles total, along with up and coming colt Jayden Baker. Wattles led 32 - 24 with fifteen minutes remaining, but two late tries to the home side denied Wattles a confidence boosting victory. For Wattles conversions were kicked by Justine Wade, Leon Close & Aaron Vietheer.

Regular first grader Aaron Scheid started in the Reserve Grade match to assist with player numbers and was named Wattles best player, "Player's Player" Josh Henry and front rower Justin

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Wade also among Wattles best. Impressive Under 18 winger Brendan Nothdurft made his senior grade debut in the "Warriors" reserve grade line up.

Under 18.
Towering Wattles forward Jimmy Johnson shone brightly yet again in the "Allora Foodworks" Under 18 side's 15 - 50 loss against Dalby. Johnson also shared "Player's Player" honours with gutsy hooker Michael Duggan, while halfback Josh Henry pasted another of his consistent above average performances. The "Diehards" led 34 - 0 at half time, crossing for six unanswered tries in the initial 35 minutes. They extended their lead immediately after the break to 40 - 0, before scheming half Josh Henry combined with Brodie Sharman to send fullback Dale McAntee in to score. Centre Brodie Frizzell added to Wattles total with a try eight minutes into the new half, before McAntee snatched his second touchdown of the game after a flashing sideline run to have Wattles trailing 14 - 46 with minutes remaining. McAntee's try had been successfully converted by Brodie Frizzell. The final stages saw tempers

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flaring and Wattles lost tough forward enforcer Jack Sharpe to the sin bin, the "Diehards" also losing a player to the "bin".
With Wattles season at an end, club members are now looking forward a lengthy spell, and the 2012 Presentation Night & Banquet at the Allora Community Hall on October 20th.

Glyn Rees

Junior Warriors Claim Premiership Glory

The "Carlowie Park" Wattles "Warriors" Under 16 side finished the better in a bruising encounter with the Goondiwindi "Boars" at Tenterfield's Rugby League Park on Saturday, hoisting the prestigious "Jake Maroon Memorial Trophy" as victors in Wattles' first Under 16 premiership since 2004. After cruising to an impressive 22 - 0 lead at half time, the Warriors had their backs to the wall for much of the second stanza, holding on in the face of a fierce Goondiwindi fight back to win 28 - 26 in the Warwick & District Junior Rugby League season decider. The "Boars" had defeated the previously unbeaten "Warriors" 24 - 12 in the Major Semi Final at Warwick's St. Mark's Sports Grounds a fortnight ago, coming into the Grand Final with a better than fair dose of confidence.

The Wattles side impressed Coach Shaun Henry with their effort and commitment at training in the Grand Final lead up, and after their win against the Collegians "Dragons" in the Preliminary Final at Inglewood approached Saturday's big game ready to play the match of their lives. The match lived up to all expectations of a premiership decider, with heavy exchanges and robust tackling the standard from the outset. When Goondiwindi were penalised for a shoulder charge in the early stages, Wattles were presented with an ideal opportunity to add first points to the scoreboard. The prime field position allowed the "Warriors" to penetrate deep into "Boars" territory through the efforts of hard running forwards Mitchell Duff, Nick Morris and Jacob Lousick. A deft grubber kick by classy five-eight Joe Morris into the in-goal saw winger Evan Lack "Johnny on the spot" to score out wide. While the conversion attempt failed, Wattles had posted first

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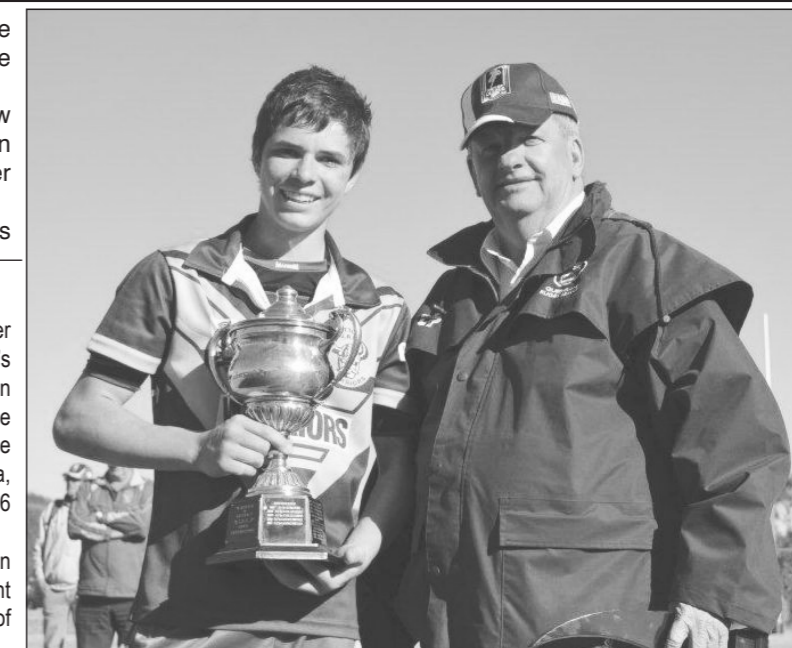
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Queensland Rugby League State Juniors Board Chairman Geoff Orman presents Wattles Under 16 Captain Tom Henry with the Warwick & District Junior Rugby League Premiership trophy.

points and held a handy 4 - 0 after just five minutes. The "Boars" lifted the tempo after Wattles took the lead, both sides thrilling the large crowd with what was outstanding finals standard rugby league, but both unable to crack either defence. As Goondiwindi surged downfield in the eleventh minute, slick centre Ben Comerford intercepted a "Boars" pass, swiftly turning defence into attack. Forwards Brodie Sharman, Mitchell Duff, Colin Chowns and Dalton Nielsen brought play to within ten metres of the try line, before skilful, quick hands by halves Tom Henry and Joe Morris sent representative lock forward Nick Morris over for a valuable touch down. The

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eventual "Man of the Match" winner converted his own try to have Wattles ahead 10 - 0.

The Goondiwindi restart was long, finding touch in goal and resulting in Wattles being forced to defend a rugged set of six tackles near their own line. The "Warriors" regained possession through Ben Comerford gathering a kick through. Wattles found touch deep in the opposition territory as a result of another penalty in their favour, and quickly had the "Boars" under enormous pressure. A set play by hooker Jake Christensen and Nick Morris resulted in a try to hard running back rower Brodie Sharman. Nick Morris converted to have his side ahead 16 - 0 at the twenty minute mark.

From the restart, front-rower Mitchell Duff gathered a high kick to initiate another assault on the besieged "Boars". Cody Brown, Ben Ranger, Jacob James and Jeremy Wright were running rampant and the "Boars" were forced into giving Wattles repeat sets twice from line dropouts. Eventually, pressure led to robust second-rower Colin Chowns scoring under the posts. Nick Morris again added the extras allowing the "Warriors" what seemed a comfortable half time 22 - 0 lead.

The young "Boars" received and absorbed the half time message from coach Mal Peckham, taking the field for the second stanza and final thirty minutes of the Grand Final firing on all cylinders, and scoring their initial try after just four minutes.

A rewarding defensive set from the Warriors followed and they soon had possession in their own territory. Tom Henry, Nick Morris and Jeremy Wright worked hard to gain quality metres and found a flying Kane Wightman looming in support to score a classy wingers try in the corner. Nick Morris hoisted the conversion over the cross bar from virtually the sideline with a towering kick to have his side leading score 28 - 4 after six minutes of the new half.

Wattles suffered a significant loss when Joe Morris was injured in a late tackle, his absence evident throughout the remainder of the game. Morris' replacement Will Bashford took up the challenge and went on to play his best game of the season. As Goondiwindi found a few more gears to launch numerous attacking raids into Wattles territory, defence was the order of the day with Tom Ryan, Mick Johnson, Nick Pails and Carl Christensen justifying their coach's confidence in them with some outstanding defensive efforts. Outside backs Charlie Parker and Jack Rubie snuffed out a near scoring opportunity on the right midway through the half, but relentless as they were, Goondiwindi were back on the spot minutes later to score, and convert, to trail Wattles 10 - 28. A spate of penalties in their own half had the "Warriors" backpedalling, the rampant "Boars" thundering in for another two tries, only one of which was converted.

Jack Rubie, who played fullback in the second half, was very impressive as Wattles last line of defence, saving three certain tries.

With two minutes to go, Goondiwindi touched down yet again near the uprights, bringing the score to 28 - 26, and ensuring a sizzling finish to the match. The final seconds of the match had supporters from both sides at fever pitch as the "Boars" crossed the tryline, but alas, after the full time siren had sounded. The intense and urgent final seconds of the Grand Final and the 2012 Warwick & District junior Rugby League season transformed into premiership glory as Referee Rodney Ogden signaled full time, the victorious "Carlowrie Park Warriors" etching their names in Wattles Junior Rugby League Club history.

Wattles' Coach Shaun Henry remarked after the game that the greatest thing about the win was that each of the twenty-five team members had time on the field playing their special part in the victory. Wattles JRL Club and the Central Downs community extend their wishes of congratulations to Coach, Managers, Trainers, water runners, and the players.

Wattles 2012 Under 16 Premiership winning team : 1. Jeremy Wright, 2. Evan Lack, 3. Jack Rubie, 4. Ben Comerford, 5. Carl Christensen, 6. Joe Morris, 7. Tom Henry (C), 8. Jacob Lousick, 9. Jacob Christensen, 10. Mitchell Duff, 11. Colin Chowns, 12. Brodie Sharman, 13. Nick Morris (VC), 14. Joshua Sharman, 15. Dalton Nielson, 16. Jacob James, 17. Cody Brown, 18. Max



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The competition of the day is a 4 Ball Ambrose, 4 players per team, with teams starting from 9.30am to 12.30pm. It is advisable that at least one member per team has a handicap or has an idea on how to play golf.

Team and individual bookings are welcome - Call the Warwick Golf Club Pro Shop today on 4661 3664. Tickets are \$15 per person for Members and \$25 for Non-Members.

Exciting plans for the day's fundraising activities include a multi-draw raffle, and a sporting memorabilia auction of items including signed NRL jerseys, autographed Bart Cummings framed photograph and lots more!

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For further details visit the website at www.bushkids.org.au



Allora Golf Notes

On Sunday we played a Club Trophy with 9 players. In perfect conditions the winner was Rod Simpson with a good score. Runner Up was Kev on

a countback from Noel. Pin shots went to Adam on the 7th, 8th and the 16th. Tom on the 17th with a great shot. Rod on the 2nd and Kev on 11.

Next week will be a Monthly Mug.

The duck run is still on Friday so for a good afternoon pop on down around 3.00pm.

To all the fathers out there, have a great Fathers Day from all at the club. Don't forget your sand buckets - and remember to play is to live.

Somes, 19. Tom Ryan, 20. Will Bashford, 21. Michael Johnson, 22. Ben Ranger, 23. Nicholas Pails, 24. Charlie Parker, 25. Kane Wightman. Coach: Shaun Henry, Manager: Art Parlevliet, Trainer: Angela Van Der Poel, Leaguesafe: Michael Ryan & Jordan Henry.

Glyn Rees