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THURSDAY, 10th APRIL 2014



LEFT: Volunteers
Catherine Dunn, Jodie
Worboys & Mandy
Mutch were kept on their
toes staffing the Allora
Kindergarten Footpath
Stall last Thursday.

been firmly entrenched in Allora's community calendar, over the past decade and a half.

Raised in Allora and attending school here and later marrying, Dennis Lawson had much to live for. He was a talented athlete, a karate exponent who was judged third best in the world in his age group in the 1994 World Championships in Japan. His family through the Lawson's annual morning tea, recognize his life cut tragically short, and the organisation that supported him through his illness.

That the Cancer Council of Australia having raised \$12.7 million last year, with the kettles boiling annually for so many cuppas since 1994, is testament to the fact that when it comes to Australia's Biggest Morning Tea, every cup really does count in the fight against cancer.

After 15 years of valiant fundraising in support of such a vital course, Anne has decided to hang up her kettle. "We have enjoyed having the yearly event" said Anne, "but as the saying goes all good things must come to an end." As has been the case so many times before, that the morning tea that has become an Allora tradition, will also feature a multi draw raffle open to all. Anne and her Lawson family members will be hard at work in Warwick & Allora selling tickets in the multi-draw at only \$2.00 a ticket in a mammoth 52 amazing prizes. Anne & husband Robert are familiar faces selling tickets in aid of cancer research throughout the Allora & Warwick community.

Anne is very proud of the way the community have supported her Morning Teas, which in 1999 raised \$369.00, which later averaged \$3,800.00 and

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# Anne's Hanging Up Her Kettle... After One More Morning Tea

There's nothing like a "cuppa" between friends at any time for a chat and catch up, but when the iconic Aussie tradition also serves to raise money to benefit such a vital organisation as the Cancer Council of Australia, it takes on a whole different meaning. Well known Allora identity Anne Lawson has been hosting "cuppas" at her home as part of the Cancer Council of Australia fundraiser, "Australia's Biggest Morning Tea" for the past fifteen years. Anne has the "kettle boiling" for another successful event to be hosted at her back yard at 5 Jubb Street, Allora, from 10.00am on Thursday, May 22nd.

The motivation to raise funds for the Cancer Council was born with Anne, her husband Robert and their family dealing with the pain and suffering associated with son Dennis' diagnosis with Ewings Sarcoma in 1999, and the subsequent three year battle Dennis fought before losing his life. Dennis received a bone marrow transplant from his sister Camelle, and while the procedure was deemed a success, Dennis sadly succumbed to complications associated with the treatment. Anne was motivated to do something to support cancer research. She had considered the "Shave for a Cure" fundraiser, before settling on an annual morning tea under the banner of "Australia's Biggest Morning Tea". Anne Lawson's Biggest Morning Tea has



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more, but the year they finished with \$9,800 in the coffers for cancer was the highlight.

"Our family have made many friends as a result of our annual Morning Tea" smiled Anne, "but without the tremendous support we have had from friends, the public and business houses we would not have enjoyed the success we have had, nor been able to support the Cancer Foundation to the level we have"

For this loyal support over many years, Anne is inviting everyone to enjoy a cuppa for cancer support one last time.

All attending the vital fundraiser that contributes to finance the fight against cancer will be well looked after at Anne's Biggest Morning Tea, a family affair with, Robert, daughter Camelle and grandchildren Hayden, Lara, Carissa, & Abbigail all involved in the big day.

Entry to Anne Lawson's annual "Australia's Biggest Morning Tea" is only a gold coin donation, and those attending are requested to supply a plate, while this year the event features musical entertainment by local singer Tara Clark.

For further information Anne can be contacted by phone: 4666 3562.

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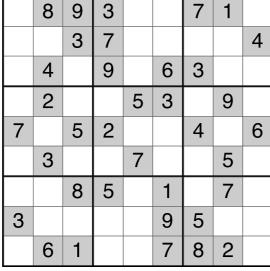
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FRI	Mostly Cloudy. Mild.	14	26
SAT	Mostly Sunny. Mild.	15	28
SUN	Morning Clouds. Mild.	15	27
MON	Mostly Sunny. Cool.	15	22
TUE	Afternoon Clouds. Mild.	12	24

# Happy 100th Birthday: Australian Red Cross

This year Allora branch of Red Cross will join with all other branches to celebrate one hundred years of red cross in Australia. Last year was the 150th birthday of International Red Cross, so what a long way we have come.

Allora has always had a great affiliation with Red Cross in the early days there were branches at Goomburra, Spring Creek, Forest Springs and Hendon as well as Allora. The smaller branches closed down one by one as travel become easier, but Allora branch continues to flourish, thanks to the few dedicated members and the Allora community.

It was on 13th August 1914 that Lady Helen Munro Ferguson held the first meeting of the Australian Red Cross and this day will be celebrated as Founders Day.

May 8th is celebrated every year as International Red Cross Day as this is the birthday of the founder Henri Dunant. Allora branch will celebrate the 100th birthday at their annual general meeting to be held on 21st July 2014. A number of our members will be receiving long service awards on that day and we do hope that as many interested people as possible will join with us for an afternoon of celebration.

We must remember that it was the early members of the branch who played a critical role in bringing the Red Cross organization into the twenty-first century, and our centenary provides an opportunity to reflect on the remarkable legacy of those members and to remember them with pride.

In the meantime Allora branch will be selling tickets in our popular Easter raffle (this money goes towards Red Cross Calling) and a street stall will be held on Friday, 23rd May.

If you would like to know more about Red Cross you could contact our local president Heather Slatter at 9 Jubb Street, Allora or phone her at 4666 3646 or contact us on redcross.org/centenary

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Queensland Boating and Fisheries Patrol district officer Gary Muhling said it was important fishers took the time to familiarise themselves with the rules before heading out fishing.

"There are different rules that apply to fishing gear in Queensland, depending on whether you are fishing in tidal or freshwater, particularly around the use of nets," he said.

"While most recreational nets can be used in tidal waters, fishers should be aware that these are not legal fishing apparatus in freshwaters.

"Landing nets, scoop or dip nets, and dilly nets are permitted to be used; however all other nets, including cast and seine (bait) nets are illegal."

Mr Muhling noted an increase in the number of fishers using bait nets in local freshwater fishing spots.

"We have issued a number of on-the-spot fines to people recently for using bait nets in freshwater," he said.

"Ignorance is not an acceptable excuse for doing the wrong

# Council supports Red Cross centenary celebrations across the Southern Downs

With Australian Red Cross celebrating its centenary in 2014, the Southern Downs Regional Council is supporting local celebrations of this worthy organisation throughout the Southern Downs

Mayor Cr Peter Blundell said he regularly saw the outstanding work of Red Cross and looked forward to attending centenary celebrations throughout the year.

"At Stanthorpe, Council will support Red Cross in a number of ways throughout the year but our first activity will be to plant red and white pansies in the main street garden areas.

"As most people would know the colours for Red Cross are red and white and we talked to Council parks and gardens staff about planting red and white flowers throughout the Stanthorpe CDB streetscape.

"Council will also help Stanthorpe Red Cross promote Centenary events throughout the year including blood collection days, Red Cross Calling morning teas and later in the year the opening of a permanent display, themed garden and art show." he said.

Council is pleased to have already supported the Warwick Red Cross Fun Day last Saturday (April 5) at the Red Cross Hub at Guy Street. Community members who came along enjoyed the day while learning more about Red Cross, how to become a Red Cross volunteer, and enjoyed Emergency Services preparedness demonstrations and also took home some useful tips from the Lifeskills demonstrations.

There was also a jumping castle for young visitors, a sausage sizzle and games.

Cr Meiklejohn said Red Cross was quite often "behind the scenes" however the centenary was a good opportunity to raise the profile of the organisation and to bring a greater understanding of the aims and goals of Red Cross.

"Red Cross has an incredible history and we are very proud of the community effort that has been invested over 100 years," he said.





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## **Wagon Wheel**

Further to the story in last week's paper about the wagon wheel from the W.W. anderson taxi cab, it has been bought by Lynn and Rod Close from Roseneath Cottage and is now in pride of place in the skillion on the side of the slate hut that has been part of the property for 150 years.

The wagon would have come to Roseneath - the home of Albert & Elsie Stay (nee Anderson) - many times over the years, and looks quite at home in its new surroundings. Rod & Lynn would like to congratulate Peter & Dorothy Haig on their very successful clearing sale, and providing them the opportunity to buy the wheel.



# **Alpha Course**

The Alpha course which is being organised by the Allora Churches Together continues on Tuesday, 15th April, in the Allora State School Old Assembly Hall (beside Catering Block) with a shared finger food tea at 6.30pm. The Program will begin at 7.00pm. Finishing at approximately 8.30pm with tea and coffee. The title of the video for this week is "How does God guide us?" Everyone is welcome.



# **TAKE A JOURNEY**

The Allora & District Historical Society would like to invite you to our Demonstration & Display Day 'journey' on 12th April. This journey will be an education into the history of the timber industry as well as many other aspects of the district's development.

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Our photo collection of the history includes the bullock wagons that brought the timber down from the head of the Dalrymple, timber cutters, train loaded with timber logs and photos showing the use of heavy machines in the forest. There is a photo of a coach built by T Maher, coach builder, the first Allora Post Office, Gordon Butchers delivery cart, an early "Allora Guardian Office and our collection of photos of early houses, churches and business premises.

An interesting display in the "School of Arts" museum in Drayton Street is the kitchen with the bark roof. The bark was taken from Allora flats in 1870. There is also an interesting collection of axes, saws, planes and other items relative to the timber industry. One unique item is a board which was part of the flume that was erected by an early settler, Andrew Rickert on his farm at Berat. This "artificial channel" ran the length of the farm and the water was pumped from the then wide flowing Dalrymple Creek with a traction engine on to the crops.

Steve and Maree Lehmann will display part of their "Historically Significant Collection" of axes, adze and bullock and logging gear. Steve and Maree have recorded their collection on DVDs' and we will be showing that on screen as well as other interesting photos.

Visitors to the Demonstration and Display Day will be able to talk to and watch many local and visiting craftsmen demonstrate their skills in woodcraft. Part of the Historical Society's collection of woodcraft can be seen in a display in the "Old Shire Hall". Examples of fret work, poker work, inlay, carving, model making and 'rural' school woodwork items are in the display. Everyday items made out of timber including pegs, washboards, wool skein holders, darners, bread boards and rolling pins are displayed. Again this year we will have displays set up in the "Allora Shire Council Workshop" at the rear of the hall

The research officer, Colin Newport will be available to talk to anyone who is interested in researching their family history and would like to share information and photos.

The Allora and District Demonstration and Display Day is part of the National Trust 2014 Heritage Festival – Journeys month long celebrations. Our window display of 'timber in the garden' in Jon Constable's Allora Pharmacy is part of our contribution to this celebration. The National Trust's booklet promoting all the events during the Heritage Festival can be obtained from the Allora Library and Amy's café.

We would like to acknowledge the sponsorship of the Warwick Credit Union, Warwick Daily News and the Southern Downs Council for our event. Also thank you to Goomburra Forest Retreat, Summit Estates, Allora Pharmacy, Allora True Value Hardware, Allora Butchery and FoodWorks for donating raffle prizes to raise funds to stage our day.



**MATT DUGGAN** 

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## Gordon Family -

This article is another in the series relating to the timber industry. The timber industry is the theme of the Demonstration and Display Day which will be held this Saturday at the 'Old Shire Hall' museum.

This week's story is about the Gordon family who were prominent in the timber and building industry as well as other business enterprises in Allora.

We know that Irish emigrant Samuel Gordon, was a shephard on Goomburra station and that he supplemented his income by hauling timber and butchering. When the Hall Bros. came to Allora to set up a sawmill in 1881, the mill was erected on land owned by Samuel Gordon.

Andrew, the oldest son of Samuel and Mary Gordon was a builder. Andrew purchased the Hall Bros. sawmill which was situated in Drayton Street, Allora. The plant of the sawmill consisted of:- 1 - 12h.p. Portable Single Cylinder Engine, 1 -Circular Bench Saw for 5ft. saw, Seven circular saws from 2ft 6 inches to 4 ft. 6 inches, Band Saw complete, 1- Saw Gulleting machine, Blacksmith's plant, Pump, Large Shed (90x22ft), Shop (21x22ft.), Trollies, chains and other appliances

for carrying on work of a sawmill. He traded under the name of A. Gordon and Co. Timber was hauled by bullock wagon from 'Mountain Paddock'. a property owned by Andrew, in the Goomburra Valley. An advertisement in the Warwick Argus in

January 1886 reads - "Allora Steam Saw Mills. A. Gordon & Beg to inform

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A planing machine was set up at the mill by William George Conley who had owned a joinery works in Warwick. It is thought to be Allora's first planing machine. An article in a newspaper of the day indicates that the finished product from A. Gordon &

# **BAD JOKE OF THE** WEEK

A train in India was going very, very slowly, and a group of American tourists were growing increasingly impatient.

Finally, when it stopped for about the hundredth time, one of the tourists got out. walked to the front of the train, and asked the train-driver, "Can't you go any faster?"

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No photos of Gordon's sawmills at Allora or Goomburra were available for printing this week. Instead, pictured here is Bill Springate's bullock team hauling logs on the Pratten road. Bill Springate is on the left, in front of wagon.

Co. sawmill was of the highest quality. The company attainted a "Second Order of Merit" for Queensland planks at the Melbourne Exhibition.

In 1881 a tender of 315 Pounds by A. Gordon & Co. for the extensions to the Allora State School was accepted on the condition that it was completed in four months from the date of contract. The company built a number of private and public buildings in Allora. Andrew Gordon and his wife lived at "The Cedars" in Forde Street.

In 1903, P Donovan advertised an 'Important Sale of Town Properties' to be sold by auction at his Auction Mart. Andrew Gordon Esq. was selling seven allotments ranging in areas from 2 roods, 1 acre and one block of 43 acres. In all there were 9 cottages, 7 of which had kitchens. Three cottages were situated on one block.

Andrew Gordon was the successful bidder at an auction of 500,000 superficial feet of red cedar standing on Crown lands near Cunningsham's Gap. The auction was held in July 1903 and Andrew Gordon paid 12/1 1/2 shillings per 100 super feet. (Allora Historical Soc. research has revealed that timber cut from Crown Lands had to be removed within 12 months or be forfeited to the Crown)

In 1905, Andrew Gordon put up for sale by Auction, an allotment of land of 1 1/2 acres adjoining the Allora Railway Station with sawmills partly erected. It was advertised as a valuable piece of land. Also offered for sale was a First Class Planing Machine and other necessary machinery not on the site and 80,000 feet of cedar.

Andrew Gordon still owned considerable property in Allora. In 1908 he had them surveyed into suitable areas and they were advertised as being 'well situated, and comprise suitable Business and Residential sites'. There were 8 in Forde Street, 5 in Drayton Street and 4 in Herbert and Darling Streets. In all 50 allotments were put up for sale and was known as the 'Gordon Estate'. This was prior to Andrew Gordon being 'adjudged' insolvent. All the properties in Allora and property in Gladfield "rich in all kinds of marketable timber, particular cedar" were sold by the Mortgagees.

Andrew Gordon died in 1920 aged 70 years. His obituary reads in part "He acquired extensive properties in the town and at the head of Dalrymple Creek and in connection with the latter his great interests lay in the direction of utilizing the timber which was present in considerable quantity".

There were four generations of builders in the Gordon family. Robert Woodhouse Gordon joined his brother in the sawmilling business from the very start. When he died in 1934 aged 74 an article appearing in the Guardian headed "Pioneer Child Life spent in Allora" gives us a insight into his involvement in the timber industry - "His first essay in business was when he and an elder brother, Andrew, purchased a sawmill from Hall Bros. and traded under the name of A. Gordon & Company. The mill which stood in Drayton Street, to the west of Forde Street, was worked successfully for a number of years, the supplies of timber, mostly pine and cedar, being obtained from the ranges above Goomburra. The plant afterwards, was removed to Upper Goomburra Valley, nearer the source of supply, the dressed timber being taken to the railhead at Hendon by bullock and horse teams..." Robert had substantial holdings around the Allora and Goomburra districts.

The Allora and District Historical Society has a beautiful cedar table donated by the Gordon family in its collection.

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# Events Calendar

#### 2014 St. Davids Hall, Allora Sat 28 Rugby League - Wattles V Gatton April -& Millmerran V Gatton (C Grade) Sat 12 Allora & District Historical Society Display & Demo Day - Historical Society Building, Cnr. Forde Platz Oval, Clifton & Warwick Sts. July -Sun 13 Rugby League - Wattles V Brothers Rugby League - Wattles V Vallevs Sat 12 & Millmerran V Newtown (C Grade) Platz Oval, Clifton Platz Oval, Clifton Rugby League - Wattles V Warwick Sun 27 Allora Men's Shed Meeting Sat 26 & Millmerran V Warwick (C Grade) Old Fire Station, 80 Herbert St., 9.00am Platz Oval, Clifton May -August -Sat 3 Allora Scope Club Inc. Annual Afternoon Tea Sun 10 Rugby League - Wattles V Dalby Rugby League - Wattles V Highfields Sun 4 & Millmerran V Dalby (C Grade) Platz Oval, Clifton Platz Oval, Clifton Allora QCWA International Day - Vietnam September -St. Andrews Hall, Allora Sat 6 Allora R.S.L. Spring Markets Goomburra Hall Trivia Night Allora R.S.L. Hall Goomburra Hall. Fri 16 Victoria Hill Hall Cent Sale October -Victoria Hill Hall, 7.00pm Sat 11 Allora High Tea Fund Raiser Rugby League - Wattles V Pittsworth Allora Community Hall & Millmerran V Pittsworth (C Grade) St Patricks Parish Fete Fri 17 Platz Oval, Clifton St. Patricks School Grounds, 5.00pm Fri 30 St.Patrick's School Trivia Night December -Allora Community Hall Allora R.S.L. Christmas Markets Sat 6 June -Allora R.S.L. Hall Allora R.S.L. Winter Markets

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# **Sporting Icons Lew Platz & Vince Bermingham Join Hall of Fame**

The atmosphere within the Allora Community Hall was rich in sporting achievements on Saturday evening when guests from around south east Queensland gathered to support and celebrate the inductions into the Allora Regional Sports Museum 'Hall of Fame', of rugby union International the late Vince Bermingham and rugby league International Lew Platz. Allora Regional Sports Museum President Perry Cronin said "it is an honour to welcome sporting achievers of the calibre of

"The night was been a great success, guests travelling from around the Darling Downs & South East Queensland, and as far away as Canberra".

Lew Platz & Vince Bermingham into the Hall of Fame".

The evening was attended by Member for Southern Downs Mr Lawrence Springborg MLA, Southern Downs Regional Council Mayor Cr Peter Blundell & Toowoomba Regional Council



Funeral of W. A. Cameron, April 1914. Photo courtesy May Abernethy.

# Looking Back...

Allora's Past 100 years ago April 1914

### Death of W. A. Cameron

W. A. "Bill" Cameron was the second son of the late Alexander Cameron. Allora's first Town Clerk, and Mrs. Esther Cameron. Bill conducted a butcher's shop in Drayton Street, previously and later, operated by his uncle R. W. Gordon.

An advertisement in the Allora Guardian in 1913 by W. A. Cameron promised that if his customers "continue with his beef, they will make a success of life and not have to kneel or bow to anyone, and will live to a ripe age and not be grev sons before their time". Unfortunately this did not apply to Bill Cameron himself. He collapsed and died while on an Easter camping trip to the Goomburra scrub in 1914 at the age of 40. W. A. Cameron was a member of the Hope Masonic Lodge, the Loval Orange Lodge and the Protestant Alliance Lodge, and his funeral procession was one of the largest ever seen in Allora. The members of the local Oddfellows Lodge also donned regalia and preceded H. W. Stay's hearse. Bill Cameron was survived by his wife and one son, his mother, two brothers and four sisters.

(The photo shows W. A. Cameron's

funeral procession proceeding up Herbert Anderson family. Street from St. David's Church to the cemetery. It is interesting to note that of all the buildings to be seen in the photo on the western side of the street, from Moorhead's on the Warwick Street corner to Barnes & Co, as well as the Royal Hotel on the eastern side, only four have survived the intervening 100 years; the Railway Hotel, the present day chemist shop, the hardware shop and the vet surgery.)

### Allora's Past 75 years ago April 1939

# **Family Treasure**

At a time when the Darling Downs is nearing the centenary of its settlement. many interesting relics of the early days are being brought to light by descendants of the early settlers.

Mr. W. W. Anderson, of Allora, has in his possession a book given by Mrs. Patrick Leslie to George Donald, an uncle of Mr. Anderson. The book bears the inscription "George Donald from his friend Mrs. P. Leslie. Goomburra. 1853".

The book is one of the selections from the Old Testament and shows evidence of much use, and between its pages are small pansies pressed by the owner many years ago.

The book is a prized possession of the

(Warwick Daily News 6/4/1939)

# Allora's Past 25 years ago April

#### **Allora - Cricket Premiers**

For the first time since the 1984/85 season the Allora Cricket team were victorious in a Back Plains and District Cricket Association final, when they defeated Clifton in an exciting match on Sunday. Clifton won the toss and elected to bat, running up the creditable total of 215 from 51.1 overs. Top scorer for Clifton was Malcolm Duff with 109, ably supported by Wayne Brown 35, and Boyd Rohde 19. The wickets were shared among the Allora bowlers with Gary Gilmore and Kris Wright both returning the figures of 2 for

Allora lost its captain Jeff Bell early in the run chase and when No.3 batsman. Warren Wright, was dropped second ball. things looked ominous for the Allora team. Warren then went on to carry his bat through the innings and was on 117 not out when the Clifton total was passed in the 46th over. Good support came from John O'Callaghan 30, and Ashley Ruhle 25. Help was also provided by the Clifton fielders who put down a total of seven catches in the Allora innings.

Colin Newport

Mayor Cr Paul Antonio. Mr. Springborg congratulated the latest Hall of Fame inductees, and commended Perry Cronin and the Allora Regional Sports Museum committee for highlighting the achievements of local sporting identities.

John Bermingham, son of Vince Bermingham, recalled memories of a farming life full of challenges for his father, but also the amazing sporting career he enjoyed. Vince Bermingham played 28 rugby union matches for Queensland over a six year period and was considered among the nation's best front-row forwards. He represented Australia in 1934 in two tests against New Zealand that saw the Bledisloe Cup won by Australia for the first time, and in 1937 against South



A group of rugby league royalty gathered at the Allora Community Hall to celebrate the induction of Lew Platz & Vince Bermingham into the Allora Regional Sports Museum Hall of Fame: (front) Rohan Hancock, John McDonald, Barry Muir, Graham Lena, Greg Oliphant, John Cowley, Max Phelan, (back) Greg Veivers, Lew Platz & Greg Platz.

Bermingham was an all round sportsman in every sense, having also represented Queensland in rugby league in 1941, held the Queensland Heavyweight Boxing Championship and was also the State wrestling champion.

Australian rugby league representative forward Lew Platz scaled the heights of his chosen sport from the Wattles Rugby League Club. After playing in the Brisbane Rugby League completion with the Southern Suburbs 'Magpies' and the Wynnum-Manly 'Seagulls' before heading to Sydney in 1978 to link up with the Parramatta 'Eels' for three years followed by another three years with the Penrith 'Panthers'.

After making his debut for Queensland against New Zealand in 1973, he was a regular in the State's maroon colours in 1974. 1975 & 1977. In 1975 he was selected for Australia for the rugby league World Series in Australia & Europe.

There was an abundance of rugby league royalty to support the event, former legendary Queensland & Australian halfback & Queensland Coach from 1974 to 1978 Barry Muir quest sneaker

International league representatives John McDonald, Greg Veivers, Rohan Hancock, Gred Oliphant & Gred Platz, along with Queensland players John Cowley & Graham Lena were in attendance, as was State rugby union representative Max

After Saturday night's gala induction, the nineteen Allora

# ?? CSIRO Double Helix Quiz ??

- 1. What would a person be doing if they were using their zygomaticus major muscle?
- 2. What type of eclipse occurs when the moon is between the Sun and the Earth?
- 3. In chemistry, what does PVA stand for?
- 4. True or false A pulsar is sometimes known as the 'clock' of the universe?
- 5. Which two oceans are connected by the Panama Canal?

Answers in Classifieds pages

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Southern Downs Regional Council is reminding residents that all Council employees have SDRC identification tags and to ask for this identification if approached.

Director of Business and Community Services David Tuxford said Council's Community Contact Centre staff have had two complaints this week about a male person who has attended two Warwick residences asking questions about their houses and property values.

"In both cases the male person said he was from Council but did not have identification, was not in a Council vehicle and he visited out of office hours. The two residents who were approached were concerned however did answer some of the man's questions.

"Council cannot emphasise enough that all staff will have identification and will produce this when requested.

"Council advised both concerned residents to advise Police and will assist with any enquiries," he said.

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# Council encourages people to "Bang the Table"!

Southern Downs Regional Council is revising its Corporate Plan and community members are able to "Bang the Table" by "clicking a mouse".

SDRC Mayor Cr Peter Blundell said last year Council introduced on-line community engagement as a way for residents to contribute and provide feedback without having to attend public meetings or provide written submissions.

"For many in the community online community engagement might be a new concept but we hope that residents take up the

"As many residents would remember Council developed its Community Plan 2030 in 2011. We conducted extensive community consultation to form the Community Plan so that Council had a clear picture of what local residents expected in terms of social well-being, economic development, environmental management and governance.

"To implement the ideas from the Community Plan Council has a five year Corporate Plan which is a key document used to help us deliver community expectations.

"Our previous Corporate Plan covered the years 2009 to 2014 so now is the time to update this plan and build further on our strategies and ideas.

"Councillors and Council staff members have completed a comprehensive review of the Corporate Plan and now we want to gather community input, keeping in mind that the Community Plan is the region's "umbrella plan".

"We have taken the eight themes from the Community Plan and placed them into our revised Corporate Plan. These are:

- 1. The Southern Downs sense of community
- 2. The healthy and active Southern Downs
- 3. The Southern Downs learning community
- 4. The economically strong, sustainable and diverse Southern Downs
- 5. Destination Southern Downs
- 6. The environmentally sustainable Southern Downs
- 7. The well-connected Southern Downs
- 8. The well-governed Southern Downs

"We welcome your thoughts, ideas, suggestions and feedback on the new Corporate Plan 2014 - 2019.

"These are valuable to us and will be given thorough consideration – please send your contributions by April 13.

"To ensure consistency in our planning the Corporate Plan feeds into Council's Operational Plan, a highly detailed document that charts the actions and service programs for our staff. With this structure Council is able to make community aspirations and expectations a reality." he said.

Community members are encouraged to go to Council's website www.sdrc.gld.gov.au and click on the "Have your Say" button. Any questions please contact Council on 1300 MY SDRC (1300 697 372).

# **Wattles Take Three from Three to** Start Season

Halfback Matt Duggan was at his brilliant best as the 'National Farmer's Warehouse' Wattles A Grade side continued on their winning way in the Toowoomba Rugby League's Hutchies Cup on Saturday evening, finishing ahead of reigning Premiers the Gatton 'Hawks' 29 - 20 on Gatton's home turf at Cahill Park.

Duggan attracted more than his share of on field attention on the night, but showed plenty of grit to brush it off as he masterminded the 'Warriors' third win from their first three starts in the 2014 TRL Premiership. Fullback Jackson Green was also in fine form, along with centre Jamie Dodt and solid front-rower Mitch Hannant.

While coming off two confidence enhancing opening season wins over Southern Suburbs 28 - 24, and Oakey a week later 42 - 22, Wattles Coach Luke Duggan was well aware of the hurdle the 2013 premiers posed. Gatton had also re-signed star halfback Jason Willmot back from the State Intrust Cup side, the Sunshine Coast 'Sea-Eagles', whose play making ability had gone a long way to engineering last year's 'Hawks' premiership.

Jackson Green put first points on the board after just two minutes of Saturday evenings feature match, Matt Duggan putting his team mate through a hole to score with a gem of a pass for Wattles to lead 6 – 0. Duggan and Green scored a try each in the 17th & 20th minutes respectively, to have their team ahead 16 - 0. With ten minutes remaining in the first stanza Matt Duggan off loaded to his brother Ryan who busted the line to find Matt backing up to score under the uprights for Wattles to ease further ahead 22 - 0.

The 'Hawks' finally found the tryline after 34 minutes through winger Cameron Nicholls, but the home side were penalised for a professional foul close to their tryline by Referee Ian Hansen seconds before the halftime hooter was to sound. Team skipper Matt Duggan capped an outstanding initial forty minutes of play by successfully kicking the penalty to have his side ahead 24 - 4 at the break.

The 'Hawks' showed their Grand Final winning ability was alive and well after a slow first half blazing back into the game after

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running in three second half tries to trail 20 - 26 with ten minutes remaining until full time. A couple of late penalty goals by Matt Duggan gave Wattles some breathing space as the 'Hawks' came home with a wet sail, but when Duggan kicked a field goal in the dying minutes the win was secured for the 'Warriors'.

Wattles were without front-row enforcer Pat Manley and experienced outside back Tim Hentschel, with Koina brothers Brod & Mitch warming the injury bench for the past few weeks. and a few more to go. Back-rower Dan Manley was named on the bench to run on for his first fixture match of 2014 after an impressive season last year, but was a late withdrawal, reserve grade tough toiler Jason Nightingale stepping in more than capably. Pat & Dan Manley will again be absentees for this Sunday's key clash with Brothers for the prestigious 'Danny Ryan Memorial Trophy and an additional couple of competition

Wattles 29 (Matt Duggan 2, Jackson Green 2 tries; Matt Duggan 6 goals, 1 field goal) defeated Gatton 20 (Cameron Nicholls 2, Doug Asiata, Leroy Holley tries; Jason Willmot 2 goals).

Reserve Grade - Wattles 'Railway Hotel, Allora' Reserve Graders returned from Gatton still searching for an elusive first win of the 2014 fixture season, succumbing to the might of the 'Hawks' 10 - 48.

Front-rower Jason Nightingale starred for the 'Warriors', team mates Alex Griffiths & Dale McAntee also among Wattles' best, Nightingale getting a call up to top grade.

The 'Hawks' thrilled the home crowd by running in three snappy tries to lead 18 - 0 after just 13 minutes, and increased to score to 24 – 0 courtesy of a try by Warwick based Aaron McVeigh, a member of Gatton's first grade Premier's outfit last year.

Gatton lock James Lewis maintained the momentum in the opening minutes of the second half touching down for the home side to lead 30 - 0.

Wattles had to wait until the 45th minute of the game for points. quiet achieving second-rower Alex Morris stepping each way before slicing through fifteen metres left of the uprights.

The 'Hawks' regained their composure and ran in three further unanswered tries to take a 48 - 4 advantage before Wattles outside back Dale McAntee dived over from dummy-half to give the score-line some respectability.

Gatton 48 (Kane Taylor 2, Corey Schmidt, James Lewis, Josh Mildred, Callum Woolacott, Gary Everuss, Aaron McVeigh tries; Callum Woolacott 6, Gary Everuss 2 goals) defeated Wattles 10 (Dale McAntee, Alex Morris tries; Dale McAntee goal).

Under 18 - Wattles Shaun Henry Coached 'Allora Foodworks' Under 18 side posted an impressive initial win of the three week old 2014 TRL season, finishing ahead of Gatton 32 - 18 on Gatton turf. The young 'Warriors' boast a team with ability. gelling well as a competitive unit and will finish with plenty of positive results as the season progresses.

Mobile back-rower Max Somes is becoming very familiar with



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Wattles brilliant first grade halfback Matt Duggan snared 'Player of the Match' honours against Gatton last Saturday.

the try line this season, scoring six tries in the first three fixture

Centre Harry Lloyd had a strong alround game, big hard running forward Harry Fulwood & Max Somes also shining for the 'Warriors'.

The Wattles' club leading try - scorer Max Somes scored his side's initial points, charging over the line on the end of a classy passing sequence. Gatton levelled the ledger 6 all ten minutes later, and then touched down for a second time to lead 12 - 6 midway through the half. Centre Neil Ranger put Wattles on the attack with a ground grabbing run in the shadow of half time, before his team mate Harry Fulwood charged over to level the game 12 all at the break.

Clever half Joe Morris crossed twice for tries in the opening 8 minutes of the second half, punctuated by a home side four pointer to 'Hawks' forward Jordan Flint.

Wattles mobile bookend Mitchell Duff carved a passage up mid-field soon after and laid on a pass for Max Somes to score to allow the boys in 'green & gold' a 28 - 18 lead and a little over 20 minutes remaining.

A powerful run in the later stages by Neil Ranger paved the way for winger Ben Comerford to cruise through for a try in the right corner of Cahill Park. Wattles 32 (Max Somes 2, Joe Morris 2, Harry Fulwood, Ben Commerford; Joshua Sharman 4 goals) defeated Gatton 18 (Josh Crighton, Billy Jackwitz, Jordan Flint tries, Aiden Schmidt 3 goals).

C Grade - Wattles brother club in the TRL 'Berghofer Cup' C Grade competition the Millmerran 'Rams' were way to slick for the Gatton 'Hawks' yesterday, winning 44 - 10.

Millmerran 44 (Braydon Gibbs 2, Brent Hearne, Alex Sinclair, Ashleigh Klein, Steven Sauverain, Lauchie Coombs, Jamie Meddings tries; Steven Sauverain 6 goals) defeated Gatton 10 (Will Mitchell, Liam Neumann tries; Ricky Pasterfield goal).

Wattles take on the Brothers 'Leprauchauns' at Platz Oval on Sunday. An important day it is, the 'Danny Ryan Memorial Trophy' the prize for A Grade along with competition points.

Wattles won the impressive memorial shield last year for the first time since its inception in 2005, 46 - 24 in a dominant display.

Matches kick - off on Sunday at Platz Oval: 10.30AM - UNDER 18, 11.55AM - C GRADE: MILLMERRAN V NEWTOWN, 1.10PM - RESERVE GRADE and 2.30PM - A GRADE.

Glyn Rees

Allora's Playgroup children enjoyed a challenging morning Easter hunting on Tuesday last week before taking a break to enjoy their spoils.

BACK: Sophie Masters, Blake Rees & Addison Hill

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FRONT: Oliver Faulkner, Benjamin Mason & Thomas Peters



# Mayor pleased with changes to State **Emergency Management Fire and** Rescue Levv

Southern Downs Regional Council Mayor Cr Peter Blundell is pleased the State Government has heard community pleas for changes to the new State Emergency Management Fire and Rescue Levv.

Cr Blundell said Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services Jack Dempsey advised Parliament in March that community organisations like churches, showgrounds, libraries and community halls will be exempt from this levy.

"Under this proposal it will be up to community organisations



#### **Allora Golf Notes**

Last Sunday we played the Monthly Mug. Winner of the day was Tom Brown with a 62nett. Runner Up on a

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4 way countback was Jack Fullwood with a 65 nett. Pin shots went to Garth on the 6th & 15th, Kel on the 4th, Kev on the 13th, Gene on the 3rd & Neil on the 12th. Well done to all the Men who won the Club Champs. Next week will be a Monthly Medal and the start of Match Play. Remember your sand buckets - to play is to live

who believe they are eligible to apply directly to councils for an exemption.

"The Minister advised Parliament that he expected this proposal will commence on 1 July this year, and any approved community organisation that has already paid the levy would also be eligible for a refund.

"This needed to happen and I'm delighted that the Minister and his department have been listening to communities.

"I have publicly stated that I'm not in favour of local governments having to collect this levy however we are bound to do it. With this change from July 1 at least community groups, who can least afford the levy, will be exempt.

"I've also noted that the Minister will give local governments more flexibility in reporting obligations for one year to allow the implementation of these changes," he said.

Southern Downs Regional Council, like other councils around QLD, began collecting the Emergency Management Fire and Rescue Levy (EMFRL) from all ratepayers from 1 January

The State Government broadened the coverage of the Urban Fire Levy Scheme to ensure a more sustainable funding base for all emergency services.

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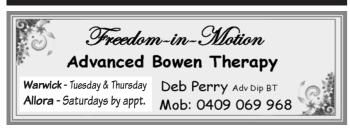
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# **ALLORA SOCIAL BOWLS NOTES**

"I have to practice if I want to be a champion" so said Bryson Sruhan as he took to the green on

Tuesday night (before the games started). Bryson is all of four years old and is the grandson of John & Lyn Wright. Easy to see it was school holidays, there were a few children skipping up the green with parents or grandparents and players absent on holidays with their families

Greg had tried very hard to fill all the teams but we were down six. The Swimming Clubs boys won on a forfeit and along with Chris Lawlor who has been flying the Loraine's Café flag were slotted in to make up teams for the competition. Other players who filled in were Andrew Thom & Alanna O (True Value), James Watt, Andrew Mullins & Matt (Happy Hippys). Great to see Leona Sinton playing with Greg in the Honda Hawks to replace Kev Begg who was away. The White's garage team was made up this week of father and two sons, Mark, Nat and Joe Simpson. Matt Heslin is up north watching the weather from the pub window.

Despite the late start, the teams were soon enjoying their game of bowls on a slightly moist green. This week Darren prepared the greens which are in tip top condition.

The 3rd place getters, the Lawn Grubs won over the 1st team, the Old Boys, but the Honda Hawks win this week now puts them in 1st place, Old Boys, 2nd and Lawn Grubs 3rd. Would you believe a Patterson in every team (Bec Bolsin granddaughter of Toy and Rita plays with the Lawn Grubs).

You can be a winner on the night but not take home a prize. All the rink numbers go in a 'hat' for the drawing of the 'winners' and 'runners-up' prizes. This week rink 5 was picked so the Honda Hawks team all won a six pack (beer or soft drink) and the losing rink number 3 gave the effervescent Rooniks a reason to smile, cooee and

Phil again won the 1st toucher prize donated by Darren, Nikki and Holli (note the i ). Phil was most generous and in turn donated the \$5 bar voucher to yours truly. The six blocks of chocolate went to John Wright, Chris B, Holli, Barry D, James W and Molly O (alias PM) Thank you to Evans Drilling for donating this prize every week during the season.

Everyone was in stitches during the drawing of the raffle prizes. Bec was in charge of the wheel as usual but must have been 'cross-eyed'. Every time the 'ball' stopped, she read out the wrong number. Nikki had to change the board several times. Then Phil got in on the act and conducted a 'phantom' number call race. It was hilarious. Prizes end up going to Lyn Wright, Angie (Darts), Alanna, Troy x2 (Darts). Chris Lawlor had a chance to win the Jackpot of \$20.00 but no luck. Thank you to all the sponsors, Railway Hotel, Foodworks, Wilson & Rigby and Swimming Pool. Thank you to the teams who take turns to provide the 'team trophy' each week.

The Allora Darts Club members were looking very smart in their red uniforms. Thank you for supporting the Sports Club by buying raffle tickets. Greg never forgets to thank everyone who helps out in some way to run the night bowls and this week added Kev Harrison who was 'barman'





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Just Juice 2L ......\$3.00 Pringles Chips 150g ...... \$1.90 KR Castlemaine Country Taste Shaved Meats 100g ...... 2 for \$5.00 Lindt Lindor Chocolate Gift Box 150g ...... .....\$7.00 Toblerone Chocolate Bar 400g...... \$7.00 Balfour's Hot Cross Bus 6pk 450g.. \$4.00 Sargent's Party Pack 36pk 1.2kg .... \$9.00 Willow Cooler Medium 25L..... \$35.00 Redhead Extra Long Matches 45pk \$1.80 Moccona Freeze Dry Coffee 250g Bonus Pack ...... \$13.00 Gravox Liquid Gravy 165g ...... \$2.00 Crisco Oil 750mL......\$3.00 John West Salmon Tempter 95g ..... \$2.00 Devondale Butter Pat 250g ...... \$1.80 Danone Activia Yoghurt 800g ....... \$3.50 Sara Lee Danish 400g ...... \$4.80 Coon Sliced Cheese 210g/250g ..... \$4.00 Dine Cat Food 85g...... 5 for \$4.00 Purina Lucky Dog Food 3kg...... \$7.00 ...plus many more specials in store!

#### DELI SPECIALS



Australian Beef Rump Steak ... **\$9.99** kg Fresh Chicken Breast

Fillets (skin off) ... \$9.99 kg Primo Saveloys, Cocktail & Thin Frankfurts ... \$4.99 kg Flavoured Sausages ... \$8.99 kg



cleaner 450ml \$0.56 per 100ml

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\$6.50 per kg

#### **FRUIT & VEG**

Pre-Packed Tasmanian
Carrots 1kg ... \$1.49
Premium Thompson
Seedless Grapes ... \$2.89 kg
Crisp Iceberg Lettuce ... \$1.49 ea
Queensland Lemons ... \$3.79 kg

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