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ALLORA VICTORIOUS!

ABOVE: Allora Swimming Club members Nick Wall, Josh Day and Gemma Nott after the Allora Club's win in Saturday's 45th Allora Rotary Open Swimming Meet.

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Allora Playgroup Grant Success

The Allora Playgroup have received a significant boost with the recent announcement of their successful application for a \$5,000 grant under the Volunteers Grant 2012 program offered by the Federal Government's Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs. The Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Hon Jenny Macklin MP, and the Minister for Community Services, the Hon Julie Collins MP, recently announced that more than 166,000 volunteers across 4,800 organisations throughout Australia will benefit from funding of \$16 million under Volunteer Grants 2012. Grants of between \$1,000 and \$5,000 each were available to enable organisations to purchase small equipment items to assist volunteers. Allora Playgroup spokesperson Mrs. Hayley Mason said "We applied for the maximum grant of \$5,000 in late July 2012, and it was granted recently". There are specific categories relating to funding availability, with the Playgroup, who are based at the former Allora Girl Guides facility in Warwick Street, using their grant to upgrade or acquire cleaning equipment, first aid equipment, outdoor furniture & fire safety equipment.

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Solution in classifieds section

"The grant was actually submitted by the Allora Tennis Club on behalf of Playgroup" said Mrs. Mason, "the Tennis Club sponsored us as the Playgroup is not an entity that is entitled to apply for the grant in its own right, so a big thank you to the Allora Tennis Club and in particular Mr. Phill Higgins for their help and support." It is hoped that the amount for the outdoor furniture will be sufficient to buy new outdoor play equipment as the current equipment is aging and badly needs replacing. Allora Playgroup aims to foster the welfare of children and families in the local community. Volunteers maintain the facilities and encourage community participation in Group events, which support the social, physical and intellectual development of children. The Group facilitates community cohesion by encouraging parents and volunteers to cultivate friendships and long-lasting support networks.

Glyn Rees

Water Rates payments due

Ratepayers in the Southern Downs region are reminded that the deadline to receive the discount on payment of your water rates is 5.00pm this Friday 16 November 2012. "We do remind people, particularly those paying by BPay, to make sure their payment is received by Council by 5pm on the due date," said CEO, Andrew Roach. "Many financial institutions require a couple of days to process payments and send them to Council," he advised. "Only people who have paid all rates and charges in full by the due date will be eligible for the 10 percent discount." Payment options can be found on the back of your rates notice and all ratepayers are encouraged to read this information and contact Council on 4661 0300 if they have any queries or want to enter into one of the payment arrangements Council offers.

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Day	Forecast	Min/Max
THU	Afternoon Clouds. Warm.	15 31
FRI	Showers Late. Mostly Sunny. Warm.	16 32
SAT	A Few Storms. Morning Clouds. Warm.	15 31
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plants.
 "The landowner was astounded that volunteers from around the world willingly visited his property to help the environment," she said.
 "Groundcover is one of the most important ways to protect against soil erosion so the volunteers' contribution to revegetation is extremely valuable."
 Similar work will soon be completed on the remaining two sites beside Glengallan Creek at Maryvale and Dalrymple Creek at Allora.
 The gully stabilisation activities are part of a wider relief effort by Condamine Alliance funded through the National Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements via the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
 For all the latest news on our flood recovery activities, and photos, visit www.condaminealliance.com.au/repairing-the-condamine



LEFT: BEFORE -
 Damaged gully at Greenmount site.

BELOW: AFTER -
 Rock chute repair work at same site.

Gully repair mission on home stretch

Condamine Alliance has passed the half way point in its mission to repair the catchment's five worst flood-eroded gullies. One of the selected sites is in Allora and repair work is due to start at that site soon. Heavy rain and flood



waters during the 2010-11 storm season ripped large gullies in areas especially near waterways, roads and irrigation equipment.

To stop further erosion of these gullies, Condamine Alliance identified five priority sites under the Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Program.

Since the excavators rolled in two months ago, three of the five sites earmarked for urgent attention have been repaired.

Greenmount, Ramsay and Peranga sites were restored according to site-specific surveys and modelling prepared by international engineering firm Cardno ENTRIX in collaboration with local soil conservationists of Ninderry Associates. This involved installing rock chutes and re-establishing vegetation to prevent further erosion.

"At its worst, the damaged Greenmount gully had widened to about 40 metres and 2.5 metres high," Condamine Alliance Principal Project Officer-Community Alexandra Kennedy said.

"It took about 10 days for the excavator to flatten the slope and install the rock chute," Ms Kennedy said.

A team of international volunteers from Conservation Volunteers Australia then revegetated the site with 800 native Lomandra

plants.

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Allora Landcare Group (ALG) On the Road

About fifteen members and friends of the ALG were invited to the property of fellow members Jenny and Ross Gardner in the Goomburra Valley last Sunday. The intent was to inspect progress on the "Land for Wildlife" project that the Gardners

are obvious and can include property-specific advice, workshops and field days. The ALG spent the morning walking and inspecting the section of the property which had been turned over to achieve the corridor.

Indigenous weeds and noxious plants were recorded and signs

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of animal activity noted. Wallaby and echidna were in evidence as were nesting birds. Methods and techniques for eradication of dominant privet and blackberry were discussed as well as future directions for the project. The day finished with a social function, away from the flies that appear to have surfaced with the advent of the weekend rain.

The day was considered a great success, technically as well as socially and this was due in no small part to the generosity of Steve Blakemore on behalf of the David Evans Group in Warwick who generously provided a people-mover to assist those ALG members who are no longer as nimble on their feet as they would like. The ALG thanks them for their generosity. Please direct any correspondence or enquiries to the ALG Secretary, Pete Thomas at pandathomas1@bigpond.com or 0419 724 025.

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Oh, since I was a kitten I guess!

Doctor, Doctor
I've got insomnia
Just lie on the edge of the bed. You'll soon drop off!

Events Calendar

2012

November -

Sat 17 Daylily Expo
Allora RSL Hall

Sat 24 Goomburra Hall Branding Board Evening
Goomburra Hall

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

Sat 8 Allora RSL Christmas Markets
Allora RSL Hall, 8.00am

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

2013

April -

Sat 13 Scope Club of Allora Annual Afternoon Tea
Allora Community Hall, 1.30pm

Sat 20 Historical Soc. Display & Demonstration Day
Old Shire Hall, Warwick Street, Allora

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Dear Editor,

We would like to extend an invitation to members of the Allora community to attend our annual Speech Night on Tuesday 20 November 2012 at 7.30pm in the Allora P-10 State School Hall. Each year the school recognises local students' outstanding academic or sporting achievements by the presentation of awards at Speech Night. We would also like to seek support to help the school in this endeavour - we would appreciate any assistance that can be offered to the 2012 awards. Receipts will be issued and all donations will be acknowledged in the Speech Night programme.

We would be particularly grateful for any assistance to our appeal this year.

Allora State School
P & C Association

Dear Editor,

Allora consists of very caring and beautiful people. However there are a very few who battle to meet the previous statement. If you have the feeling that you are not liked as a resident of Allora, it is most probable that you come into this category. People remember and talk a lot longer about the bad than the good. A certain resident of Allora who made a scene in a local business recently needs to take a very long look in her mirror and in her backyard before making further problems for others.

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Hospice Carols

The Toowoomba Hospice will start its Festive Season on Sunday 25th November at the Hospice in O'Quinn Street.

Toowoomba Hospice Chairman Graham Barron OAM said the Hospice is celebrating the Festive Season with carols and lighting of the Christmas tree.

The Toowoomba Hospice has been providing Palliative Care Services to the Lockyer Valley, Toowoomba and Darling Downs Communities since July 1st 2003. "We are excited to be able to celebrate our 10th Christmas and we want to thank the Community as a whole from the bottom of our hearts for supporting us so we can provide Palliative Care for those with a terminal illness especially at this time of the year."

Mr. Barron said to celebrate this special occasion "We are having Christmas carols here at the Hospice from 5pm, Toowoomba Municipal Band will be playing, High Altitude Harmony will lead the singing, there will be food and drinks on sale as well, so bring the family, a blanket or chair and kick off the Christmas season with us here at the Toowoomba Hospice".



L to R: Getting into the Festive spirit at last years Toowoomba Hospice Christmas Carols were Rick Lingard, Bianca Lingard and Eden Lingard.

Finally, Mr. Barron wanted to reassure all those who attend on Sunday that the 'Big Fella' in the red suit will be coming in from the North Pole for a quick visit. "I have had our promotions and fundraising manager Mark Munro on the phone to the North Pole coordinating a special visit from Santa and I am pleased to say he is on his way and will arrive about 6pm!"

Looking Back...

Child's Grave

The Historical Society was this week asked about the identity of a child buried in a marked grave adjacent to Yankee Gulley Road at Hendon. The grave could possible date from the 1850's. The Society has no information available and would be pleased to know if anyone has any idea of the identity of the child buried in the grave.

Allora's Past 50 years ago
November 1962

ALLORA SHOW SOCIETY SPECIAL NOTICE SHOW PRINCESS CONTEST

The winner will be presented with a sash, also a trophy valued at £5/5 and will be the Society's contestant for the Show Queen of the Darling Downs for which a valuable prize (perhaps a car) will be offered.

Condition of Entry: Each contestant has to raise a minimum amount of £10 as entry fee. A prize to the value of £10/10 will be given to the contestant raising the most money for the Society.

Judging: Preliminary judging will take place in the Shire Chambers on the night of the Show Ball and later on at the ball when judging will be finalized.

Poise, Personality, Dress Sense, Deportment and General Knowledge will be the standard of judgement. Be in this contest and enjoy a happy association and accept the opportunity of being Miss Allora Show Princess and possibly Show Queen of the Downs.

Allora's Past 75 years ago
November 1937

New Roof for St. David's

Work will be commenced shortly on the new roof of St. David's Church of England. The present roof is of shingles, and St. David's is the sole remaining building in the town with roofing in this early fashion. In replacing the roof, an effort will be made to retain the beauty of the building.

Allora's Past 100 years ago
November 1912
Tennis Ball

A SOCIAL EVENING will be held in the Town Hall on WEDNESDAY 27th at 8 p.m. under the auspices

of the Allora Lawn Tennis Club. Admission by Tennis Ball (Ayres' Champion 1912)

A Novel Idea

Our progressive Town Tennis Club has adopted a unique and pleasant way of augmenting their supply of tennis balls. On Wednesday next (see advert.) they are holding a social evening. Vocal and Instrumental pieces will be rendered, interspersed with fun dances, card competitions, etc. Admission is by tennis ball, and we hope that the club will get a good supply.

Colin Newport



St. David's Church with the original shingle roof.

Local Author to speak at the Warwick Library

Local author, Sara Skinner will be at the Warwick library on Wednesday 28th November at 10.30am to talk about her book "Don't go into the woods", a modern fairy-tale aimed at young adult and adult audiences.

Sara, who has self-published her book, will talk about the writing and publishing process, and will be available to answer questions at a morning tea following her talk.

"If you are interested in the world of writing, this is a wonderful opportunity to hear from someone who has the knowledge and experience of the process from start to finish," said Samantha Shelbourn, Council's Principal Librarian.

If you would like to attend please contact the Warwick library on 4661 0342 by Monday 26 November.



Author Sara Skinner will be at Warwick Library on 28th November.

Local clubs and schools have the chance to win \$5,000 thanks to Sunsuper's Little Dreamers Search

Sunsuper, which has recently launched an advertising campaign featuring real kids talking about their dreams, is inviting locals to film their kids talking about what they dream about for the chance to win \$5,000 PLUS another \$5,000 for their kid's favourite club or school.

Families that have a cute kid with a big imagination just need to get them on video, talking about the cute fantasy stuff he or she dreams about, and their Little Dreamer could turn out to be a big winner! The entrant whose video gets the most votes on Facebook will win \$5,000 PLUS another \$5,000 for their kid's favourite club or school. And five runners-up will each win \$1,000 PLUS another \$1,000 for their kid's favourite club or school too.

To enter the Little Dreamers Search, people just need to take a short video of their cute kid talking about what they dream about, what they want to be when they grow up or what they want for Christmas. The video then needs to be entered at www.sunsuperlittledreamers.com.au and shared on Facebook with family, friends and members of the nominated local club or school.

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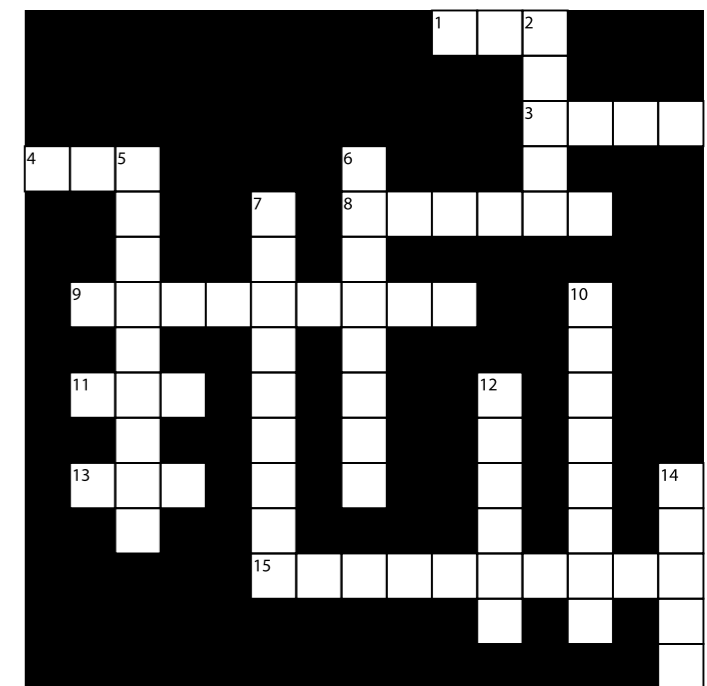
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Council checks out Killarney's Condamine River Road

Southern Downs Regional Council conducted an inspection tour of the Condamine River Road, Killarney on Monday, 5 November, as a result of discussions on Council maintenance of the road. Councillors undertook this inspection to familiarise themselves with the area and condition of the road.

Taking part in the inspection tour were all Southern Downs Regional Councillors, the CEO, Mr Andrew Roach, as well as staff from Council's Engineering and Planning Directorates. Council intends to hold meetings with interested groups, including residents and environmental groups, regarding management issues surrounding the Condamine Gorge and the road.

"This will inform Council's decision making in relation to Council policy on maintenance of this road and the associated management issues," advised the Mayor, Cr Peter Blundell.

"This area is a very special part of the region and our discussions need to include the concept of preserving the amenity and natural beauty of the area," the Mayor added. A report will be prepared for Council's consideration following the discussions.

Council's CEO introduced at Business Breakfast

Southern Downs Regional Council held the first of its Business Breakfasts last Tuesday (6 November), to introduce the new CEO, Mr Andrew Roach to the Warwick area business community.

The Mayor said that the breakfast, held at the Warwick Golf Club, provided a great opportunity to introduce the new CEO to business owners and to offer the opportunity for networking leading to a better understanding of the relevant issues between Council and the business community.

"It was fantastic to have roughly 20 business representatives attend the breakfast to meet with Andrew," the Mayor said.

The Mayor provided a brief introduction and CEO, Andrew Roach gave a key address in which he outlined plans for the next 12 months.

"The plan over the next 12 months is to achieve financial stability, improve customer service and instil a culture of 1 team throughout Council's organisation," Mr Roach said.

"It is important as a Council to achieve these goals," he said. The Mayor added, 'I am very keen to continue to forge the links between Council and the business community across the region.'

Council held another business breakfast for the Stanthorpe area business community last night, Wednesday 14 November.

Council considers action on parking study

Southern Downs Regional Council has this week considered a report into a parking study of the Stanthorpe and Warwick Central Business District (CBD) areas.

Council engaged Osborn Lane Consultant Engineers early this year to review current car parking in these areas with a view to developing a long term plan to guide the future provision of additional CBD car parking. Council will then be able to consider these requirements in future budgetary considerations. The study incorporated anticipated requirements through to 2021.

"The study has indicated that there is adequate car parking in both the Warwick and Stanthorpe CBD areas," said the Mayor, Cr Peter Blundell.

"In Warwick during peak times, the under-utilised car parking in Acacia Avenue, which is less than a block from the CBD, will more than adequately meet demand," he added.

"Council will look to better signage for the Acacia Avenue car parks to raise awareness of the availability of car parking in this area."

Council will also consider the possible development of vacant sites adjacent to existing car parks in Warwick should there be a demand in future years to warrant this.

The report also indicated that there was capacity for growth to meet future demand in Stanthorpe.

"Council will now need to consider the issues raised in the report and will also need to make a decision primarily around the regulation of parking into the future," the Mayor said.

"Council will consult with the community prior to any changes being made, with the outcomes of that consultation to inform Council's decision," the Mayor advised.

Workshops to get to know Technology

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Southern Downs Libraries have been successful in obtaining an OPAL Digital Literacy Grant from the State Government through the State Library of Queensland, which will be used to fund the workshops.

"The workshops will range from learning to use a computer and be safe online through to using your mobile phone," said Sheila Stebbings, Council's Manager Community Development.

"It can be difficult for some to 'keep-up' with the latest technology but the workshops are designed to make learning easier," she said.

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- Friday 1 February 2013, 11.00am-12.00pm & 1.00pm-2.00pm - *Starting a home based business online – the basics* (Kindle classes are held at the Stanthorpe Library, all other classes are held at GraniteNet Stanthorpe).

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1849 - 1st US poultry show opens in Boston.	1969 - 1st commercial ad on English TV: Birds-Eye Peas on ATV (Midland).	1988 - Soviet space shuttle makes unmanned maiden flight (2 orbits).
1904 - King C Gillette patents Gillette razor blade.	1969 - 250,000 peacefully demonstrate in Wash DC against Vietnam War.	1990 - Producers confirm that Milli Vanilli didn't sing on their album.
1920 - League of Nations holds 1st meeting, in Geneva.	1969 - Wendy's Hamburgers opens.	1994 - 6.7-8.1 earthquake strikes Philippines, killing 45
1932 - Walt Disney Art School created.	1971 - Intel advertises 4004-processor.	1997 - William Shatner (66) weds Norine Kidd.
1934 - Nobel for chemistry awarded to Harold C Urey (deuterium).	1972 - Small Astronomy Satellite Explorer 48 launched to study gamma rays.	2007 - A devastating Cyclone named Sidr hit Bangladesh, killing an estimated 5000 people and destroyed the world's largest mangrove forest, Sundarbans.
1947 - Bradman scores his 100th 100, 172 v Indians at the SCG.	1974 - Ringo releases "Goodnight Vienna" & "Only You" in UK.	
1954 - 1st regularly scheduled commercial flights over North Pole begins.	1978 - 183 die as Icelandic Airlines DC-8 crashes in Colombo, Sri Lanka.	
1956 - Elvis Presley's 1st film " <i>Love Me Tender</i> ," premieres in NYC.	1979 - A package from the Unabomber Ted Kaczynski begins smoking in the cargo hold of a flight from	
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Changed traffic conditions at West School to apply soon

Southern Downs Regional Council advises residents that changed traffic conditions around West School will apply as from Monday 19 November 2012.

Education Queensland's building renewal project has seen the need to review access arrangements to Warwick West State School.

The Hudson Street drop off/pick up zone is being relocated to Clarke Street near the access gate. The attached map outlines the changes to be made.

Council, in consultation with the School, will undertake the works after school hours on Friday 16 November so that there is minimal disruption to normal school traffic. The new drop off/pick up zone will be operational for the start of school on Monday 19 November.

"Relocation of the drop off/pick up zone to Clarke Street will not only solve the current access issues the School is having, it will also reduce traffic concerns in Hudson Street," advised Peter See, Director Engineering Services.

"Hudson Street is quite a narrow street and can be very busy especially before and after school," he said.

"Clarke Street, on the other hand, is much wider so traffic bottlenecks can be more easily avoided."

Additional line marking and parking bay works in Clarke Street adjacent to the school will also be carried out as part of the change.

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year, after winning the Meet in the two previous years, and Saturday accumulated 237 points to finish ahead of Concordia Olympic Swim Club (116) and Gatton Swimming Club (107).

Aside from Concordia Olympic Swim Club, Gatton Swimming Club host club Allora, teams from Clifton, Millmerran, Pittsworth, Stanthorpe, Gatton, Warwick, Dalby and Toowoomba based clubs Flyers, Newtown, The Glennie, Fairholme & Academy all contested what was the 45th Allora Rotary Shield Meet, 155 swimmers taking part.

Allora swimmers performed admirably across the Meet, with Age Championships going to Joshua Day (Open Boys and Boys 15 years & over), Brendan Hoffman (Boys 11 years), James Gilmore (Boys 13 years) & Paris Milburn (Girls 13 Years).

The prestigious Shield has a history that dates back to the summer of 1967/68 when it was won by Warwick. Allora first won the Shield donated by the Rotary Club of Allora in 1976/77, the first year in a four year dominance that stretched to 1979/80. Allora have won the Shield on 14 occasions, more than any other club, followed by Warwick who are ten time winners, Killarney nine successes, Goondiwindi seven wins, and Millmerran, Stanthorpe & Crows Nest have all won the Shield on one occasion each.

The Rotary Meet always provides some impressive performances, four records falling on Saturday, three by Academy Swimming Club's Jack Dann, while Jaiden Craige of Flyers Racing set a new 12 Years boys 50 metres record.

Age Champions for the Meet were: Girls – 8 years Ashlea Nolan (Gatton), 9 years Chelsea Lockhart (Dalby), 10 years Isabelle Mason (Concordia), 11 years Caitlyn Nolan (Gatton), 12 years Michaela Francis (Academy), 13 years Paris Milburn (Allora),

14 Years Dimity Brackin (Warwick), 15 Years & Over Kaylah Brackin (Stanthorpe), Open Kaylah Brackin (Stanthorpe). Boys – 8 years Jack Dann (Academy), 9 years Hugh Andreas (Highfields), 10 years Ben Armbruster (Stanthorpe), 11 years Brendan Hoffman (Allora), 12 years Jaiyden Craige (Flyers), 13 years James Gilmore (Allora), 14 years No Swimmers, 15

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Allora Victorious in Rotary Shield
Rain seems to come hand in hand with prestigious Allora based swimming carnival, the Allora Rotary Open Swimming Meet, the wet conditions that prevailed at last year's event returned for Saturday's 45th hosting of the annual Meet with home club Allora finishing first in a fourteen club line-up by a whopping 121 point margin.

Allora finished second behind Fairholme Swimming Club last

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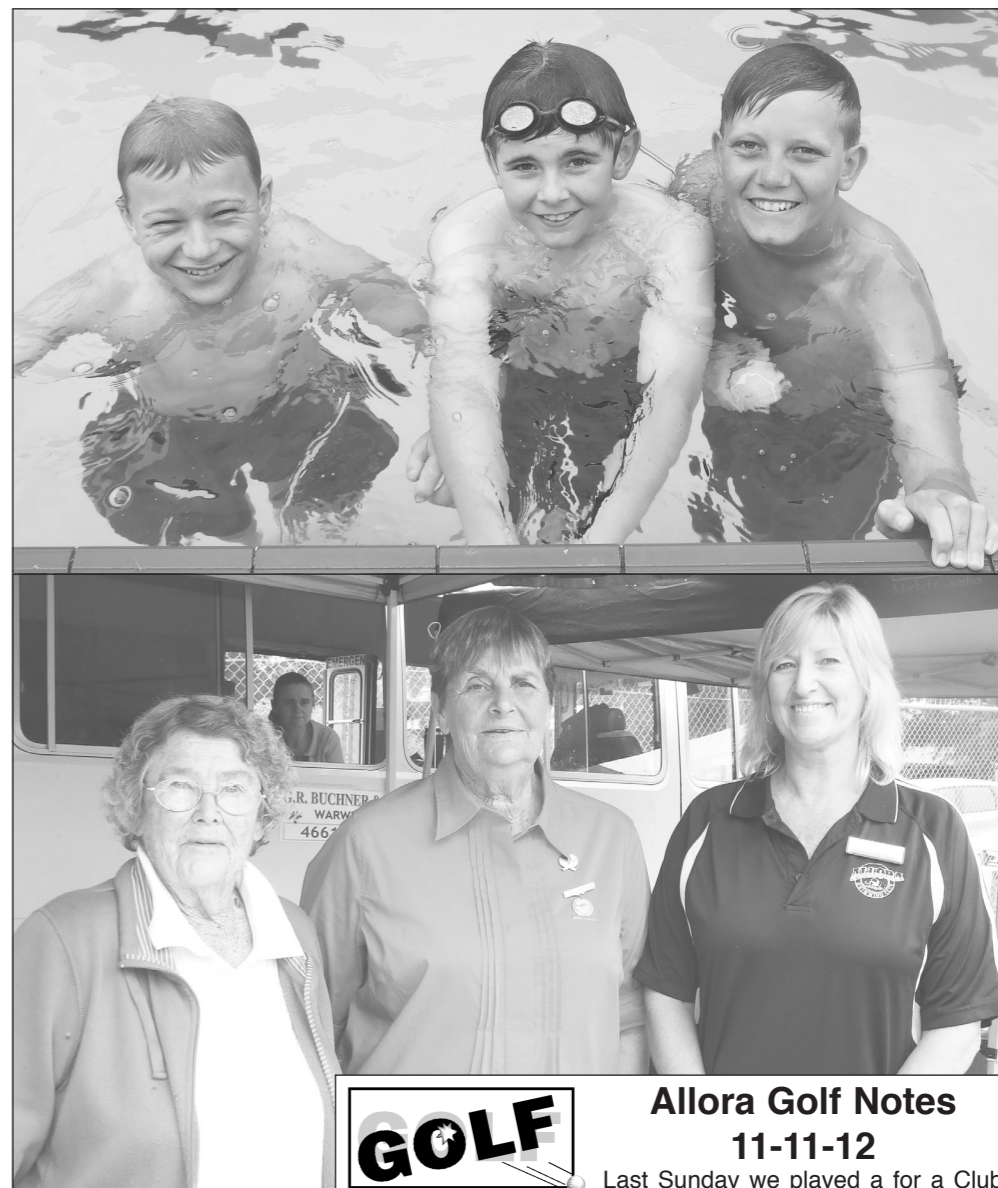
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years & over Joshua Day (Allora), Open Josh Day(Allora). Allora Swimming Club President Roy Nott considered the Meet a great success, and offered a sincere vote of thanks officials, parents, volunteers and swimmers for contributing to the success of the 45th Rotary Shield Meet. Mr. Nott also recognised the sterling role of the many sponsors of the event, without whose support the Meet would not go ahead. Meet sponsor Suncorp kindly provided many prizes for raffles and awards on the day and also volunteers from the Warwick Suncorp Branch, Stacey Gabriel, Jo Waterhouse and Branch Manager Leanne Ingram all filling in giving valuable assistance as Meet officials.

Glyn Rees

TOP RIGHT: Trent Henry, Will Gilmore and Nick Van Der Poel enjoy some after Carnival time at the conclusion of Saturday's 45th Allora Rotary Open Swimming Meet at the Allora Swimming Pool.

RIGHT: Allora Swimming Club Life Members Heather Slatter, Marg Rackley and Sharon Whittaker after a big day officiating at the Saturday's 45th Allora Rotary Open Swimming Meet at the Allora Swimming Pool.



GOLF Allora Golf Notes 11-11-12

Last Sunday we played a for a Club trophy, the winner with a 64 nett was Phil Watt. Noel Wallace was runner up for the day. Pin shots went to Kev Harrison on the 4th 12th and 13th. Kel Strange closest on the 17th. Phil Watt picked up on the 8th and Jack Fulwood on the 3rd. Next week will be the Allora open day with major sponsors Foodworks and the City Golf Club. Tee times will commence from 9.00am. It would be appreciated if some of our members can start earlier so as to help out in the Clubhouse after their round. Saturday will be a working bee on the course to clean up a few areas. The Duck run is still waddling so if you would like a social 9 holes on a Friday afternoon we would be more than accommodating to welcome any new players. Don't forget your sand buckets and remember - to play is to live.

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ALLORA CRICKET CLUB Allora Desperate for Initial Victory

Allora cricket team joint skippers Aaron Vietheer & Kris McLennan are looking to their side to dig deep in their next competition match as the Allora eleven pursue their initial season victory after five rounds of the 2012/13 Warwick Cricket Association Condamine Cup premiership. After a two week break in the Condamine Cup premiership brought about by the Warwick Rodeo and then representative commitments, last Sunday Allora were scheduled to make their third appearance this season at WCA cricket headquarters Slade Park taking on current WCA "A" Grade Premiers Colts in a fifty over clash. Colts have one victory from three matches to their

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credit so far this season when they accounted for Sovereign Hotel in a low scoring match in Round 3. Disappointingly, Colts forfeited in their last match presenting Inglewood with some easy match points. The match never eventuated unfortunately with the full round of matches washed out.

Allora were defeated by Maryvale in their last outing in an exciting match that was decided in the final over. A swashbuckling 43 by middle order batsman Steve Hughes was not enough to lift his side to their first season victory, Maryvale collecting the competition points by two wickets, Allora scoring 161 with Maryvale reaching 8 for 163 in the dying stages of the final over.

The WCA representative season got underway on Sunday 4th of November at Glenore Grove Ground when the "GJ Gardner Homes" WCA "Bulls" Mitchell Shield side defeated Lockyer for the first time in 12 years. Warwick scored 4 for 285, with John Cleary finishing with 95 not out off 62 balls, Michael Bourke 91 not out & Brendon Malone 60. In response Lockyer totalled 5 for 214, with John Cleary taking 3 for 24 off 8 overs. In Davis Shield Warwick bowled Lockyer out for 138 with debutant Mitch Darton taking 5 for 47 and Brendon Iles 2 for 23 off 5 overs. Unfortunately Warwick came up 11 runs short in the chase with Jordan Siebenhausen top scoring with 37.

Goomburra based all rounder Matt Elford was a member of the Mitchell Shield side, Allora players Mitchell & Kris McLennan & Aaron Vietheer also wore the Warwick "Bulls" colours.

The "Bulls" now take on Central Downs on at Southbrook on Sunday in a second round of representative fixtures, Allora again represented by the Willowvale based McLennan brothers and Aaron Vietheer, while team mate & all rounder Allan Petersingham will make his debut for the Warwick "Bulls". Weather permitting, the Allora eleven will take on Sovereign Hotel at Allora Oval on Saturday November 24th. Club inquiries to Aaron Vietheer (0428 627 107) or Glyn Rees (0400 811 093).

"Condamine Cup" Points Table 2012/13

Team	Played	Won	Lost	Bye	N/R	B/P	Total Points
Maryvale	3	3		1	1	4	18
Diggers	3	3		1	1	3	17
Inglewood	4	2	2		1	3	17
Wheatvale	4	3	1	1		3	17
Allora	4		4		1		10
Colts	3	1	2	1	1		8
Sovereign	3		3	1	1		8

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Wattles Reload With Key Signings for 2013

After a season of frustration in 2012 where the first grade side never won a game, the Wattles Warriors have hit the ground running in preparations for the 2013 Toowoomba Rugby League Premiership under recently appointed Club President Aaron Scheid.

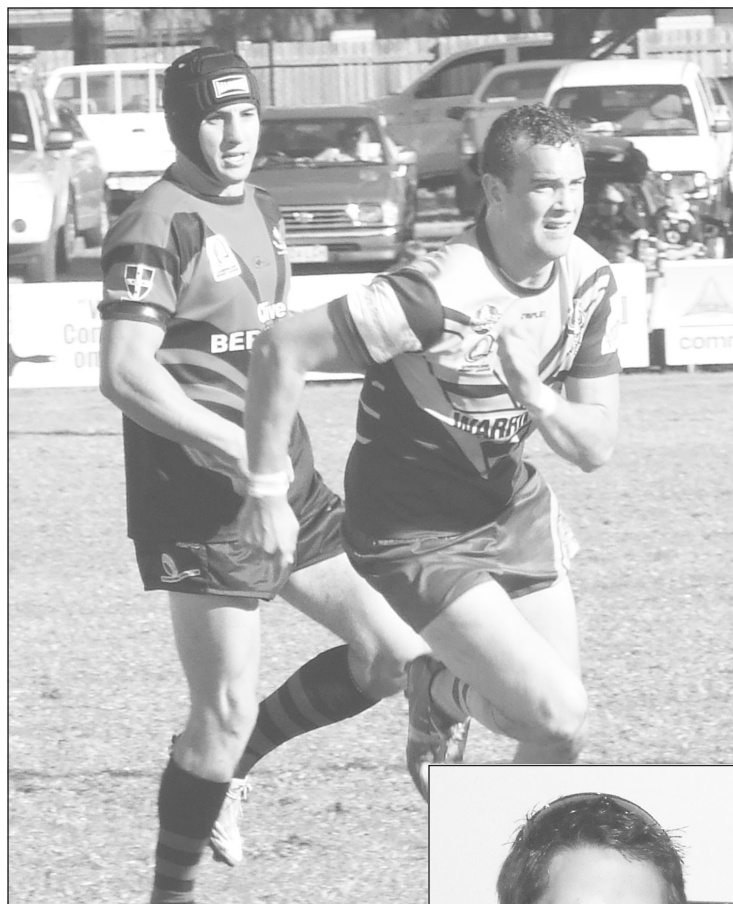
In reality, but for a late charge last year, Wattles have struggled through the past three TRL seasons with little success. The recent announcement of the signing of Central Division & former Valleys star halfback Matt Duggan may well be a turning point for the Warriors. Club Chairman Scheid, who at 26 years is one of Wattles youngest club leaders in their 47 year club history, considers his club's challenges revolve around putting competitive teams on the paddock each week. "Matt Duggan is one of the more polished players in the region and his signing is a significant boost to our club, and he will team up with his brothers Ryan and also Luke who will coach first grade" according to Scheid, "we are fortunate to have also gained the services of Jeff Nielsen, Brenden Wilson, Michael Springate, Xavier Manley, Pat Manley and Joel Koina, all of whom will form a more than handy nucleus for our top side."

Toowoomba representatives Wilson & Nielsen return to Wattles after a premiership winning stint with Brothers in Toowoomba this year, while former Queensland under age representative Koina, Springate and former Wattles player & Toowoomba "Clydesdales representative Xavier Manley, like the Duggans are previously Valleys players. Pat Manley is relocating to the Downs from the Gold Coast to complete his medical studies in Toowoomba, and will be a key component in Wattles line up as a specialist prop forward who has starred for Southport "Tigers" in recent seasons. The new President was full of enthusiasm when he said "Our local players are very keen for the new season, we are looking forward to those that stuck with us in the tough times having an opportunity to mix with the club new faces in a competitive line -up". "We have a few other club newcomers that will join us in the coming weeks, and we look forward to the new players linking with our current player stable and have us winning a few more than we lose next season" said Scheid, "our local players are key to our 2013 plans, a feather in Wattles' cap being the signing of teak tough outside back Justin Van Der Poel recently". Luke Duggan, a former Wattles junior & senior player, a Valleys player, & South West Division representative, will take the coaching reins of the A Grade side; experienced mentor Wally McIntosh will take charge of reserve grade and Phillip Sharpe graduates from Wattles Juniors Club to coach the Under 18 side.

Wattles were mentioned among a hand full of teams that may have been cut from the TRL competition for next season as the TRL trim competing teams to just ten. However, they have recently been advised that they will have a place in the TRL premiership for the new year, with Highfields Rugby League Club readmitted after sitting out 2012, and the Goondiwindi "Boars" dropped from the 2013 competition.

The Duggan name is synonymous with that of Wattles, and while Matt & brother Ryan have not worn Wattles colours, their cousins Dan, Tony, John, Mark & Michael, the sons of Wattles Life Members Jack & Michele Duggan, are long serving fixtures at the club.

The Duggan's Grandparents, Pat & Irene Duggan ran a dairy farm at Hendon near Allora for many years; Luke, Matt & Ryan's father Gerry and Jack raised



ABOVE: 2012 Toowoomba Clydesdales representative and former Wattles utility player Xavier Manly has resigned with the Wattles Warriors after spending the past season with Toowoomba Rugby League Club Valleys.



RIGHT: Aaron Scheid, new Wattles RLF Club President

on the Hendon farm, where a frequent visitor was school mate Wayne Bennett.

"It's early days yet, but we are confident we will give our supporters and sponsors plenty to be proud about in the coming season" says Scheid, who will continue to fill a spot in Wattles A Grade back row in 2013.

Along with Aaron Scheid, Wattles committee for the coming season include Glyn Rees (Secretary), Jaimie McMillan (Treasurer), Joanne Frizzell (Assistant Secretary), Don Scheid (Senior Vice President), Tim Hentschel & Barry Glass (Junior Vice Presidents) and Michele Duggan (Registrar).

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