

Historical Society Highlight Local History

With the title in mind, 'The Best Little Town on the Downs', up Allora way we happily admit we are not one of your bigger communities in this southern end of Queensland when it comes population and physical size. But when you start talking history the little town on the banks of Dalrymple Creek punches well above its weight. In 1884 the first fossil evidence of early human occupation in the Allora area, the Talgai skull, was found on Talgai station, embedded in the wall of Dalrymple Creek, with radiocarbon dating suggesting the famous skull is between 9,000 and 11,000 years old.

Following European settlement, the history of the Allora area is entwined with two famous pastoral homesteads in the vicinity, being Glengallan and Talgai. The original 'Talgai' run was taken up by E.E. Dalrymple in 1840, the creek that runs through Allora named in his honour. Talgai homestead itself stood on 300,000 acres & was built in 1868.

That's yet a smear of the history the Allora area boasts, but thankfully the history that has been bred in the area is being maintained for current & future generations by the determination and dedication of the Allora & District Historical Society. In October 2011 the Historical Society brought history to the community with their inaugural 'Display & Demonstration Day' within the more than a century old former Allora Shire Hall (now museum) and it's surrounds. After that event, Society President Mr. Allan Darr couldn't have been happier with the outcome which was the culmination of many months of preparation by his hard working committee.

Well for all of those that experienced history that day, it's on

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Damper & billy tea bush chefs Trevor Shields & Wayne Frizzell putting down another 'brew' for the crowd at the 2011 Allora Historical Society Display & Demonstration Day. The bush boys will be dishing out the billy beverage and damper again the 2nd Allora & District Historical Society Display & Demonstration Day on Saturday, April 20th.

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again, the 2nd Allora & District Historical Society Display & Demonstration Day on Saturday, April 20th from 9.00 am in the grounds of the Allora's 'Old Shire Hall' on the corner of Warwick & Forde Streets.

Mark it in your diary as an opportunity to experience our history and get in touch with our memorabilia of yesteryear.

The event will feature working demonstrations of the dairy industry, farming equipment, vintage cars, country music, spinners & weavers, an animal nursery, mini fire engine rides and many markets & food stalls.

Last time the Rotary Club of Allora were kept racing churning out the burgers to keep the crowd's hunger pangs at bay, and the billy's and camp ovens were clattering as the "Treacle Trio" of Trevor Shields and Wayne & Linda Frizzell raced to meet the demands of the very popular billy tea and damper stall.

The stalls featured a tremendous array of items whatever your interest, magazines, music, clothing, plants, dolls, giftware, woodwork, homemade cooking and much more, not forgetting the fashion parade from yesteryear, with clothing from as far back as the early 1900's in some cases.

Olive Shooter's butter making display created plenty of interest, but after the butter churning was completed, most walked away thankful that these days it's so easily accessible at the local supermarket.

There is little doubt that the Allora Historical Society are making excellent progress preserving our past, their current museum and precinct along with their vision for the groups future will see the history of the Allora district preserved for future generations. If you would like to be a part of that essential preservation, contact Allan Darr on 4666 3159.

See you all when we travel back in time on April 20th.

Glyn Rees

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SAT	Mostly Sunny. Warm.	16 29
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Mr. Johnson opened the 'Be Brave and Shave' opportunity up to fellow staff & school community members present so as to achieve a goal of \$500, Allora local Mr. Ian Christensen taking up the offer and thus also losing his mop on top and facial hair, by the hand of School staff member & skilled hairdresser Mrs. Sharon Whittaker.

Given it has been fifteen years since Mr. Christensen was last clean-shaven, he was hoping his children would still recognise him this time round, but it's all for a great cause the figure raised is close to \$600, with more donations coming.

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Bald but Brave Fundraisers

The Allora State School recently decided to raise as much money as possible to go towards the 'Be Brave and Shave' Leukaemia Foundation fundraising efforts. Of course to achieve this vital goal, brave volunteers were needed, and readily found. At last week's Monday morning's assembly School Science Teacher Mr. Brad Johnson willingly lost his locks for \$300 raised, then his beard and moustache went elevating his personal funds raised to a very generous \$350. Members of the Allora Landcare Group were also in attendance supporting fellow Landcare volunteer Mr. Johnson in his efforts to raise much needed financial support for the Leukaemia Foundation.

BEFORE:



Ian Christensen



Brad Johnson



AFTER: Allora State School 'Be Brave & Shave' volunteers Ian Christensen and Brad Johnson with hairdresser Sharon Whittaker after sacrificing their locks and beards in aid of the Leukaemia Foundation.



Peter's Dance

A great night of dancing and friendship was had by about 80 at the benefit dance held for Peter Ardrey and his daughter, Torena, on Saturday 9th March. Even if you weren't dancing the music was wonderful to listen to. "I would sincerely like to thank all who attended and to some of my friends who just came out to visit because they hadn't seen me since the fire," Peter said. "I'd especially like to thank Jim Kelly for his time and music, the Deuchar Massie Hall members who donated the hall and provided the scrumptious supper and cleaned up afterwards; and those generous people, mostly friends of Mum's, who donated the raffle prizes. In all \$1500 was raised which I will put towards buying necessary medical aides which were destroyed in the fire and a keepsake for my daughter who also lost so much. Torena and I, Mum and my brother Rod, were happy to see everyone supporting us and having a good time."



Coral Cooper, Torena and Peter Ardrey

Winners of prizes donated by Ken & Heather Petersen, John & Charlene Dunn, Jim Kelly, Gary Kelly, Norma O'Hara Murphy, Col & Maria Ray, Keith & Pat Wright, John & Margaret Petersen, Gary & Anna Jackson, John & Narelle Henry. Table (Coral Cooper); Golf Balls (Shirley Duncan); Percolator (Paul Reid); Tea Infuser/Mug (Keith Wright); Fruit tray (Marliese Miller); Brooch (Carmel Campbell); Earrings (Carol Goldsmith); Pearl Ring (Marliese Miller); Tea Infuser/Tea (Flo Atkinson); BBQ Tool Set (Tom Dwan); BBQ Tool Set (Jordan Wilson);

Travel Rug (Agnes Mullins); Wine (Shirley Duncan); Wine (Sharlene Draper); Wine (Matt Mason); Wine (Kath McConachy); 2 CDs (Milton Rippingdale); Wine (Curly Crothers); Marble Chess Set (Trish Brosnan); \$100 timber (Susan Skilton); \$50 Warwick Gardens Galore Voucher (Sharlene Gladman); Knife (Mary-Anne Driver); Dolphins (Ann-Maree Cutmore); TicTacToe Set (Leonie Miller); Wine Cooler (Keith Wright) Winners of Numbers Boards (1) Del Thompson (1st); Ian Bradfield (2nd); Shirley King (3rd). (2) Katie McArthur (1st); Ian Luscombe (2nd & 3rd). (3) Ross Geitz

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A reminder that the Allora Landcare Group are calling for volunteers to help with further spraying on Allora Mountain Reserve as part of their weed eradication programme using "Adopt A Patch" funding secured last year. They have already had a number of successful sessions but the mountain is fighting back.

The morning is not onerous, more a stroll in the park, and takes no more than 2 to 2.5 hours, usually followed by a social debrief at Amy's Country Cafe in Allora.

Those who are happy to give a couple of hours to the restoration process on Allora Mountain should meet at Reserve car park in Forest Plains Road this Saturday 23rd March at 8.30am for a 9.00am start.

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Events Calendar

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- March -**
Sun 24 Allora RSL Bike Fun Run
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- 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
- May -**
Fri 3 Allora CWA International Day
 St Andrews Hall, Allora, 1.00pm
- Fri 17 Victoria Hill Cent Sale**
 Victoria Hill Hall, Allora, 1.00pm
- Fri 31 St Pat's P&F Annual Rattle of the Brains Trivia**
 Allora Community Hall
- June -**
Sat 15 St David's Guild's 'Lavender & Lace' Hi Tea
 St David's Church Hall, 1.30pm
- October -**
Fri 18 St Patrick's Parish Allora Annual Fete
 Church and School Grounds commencing 5pm
- November -**
Fri 1 Anglican Parish Allora/Clifton Annual Fete
 St David's Church Grounds, 4.30pm

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

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Included in the price was a certificate of the skull's authenticity, signed by Saint Patrick himself.

Ten years later the tourist returned to Ireland and asked the antique shop owner if he had any more bargains.

"I've got the very thing for you," said the Irishman. "It's the genuine skull of Saint Patrick".

"You swindler," said the American. "You sold me that ten years ago," and, producing the skull, added, "Look, they're not even the same size".

"You have me all wrong," protested the Irishman. "This is the skull of Saint Patrick when he was a lad."

Allora QCWA Notes

What a great roll up we had for our monthly meeting, 19th March. Before our next meeting in April 17th, some members will be arriving early to make floral arrangements, either a one flower or a leaf/foilage arrangement. Following this, we will have a quick run through of our skits, before the meeting; the monthly meeting commences at the usual 10.00 am.

Further preparations for our International/Contest day to be held on 3rd May were made. The division winners in the Photography Competition were on display for our members to view. Our branch won two firsts (Barbara Weier and Brydie Shooter) and two seconds (both Barbara Weier.)

As the branch is purchasing new chairs for the rooms, the ledge across the back wall will be removed. We hope to have our new chairs delivered before next meeting.

Our thanks to Graham Anderson for fixing a lock to our back door which will enable the Ergon workers access to our meter. Our thanks also to Max Phelan who has been kept busy mowing the lawn - frequently in this weather.

Our branch has been asked to provide for the next Executive meeting in Warwick in April and Margaret Phelan and Kate Gordon offered to do this.

Dates for our Street Stalls and Raffle days will be booked by our secretary, Marie Nolan.

While the non-performers prepared a delicious lunch, the "actors" practised the skits.



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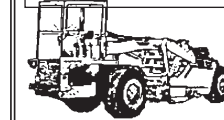
Palm Sunday Procession

The Combined Churches of Allora will hold their annual procession of witness on Palm Sunday, 24 March.

The march will commence at the Uniting Church at 11.15am and proceed to the sacred space in Stuart Henry Park where a short service will take place. This will be followed by a shared lunch in St. David's Anglican Hall.

A bus will be available to transport those who wish to use it. A folding chair will be needed for those who wish to be seated during the service in the park. Please come and join us.

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ANZAC Poker Run Revs Up on Sunday

According to those devoted to two wheeled travel, "four wheels move the body, but two wheels move the soul". Well this Sunday there is a whole lot of soul moving happening in the name our countries ex servicemen & women and current servicemen & women. Yes it's on again, the "Annual Allora RSL Poker Run" raising funds for the Allora RSL ANZAC Day Commemoration Committee who organize the annual Allora ANZAC Day Services. Beetle & Sue Wakeford are putting a call out for all motorcycle enthusiasts in the Allora district, and further afield, to be part of what is a very important Allora community cause, the Allora RSL Poker Run. In fact it's the fourth Allora RSL Poker Run, after three very successful events in preceding years.

Head bikeologist Beetle hails the previous RSL Poker Runs as very worthwhile, "the money raised assists our ANZAC Day organising committee to suitably recognise the amazing sacrifices made by our servicemen and women, their contribution, which in many cases resulted in loss of life, allows us the freedoms we enjoy today". "The assistance we give helps support the commemoration committee and in turn that highlights the importance of ANZAC Day and sacrifice of our servicemen and women throughout our community".



Beetle, event organiser.

While the fundraising event is supporting a wonderful cause, it also allows a great day out for the motorcycle community. To say Beetle likes his bikes is an understatement, when not running Allora True Value Hardware, he is generally engrossed in sprockets & carbies in his shed, "Beetles Hendon Bike

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Emporium". Alas a recent bike misadventure may see the event organiser's Honda VTR 1000 mothballed for the weekend while its owner recovers from a shoulder break and gravel rash. Sunday March 24th is the big bike day out, and Beetle will take his place in some form. Riders can register from 8.00am at the RSL Hall in Warwick Street, Allora, with the ride itself commencing at 9.00am. The Poker Run will wind along the local roadways and highways taking in the Boonah Bowls Club, where a \$15.00 all you can eat breakfast is available, the Killarney Hotel & the Yangan Hotel, with raffles at each stop, before returning to the Allora RSL for snacks and refreshments. Costs per rider are just \$15.00 and \$10.00 per pillion, all riders riding at their own risk.

According to Beetle, "bikes, cars, boats & airplanes are welcome to join in the day". Those involved traditionally enjoy a great day out, as Beetle says, "it's not the destination, it's the journey".

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These emergency flood repair works involve milling and filling, road surface repairs and resurfacing works.

Works are being carried out from Monday to Friday between 5.00pm and 6.00am to reduce traffic delays and maximise safety for the travelling public and roadworkers.

Due to the nature of this work, some increase in noise and dust levels can be expected during these operations.

All efforts will be made to maintain access to properties and businesses during the project, however some interruptions may be experienced.

Changed traffic conditions include reduced speed limits, lane closures and traffic control.

TRAFFIC ALERT

Starting Monday 18 March the slow uphill lane at Cunningham's Gap has been closed at various times and in various locations from 7.00am to 5.00pm each weekday until Wednesday 27 March.

Motorists are advised to expect minor delays and follow the directions of traffic controllers and roadside signs.

Weather, site and contractor conditions can impact on work schedules, delaying start and finish dates. Should this schedule be extended, Cunningham's Gap will remain fully open at all times during the Easter long weekend.

Please slow down - roadwork safety is your responsibility too. For information on the latest traffic conditions, please contact the Statewide Traffic Management Centre on 13 19 40, or visit www.131940.qld.gov.au

We will work hard to minimise traffic disruption as much as possible while roadworks are carried out, however motorists may encounter minor delays of up to 10 minutes.

Southern Downs Regional Council has been contracted to undertake the works on TMR's behalf.

Works are expected to be completed by Easter, weather permitting.

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

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Shooter's dairy - built 1950

Les and Madge Shooter came to farm at Victoria Hill in 1933. There was an old hand built dairy on the farm which is situated on the Dalrymple Creek. There would have been a small herd of cows and some pigs to use the separated milk. Madge kept a diary of daily life on the farm. Like many other farmer's wives, Madge often did the milking while Les was working the farm planting grain crops for the cows and pigs. In the earlier days Cyril Shooter picked up the cream.

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St. Patrick's Day at Victoria Hill

About 130 guests from far and wide attended the St. Patrick's Day function arranged by the Victoria Hill Branch of the Q. C. W. A. in the Victoria Hill Hall. The guests were treated to a delicious luncheon and entertained with a short play from "On Our Selection". This was narrated by Lorna Duff, with Annette Frizzell playing Dave; Shirley Erhardt, Joe; Noelene Rumball, Dad; and Marianne Bisdee, Mrs. Brown.

Allora's Past 50 years ago March
1963

A Pre Wedding Evening

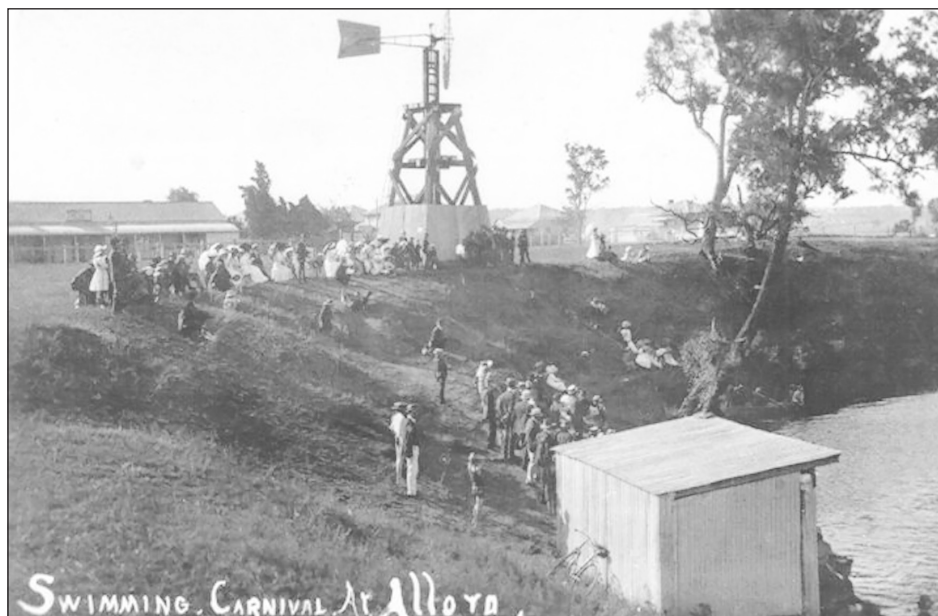
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1938

Bon Voyage

The Allora Mouth Organ Band arranged a banquet to say farewell to the Rev. A. Haddon who will leave shortly on a trip abroad. Mr. S. Killops, on behalf of the



Swimming carnival in Allora - Photo taken pre 1915. In the background can be seen the old Princess of Wales Hotel replaced by a double story building in 1915, and the railway windmill.

band, presented Mr. Haddon with a leather writing case suitably inscribed.

Allora's Past 100 years ago
March 1913

Swimming Carnival

A carnival was held under the auspices of the Allora Swimming Club on Easter Monday, at which there was a fair attendance. Competitors from Brisbane, Toowoomba, Warwick, Karara, St. George, and the surrounding districts took part in the events which were keenly contested. During an interval, Mr.

W. Graham (Toowong), holder of the 100yds Championship of Queensland, gave an exhibition sprint of 50 yards, covering the distance in 28 sec., amidst hearty applause.

The following officials under the secretaryship of Mr. V. E. Healey, had charge of the arrangements which were carried out without a hitch:- Judges, Messrs. W. J. Lilley, H. Ludgate and G. Draney; Referee, Mr. A. L. H. Cooke; Course stewards, Messrs. E. S. Briggs and A. E. Bacon; Starter, Mr. A. Cameron.

Colin Newport



Milking stalls in the 3 bail dairy at Dalrymple Creek.



Cream Separator in engine and separator room.

Local timber was taken to Geck's sawmill to be sawn for the new building. The neighbours from the surrounding district came to help with the construction of the three bail dairy with an engine and separator room and with a concrete floor. Mr Bertram came to install the new milking machine. The Shooters milked 16 to 18 cows at this time and the cream was picked up by Bill Hansen. Another interesting entry tells of a pig being slaughtered on the farm and shared among the neighbours. Next time that there was a pig killed it would be by another neighbour and shared around.

The old dairy although now 63 years old is in very good order. The doors to release the cows after milking still work and the timber is in good condition. Two old wooden stumps still remain and one can picture the Shooter family sitting on them changing the cups. An old broom and shovel lean against the wall and the old Lister Cream Separator still sits on the stand to complete the scene.

The Allora Historical Society would like to thank Phyllis Shooter for her invitation to photograph her dairy and sharing Madge's diary entries.

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AUSTRALIAN PEAR SEASON

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www.facebook.com/australianpears. According to Jimmy Kalafatis, a second generation pear grower, pear lovers can expect a bumper crop this year. "The fruit this year is particularly sweet due to the slightly dryer weather conditions we've experienced this summer compared to previous years. The pears are also a lot cleaner and look great. Right now we're harvesting really juicy sweet Williams and Packham's pears," says Kalafatis who is the Managing Director of Kalafatis Fresh Farm in Shepparton, Victoria. "Australian Pear Month encourages people to enjoy pears more often and try new ways to cook with them. Pears are often associated with sweet recipes but they are actually perfect for a number of savoury recipes such as salads and tarts," Kalafatis says. The first varieties of pears to hit shelves and fruit bowls are Williams Bon Cherétien,

Packham's Triumph, Beurré Bose and Red Sensation. Williams are known as the golden pear as the turn a glorious yellow when ripe. In contrast Packhams stay green as they ripen. All four types of pear are all suitable for snacking, baking, poaching and salads. Pear lovers who visit Australian Pear Month restaurants and cooking schools during March are invited to vote for their local eatery's pear dish on the Australian Pears Facebook page. The restaurant or cooking school with the most votes wins the culinary title of Australian Pear Month Restaurant of the Year 2013 and Australian Pear Month Cooking School of the Year 2013. Entrants go in the running to win a dinner for two. Pears are a healthy snack rich in fibre, which can help lower cholesterol. According to the Glycemic Index, pears are low GI (41*) to offer longer-lasting energy.

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Wattles On Fire in Twelve Try Romp

The "National Farmer's Warehouse" Wattles 'Warriors' swept all before them in Saturday evening's Toowoomba Rugby League Round 2 first grade clash against the Warwick 'Cowboys', returning to the winners circle with an overwhelming 66 - 0 victory at Warwick's Father

Ranger Oval. When asked for a comment, winning Coach Luke Duggan kept it simple, "it was good to get a win". Duggan had worked overtime this past week after Wattles had struggled in last week's opening TRL round 31 - 18 loss to the Southern Suburbs 'Tigers' with their defense, ball security and combination all showing glaring concerns. Mentor Duggan certainly ironed the bugs out of the Wattles machine over the past six days, the green and gold attacking game reaping a bruising twelve tries across the ninety minutes of play, and their defense never breached. The 'Warriors' hit Father Ranger Oval running with just five minutes ticking over before halfback Matt Duggan steered play across field setting up a try twenty metres in from the touchline for classy fullback Jackson Green. Wattles led 4 - 0 at that point & 32 - 0 at halftime on their way to their first victory since the 26th June 2011 when they rolled Southern Suburbs 34 - 26. It's a case of 'Ding Dong the Witch is Dead', and hopefully she won't revive for quite some time. The 66 - 0 score line is Wattles biggest winning margin against the 'Cowboys' since the 'Warriors' 72 - 0 victory over Warwick on August 5th, 2001. Wattles have a number of new faces in the top grade line up, and while cohesion was largely missing last week against the 'Tigers', it was very evident yesterday. The team boasts an abundance of size, strength, speed and natural ability, and match time will put further polish on the combination, and then there is depth, with the 'Warriors' second grade side boasting plenty who can stand up admirably in first grade. The winning team was without club President and first grade back-rower Aaron Scheid at a family wedding, and

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also representative utility player Luke Baker. Great to see Coach Duggan investing in the future with youngsters Michael Duggan debuting in first grade last week, and giant young forward Justin Wade running on for his first taste of top grade against Warwick. Michael Duggan, youngest son of Wattles Life Members Jack & Shelley Duggan, completes the Duggan family quint to have played A Grade in the green & gold, his older brothers Dan, Tony, John & Mark having all appeared to Wattles top grade sides. It's a difficult task singling out best players in such a dominant performance, but fullback Jackson Green was in sensational touch, taking out the 'Player's Player' award and also securing the Wattles team's best player points. Talented half Matt Duggan was another to fire with a very impressive performance, such an essential cog in the Wattles juggernaut this evening, while second-rower Matt McCarthy was a powerful force in the 'Warriors' engine room. Fullback Green scored the 'Warriors' initial try of the game, and closed the account in the 77th minute with his third try for the day. Wattles 66 (Jackson Green 2, Joel Koina 2, Brenden Wilson 2, Ross Hentschel 2, Matt McCarthy 2, Matt Duggan tries; Matt Duggan 7, Xavier Manley, Pat Manly goals) defeated Warwick 0.

Reserve Grade - The Wally McIntosh coached "Railway Hotel, Allora" Wattles reserve grade side fought back after trailing the 'Cowboys' in the early stages to lead 24 - 12 at the break, finishing ahead 48 - 20 after the mandatory seventy minutes of play. The 'Warriors' came off a dominant 44 - 12 win over Southern Suburbs last week, and once they found their feet midway through the first half went from strength to strength. Centre Coedie Tandy was in electric form, scoring two tries and finishing with "Player's Player", Wattles Best Player and Player

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of the Match honours. Utility player Jason Wilson and hooker Josh McIntosh were also among the 'Warriors' best in another successful team performance.

Wattles 48 (Coedie Tandy 2, Burwood Robinson, Josh Henry, Dane Walker, Jason Nightingale, Brady Glass, Michael Nauschutz, Brendan Collard tries; Jimmy Johnson 3 goals) defeated Warwick 20 (Dylan Watt 2, Kurt Heier 2 tries; Kurt Heier, Nick Baker goals).

Under 18 - The home side 'Cowboys' showed they were determined to avenge their Barrett Shield lead up trial defeat by the "Allora Foodworks" Wattles Under 18 side, scoring two tries in the initial 13 minutes of the Under 18 match to establish a solid 12 - 0 lead. Wattles hauled their opponents on and led for much of the match, but a late Warwick try saw the premiership points go to the 'Cowboys'.

Wattles tough second-rower Jacob James impressed coach Phil Sharpe with his efforts, James collecting top points as Wattles best player. Mitchell Duff was another in the Wattles engine room to excel, also named 'Player's Player', while Dale McAntee was another to impress with his committed performance.

Warwick 30 (Michael Pearson 2, Craig Donn 2, Triston O'Connell, Jamie Abbas tries; Brook Croft 2, Michael Pearson goals) defeated Wattles 26 (Brandon Nothdurft, Matt Burke, Josh Wilkins, Ben Comerford, Dale McAntee tries; Brodie Sharman 3 goals).

The 'Warriors' take on the Gatton 'Hawks' this Saturday at Gatton's Cahill Park. The Wattles first grade line up will be missing a few regular names, due to family commitments and injury. It's certainly going to be a test of club player depth for Wattles, but the 2013 season does see the club with depth. Matches kick-off at 4.15 pm (Under 18), 5.40 pm (Reserve Grade) & 7.00 pm (A Grade).

A new addition to the 'green & golds' is Toowoomba representative front-rower Kim Phoenix, and while he is unavailable this weekend, he will bring plenty of size, mobility and experience to the Wattles engine room. All involved in the Wattles club & community congratulate Kim & his fiancé Lauren Dunstone on their marriage on Saturday, and offer them our best wishes for the future.

Glyn Rees

THINGS THAT HAPPENED ON THIS DAY - 21st MARCH

- 1413 - Henry V becomes King of England.
- 1788 - Fire destroys 856 buildings in New Orleans Louisiana
- 1824 - Fire at Cairo ammunitions dump kills 4,000 horses
- 1826 - Beethoven's Quartet #13 in B flat major (Op 130) premiered in Vienna
- 1843 - Preacher William Miller of Mass predicts the world will end today.
- 1844 - The original date predicted by William Miller for the return of Christ.
- 1851 - Yosemite Valley discovered in California
- 1857 - Earthquake hits Tokyo; about 107,000 die.
- 1859 - Scottish National Gallery opens in Edinburgh.
- 1909 - Moran & MacFarland (US) wins Europe's 1st 6 day bicycle race (Berlin).
- 1917 - 1st female US Navy Petty Officer is Loretta Walsh.
- 1925 - Edinburgh's Murreyfield Stadium officially opens.
- 1925 - Iran adopts Khorshidi solar Hijrah calendar.
- 1934 - Fire destroys Hakodate Japan, killing about 1,500.
- 1935 - Persia officially renamed Iran.
- 1943 - Assassination attempt on Hitler fails.
- 1945 - 1st Japanese flying bombs (ochas) attack Okinawa.
- 1947 - Test Cricket debut of Bert Sutcliffe, NZ v England at Christchurch.
- 1961 - Beatles' 1st appearance at the Cavern Club.
- 1962 - A bear becomes the 1st creature to be ejected at supersonic speeds.
- 1964 - Beatles' "She Loves You," single goes #1 and stays #1 for 2 weeks.
- 1970 - The first Earth Day proclamation is issued by San Francisco Mayor Joseph Alioto.
- 1975 - Ethiopia ends monarchy after 3000 years.
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Allora Primed for Grand Final Glory
The Allora Cricket side are vying for their second premierships this Saturday when they take on the Sovereign Hotel 'Animals' in the 2012/13 Warwick Cricket Association Reserve Grade Grand Final as the curtain falls on another cricket

season. The local side were denied victory in last year's Reserve Grade Grand Final when defeated by the Inglewood 'Roo's' by six wickets at Warwick's Mayhew Oval. Allora should start favourites given they have won their two fixture encounters over the Sovereign Hotel side in the past season, by eleven runs at the Allora Cricket Oval in Round 6, and again in Round 13 when Allora hit 241 runs to Sovereign Hotels total of 72.



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Joint team skippers Aaron Vietheer and Kris McLennan put together captain's knocks with bat and ball in that 169 run win on the Allora Cricket Oval to pave the way for their Allora side to claim their second win of the 2012/13 Condamine Cup Warwick Cricket Association Premiership. A swashbuckling 70 by opening bat Aaron Vietheer, including a first wicket stand of 41 with fellow opener Mitchell McLennan had the local side off to a flying start. Kris McLennan had a magical day with the ball, taking 6 for 24 off eight overs, including the first five wickets of the innings. Stephen Hughes blasted three sixes out of the Allora Cricket Oval in an outstanding 50 in the Round 13 clash with 'Animals', while fellow batsmen Mitch McLennan (22), Scott Sparksman (16) & Al Taylor (19) all got starts. Co-skipper Aaron Vietheer is confident Allora have the goods two collect their second reserve grade premierships since the Allora club reformed back in 2006. The Warwick Cricket Association Reserve Grade Grand Final starts at 10.00 am on Saturday at Warwick's Queens Park. Wheatvale will take on Maryvale-Condamine in the A Grade Grand Final from 10.00 am on Saturday at Slade Park, while RSL Diggers will battle out the Plate Final with Warwick Hotel Colts at Mayhew Oval. The Allora Team: Aaron Vietheer, Kris McLennan, Mitchell McLennan, Lauchlan Hoey, Al Taylor, Scott Sparksman, Andrew Petersen, Nick Morris, Josh Henry, Jordan Henry & Steve Hughes. **"Condamine Cup" Points Table 2012/13**

Team	Played	Won	Lost	Bye	N/R	B/P	Total Points
Maryvale	10	8	2	2	2	11	51
Diggers	10	7	3	2	2	7	45
Wheatvale	11	7	4	1	1	6	44
Colts*	10	6	3	2	2	9	41
Inglewood	10	5	5	2	2	7	41
Allora	10	2	8	2	1	4	30
Sovereign	10	1	9	2	2		26

* 2 pts deducted for forfeit

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Allora Golf Notes

Last Saturday and Sunday we played the first two rounds of our club championships. At the moment everyone is very close, so it is shaping up to be a close next few rounds. Saturday we also played a club trophy with the winner being Kev. Sunday we played the Jenco Feeds & Seeds Monthly Medal. Winner of the day was Max on a countback from John. Well done boys, they were some good scores. Pins went to Ken on the 3rd, Wal on the 5th, Rod on the 12th, Adam on the 8th & 16th and Matt on the 16th. Next week will be the same as last with tee off 12 noon Allora time for both Saturday and Sunday. Also a shout out to Mutchy, hope you had a great night and Happy B'day from all at the Golf Club. Remember your sand buckets - to play is to live.



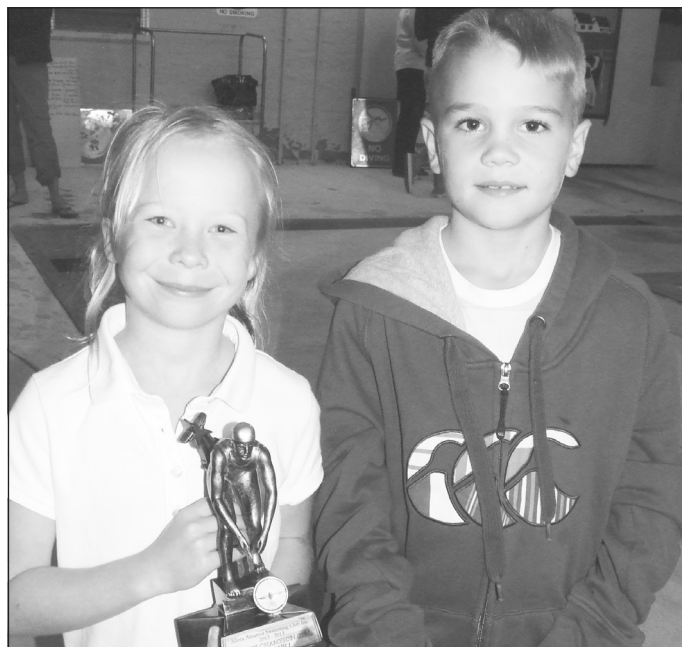
Swimming Club Achievers Recognised

The Allora Amateur Swimming Club hosted their end of season awards presentations and break-up on Monday evening at the Allora Swimming Pool.

President Roy Nott presided over the function, which was attended by Allora Swimming Club Life Members Marg Rackley, Heather Slatter, Marg Otten and Trever & Shirley Mason, along with the clubs many members, parents and volunteers.

"The Best Little Town on the Downs" may not be the biggest place in our part of the world, but the achievements of our Swimming Club, which boasted 51 members this season, have been outstanding across the 2012/13 summer. Those achievements include winning the 45th Allora Rotary Open Shield by a whopping 121 point margin in mid November against clubs from across the Darling Downs and Toowoomba. Mr. Nott thanked all the young competitors, his committee and volunteers, club sponsors and supporters and made special mention of the support of Allora Swimming Pool leasee's Bill & Linda Lacey.

Major awards presented on the night included the Geoff and Heather Slatter Encouragement Award – Xanthe Esson, Marg and Keith Rackley Encouragement Award – Jack Hill, Club Encouragement Awards – Harrison Hunt & Charlotte Nott, David Rackley Memorial Swim trophy – George Nott and Mr.



2012/13 Under 8 Allora Swimming Club Champions Macey Hill & Cooper Harm after receiving their awards at Monday evenings Club Presentation Function.

John Ellwood presented the Ellwood Family Shield for Dedication, Consistency and Sportsmanship to Anthony Bannister & Madelaine Nott

TEAM MEMBER MEDALLIONS

Matthew Blakemore, Bethany Chisnell, Joshua Day, Jessica Chisnell, Nicholas Gardner, Molly Harm, Lachlan Jones, Renee Lack, Tomas Philp, Sarah Mantova, Nicholas Wall, Lucy Mantova, Paris Milburn, Thea Milburn, Gemma Nott, Alix Weatherstone.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE (certificates)

Macey Hill, Jack Hill, Jessica Chisnell, Matthew Higgins, Xanthe Esson, William Gilmore, Renee Lack, Jacob Meddleton, Mary Higgins, Cody Hoffman, Toby Gilmore, Brendan Hoffman, James Gilmore.

PARTICIPATION AWARDS

U/8 Boys - George Nott

U/10 Boys - Angus Brasch, Matthew Higgins, Jack Hill, Samuel Wall

U/10 Girls - Charlotte Nott, Xanthe Esson

U/12 Boys - Cody Hoffman, Brent Brittain-Harrigan, Zachary Wall

U/12 Girls - Kira Holmes, Isabella Hunt, Ella Gartery

U/14 Boys - Harrison Hunt, Nicholas Van Der Poel

Open Boys - Henry Gartery

RECORDS BROKEN (Certificates)

Anthony Bannister, Will Gilmore, Brendan Hoffman

PERSONAL BEST TROPHIES

Open – Henry Gartery (11), U/14 – James Gilmore (10), U/12 – Kira Holmes (15), U/10 – Angus Brasch (15), U/8 – Alexandria Bender (10)

AGE TROPHIES

U/8 Boy Age Champion – Cooper Harm, Runner-up – Hamish Gartery, U/8 Girl Age Champion – Macey Hill, Runner-up – Alex Bender, U/10 Boy Age Champion – Will Gilmore, Runner-up – Jacob Meddleton, U/10 Girl Age Champion – Lacey Maguire, Runner-up – Imogen Philp, U/12 Boy Age Champion – Brendan Hoffman, Runner-up – Toby Gilmore, U/12 Girl Age Champion – Mary Higgins, Runner-up – Cassie Henry, U/14 Boy Age Champion - James Gilmore, Runner-up – Lachlan Henry, U/14 Girl Age Champion – Sally Higgins, Runner-up – Vanessa Bryson

OPEN BOY Age Champion – Anthony Bannister, Runner-up - Jack Bannister

OPEN GIRL Age Champion – Madelaine Nott
Glyn Rees



Mr. John Ellwood presents the Ellwood Family Shield for Dedication, Consistency and Sportsmanship for 2012/13 to Allora Swimming Club members Anthony Bannister & Madelaine Nott