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Rotary passes the Bush Christmas baton to a new Allora community group

The Rotary Club of Allora has 'passed the baton' of organisation of Bush Christmas to the Creekside Carols group led by Sarah & Stacey Turner and Greta Barton. Over the years, Rotary members have found the running of the Bush Christmas event more onerous and welcome the enthusiasm and energy that this new group brings. "We are lucky to have a group from the community to take over this event, a group with enthusiasm, expertise and great connections with musical artists", explained Rotary Allora President Andrew Westerman. "The community should now embrace this new model for a Christmas event which promises to be family friendly, more polished and engaging and, importantly, more about Christmas. Rotary fully endorses this new format and wishes the organisers all the

best in bringing it together. Of course, this will require the community to enthusiastically embrace the new arrangements and support Sarah, Stacey and Greta in putting it together."

The handover of this event follows a gradual devolution of the event to other community groups. The Allora State School P&C took over the hamburger stall in 2009 when Rotary decided this major fundraiser was beyond members to maintain. Rotary will continue to auspice the event for the insurance cover and has supported the grant application to the council.

The new format event, to be held in the park adjacent to the Dalrymple Creek, a venue underexploited by our community, will feature a program of carol singing by a wide variety of artists, with participation from St. Patrick's and Allora State Schools' students, with expert accompaniment from local musicians and the Warwick Salvation Army band. It is an opportunity for Allora to revisit the flavour of Christmas.

Rotary Allora also welcomes the move from the street venue, which now has become prohibitively expensive to close and involving more red tape than Rotary would like to deal with. The park venue is not only more conducive to sitting and enjoying a concert, but also has more space and pleasant surrounds. Community groups will continue to be represented at the event, with the Community Circle organising Christmas stalls and various food options for the event. The Allora State School P&C will continue to provide a hamburger stall for the event and various community groups will be holding fund-raising activities.

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Letters to the Editor...

The Editor,
 On Friday 31st October 2014 the Volunteer Program for the delivery of Meals on Wheels in Allora will come to an end. This is after thirty-four years of continued service by a lot of Volunteers from a lot of organizations in Allora. Due to Food Safety Legislation requirements Blue Care are no longer able to provide frozen meals and the fresh meals must have the temperature checked and recorded after being delivered to the client. This new process requires someone with a Food Safety Licence to take and record these temperatures to satisfy legislation. So this will mean that a Staff Member of Blue Care will be delivering the lunch time meals to the Allora area and the last delivery by the Volunteer Program will be at lunch time on Friday 31st October 2014. It will be by two Red Cross Volunteers Kay Graham and Dorothy Rubie who have both been associated with the Volunteer Program for many years. I would like to strongly stress that the delivery of the Meals to the clients will NOT be affected by these changes... it is only the Volunteer Program which is being discontinued. I would like to thank the Volunteers and the Organizations, both past and present for their continued support of this Program over the past thirty four years. Dorothy Rubie, Co-Ordinator for the Volunteer Program.

Dear Editor,
 The water bill has arrived in the mail complete with a survey form for all who pay water rates to answer, and this writer was intrigued to note a wee red number upon it. Curious as always, I phoned T.S.D.R.C. for an explanation. The owner of this designated number on a form we are not required to sign, is the very person who has voted for or against the addition of fluoride to drinking water all over the relevant effected areas, ME. I was also advised to only fill in one box, I chose the word not a tick to make it abundantly clear to the tricky counters within the Council of their responsibilities to accurately read and respond to the true concerns of those who pay dearly for mass medication of their water supply, whether they want it or not. Melba Morris.

The Editor,
Letter sent to S.D.R.C. Environment Officer and Councillors...
 I wish to make a complaint against the Southern Regional Council in regard to the approval of the application from Grainx Australia to operate a facility in the suburban section of the

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Solution in classifieds section

town of Allora.
 To my knowledge the residents were not given any information about the impact of such a facility once operational. I believe after complaints from many residents your decision was, 'That no action could be taken as the application was a legal use of land'. However this is now an environmental problem. Your negligence in not assessing the environmental impact from noise, dust, lights, odour and glare, borders on criminal neglect. And I make no apology for such harsh words. This facility now operates 24 hrs./7 days a week. It is surrounded by houses and a Nursing Home, and is one block from the centre of the town. Not only are we affected physically from continuous noise and dust, our sleep is disturbed and our lifestyle changed. Also, our properties have dropped in value and would be almost impossible to sell. Add to this, I believe the next move by Grainx is to bring the railway back into operation which will further impact on our lives. An industrial estate is obviously the place for such a polluting facility to be located. I am informed that Mr David Brown has land out of town which is suitable. We believe that the complex should be closed while investigations are made into the environmental impact on the residents of Allora... Our lives have been changed dramatically from a quiet and peaceful lifestyle to an ongoing nightmare. We believe it is your moral responsibility as our elected council to address this matter... As up until now, you have negated your responsibility with excuses and broken promises. The council should have the rate payers of Allora's interests at heart, not Grainx. As it stands: we, the ratepayers come second best... Shame on you. I await prompt action from the council on this disgraceful situation. I would be interested to know: 1. How the grain is treated before it leaves for China, what the composition of the dust consists of - are there chemicals in it? 2. Why were they given permission to operate 24/7 in suburbia? 3. How many residents are employed by Grainx? Name supplied.

WEATHER FORECAST

Day	Forecast	Min/Max
THU	Morning Clouds. Warm.	13 30
FRI	Storms Late. Mostly Sunny. Warm.	15 29
SAT	Showers Late. Mostly Cloudy. Warm.	17 32
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The organising group will issue flyers and community notices in due course to advise of the program. Rotary Allora urges the community to get behind this event and make sure it is the success that it promises to be.

Bush art will also feature in Allora's upcoming Christmas celebrations, run in conjunction with the carols event. Local artists, students and members of the public are invited to create an artwork for display around the venue. A small prize will be given for the most interesting artwork, judged by a local artist. The theme is "Christmas in the Bush" and may be in any medium, paint, charcoal, sculpture, relief, photos or craft, so long as it can be mounted on a canvas 1.2m x 2.4m. Groups are encouraged to participate. Allora State School students are already underway, with classes to submit a canvas of classwork each. To have your canvas delivered, contact Andrew Westerman, President, Rotary Club of Allora on 4666 6280 and leave a message.

Looking Back...

PHOTOS

The Allora Historical Society has recently been given a large number of photos which belonged to the late Dorrie Byrne. These were handed over to the Society by Roy and Helen Smith on behalf of members of the Smith and Byrne families. As well as albums of photos from the time that she was awarded the O. A. M. in 1999, and from Dorrie's selection as an Olympic torch bearer in 2000, there were also photos from an earlier time in Dorrie's life. I will feature two of those photos today. The Historical Society is always keen to receive photos from any era in Allora and district's history, either to keep or scan and return. Please contact any Society member.

The first photo is of the Allora Vigoro Club in 1935. The Allora club played in a five-team competition along with teams from Spring Creek, Goomburra, Maryvale and Freestone for the Alke Cup. The top players were selected to represent the Wheat Belt Association in state trails, Clarice Anderson from Goomburra and Thelma Hoey from Allora being selected to represent Queensland. Rosie Telford from Spring Creek was also chosen for the trials but was unable to attend.

The Allora team is shown in their black



Allora Vigoro Club 1935

blazers, white shirts, black shorts and black berets with white sun visors. The team mascot is Madge Lancaster. Doris Smith (Byrne) is in the front row 2nd from the right. In the centre is the team captain Thelma Hoey (Holmes) and I believe Josie Imhoff (Norman) is 3rd from left in the front row. Other players to play for Allora in the 1934/35 season were Brenda Carney, Nin Byrne, Maude and Ruth Burge, Evelyn and May Wilson, Violet and

Ruby Cross, Alice Geitz, Queenie Lancaster, C. Munro and A., Lorraine and Joan Slatter. If anyone can put names to the other faces in the photo, the Historical Society would be keen to hear from you.

The second photo is of Doris Smith in the office of Holmes and Co in 1938. Dorrie started her working

life in the office of Barnes & Co., a large general store on the corner of Herbert and Drayton Streets in 1929. In 1938 Barnes & Co were bought out by Holmes & Co and Dorrie moved to the building on the corner of Herbert and Warwick Streets. They may not have had the space for the extra staff because the working conditions look very primitive. Dorrie left Holmes & Co in 1939 to marry Dick Byrne but returned in the war years when Dick was serving with the Air Force. Rae Masters started working in the drapery section of Holmes & Co in 1941 and was still working there when the building burned to the ground on the 13th October 1972. Rae said that the sales staff did not handle the money. The sales docket and the money tendered by the customer were placed in a ball which was propelled along a track to the office. The office staff returned the change and the receipt by the same means. Sometimes the ball would get stuck along the way and would need some help along with a long stick. The track can be seen in the photo attached to the pressed metal ceiling.

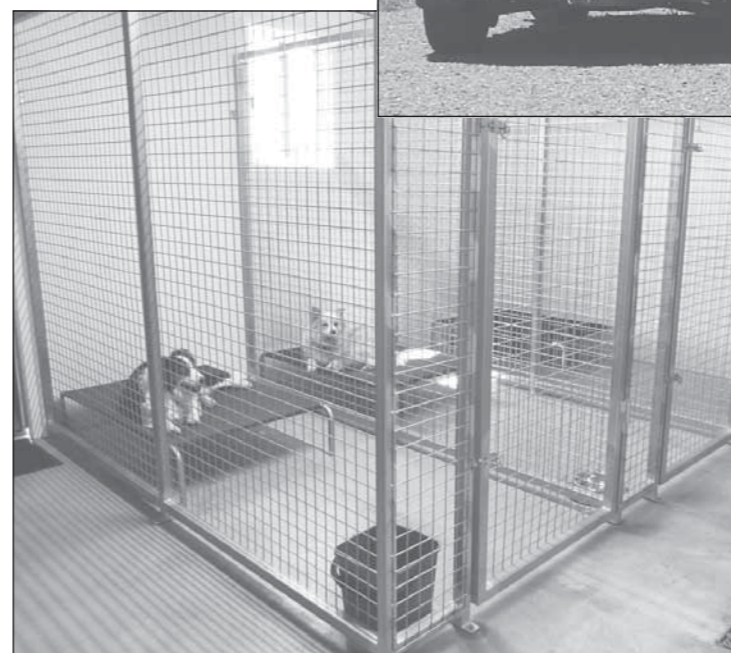
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Doris Smith in the office of Holmes & Co 1938.



Vet Opens new Pet Farmstay in Allora

Going away on holidays? Thinking about what to do with your four legged family members? Allora Pet Farmstay is a boarding kennel and cattery that has opened recently near Allora. The business has been built by Dr Jane Gilmore who has been a Vet in the local area for over 21 years. There has long been a need for such a facility in this area as people were forced to travel some distance to find somewhere to leave their pets. It is only a small facility so Jane can offer more personalised care for your pets. The building is well insulated in both the ceiling and the walls to help keep your pets comfortable year round. The outside exercise areas are securely fenced and dogs are given plenty of outside exercise time especially in the cooler parts of the day. The kennel is located at 215 Elphinstone Road, Allora. Dr Gilmore says inspections are welcomed but it is best to phone first to make a time. So if you are going away on holidays and need someone to look after your pet(s) then give Jane a call. Leave your pet in the care of a Vet...
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Allora Anzac Stories?
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Events Calendar

2014

- October -**
 Fri 31 **St Davids Anglican Parish Fete**
 St Davids Church Grounds, 5.00pm
- November -**
 Sat 1 **Allora Men's Shed Working Bee**
 Allora Men's Shed, 9.00am - 11.00am
 Sat 8 **Allora Men's Shed Working Bee**
 Allora Men's Shed, 9.00am - 11.00am
 Sat 8 **Wattles Rodeo & Pig Races**
 Allora Showgrounds, from 3.30pm.
 Sat 15 **Allora Men's Shed Working Bee**
 Allora Men's Shed, 9.00am - 11.00am
 Sat 22 **Allora Men's Shed Working Bee**
 Allora Men's Shed, 9.00am - 11.00am
 Sat 29 **Allora Men's Shed Working Bee**
 Allora Men's Shed, 9.00am - 11.00am
 Sat 29 **Doctor Who Club of Australia - Allora Group**
 Allora QCWA rooms, 11.00am start.
 Sun 30 **Allora Swimming Club Rotary Carnival**
 Allora Swimming Pool
- December -**
 Sat 6 **Allora Creekside Carols & Markets**
 Dalrymple Creek Reserve, Herbert Street, 3.00pm - Christmas Markets, 6.30pm-8.30pm - Carols.
 Wed 31 **Allora New Years Eve Party**
 Allora Showgrounds, 5.30pm.
- 2015
- March -**
 Fri 6 **Allora Rotary Club Trivia Night**
 Sat 28 **Allora Historical Society Display & Demo Day**
 Old Allora Shire Hall, cnr. Warwick & Forde Streets
- April -**
 Sat 25 **A Brown Slouch Hat & The Rising Sun 100th Anniversary Gallipoli Concert**
 & Sun 26 **Allora Community Hall**
- May -**
 Sat 2 **Allora Scope Club Annual Fundraiser Afternoon Tea**
 Allora Community Hall, 1.30pm
 Fri 29 **St.Patrick's School Trivia Night**
 Allora Community Hall

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heading for Egypt carrying some 30,000 troops and 7843 horses, departed from King George Sound along with a further 2 vessels which departed from Fremantle with WA troops who were joining the main fleet contingent. The merchant vessels were escorted by the Sydney, Melbourne and the Minotaur. They were joined later by New Zealand escorts HMS Psyche, Philomel and Pyramus and the Ibuki from Japan. En route the HMAS Sydney hunted and sank the German raider the Emden, ensuring safe passage through the Indian Ocean. Do you have an Allora ANZAC in your family? Would you like to have their story remembered and published in *The Allora Advertiser*? Please email to editor@alloraadvertiser.com

Allora Fire Brigade Visit to Headstart

Recently the Allora Fire Brigade came to visit the children at Headstart Australia, Allora's local Long Day Care Service. The Fire Brigade Officers spoke to the children about fire safety and hosted a fire drill within the Centre. Everyone's favourite part was going out to see the Fire Engine. The children loved seeing the special equipment and watching the Fire Fighters spray water out of the hose. Luckily none of us got wet! It was a lot of fun and the children are looking forward to their upcoming excursion to the Fire Station.



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ALLORA'S ANZACS REMEMBERED: THE SHOOTER BROTHERS

PRIVATE HAROLD ALBERT SHOOTER
 Harold Albert Shooter was born at Pratten via Clifton Queensland Australia, on 21/10/1894. Earliest documents available for Harold's schooling is his registration on the Spring Creek Primary school roll. Date of admission is 20/01/1902, aged 7 years and 2 months completing Grades two, three, four, and five at this school. Prior to that, his primary education started at Darkey's Flat School, Pratten. He is also registered as attending the Tooth State School, Woody Camp at Back Plains from 1906 until 1908. When Harold enlisted for war service in Toowoomba on 22/10/1915, one day after his 21st birthday, his registration stated his height of 5ft 9 inches and occupation - Farmer, from Dalrymple via Clifton, enlistment number 471. He immediately joined B Coy, 8th Depot Battalion but was later transferred to the 36th Battalion. His pay was 5 shillings per day. By February 1916, Harold was appointed to B Coy, 42nd Battalion at Thompson's Paddock, Enoggera Queensland, which became part of the 11th Brigade, 3rd Division 1st AIF.

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Once all the soldiers had received their inoculations and vaccinations, the 42nd Battalion embarked on HMAT A30 "Borda" ex Sydney on the 5th June 1916 for the 6 week journey to Southampton, England. Harold was to spend the next 10 months in England training, supporting the war effort and going AWOL on more than one occasion, but when put on report it was recorded that Harold was of good character. He also spent periods convalescing from the Mumps, Scabies, Rheumatism and Myalgia. By the 9th May 1917, Harold was completely cured of all ailments, declared fit and proceeded overseas to France via Folkestone, a port situated in the south east county of Kent, UK. After arriving at Etaples in the north east of France, the unit marched for nine days from Etaples to Armentieres. The Battalion then relieved the 38th and part of the 37th Battalions at Ploegsteert. Great artillery activity and heavy enemy retaliation continued throughout May and June. On the 5th July

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1917, visibility was low and seven soldiers were wounded including Harold who suffered a gunshot wound to his nose – after four days in hospital and a short recovery he was back to duty with the Battalion.

On the 11th of July, the 42nd Battalion was relieved by 38th Battalion 1st AIF. The weather was hot and muggy, heavy thunderstorms made conditions in the trenches extremely difficult and unpleasant, but the war was relentless and soldiers endured amazingly. Eight men from the 42nd were granted Military Medals for operations carried out by the Battalion at the Battle of Messines. During the month of September 1917, the 42nd Battalion kept marching up to 15 miles a day to arrive at Poperinghe, Belgium in preparation for major offensive attacks. The Battle of Broodseinde was launched 04/10/1917. Harold was part of this attack. One hundred enemy prisoners and nine machine guns were captured within two hours.

The weather had turned extremely bad when the Battle of

Passchendaele at Zonnebeke was launched on 12/10/1917. Passchendaele proved a costly battle losing over a third of its strength, principally from German gas attacks and trench foot caused by the sodden condition of the battlefield. Two days into this battle, Private Harold Albert Shooter was killed in action "In the Field", West Flanders, Belgium. Personal effects at the time of death were: Disc, 2 wallets, 2 photos and a card. He has no known grave, but as he was killed in close proximity to the now Tyne Cot Cemetery at Zonnebeke, he possibly lies in a grave marked:

"AN AUSTRALIAN SOLDIER OF THE GREAT WAR" known only unto God.

Harold was awarded the 1914/15 Star, British War Medal and the Victory Medal. He is also remembered on the Menin Gate, Panel 27, in Ieper (Ypres) West Vlanderen, Belgium which is an imposing memorial dedicated to 56,000 Commonwealth soldiers missing in action. He is also remembered at the Australian War Memorial in Canberra on Memorial Panel 136. After Harold's death, a Dead Man's Penny accompanied by a letter from King George V stating "I join with my grateful people in sending you this memorial of a brave life given for others in the Great War", were sent to the Shooter family. Around the outer edge of the dead man's memorial plaque are the words "He died for freedom and honour". Also a memorial scroll with the following inscription: He whom this scroll commemorates was numbered among those who, at the call of King and Country, left all that was dear to them, endured hardness, faced danger, and finally passed out of the sight of men by the path of duty and self-sacrifice, giving up their own lives that others might live in freedom.

Let those who come after see to it that his name be not forgotten.

Private Harold Albert Shooter 42nd Battalion AIF.

...See next week for the continuation of this article

BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

An American and his wife were driving in Canada and got lost. Finally they came into some city.

They saw a gentleman on the sidewalk, so the gentleman pulled up to the curb, and the lady let down her window and asked: "Excuse me, sir. Where are we?"

The gentleman on the street replied, "Saskatoon, Saskatchewan."

The lady rolled up the window, turned to her husband and said, "We really are lost. They don't even speak English here!"



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ORGANISATIONS

Allora Community Circle - Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month 5.30pm, at Senior Citizens, Drayton Street, Allora. All welcome.

Allora & District Historical Society - Meets 3rd Wednesday of every month, 7.00pm, at Old Shire Hall, Warwick St., Allora. Drayton Street Museum open 1.30pm - 4.30pm every Sunday. Contact Carolyn Anderson 4666 2090.

Allora & District Rural Neighbourhood Watch - Meets 3rd Tuesday of th month at the Allora Court House, Raff St., Allora. Contact Wendy Ardrey 0488 673 778.

Allora Men's Shed Inc. - General meeting is held last Saturday of the month at old fire station, Herbert St., Allora. Contact Ros Cave 4666 3118 or 0417 891 448.

Allora Playgroup - Meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month (excluding school holidays), from 9.30am - 11.30am at old Girl Guides hut, Warwick St., Allora. Contact Jodie 4666 6166.

Allora QCWA - Meets 3rd Tuesday of month, 10.00am. Contact Olive Shooter 4666 3474.

Allora R.S.L. Sub Branch - Meets at R.S.L. Hall. Contact Kath Turner 4666 2050.

Allora Red Cross - Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month from 1.30pm at 22 Forde St., Allora. Contact Kay Graham 4666 3035.

Allora Rotary Club - Meets every 2nd Monday at Railway Hotel, from 6.30pm. Contact Ann Balmain 4666 2450.

Allora Scope Club - Meets 1st & 3rd Mondays of month. Contact Daphne Whatley 4666 3691 for details on venue.

Allora Senior Citizens - Meets Monday and Friday, 1.00pm - 3.30pm for cards and Rummiking. Contact Joyce Black 4666 3124.

Allora Show Society - Meets 2nd Thursday of the month from 7.30pm at Show Society Ring Office, Allora Show Grounds. Contact Shirley Cornhill 4666 3394.

Deuchar Massie Hall Assoc. Inc. - Bookings contact Wendy Ardrey 0488 673 778.

Doctor Who Club of Australia: Allora Local Group - Meets bi-monthly at Allora QCWA, Warwick St. Allora. Contact Fraser Clark 0401 432 587, email allora@doctorwhoaustralia.org

Friends of the Homestead - Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 2.00pm. Contact 4666 3694.

Goomburra Hall Committee - Meets 3rd Wednesday of the month, from 6.30pm at Goomburra Hall. Contact John O'Brien 4666 6050 to confirm.

Hope Masonic Lodge - Meets 1st Friday each month at 7.30pm, at Gordon Street, Allora. Inquiries welcome. Contact Graeme Allen 4666 3164

St. Patrick's Parish Pastoral Council - McKillop House (old convent) Warwick St., Allora. Contact 4666 3377 and leave a message.

Victoria Hill QCWA - Meets 1st Tuesday of month 1.30pm at Victoria Hill Hall. Contact Shirley Erhardt 4666 3470

Warwick Veteran & Vintage Vehicle Club Inc. - Meets 1st Wednesday of the month from 7.30pm. Contact Graham McMillan 4666 3554 to confirm venue.

ART & CRAFT GROUPS

Allora Arts & Crafts - Meets every Tuesday, 9.00am - 12.00pm, at St. David's Hall, 1 Church St., Allora. Contact Sue Dalton 4666 3083.

Allora Photography Group - Meets 2nd Wednesday night of every month, 7.00pm, Allora State School Home Ec building, Warwick St. Allora. Contact email alloraphotographygroup4362@gmail.com, Linda Coombes 0407 693 822, Karen Johnson 0419 340 430, Joan Wyld 4666 3373.

St. Patrick's Craft Group - Meet on 1st Monday of the month at McKillop House (old convent) Warwick St., Allora. Contact Cathie Wilson 4666 2441.

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Allora Sports Club - Meets 2nd Monday of the month at the Club House, Warwick St., Allora. Contact John Ellwood 0448 196 647.

Allora Sports Museum - Regular hours each Sunday, 12.00pm - 4.00pm or other times open by appointment. Contact Perry Cronin 0407 034 320 or Glyn Rees 0400 811 093

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- "Mash Up" Monday, 10.30am R.S.L. Hall

- Tuesday Zumba, 6.00pm at R.S.L. Hall

- Thursday Kids Fitness, 5.15pm at R.S.L. Hall

- Thursday "Triple Blast", 6.00pm at R.S.L. Hall

- Sunday Outdoor Circuit Training, 8.00am at Stewart Henry Memorial Park

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Squash - at Allora Indoor Sports Centre. Phone John 4666 3100 for key.

St. Andrews Indoor Bowls Allora - Meets Tuesdays from 7.15pm at St. Andrews Hall, Warwick St., Allora. Contact Kathy Shannon 4666 3286.

IS YOUR COMMUNITY GROUP OR ORGANISATION NOT LISTED? Please email admin@alloraadvertiser.com with your details or talk with the team at Allora Advertiser office on 4666 3128 to confirm your details for next month's Allora Community Directory listing. Change of contact details are the responsibility of the individual groups.

THINGS THAT HAPPENED ON THIS DAY - 30th OCTOBER

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| 1611 - Gustaaf II Adolf (17) becomes king of Sweden. | with broadcast of HG Welles' "War of the Worlds" | 1957 - Soviet Union launches, Sputnik II, carrying a dog named Laika. |
| 1739 - Great Britain declares war on Spain: War of Jenkin's Ear. | 1940 - Film premiere of "One Night in the Tropics" first film for Abbott and Costello Paterson New Jersey. | 1960 - Michael Woodruff performs the first successful kidney transplant in the United Kingdom at the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary. |
| 1772 - Captain Cook arrives with ship Resolution in Capetown. | 1942 - 8th day of battle at El Alamein: new Australian assault. | 1961 - Soviet Union tests a 58 megaton hydrogen bomb named Tsar Bomba - most powerful nuclear weapon ever detonated. |
| 1866 - Jesse James gang robs bank in Lexington Missouri (\$2000). | 1944 - Last transport for Auschwitz arrives in Birkenau. | 1978 - Uganda troops attack Tanzania |
| 1868 - John Menard of Louisiana is 1st African American elected to US Congress. | 1944 - Sweden announces intention to stay neutral & refuse sanctuary in WW II. | 1983 - The first democratic elections are held in Argentina after seven years of military rule. |
| 1873 - P T Barnum's circus, "Greatest Show on Earth", debuts (New York City). | 1945 - US government announces end of shoe rationing. | 1987 - In Japan, NEC releases the first 16-bit home entertainment system, the TurboGrafx-16, known as PC Engine. |
| 1888 - John J Loud patents ballpoint pen. | 1948 - 20 die & 6,000 made ill by smog in Donora, Pennsylvania. | 1989 - Smith Dairy at Orrville Ohio, makes largest milk shake (1,575.2 gal). |
| 1894 - Daniel Cooper patents time clock. | 1950 - Pope Pius XII witnesses "The Miracle of the Sun" while at the Vatican. | 1990 - Britain and France complete the "Chunnel" under the English Channel. |
| 1894 - Domenico Melegatti obtains a patent for a procedure to be applied in industrial production of pandoro (a traditional Italian sweet yeast bread). | 1952 - Clarence Birdseye sells first frozen peas. | 2012 - Walt Disney purchases Lucasfilm Ltd and its rights for Star Wars and Indiana Jones for \$4.05 billion. |
| 1896 - Martha Hughes Cannon of Utah becomes 1st female senator. | 1953 - Dr Albert Schweitzer & Gen George Marshall win Nobel Peace Prize. | |
| 1920 - The Communist Party of Australia is founded in Sydney. | 1954 - US Defense Department announces elimination of all racially segregated regiments. | |
| 1938 - Orson Welles panics the USA | | |

Council recognises staff long and dedicated service

Southern Downs Regional Council took time out to recognise over 41 staff members with a combined total of nearly 900 years of service at a special awards event last Tuesday night (October 21) at the Warwick Town Hall.

Acting Chief Executive Officer David Tuxford said staff members with 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40 and 45 years of service were presented with a special framed photograph of iconic landscapes of the Southern Downs. And for the first time Values Awards were presented to staff members who exemplified the five values of the organisation (communication, integrity, efficiency, leadership and co-operation).

Mr Tuxford said the longest serving employee recognised on the night was Owen McPaul.

"SDRC is proud to recognise an incredible 45 years of service to Council. Affectionately known as Macca, this valued employee started his career with the Stanthorpe Council in 1968 as a Labourer doing survey work.

"He played a leading part in projects such as the installation of the large steel Armco culverts under Texas Road and the rebuilding of the concrete bridge on Glenlyon Dam Road after the 1974 floods.

"Macca has operated many different types of machinery over the years but the past 20 years have been spent on a grader maintaining our region's roads. Macca has been a dedicated employee who was committed to his job and he looked after all Council equipment to a high standard.

"Macca decided to hang up his 'high vis shirt' on the July 11 this year. He has been a loyal employee to Council and all of his colleagues wish him all the best in his retirement," he said.

Mr Tuxford said he thoroughly enjoyed the evening, hearing the entertaining stories of long serving staff and meeting family members of staff.

"The Staff Recognition Awards night is an opportunity for Council to acknowledge the commitment of staff to serve in local government.

"These staff members have a wealth of experience, talent and skill and the Southern Downs Regional Council is able to deliver efficient, quality service due to their dedication.

"I would like to publicly thank all of these staff - we asked work colleagues to give us a few words about each recipient and this brought out some great stories about the care taken, the camaraderie within teams and the ability to 'pitch in and get the job done'.

"The recipients are from a broad range of work areas including engineering, administration, planning, information technology, machine operators, labourers and parks and gardens and supervisory roles," he said.

Mayor Cr Peter Blundell said he was delighted to help officiate at the Staff Recognition Awards and several other councillors attended to congratulate staff members.

"All organisations should take time to recognise their most valuable resource - their people.

"I also enjoyed talking to the family members of our workforce. They provide behind-the-scenes support so that our Council employees quite often go 'above and beyond the call of duty'," he said.

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The longest serving staff member recognised at the Southern Downs Regional Council staff awards function was Owen McPaul (Macca), pictured with Mayor Cr Peter Blundell.

?? CSIRO Double Helix Quiz ??

1. When a paper plane flies, what is drag?
2. Are minerals made of rocks, or are rocks made of minerals?
3. In your body, the cells that divide the fastest are related to what? Is it a) hair, b) eyesight or c) blood?
4. The 2014 Nobel Prize in Physics was awarded for creating what colour of light emitting diodes (LEDs)?
5. Which planet has a moon called Ganymede?

Answers in Classifieds pages

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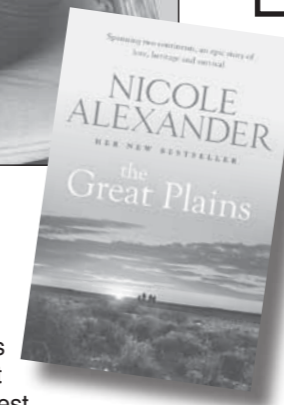
Author Nicole Alexander.
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Bestselling author Nicole Alexander visits Warwick

Southern Downs Regional Council Libraries and the Warwick Art Gallery are proud to host Australian storyteller Nicole Alexander as guest author at the Warwick Art Gallery this Friday, October 31 from 3.30pm.

Principal Librarian Samantha Shelbourn said library and gallery staff were excited about Nicole Alexander returning after her visit in September last year to Southern Downs when she talked about her novel 'Sunset Ridge'.

"On October 31 Nicole is returning to talk about her latest offering 'the Great Plains' which is an epic story about family,



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the American Wild West and the wilds of outback Australia.

"The novel begins in Dallas in 1886, and the Wade Family is going from strength to strength, from a thriving newspaper and retail business in Texas to a sprawling sheep station half a world away in Queensland.

"However money and power cannot compensate for the tragedy that struck twenty-three years ago, when Joseph Wade was slaughtered and his seven-year-old daughter Philomena abducted by Apache Indians.

"Only her uncle, Aloysius, remains convinced that one day Philomena will return. So when news reaches him that the legendary Geronimo has been captured, and a beautiful white woman discovered with him, he believes his prayers have been answered.

"Little does he know that the seeds of disaster have just been sown. The book takes the reader through the life journeys of three generations of Wade men.

"It is a fascinating read, especially given the Queensland connection," she said.

Ms Shelbourn said many Southern Downs' residents would be familiar with the work of Nicole Alexander.

"A fourth-generation grazier, Nicole returned to her family's property located in New South Wales in the early 1990s. She is currently the business manager there and has a hands-on role in the running of the property.

"Nicole has a Master of Letters in creative writing and her novels, poetry, travel and genealogy articles have been published in Australia, Germany, America and Singapore.

"She is the author of five novels: The Bark Cutters, A Changing Land, Absolution Creek, Sunset Ridge and The Great Plains (to be released November 2014).

"We look forward to welcoming Nicole again to the Southern Downs and we're sure many local people will be interested to hear her talk about 'the Great Plains' and have books signed," she said.

Anyone interested in attending can phone Warwick Library on 4661 0342. Please RSVP for catering purposes today. Hynes Newsagency will be selling copies of 'The Great Plains' at the event.

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ALLORA NIGHT BOWLS NOTES -

This night bowls season will be of 14 weeks duration ending on 16th December. With 14 nominated teams vying for the winning prizes, keen competition is evident on the greens. Although, team "Does it Matter" acts as though it does not matter and appear to be nonchalant, their pretence cannot fool the opposing team – it does matter!

In the booklet "Laws of the Sport of Bowls" it is stated that "The skips, their representative or the Controlling Body should make the draw for the rinks on which the games are to be played". Greg "Paddo" Paterson is that 'controlling body' on the Allora green. Word is out that his team has not yet played on either Rink 1 or 7! Any player who has played on those rinks will get the message!

Donna, looking after the bar played some great music over the new sound system and had us all bopping on the green. Games Director, Greg sounded very professional when making announcements on the mike.

This Saturday, a full complement of 18 players will travel to Clifton to defend the "Clifton Clock". The current clock has been the winning prize for over 20 years but prior to that, other prizes have been played for over many years. Players for Saturday are to meet at the Sports Club at 12 o'clock.

Games ended at 9 o'clock and players adjourned to the club to enjoy a snack and relax over a beer or two. This week the raffles were won by -: Cameron Masters who won the 6 pack and the Pizza voucher donated by the Railway Hotel; John Wright (Bottle wine); Darren (Fruit Tray); Chris Brown (Team Trophy); John Cochran (\$15 cash donated by Swimming Pool). Donna won the chance to cut the cards for the Jackpot of \$20.00. Better luck next time, Donna. The Jackpot next week is \$40.00

Kev Bowen won the first toucher of the night. Thank you to Darren, Nikki and Holli for the prize of \$5.00.

The six chocolates donated each week by Evans Drilling for 'touchers' were won this week by Aaron, Bill Lacey, Beetle, Mick Wright, Luke Tyler and Craig Sinton. Congratulations.

Winners of the Losers Prize was Rink 2 - 'Whites Garage' and winners of the winning rink 7 were 'Does it Matter'. (Their whoops of glee resounded across the bar)

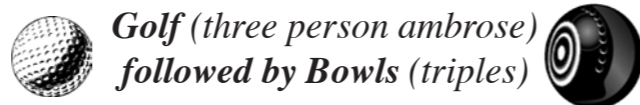
Greg finished the night thanking all the sponsors and those that had assisted in any way including Kev and Warren and Gary for their work to prepare the green.

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Hot spell brings increased home fire risks

With temperatures soaring across the State, RACQ Insurance has called on Queenslanders to ensure their fans and air conditioners were safe to use.

RACQ Executive Manager Insurance Communications Mike Sopinski said with these unseasonably high temperatures, fans and air conditioners were being put into rapid use after many months of storage.

"Queenslanders need to be aware of the potential fire risks posed by cooling devices, particularly those that have been stored for some time and may be overdue for a safety check," Mr Sopinski said.

RACQ Insurance research showed faulty electrical appliances and fittings, including fans and air conditioners, were the cause of 14.50 percent of home fires last year.

The data showed December was the most likely month (14.29 percent) to experience a fire in the home. The other summer months of January (10.07 percent) and February (10.36 percent) showed they were also particularly high-risk periods. The greatest danger times for home fires were between 4pm and 5pm (11.6 per cent) followed by 11am and noon (10.6 per cent).

Research also showed that many Queenslanders admitted to leaving fans on (45.5 percent) and air conditioners running (48.2 percent) while away from the home, which is a particularly dangerous practice.

Mr Sopinski said improperly installed, damaged or misused equipment were frequent sources of preventable fires.

"Before switching on these types of appliances, Queenslanders should check for damaged cords and blocked filters, particularly in older equipment," he said.

"They should also be careful when buying second-hand electrical appliances by thoroughly checking the unit is safe to use."

Toowoomba Hospice Saturday Night Out

The brainchild of the long running Great Endeavour Car Rally with a fundraising total in excess of 6 Million Dollars, Allan Lawson has announced a new fund-raising concert series for the Toowoomba Hospice.

The "Toowoomba Hospice Saturday Night Out" concert series planned to be held on the first Saturday Night of each Month commencing Saturday 1st November featuring some of Australia's leading entertainers.

Mr Lawson said Darren Carr of Australia's Got Talent fame will be visiting Toowoomba for the first time will headline the inaugural Concert next Saturday night "Darren is recognised throughout the industry as Australia's number one Ventriloquists."

Danny Elliott who is one of Australia's most versatile entertainers will also be there on the night along with Tanya Self who is an Australian Country Music singer/writer.

The Show starts at 7.30pm at the Clive Berghoffer Entertainment Centre USQ in Baker Street. Tickets are only \$25.00 for adults, students/concessions is \$22.00 with children 14 and under free when accompanied by a paying adult.

Tickets are available by calling the USQ Student Guild on 07 4631 1588 or at the door on the night.

Toowoomba Hospice and Promotions and Fundraising Manager Mr Mark Munro said he is delighted to be working with Allen in presenting this new and exciting Fundraising venture for the Hospice who needs to raise at least 750 thousand dollars this financial year "Our annual budget this financial year will be \$1.54 million and we need to raise at least \$750,000 of that from the Community and it is these sort of fundraising events that help us to do so"

The Toowoomba Hospice is situated in O'Quinn Street Harristown and offers free palliative care to the terminally ill from the age 18 onwards.

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Tickets are galloping....

The Toowoomba Hospice is holding its Annual Melbourne Cup Luncheon Tuesday November 4th at Café Valetta in Margaret Street and there are only 30 tickets left!

Miss. Sarah Douglass Manager of Café Valetta said tickets sale are going well and would hate for anyone to miss out on a lovely afternoon supporting a wonderful local charity "Ticket price is \$55 per head which includes a complimentary glass of champagne and nibbles upon arrival, 2 course meal.

There will be prizes for the best dressed female, best dressed male, best hat, a multi draw raffle as well as a sweep or two! Tickets can be purchased from Café Valetta by calling - 07 4632 0332 and they are limited.

Finally Miss. Douglass said she is pleased to be able to host the Hospice's Annual Melbourne Cup Luncheon this year "The money we raise from luncheon will support the 'Adopt a Room' campaign of this important community facility which provides professional based on mutual respect, trust and individual needs free of charge."

The Toowoomba Hospice is situated in O'Quinn St. Harristown and provides quality care on partnership with the community for those with a terminal illness it has an annual budget of \$1.54 million and with the generous support from Qld Health and Pureland Learning College the Hospice stills need to raise over \$7500,000 this financial year.

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Bereavement Notice...
AHLFELD, Peter - late of Allora, passed away at Warwick Base Hospital on 21-10-14, aged 64 years.
Husband of Jannifer, broher of Petra, beloved brother-in-law and uncle to extended families.
A private memorial service was held on Saturday, 25-10-14 as per Peter's request. Sadly missed.

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1. Drag is a force that acts in the opposite direction to the moving paper plane. It is caused by air hitting the plane and slowing it down.
2. Rocks are made of minerals.
3. a) Cells related to hair divide fastest.
4. The 2014 Nobel Prize in Physics was awarded for creating blue LEDs.
5. Ganymede is a moon of Jupiter, and is the largest moon in our solar system.

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