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## Allora Kindy visit Local Firestation

Wednesday, On 12th November, Allora students of C&K Kindergarten went on an excursion to the firestation, where they were greeted by two local fire fighters Fireman Peter and Fireman Jeff. The children were given a tour of the local firestation and excitingly got to explore the fire truck where the learned about all the equipment and All the tools. children enjoyed learning about the firestation and the fire truck but more importantly they took home the education of what to do if ever in a fire



situation. The Importance of acquiring help by calling 000 and the get down low and go go go, motto which I'm sure many of you will still remember learning in your younger years. This excursion formed part of the community awareness program which teaches young children of what is in the local community and the facilities that are available when in need of help. As a parent this community awareness curriculum has got me reflecting and thinking about this small town of Allora and how very lucky we are to have many great facilities and opportunities

Here is an example of two for a diverse range of ages. fantastic organisations that operate solely to benefit the community, and I'm sure that many of you are able to list other

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### Letters to the Editor ...

Dear Editor,

BRING IT ON! - GrainX - Dennys Engineering - Trains - Glen Mar Fuels - the Farmers, Jenco Seeds etc.

Without these people and the many they employ, Allora Town would not have the great and many facilities it has and most of us are proud of our Town.

Dust, we are always going to get that as we are rural. A lot of it comes from out of town via the wind. Most noise and pollution re exhaust fumes which are very deadly come from the highway and we need the highway as it is a life line.

For me your letters are more damaging to "The Greatest Little Grain Town on The Downs" than any noise or dust.

Council bills, like every thing else will always get larger, I agree the council is not perfect, but who is? Ask yourself.

Take a look at what they do. We have clean roads, parks for the children, fantastic schools, show grounds, all mown verges and gardens, most sporting facilities and how efficiently have they brought us clean fresh tasting water. Well done I say.

I wonder if you eat any of the great products produced from such grain or eat any chicken or maybe an egg or two.

In searing heat it's best to keep your windows shut and blinds drawn as it helps keep the house and its occupants much cooler and the fans or air con does not have to work so hard. Get off the "lets sue someone" band wagon to make money from people trying to earn a living and get back to life.

Name supplied

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organisations that function alike. I think its important to support these organisations - not suggesting anyone should go out and light a fire, but simply appreciate the work and involvement that these organisations do. Furthermore, if anybody has any children who will be of pre-prep or kindergarten age I strongly advise that they check out the Allora C&K Community Kindergarten as they will be amazed and impressed with their facilities and their fantastic curriculum of learning through play.

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Dear Editor,

We city slickers have been told a thing or two! Get out of town if what goes on in the country offends you! This writer is no city slicker and spent over thirty-five years mainly in farming areas. Not one council in all those areas was run by a group of skilled do nothings, as has been those who collect ever expanding salaries with no tests ever carried out as to their wholesomeness or worthiness to do the job of Public Servants. There is a magic word "administrator" appearing on the horizon. Come the next council elections there could emerge a new era if thousands of wounded rate payers voted for none of them, and the magic word "administrator" was written on the voting form. There has to be revenge from all these city and bush slickers who have

## **WEATHER FORECAST**

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no voice, and no hope under the present socialist regime! Melba Morris

Dear Editor.

I feel the need to add some of my personal history information, to help with your writer's confusion, 13th November 2014.

I addressed my correspondence to the editor of our Allora Advertiser, and to the suggested email address of Brooke Mckenzie of the SDRC, (not to the environment officer) as an objection to Grainx which responses have been made to.

The Council pest control manager, James Eastwell, called me at home, I'm not sure they are supposed to get unlisted numbers and call ratepayers, however he did with the comment - 'that privet is NOT a noxious weed and our Landcare Group could help with the removal of this plant type if they had such funding, because Council does not'. I was under the impression our authorities on these matters should know what they are talking about. If you look up noxious weeds, you will find privet is a class 3 noxious weed on the Qld biosecurity register. Furthermore. I would like to know what the difference between Warwick and Allora is, because some time ago people in Warwick would have the council show up and cut down privet and poison it so it doesn't re-grow. Great to see, now what about the out-of-control crop in Allora. Just have a look what is hanging out of the pool grounds for a start. Also the council sent a couple of young fellows to try fixing the water meter tap. So ratepayers, if its action you need - don't phone, WRITE. then it can't be ignored any longer.

I, like a few hundred others in Allora, have complained about Grainx. And rightly so, the noise in the early hours is utter madness. The Council gave Mr Hood operating times of 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday only, they need a watch and a calendar.

Grainx promised they would be watering with water trucks each time grain was moved so dust would not escape, they need a water truck too.

And yes those silos were for grain, when the railway was in use. But standing empty for the last 15 years and no more railway, pretty much guaranteed the residents of SUBURBAN Allora that they would never again have to close their doors and windows and suffer grain dust laced with who knows what type of chemicals.

Grain being brought to the railway depot did not contain anywhere near the chemicals it does now.

Recently we have seen ads on tv for Qld Govt stating there would be no Qld assets sold, I don't know how you would buy a piece of Qld Railway in that case, so how does one 'acquire' railway property when none is being sold?

The council reported extensive testing of the air to see what was floating around, the extensive testing should be done while they are pouring grain, while the wind is blowing it everywhere, not a few years ago when they first proposed their operations. What was tested, and where? Likewise the noise level testing, should it be done while containers are being banged around at 2am, while the everyday noise level is zero.

Is there any common sense anymore? I hope our readers and



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councillors have chosen a good nursing home, because I wouldn't recommend the one near Grainx. Those residents have been tax payers and rate payers all their lives, and this is the thanks they get, just suffer a little longer, cause in a place like that there isn't that much to look forward to.

Allora is totally a grain growing area, and livestock farms too. It has been like that since I was born here in Allora, nearly 50 years ago. I grew up on a grain and cattle farm at Back Plains. But all the farms have always been out of town. I went to school at Clifton. I built My first home in Rosenthal Shire while I worked in Warwick. It then amalgamated and became Warwick Shire. I was a rate payer in Stanthorpe too, and also in Brisbane.

The old saying goes, you can take the person out of the country, but you can't take the country out of the person. (The language barrier in the city makes you wonder what country you are in at times). So we came home, and I knew EXACTLY what type of RURAL Industry Allora is made up of. That is RURAL as opposed to URBAN industries!

Yes you have the answer, the trucks collecting grain go direct to the farms with their shipping containers and take it directly to the docks and ship it. No need to go anywhere town. You had the solution all along. Who needs Grainx.

I laugh to myself every time I hear people talking about their phone calls to Mr Hood, (who is in Brisbane) at 2am to share all the banging and crashing with him, until he so rudely hangs up and then blocks their calls.

I'm not unhappy with Allora's rural activity at all, everything has its place. what I don't appreciate, is how people in authority can disregard the well being of an entire community. What I'm not seeing is, how grainx is an important part of Allora's economy? PLEASE EXPLAIN!!!! Locals are sleep deprived, suffering ill health, have homes they are locked in, losing value and can't enjoy, and their nightmares don't stop!

When it comes time for the council to get the streets repaired from the constant flow of heavy vehicles, (yes single trailers and B doubles), how long will that take, and who will it interrupt, and who will be paying for that – we the rate payers? I don't think any of this is important for Allora's economy.

The only business I can think of who will be rubbing their hands together for grainx, is our pharmacy, when we all have to go for more and more allergy medications, sleeping tablets, ear plugs, dust masks, breathing apparatus and stress/headache relief medications, etc. Allora's value and economy is now the lowest it has ever been, so let's see the rates reflect that!!!

We voted for councillors who promised to be the 'community's voice' not ignore the community, I don't think anyone will make the same mistake come next election time.

Besides, devoting 20, 30, 40,+ years of service to our beloved council as a road ganger or machinery operator, etc, only to receive a printed piece of paper in a frame, what an insult! All their years of service and commitment to their job, shows how

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## **BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK**

A jumbo-sized freshman went to try out for the football team. The coach asked him if he could tackle and he said, "Hell yah, get a load of this!"

And with that knocked over a telephone pole as if it were made of balsa wood.

The coach was dumbfounded and asked if the boy could run, to which the boy replied, "Hell yah!" and he sprinted from endzone to endzone like lightning.

The coach stood there with his mouth agape to see such a huge boy run so fast. He finally composed himself and said, "But can you pass a football?"

The freshman stopped to think for a few seconds, then said, "Hell yah, if I can swallow it..."

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much the workers are valued too. - NOT. Still a rate payer.

Cathie Shaw

## **ALLORA CHURCHES TOGETHER ADVENT STUDY**

Allora's combined Churches will offer an Advent Study as preparation for Christmas to which all are invited.

Participation in the study provides an opportunity to withdraw from the hustle and bustle of life to a quiet place for prayer and spiritual preparation for the great feast of Christmas.

The study involves reflection and sharing on the Gospel readings for the four Sundays before Christmas, and how they relate to our daily lives.

Two sessions will be offered on each Wednesday of Advent commencing on 26 November, 1.30 p.m. in the Anglican hall and 7.30 p.m. in the function room of MacKillop House.

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## Council seeks interest in business and industry forums

Southern Downs Regional Council's Economic Development Unit (EDU) is preparing to hold a series of Business and Industry Forums in both Stanthorpe and Warwick, building on previous successful forums.

Manager Planning and Development Cecil Barnard said Council is aware that with many challenges and constant changes in the economic and political environments. successfully operating a business can be a daunting task.

"The Planning and Development office has organised a number of successful Developers' and Tourism Industry Forums since July 2013 and the feedback has been that these events are very useful.

"The EDU is now proposing business and industry forums to be held in conjunction with the Chambers of Commerce and any interested businesses.

"These will be held in Stanthorpe, combining with the monthly chamber breakfast meeting, at 7am on November 28 at O'Mara's Hotel and in the Warwick Town Hall with the Warwick Chambers' after hours event at 5.30pm on Monday. December

"All business people from the region are invited to come along - participants don't need to belong to a Chambers of Commerce to attend.

"Through these forums, the Planning and Development office wants to establish a mutually beneficial relationship between all businesses, industry and Council." he said.

Mr Barnard said Council's aim with these forums is to gather a good mix of business and industry people from across the region to come along and give feedback and ideas to the EDU staff on how Council can assist and help businesses achieve growth and sustainability in a turbulent economic environment. "We're eager to open the channels of communication and work together on solving issues and problems.

"We ask those interested to contact us on 4681 5527 or email at edu@sdrc.qld.gov.au," he said.







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## LAUNCH OF DAYS FOR GIRLS **ALLORA**

Days for Girls Allora was officially launched on Monday, 10th November. Twenty happy and enthusiastic ladies attended, bringing armfuls of material, ideas and expertise. Tables were covered with cotton material, flannelette, PUL, ribbon, patterns and templates. Ladies were busy cutting, explaining techniques, swapping ideas and listening to instructions. All left with a collection of materials ready to give their best in producing

The next gathering will be in early February when finished articles will be collected and new materials distributed. New members are welcome.

### HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Donations of cotton and flannelette material, face washers. small soap, or hipster briefs, size 8-14 would be appreciated. From next week, a drop -off box will be located at ALLORA and DISTRICT TYRES. Herbert Street . Allora.

Welcome aboard SCOPE Club. Allora.

FYI. 230 kits were assembled last week in Brisbane. Most of these will be distributed to the Solomon Island.

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Anyone interested in participating in any of these courses you will have to book in as they fill quite quickly.

If you wish to book in or you want more information please call Gordon Turner 0418 877 525.

## Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago November 1989

## Speech Night

Dr. Bruce Abernethy a senior lecturer in the department of human movement studies at the University of Queensland and a former pupil of the Allora State School, returned to the school to deliver the occasional address at the annual speech night. Along with as his academic achievements Dr. Abernethy was a talented sportsman, representing Queensland at the national athletics titles in 1975, playing representative cricket for Queensland from 1974 to 1984 and competing in the Brisbane A grade basketball competition in 1984/85.

David Perrett received the Dux of the Year trophy from Dr. Abernethy who also presented the Year 10 graduation medallions. Jason Sparksman was named Sportsman of the Year and Donna Sternbeck Sportswoman of the Year. Leadership awards were presented to Joanne Sparrow and Gregory Ashton. School principal, Mr. Peter Doherty, presented the Special Awards: Pride of Achievement to Lynette Mullins and Best All Rounder to Kristine Blissett.

## Allora's Past 75 years ago November 1939

## Three Electrocuted

Three employees of the Fairymead sugar mill were electrocuted today. They were George Smith (45), Harold Martin (22) and Peter Siddans (22)

They were working on a bore being put down close to the mill for water and were lifting a metal spear from the casing when the top made contact with an electrical

cable carrying 2,500 volts. All instantly collapsed.

was immediately forthcoming. The men were rushed to Bundaberg Hospital and the Nuffield iron lung was used, but after three hours work all were pronounced dead.

Peter Siddans' parents are on a farm in the Allora district.

## Allora's Past 100 years ago November 1914

## St. Patrick's **Celebrations**

Sunday the 15th November 1914 will be long remembered as a red-letter day by the members of the Roman Catholic community of Allora. On that day His Grace, Dr. Duhig, Archbishop of Brisbane, dedicated the new Presbytery, recently completed by local contractor Mr. William Leggatt. Prior to the dedication His Grace conducted a highly impressive confirmation service when 39

candidates - 7 adults and 32 childrenpresented themselves. At the conclusion of the Mass, 90 guests sat down with the distinguished visitor at the annual Communion Breakfast of St. Kevin's Branch H. A. C. B. S. in the Hibernian

## Allora's Past 125 years ago November 1889 **Near Riot**

Mr. John Kelly met with the Unemployment Committee in Brisbane this week to explain his actions in ordering 26 unemployed men to be sent to Allora when there was insufficient work available



Mr. John Kelly.

for them. On his way, he was met in George Street by some 250-300 unemployed men who greeted him with groans, hoots and yells, some of them jostling him and were, with difficulty, restrained from laying violent hands on him. Mr. Kelly took refuge in a tailor's shop from where police reinforcements were called to escort him by cab to the Roma Street police barracks.

Mr. Kelly admitted that he had made a mistake in ordering the 6 pick and shovel men but said that wet weather had held up harvesting operations in the Allora district and hence negated the need for the 20 harvesters.s

Colin Newport

## Local Foodie opens new Café

Jackie Robertson - Chief food fanatic of Frog and Swallow Gourmet Preserves, a well respected boutique preserve manufacturer from Mt Marshall is about to launch her new initiative at 72 Herbert St. Frog and Swallow Café and opening day is set for 8.00 am Tuesday 25th November.

Frog and Swallow Gourmet Preserves was launched in July 2012 and has enjoyed exponential growth since then, including being highlighted in respected US Business Women's publication Cake and Whiskey Magazine. The business produces thousands of bomboniere (wedding favours/corporate gifts) each month along with stocking re-sellers, using only the freshest produce from the Darling Downs region.

A natural progression from this is the opening of the Frog and Swallow Café. The menu highlights Jackie's products in a fresh and new way. Coupled with top shelf coffee beans, this Café just might set a new trend for Allora.

Jackie said "I want to bring to my home town a new and exciting dining experience. All of the menu items will be prepared by me. I'm an unashamed locavore and want to know where my produce is grown and how. My food philosophy is very simple, prepare, eat and preserve produce when it is in its season. You can be guaranteed the freshest and best quality by doing this. I will only use local businesses (where possible) as my suppliers, ensuring that us foodies all support each other. In my mind there is no other way."

This new business has the potential to bring tourists our way. Food tourism is gaining momentum and research tells us that people are travelling distances to experience new dining experiences using local produce and products. Frog and Swallow Café has big plans that include; long table shared dinners once a month along with Preserve making workshops. Their menu is modern, rustic and fresh e.g. House Granola, Shaksuka and Orange scented Madeleines with house orange

Keep an eye out for your loyalty card in the post.

### Allora CWA notes

The November meeting was held in the Lex Ellwood room at The Homestead to celebrate the approaching 90th birthday of Ilma Cavanagh. Olive Shooter opened the meeting in a full room with 14 members and 13 visitors from The Homestead. After the meeting, the cake made and decorated by Olive was brought in for Ilma to cut while everyone sang Happy Birthday. After Olive donated a crocheted rug made by members to the Homestead everyone enjoyed lunch.

Arrangements for the Christmas party at the Railway Hotel on 9th December have been made and members and partners are welcome to dinner and entertainment and a Secret Santa.

The usual CWA Christmas raffle has been organised and tickets will be available from 28 November. There will be an iced Christmas cake, a pudding and a hamper and the draw will take place at the CWA December meeting.

Floral Art will start again next year. International Day will be the 8th of May and the soft craft for 2015 will be English piecing. President Olive reported on the state conference held in Ipswich where it was announced that CWA had donated \$13977 to Motor Neurone Disease. This year's charity will be Blaze Aid and next year it will be Melanoma. \$3400 was given to the Royal Flying Doctor Service and over \$1000 to the Ipswich Hospice.

## Strengthening arts and culture in the region

A diverse range of creative arts' projects will unfold around the Southern Downs as part of one of the State's most active arts programs, announced Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Committee Chair Cr Jo McNally.

Southern Downs Regional Councillor Jo McNally said she and the committee members were delighted that Council continues

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"The Regional Arts Development Fund is a partnership between the Queensland Government and regional councils and the latest round will see six projects across the region benefit from more than \$18,200.

Round One Grant Recipients are:

Willow Gallery - Conduct a two day felting workshop, \$1,340 Mothers United For Maternity Services Stanthorpe - Creation of two sculptures and an indigenous painting for the new Stanthorpe Hospital Birthing Suites, \$3,000 Stanthorpe Concert Band - Sunnybank Concert Band will provide development workshops and perform a high quality community concert, \$1,870 Leisa Cavallo - A feasibility study to research a concept of a World War 1 art trail, \$2,490 Peter With - Conduct a two day acrylic workshop in Stanthorpe and Warwick. \$5.093 Douglas Partington - Re-write the book "Leura Australia to Lincoln USA" into a children's format with the inclusion of hand drawn illustrations, \$4,500

"The RADF Committee is pleased with the diversity of projects and we feel the funding will deliver on-going benefits to a number of communities within the Southern Downs," she said. Arts Minister Ian Walker said he believed funding councils and working closely with them to support grass-roots arts is an essential part of delivering the arts to all Queenslanders.

Round 2 is currently open for applications with the closing date being 8 December 2014. For more information go to Council's website www.sdrc.gld.gov.au or please contact Kristy Rohde, RADF Liaison Officer, on 1300 MY SDRC (1300 697 372).



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## **ALLORA'S ANZACS REMEMBERED:** THE SHOOTER BROTHERS

### **CHARLES FINLAYSON SHOOTER**

Charles Finlayson Shooter was born on 14/12/1899 at Clifton, Queensland. Fin, as he was fondly known, started his schooling at the Spring Creek State School in April 1905 along with his elder sister Ada and brothers Harold, George, Walter, William and Frank. In 1906 and 1907, Fin attended school at the Tooth State School, Woody Camp at Back Plains. In May 1908 his schooling continued at the Clifton Colliery Primary School with younger brothers, Reg and Les also enrolling. When the family set down roots in the Talgai West area, Fin attended Talgai West and Hendon Schools to complete his education.

At the age of eighteen years, Charles Finlayson Shooter enlisted in the Royal Australian Navy where he served as an Officers' Steward from January 1918 until January 1921. Official number was 6335. It is assumed he joined the Navy because he did not meet the minimum height requirements to the join the army like his brothers. Fin was 5 feet 3 inches. Although he was small in stature he was capable of looking after himself. During his Naval Service, he competed in boxing matches and trained vigorously.

His three year contract started with basic training at the Naval Base HMAS Cerberus on Western Port Bay near Melbourne from 11/01/1918 to 21/05/1918. Fin served at the Naval Base HMAS Penguin, Sydney from 22/05/1918 until 28/02/1919 and on HMAS "Una" until 22/08/1919. HMAS "Una" was formerly a captured German survey ship, serving from Townsville through to Rabaul, Port Moresby and the Island waters during the months of Fin's service. He further served on the light cruiser HMAS Brisbane and the Australian Flagship, the battle cruiser HMAS Australia (18800 tons) and again at the Naval Base HMAS Penguin until his discharge on 10/01/1921. His service papers describe his character as "Very Good" in each

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year of assessment.

In 1921 Fin attended the Brisbane Central Technical College as a returned serviceman, to become an apprentice fitter. By 1929 he was working at the Mt. Isa mines as a fitter for the construction works.

Fin returned home to Talgai West around 1930 and married Florence May Hansen at St. Marks Church of England, Warwick. Although he was a fitter by trade he turned to share farming grain and cattle in the Talgai West and Spring Creek areas until 1941. Four of their five children were born during these years on the Darling Downs.

Work opportunity saw Fin leave the land and move to Salisbury in Brisbane where he lived for the rest of his life. A fitter, metal worker, handyman and yardman for Queensland Railways and later a yardman for TNT, Fin was also a competent renovator maintaining his Salisbury residence in tip top condition.

Charles Finlayson Shooter passed away at the age of 81 on 2nd July 1981. Florence and Fin's ashes are placed in the south west wall of the Mt. Thompson Crematorium overlooking their beloved Salisbury.

## THINGS THAT HAPPENED ON THIS DAY - 20th NOVEMBER

- 1805 Beethoven's "Fidelio," premieres in Vienna.
- 1817 First Seminole War begins in Florida.
- 1833 Charles Darwin reaches Punta Gorda, sees Rio Uruguay.
- 1866 First national convention of Grand Army of Republic (veterans' org).
- 1866 Howard University founded (Washington DC).
- 1866 Pierre Lalemont patents rotary crank bicycle.
- 1873 Rival cities of Buda & Pest unite to form the capital of Hungary.
- 1888 Willard Bundy patents timecard
- clock. 1902 - Geo Lefevre & Henri Desgrange
- 1910 Revolution broke out in Mexico, led by Francisco I Madero.
- 1914 US State Department starts requiring photographs for passports.
- 1917 First successful tank use in battle (Britain breaks through German lines) at Battle of Cambrai WWI.
- 1919 1st municipally owned airport in US opens (Tucson Az).
- Nobel Peace Prize awarded to US president W Wilson.
- 1923 Garrett Morgan invents and

- patents traffic signal.
- 1923 Rentenmark replaces the Papiermark as the official currency of Germany at the exchange rate of one Rentenmark to One Trillion (One Billion on the long scale) Papiermark.
- 1931 Commercial teletype service begins (AT&T).
- 1940 German air raid on Birmingham fails.
- 1941 German Q/pirate ship Kormoran sinks near Australia.
- 1944 1st Japanse suicide submarine attack (Ulithi Atol, Carolines).
- 1947 1st permanent TV installed on seagoing vessel (New Jersey).
- create Tour de France bicycle race. 1951 Snowdonia becomes a British National Park
  - 1952 Slánský trials begin a series of Stalinist and anti-Semitic show trials in Czechoslovakia.
  - 1953 Scott Crossfield in Douglas Skyrocket, 1st to break Mach 2 (1.300 MPH).
  - 1959 UN adopts Universal Declaration of Children's Rights.
  - 1969 Alcatraz Island off SF, is seized by militant Native Americans.
  - 1970 UN General Assembly accepts membership of China PR.

- 1979 US's 1st artificial blood transfusion occurs at U of Minn Hospital.
- 1980 Steve Ptacek in Solar Challenger makes 1st solar-powered flight.
- 1981 Ringo releases "Stop & Smell Roses" album.
- 1984 SETI is founded.
- 1985 Microsoft Windows 1.0 is released.
- 1986 World Health Organisation announces first global effort to combat AIDS.
- 1992 Queen Elizabeth II's home Windsor Castle catches fire.
- 1995 "Beatles' Anthology, Vol 1" released.
- 1997 Yohannes Haile-Selassie discovers the partial skull of a 2.5 million year old human ancestor, confirming and establishing the new species Australopithecus garhi, in Bouri, Middle Awash, Ethiopia.
- 1998 The first module of the International Space Station, Zarya, is launched.
- 2001 Josh Groban releases his debut album "Josh Groban".
- 2012 Toshiba unveils a robot designed to help in nuclear disasters.

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## **Countdown to special Laura Geitz** celebration day

The Southern Downs Regional Council is on the countdown to its special Laura Geitz Celebration Day on Saturday November 22, starting at 2pm at the Allora Sports Museum.

Mayor Cr Peter Blundell will present Commonwealth Games Gold Medallist and Australian Netball Team Captain Laura Geitz with the "key to the region" at the event. Council wanted to hold a special event that celebrated and recognised the sporting prowess of Laura, who was born in Allora and started her netball playing days in the township.

As recently reported Ms Geitz required knee surgery and she is happy with the outcome.

"The surgery was successful and my recovery is going well - I'll be ready to play our first game next year in March.

"As most people know I come home to Allora regularly to see my family and am really looking forward to the celebration day. "This will be a great honour and an opportunity to meet Southern Downs people. I'm keen to talk to young netballers and their families.

"I'll bring some merchandise for people to purchase and I'll be donating \$2 from every sale to the Allora Sports Museum. I'll also be happy to sign netballs or other items that people bring along on the day," she said.

After the presentation ceremony Council will host a special celebration afternoon tea at the Commercial Hotel, just over the road from the museum. There will be a sausage sizzle next to the hotel for anyone wanting to stay for an afternoon barbecue. Cr Blundell encouraged everyone to attend and enjoy some time with Ms Geitz, who will sign photos and other items that people would like to bring to the event.

Cr Glyn Rees, who lives in Allora and has known Laura and her family for many years, said he looked forward to being Master

## ?? CSIRO Double Helix Quiz ??

- 1. True or false? Penguins are found in the Arctic.
- 2. Which is the hottest planet in our Solar System?
- 3. Fecal microbiota transplantation, or FMT, involves the transplant of what?
- 4. Are infrared light waves longer or shorter than visible light waves?
- 5. Which of these elements is a liquid at room temperature? Is it a) carbon, b) chlorine, or c) bromine?

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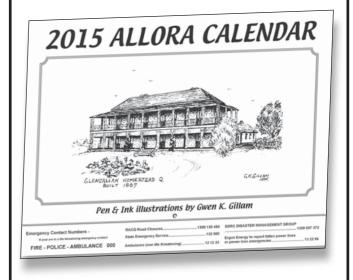
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of Ceremonies for the Laura Geitz Celebration Day.

"This will be a proud moment for Allora and for Southern Downs Regional Council. Handing over the key to the city is steeped in history and is a significant highlight for anyone to receive," he said.

Cr Blundell and Cr Rees also encouraged people to tour the Allora Sports Museum while at the event.

Cr Rees said the museum committee had an extensive collection of sporting memorabilia and displays that were of a very high standard.

"For a small town, Allora certainly punches above its weight so to speak. The number of sporting legends that have come from our area is amazing and the museum documents both their sporting and personal journeys.

"We welcome visitors to attend and look through the displays,"

Anyone wanting more information on the Laura Geitz Celebration Day can phone 1300 MY SDRC (1300 697 372) and ask for Laurine King.

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## **Events Calendar**

### <u>2014</u>

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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.

Sat 29 Men of League Luncheon

Commercial Hotel Allora, 11.30am. Barry 0407 721 762.

Sun 30 Allora Swimming Club Rotary Carnival

Allora Swimming Pool

### December -

Fri 5 Allora Blue Care Boutique Christmas Market Blue Care Respite Centre, 8.00am - 12.00 noon.

Sat 6 **Allora Creekside Carols & Markets** 

> Dalrymple Creek Reserve, Herbert Street, 3.00pm -Christmas Markets, 6.30pm-830pm - Carols.

Wed 31 Allora New Years Eve Party

Allora Showgrounds, 5.30pm.

### 2015

March -

Fri 6 Allora Rotary Club Trivia Night

Sat 7 Wattles launch and 50th Year Celebrations 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 8 Allora QCWA International Day: English Midlands

Uniting Church Hall, 1,30pm

Fri 29 St.Patrick's School Trivia Night

Allora Community Hall

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## **Hospice Carols**

The Toowoomba Hospice will start its Festive Season on Sunday 30th November at the Hospice in O'Quinn Street. Toowoomba Hospice Chairman Graham Barron OAM said the Hospice is celebrating the Festive Season with carols.

The Toowoomba Hospice has been providing Palliative Care Services to the Lockyer Valley, Toowoomba and Darling Downs Communities since July 1st 2003.

"We are excited to be able to celebrate our 12th Christmas and we want to thank the Community as a whole from the bottom of our hearts for supporting us so we can provide professional and quality palliative care for those with a terminal illness especially at this time of the year."

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

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season with us here at the Toowoomba Hospice".

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

## SPORTS CLUB REPORTS SUCCESSFUL YEAR

The Allora Sports Club held its Annual General Meeting on Sunday 9th November 2014. The meeting was well attended by Sports Club members, with a good representation of golfers and bowlers.

In his 8th presentation to members, outgoing president Kev Harrison reported that the past year had been one of the club's best, from a membership, participation, development and financial perspective.

Kev also mentioned that membership of the Golf, Bowls and Social clubs continued to increase in the 2013/14 year, to the point where total membership sits at almost 90. Taken into context, this means that about 1 in 10 adults in the Allora district is a member of the Sports club.

The club held a number of successful sporting events last year, attracting large numbers of players and contributing to the financial well-being of the club. The Dalrymple Seat and Terry Masters days received special mention.

The Night Bowls Competition was again extremely popular last year and it has gained further momentum into this summer. Kev expressed his gratitude to Greg Patterson and his team for the work they do in making the night bowls such a success. Kev added that the financial contribution that Night Bowls makes to the Sports Club is significant.

The club welcomed a new activity - Darts - in the past year. The darts players are a committed group of people who take their sport very seriously. It came as no surprise that in their first year, the Allora Sports Club Darts team won the district competition. The darts players have also quickly developed into valuable members of Sports Club, always volunteering to chip in and help out. Sadly, one of the inaugural darts team members, Angie, passed away during the year. Angie was a great darts player and a lovely person - she is sorely missed by her team mates.

Kev reported that numbers for the weekly golf competitions are quite satisfying and he was confident that they will continue to increase. He congratulated our golf club champions, Matt May (Club Champion), Rod Simpson (B Grade) and Garth Simpson (C Grade) and also Match Play Champion Aaron Simpson.

Kev mentioned the hard work of our many volunteers, without whom the golf course would not survive.

The renovation of the club premises has been a major achievement in the past year, with our club now considered a preferred venue for social functions and other celebrations. In closing, Kev thanked Jim Anderson for his sterling efforts

over the past 10 years as patron of the Allora Sports Club. Kev wished the incoming committee all the best as they continue to build on the past 12 months to ensure that 2014/15

is even more successful. Elections for the new committee were held with the results as

Patron - Greg Patterson

President - Kev Harrison

Secretary - John Ellwood

Treasurer - Donna Evans

Provedore - Wendy Ellwood

Life memberships - Greg Patterson and Jim Anderson

## Calling all Life Support Customers

Regional Queenslanders reliant upon mains powered life support equipment are urged to register with Ergon Energy's Life Support program as the storm and cyclone season looms. Customer Delivery Manager Herbert, Mark Biffanti said the program is designed to assist customers who are dependent upon life support equipment which require continuous electricity supply regardless of their electricity retailer.

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### Swim club notes

Another beautiful night for swimming club this week. We really are having a lot of luck with the weather but sure could do with some rain. Congratulations to all the swimmers that are

setting personal best times and also advancing to longer distances. Next Monday night will be the Rackley handicap swim. All life members, past and present members and the community are invited along, it is a great event to watch! There will be a free sausage sizzle at the conclusion of the swims. A reminder that the Allora rotary carnival nominations need to be in by Friday 21st November. Email nominations to the carnival secretary Jane - alloraswimmingclub@gmail.com

Next Tuesday night there is a club meeting at the Railway Hotel Allora at 7:30pm to discuss the rotary carnival.

Good luck to the swim team competing at Dalby this weekend.

## Your draft NRM Plan is now ready for community feedback

We have reached a major milestone in the update of our community's Condamine Catchment Natural Resource Management Plan. The draft Plan is now available for you to view and comment on.

We are keen to hear what you think of the new, online format – How does it look? Have we missed anything? What could we do better? Your vision for our catchment's health is important and we look forward to hearing from you.

View the Plan - The Plan is online and interactive. Visit www. nrmplan.com.au Attend a briefing - Stakeholder briefings will be held during November to provide detailed information about the draft Plan.

TOOWOOMBA: Thursday, 20 November - 9.30am-10.30am, Jacaranda Room, Grand Central

WARWICK: Thursday, 27 November - 9.30am-10.30am, Redbacks Function Room, Jackie Howe Dr.

Light refreshments will be served. RSVP to Heather, 0403 462 686 or email NRMplan2015@condaminealliance. com.au

Submit feedback by Friday 5 December to NRMplan2015@condaminealliance.com.au NRM Plan 2015, PO Box 1538, Toowoomba QLD 4350.

Leave a comment on the online forum. Complete and submit the simple feedback form at www.condaminealliance.com.au/ NRMplan2015. Thanks for sharing your vision for our catchment's future.



Allora State School Recognizes Success at 51st Speech Night

Twenty-eight Graduands celebrated the end of Year 10 and the beginning of the next chapter of their lives at Tuesday evening's Allora State School 2014 & 51st Annual Speech night.

The graduating Year 10 class of 2014, the 147th year of schooling in Allora, were Callum Blackburne, Alesha Bonsey, John Butler, Amber Christensen, Stacey Christensen, Charles Dennis, Isabella Drennert, Riona Evans, Zane Fitzgerald, Danny Fowles, Aiden Francis, Henry Gartery, Ella Harrison, Sally Higgins, Maddison Jones, Michael Kelk, Kelsey Lester, Sydney Meharg, Thomas Morris, Laura Paine, Codie Prendergast, Jacob Ranger, John Shearing, Laura Thompson, Nicholas Van Der Poel, William Wallace, Dylan Watts & Arien Westerman.

All students were presented with their Year 10 graduation medallions by School Chaplain Mr. John Briffa who departs the Allora State School at the end of this school year.

The School's Performing Arts Hall was packed to capacity to witness the annual celebrations that highlight the School's academic, community and sporting prowess.

The Academic awards were presented by the Honourable Lawrence Springborg, MLA, Minister for Health, who was also the guest speaker for the evening.

Long serving retiring Allora State School teacher Mrs Sandra Wilson presented the Special Awards and the Mayor's Medal, with Wattles Rugby League Football Club President Mr. Aaron Scheid make the sporting award presentations.

The prestigious "Dux of the School" award was won by Ella Harrison, the presentation made by Mr. Springborg. Sally Higgins enjoyed a glittering night the recipient of the "Mayor's Medal", Sally also honoured with the Australian Defence Force Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award presented by Chief Petty Officer Glen Murray. The Defence Force Award acknowledges a young person who has demonstrated qualities of leadership and team work in the school community.

Also excelling in the sporting awards, Sally was named "Sportsperson of the Year" and was named as recipient of the Pierre de Coubertin Award.

Riona Evans was awarded the Diligence (Pride of Achievement) award which recognises a student who is consistent and persistent in efforts to achieve.

The Rotary Club of Allora organised "Lex Ellwood Bursary" is presented to a student who has demonstrated community awareness, leadership qualities and scholastic achievement, this year awarded to School Captain Ella Harrison, Ella also receiving the "Humanitarian Award" donated by the Gibson



family, an award that acknowledges a student's development of an attitude of tolerance and respect for others. Amber Christensen was so deservedly recognised when presented with the Bob Deacon Trophy for "Community Service" after making an outstanding contribution of service to the school and wider community.

The "Peer Award", donated by Barry & Ann Glass in memory of their daughter Karina, a former Allora State School student, was reward for Charlize Wolff, while Aiden Francis was the recipient of the "Chaplain's Award".

Year 10 Academic Awards are presented to the top students in each subject area.

Ella Harrison & Arien Westerman shared the honours in English & also Science, Ella also collecting academic awards in Geography & Business, Arian also finishing on top in Graphics

Thomas Morris was the award winner for Manual Arts, and Sally Higgins collected awards for Visual Arts, History, Mathematics and Business Encouragement.

Danny Fowles won the Health & Physical Education honours, Amber Christensen the award for Food Studies and Laura Paine rewarded with the award in Food Studies Encouragement. In his annual report School Principal Mr Shaun Kanowski acknowledged the successes of 2014, from the schools many achievements academically, to success with sporting and cultural events such as debating and to the everyday progress of learning, before congratulating the Graduands on completing ten years of education and extending his best wishes to all for the future.

Parents & Citizens Association President Mr. Jeff Lack also presented a very detailed report on the activities of the very progressive group in 2014.

A full list of Award Winners will be published in next week's issue with photos.

Glyn Rees

## Council staff donate to drought affected farmers

Warwick is being described as a "hot spot" for drought affected farmers, some in such dire financial situations that they may lose their properties, endure repossessions and default on loans.

This situation prompted staff members of the Southern Downs Regional Council to dig deep, donating funds and food packages to the Rural Financial Counselling Service (South West). Council staff handed over the food packages and funds, approximately valued at over \$1,000, today.

Financial Counsellor Donna Neale-Arnold said she was moved to tears by the generosity of the Council staff.

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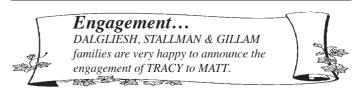


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### **Death Notice -**

NESTA DAPHNE KELLAND DORAN (Jane) died peacefully in her sleep at 9.00 am on Sunday, 9th November, at the Illoura Home in Chinchilla, in her 101st year. Wife of Brian (dec'd.), mother of Sally (Sarah) (dec'd.) and Timothy (dec'd.). Granny Jane to Tim, Simon, Charles, Andrew and Sophie.

Jane's funeral was held at Keatings Chapel in Chinchilla on Friday 14th November.

Reunited with her family at last.

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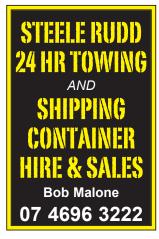




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"The service, which is funded through the Federal and State Governments, helps drought affected farmers with Centrelink applications, help with loan applications and farm debt mediation.

"I'll be distributing the food packages and funds this week and I look forward to providing help where it's most needed," she said.

Community Development Officer Pam Burley said the idea of assisting drought affected farmers started when she spoke to team members at the Rural Financial Counselling Service.

"I asked what the needs were and the team members agreed that practical help, like food packages, were top of the agenda. I relayed this information to Council's Community Services staff members and then it grew from there. Our Northern Social Club got right behind the cause, co-ordinating and promoting the fund-raising and food collection.

"We hope this inspires other work places across the Southern Downs and elsewhere to do the same. We held a special Halloween morning tea last month and staff members just kept on giving after that event.

"A lot of our staff are from farming families or have relatives who are famers so this cause is very close to home," she said. Anyone wanting to contact the Rural Financial Counselling Service can phone Donna Neale- Arnold on 0438 738 693 or go to www.rfcsqsw.org.au

**LEFT**: Loading food packages for distribution to drought affected farmers are (from left) SDRC Youth Development Officer Hailey Cosh, Rural Financial Counsellor Donna Neale-Arnold and SDRC Community Development Officer Pam Burley.