

Clifton Auto Ag celebrates 20 years

2 October 2015 marks 20 years since Clifton Auto Ag Repairs opened for business under new owners, Jim Gillam and Paul Morris, on the corner of Clark and East Streets Clifton. The company now operates at 4 King Street Clifton after relocating to the current facilities in January 2006.

Jim Gillam commenced his apprenticeship with Merv Holz in May 1977 and Paul Morris in January 1982. Both worked for Merv Holz repairing cars, trucks, tractors, farm machinery etc. and acknowledge the opportunity in the experience gained by working on such a wide variety of vehicles and machines. Jim Gillam and Paul Morris took the opportunity to buy a part of Merv Holz's business and began with long serving local mechanic and employee of Merv's, Bill Johnson. Bill worked for Clifton Auto Ag Repairs until retiring in 2000. Over the years Clifton Auto Ag Repairs have trained several apprentices including Oliver Kurz, Rodney Berry, Nick Johnson, Ted Starr, Michael Gwynne, Alex Morris, Kyle Thorne, Ryan Staatz and Tom Morris. Kyle is currently in his 3rd year, Ryan has almost completed his 1st and Tom is a school based apprentice.

Clifton Auto Ag Repairs currently employs David Kuhn, Michael Gwynne, Gary Saville, George Gall, James McAllan, Kyle Thorne, Ryan Staatz and Tom Morris; all part of the workshop team. Debbie Maguire, Bronwyn Christensen, and Peta Kuhn makes up the office staff. Joff and Jocelyn May also do their fair share of running around the countryside dropping off or picking up parts from Warwick to Toowoomba and Brisbane to Dalby. Other people who have worked for Clifton Auto Ag repairs included Geoff Holz, Greg Richardson, Danny Wilson, Karen Griffiths, Fiona McDougall and David Egan. In December 2007 Jim left the



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CLIFTON AUTO AG REPAIRS
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We are very proud and excited about this milestone and we would like you to join us to celebrate.

Join us at 4 King Street, Clifton on Friday, 2nd October, 5.00pm for a BBQ, drinks and a chance for a friendly yarn to remember the early days and the exciting times to come.

For catering purposes we would appreciate an RSVP to 4697 3276 by 25th September.

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business to work out west for Origin Gas and still continues in that role today. Over the past few years the business has expanded its facilities with the addition of a new workshop dedicated to cars and 4wd vehicles with 3 vehicle hoists, an extra office built in the workshop for the workshop staff and modern renovations carried out in the main office featuring a reception counter, two offices and another workstation all equipped with computers and phones. The business also has 5 mobile units equipped for field service work and a well-equipped service trailer. A 20T truck hoist has recently been installed and a much needed forklift update.

The business caters for almost anything from a wipper snipper or mower to small and large trucks and prime movers, trailers, horse floats, cars and 4wds, caravans and recreational vehicles, tractors, farm machinery, stationary engines, generators and irrigation motors. Mechanical repairs, air conditioning, auto electrical, safety certificates, certificate of inspections and vehicle modifications form a large part of the work carried out. A major part of the business is the field service work taking the workshop to the breakdown, service or repair. While most of the customer base is within 40 kilometres of Clifton, the business travels further afield at times going as far as Texas, Meandarra, Brisbane and Kyogle – wherever we are asked to go.

Clifton Auto Ag Repairs wishes to extend a sincere thank-you for the support they receive from the local and surrounding communities, and businesses in Clifton, Allora and surrounding districts as well as all the farming customers who go from Warwick to Toowoomba, west to Millmerran and east to the ranges. Clifton Auto Ag Repairs is proud to support numerous community groups, schools, churches and sporting clubs in our community and surrounding districts.

On Friday 2 October at 5:00pm, Clifton Auto Ag Repairs invite business owners and their staff, farmers and anyone in the community, to attend the 20 year celebration BBQ and come along for a steak burger and a few drinks. The event is open to all regardless of whether they are a customer or not. The workshop and offices will be open for all to come and have a look and see what is here, have something to eat and most importantly have a yarn. RSVP to our office for catering purposes and the cost is nil. Everyone is welcome.

Now for a bit more history - When Paul Morris started his apprenticeship with Merv Holz in 1982, Bob Glasheen (who also did his apprenticeship with Merv) had left to start R & A Motors in around August 1981. Paul worked with Jim Gillam, Bill Johnson, Russel Lack and Greg Saville. Some of the businesses that were operating at that time but no longer operating were OB Bell & Co, Belefords, Clifton Electrical



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MON	Mostly Sunny. Cool.	8 22
TUE	Morning Clouds. Mild.	7 23

Letter to the Editor...

To the Editor,

Re: Town meeting at R.S.L. Hall Allora, 29 September, 11am and 6pm.

Our goal is for those residents of Allora concerned about ongoing issues with Grainx to hold a meeting at the R.S.L. Hall at 11am and 6pm. For those interested in forwarding an official complaint, it has been advised to have a combined complaint of the residents of Allora concerning issues with Grainx. These will be forwarded to the Ombudsman to determine an outcome. Those interested and with complaints with noise, dust and nuisance, please attend either meeting and have your say. Any queries email lynncollie@gmail.com

Name supplied



Acting Inspector Paul Hart presents Mrs. Rhiannon Clark with a Queensland Police Service certificate and \$100 fuel voucher as result of her submission of a winning slogan in the recent Darling Downs Police District Road Safety Week competition.

Rhiannon Offers Wise Road Safety Advice

It's been a busy fortnight for Allora local Mrs Rhiannon Clark. Rhiannon has become the familiar face guiding new Allora identity Dalek Ky around 'the Best Little Town on the Downs', Rhiannon and the affable Ky a centre of attention at the recent Allora State School Spring Fair and more recently at the nationally famous Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers Festival.

On Thursday Rhiannon's ability as a safety conscious wordsmith was rewarded when she was announced as one of three submitters of winning slogans in the recent Darling Downs Police District Road Safety Week competition. Rhiannon was presented with a Queensland Police Service certificate and \$100 fuel voucher as result of her winning slogan entry by Acting Inspector Paul HART, current relieving Warwick Patrol Commander.

More than 110 entries were submitted, with the top three receiving fuel vouchers for their efforts. Queensland Road Safety Week was held from the 17th to the 21st of August, with the slogan competition closing on August 28th.



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The Road Safety Week competition asked for your best road safety slogan, caption or advice to people using our roads in the Darling Downs Police District which includes Toowoomba, Lockyer Valley, Darling Downs, Granite Belt and Goondiwindi areas.

As can be appreciated, there is a lot of local knowledge on how to safely navigate these incredibly diverse landscapes, including unique driving challenges such as road trains, wild weather, mining equipment transport, driver fatigue and wildlife.

An early slogan suggestion was – "You're better off to be late than dead on time" – but competition organisers were looking for some creative and fresh ideas that they could use to promote safe driving practices within all areas.

Rhiannon submitted the slogan 'Don't be in a hurry to have an accident – slow down', commenting that "I often think of this slogan when being overtaken by speeding motorists."

Another winner, Michael Merrett of Westbrook, submitted 'Be aware, always drive the Darling Downs with care – we want you back'.

Mrs Alex Montgomery of Goondiwindi was also a winner submitting 'You are needed at home – drive safely'.

Darling Downs District Officer A/Superintendent Mark Wheeler stated that he was impressed with the number of entries received, as it demonstrated that road safety impacts not only emergency services, but also members within the community. "The public response to this competition exceeded our expectations, with many innovative submissions being received," said A/Superintendent Wheeler.

"It was also encouraging to see the number of entries that made reference to the 'Fatal Five' factors, that contribute to road trauma across our district on a regular basis.

"It is our hope that promoting road safety at every opportunity will help in changing driver behaviour and reinforce that, as the driver of a vehicle you are responsible for the lives of others, as well as your own.

Tragically, most fatal crashes are not 'accidents' and are caused by one or more of the Fatal Five; speeding, drink/drug driving, failing to wear a seat belt, fatigue and distraction or inattention'.

Glyn Rees

Car Boot Sale at Allora

Allora State School P&C Association is organising a car boot sale to be held on Sunday November 15th.

Residents are invited to spring clean their cupboards, wardrobes or sheds and turn their unwanted goods into some additional dollars in the lead up to Christmas.

The car boot sale will take place on the School's soccer ground located at the corner of Darling and Raff Streets, from 9.00am to 12.00noon. Sites will be available from \$20 per car.

For more information or to request a site registration form, please phone 0408 845 549 or email alloracarbootsale@outlook.com

St David's Guild Street stall

A big thank you to all those who brought goods to the annual street stall on such an appalling day. At least there was no concern about icing melting. There was a mouth-watering display of homemade cakes and biscuits and keen buyers. Despite the cold and wind the stall was very successful and we were sold out before lunch time. The raffles of a meat voucher from Allora Butchery and a fruit tray were very successful with the winners being Ken Peterson and Shannon Masters.

BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

A young executive is working late one evening. As he comes out of his office about 8pm, he sees the big boss standing by the shredder in the hallway with a piece of paper in his hand.

"Do you know how to work this thing?" the man asks. "My secretary's gone home and I don't know how to run it."

"Yes sir," said the young executive who turns on the machine, takes the paper from his hand and feeds it in.

"Now," says his boss, "I just need one copy..."

St. Patrick's Parish Set for Annual Fete

With the years seemingly spinning by we find ourselves with just 22 more sleeps before that long standing community



Katie Dennis and Kate Shooter having a ball at the 2005 St. Patrick's Fete.

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tradition that is the St. Patrick's Annual Fete cranks up yet again on Friday evening October 16th from 5.00 pm to 10.00 pm, a very special evening on the annual Allora entertainment calendar.

The Parish volunteers have been engrossed in the Fete organisation for some time now and will have the picturesque grounds of Allora's St. Patrick's School in pristine condition ready to cater to what is always a very popular line up of performances, events, stalls and attractions.

The Annual Fete will feature stalls aplenty including plants, the traditional bottle stall, cakes & sweets, tea/coffee & deserts along with a barbecue and the popular licensed bar.

The St. Patrick's ladies famous cheerios & sauce along with their special recipe of savoury mince is also on offer adding to the many evening meal choices.

There is plenty to entertain the younger folk with face painting, Glow Products, a jumping castle and rides on "Li'l Squirt" the fire truck. Long established fete regulars Lyn & Joan Cronin's Lyn-D-Jo Boutique will feature a fashion parade and there's a great line up of entertainment including school performances and live music into the evening commencing at 6.00 pm.

Viv's Farmacy Shearing Shed & Farm Animals is returning to this year's Fete, with the collection of lambs, goats, ducklings, chickens & piglets, along with Viv's sheep shearing demonstration. A reminder to those that fancy themselves as sheaf pitchers of note that the St. Patrick's Fete is again hosting the Queensland Sheaf Pitching Championships.

Allora's St. Patrick's Parish annual art union will be drawn on the night at 8.00 pm, but not before hand patrons can invest in a few last minute tickets in 1st Prize: Side of Dressed Yearling Beef; 2nd Prize: Side of Dressed Pork; 3rd

Prize: Side of Dressed Lamb and 4th Prize a Dressed Turkey. The evening will provide many opportunities to take home a raffle prize, the famous Deuchar Stall's prizes, \$50 boards; the Cake Stall raffles.

The hammer will fall on the Anything Goes team auction around 8.15pm, followed by the action packed races that provide an exciting conclusion to St. Patrick's Fete, and it sure isn't for the faint hearted. Last year it was a full field of team entered and veteran race caller Peter Cavanagh is confident the field will be as big in 2015. It's time for those up to the challenge to round up a team of four in preparation for this year's heart stopping event, nominations are taken on the night.

A great night is assured, log it in your diary everyone !

Glyn Rees

Australia Day Awards 2016 nominations now open

Do you know someone who has made an outstanding contribution to our community? Now is the time to recognise their efforts!

Nominations for the 2016 Australia Day Awards for the Southern Downs region are now open and Southern Downs Regional Council's Mayor, Cr Peter Blundell is encouraging people across the Southern Downs to consider nominating a worthy recipient.

"These Awards recognise the outstanding contribution of individuals and groups who, through their commitment and effort, make our region a better place to live. Award nominees don't have to be well known, just someone whose efforts are commendable and worthy of recognition.

"It is a wonderful way to acknowledge and thank the people within our community whose efforts inspire us and are worthy of recognition," he said.

Australia Day Awards will be presented in eight categories as follows:

- Australia Day Citizen Award
- Australia Day Junior Citizen Award
- Australia Day Cultural Award
- Australia Day Junior Cultural Award
- Australia Day Sports Award
- Australia Day Junior Sports Award
- Australia Day Sports Administration Award
- Australia Day Community Event of the Year

"So, now's the time to get your thinking caps on, and if you know of someone who you believe is worthy of recognition, please take the time to nominate them for an Australia Day Award.

"Please also help us to spread the word about the Australia Day Awards nomination process with your family, friends, neighbours, work colleagues, schools and members of any sport or recreation groups and clubs that you are associated with," Cr Blundell said.

Nomination forms can be collected from Council's Community Contact Centres and Libraries, or may be downloaded from Council's website at www.sdrc.qld.gov.au. Nominations close on Monday, 14 December 2015.

SDRC employment scheme focuses on the 'ability' in disability

In recognition of Disability Action Week, the 'ability' in disability is the focus of an employment scheme that Southern Downs Regional Council is supporting through a work placement for local young job seeker Myles Rowe.

Mr Rowe is working two days a week with Council's Parks and Gardens team, based in Leslie Park, Warwick under a disability employment scheme.

Council is providing the disability employment scheme placement to Mr Rowe in partnership with BEST Employment, which administers the Australian Government's Disability Employment Service. The service aims to deliver effective employment assistance for job seekers with disability, and the placement is designed to improve participants' job-seeking skills.

Speaking about his experience so far, Mr Rowe said he'd never done any sort of horticultural or gardening work before starting the employment placement with Council.

"I do a range of work mainly in Leslie Park, including watering gardens and tree-trimming, and I've had on-the-job training. It's really fun and I'm enjoying the work, particularly being part of a team.



Myles Rowe busy pruning bushes in the Council administration precinct.

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"It's been great to have this opportunity, and I've learnt some new skills which I think will help me in getting work in the future," Mr Rowe said.

Southern Downs Regional Council's Human Resources Manager, Mrs Brook March said that the purpose of the placement is to provide an opportunity to help make a young person more employable by providing some skills, building confidence, exposure to a work environment and basic workplace communication skills.

"It's rewarding to offer placements like this that give participants the opportunity to improve their skills and job-seeking prospects into the future. Like the gardens he's been tending, it's been wonderful to see Myles flourish over the course of the placement, and we wish him every success," said Mrs March. Disability Action Week is officially celebrated from 13 - 19 September in Queensland.

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ALLORA'S ANZACS REMEMBERED: A project by the Allora Historical Society

COLLINS PATRICK

Patrick Collins was born in 1888, the third of eight children of Timothy and Mary Collins (nee Hartigan). Timothy and Mary were married in St. Patrick's Church, Allora, in 1884. The Collins family lived on a farm on the Goomburra road at what was later called Berat. The farm was later owned by the Browne family. The name Berat came into use as the name of the district in 1912, with the naming of one of the sidings on the Allora- Goomburra railway "Berat".

Patrick Collins would have attended what was then called the Forest Plain State School. He was a farm labourer when he enlisted in Toowoomba on the 14th September 1915. His birthplace was given as Goombungee but this may have been



Plaque on the shrine at St. Patrick's Church in memory of Patrick Collins.

a typing mistake for Goomburra. Patrick gave his next of kin as his father, Timothy Collins of Berat.

Private Patrick Collins was assigned to the 9th Reinforcements of the 26th Battalion with the regimental number of 3781 and began his initial training in Brisbane. He attended a send-off to Albert Chard in the Goomburra Hall on the 23rd November, 1915. The Allora Guardian reported that Private "Paddy" Collins was on leave for the recruiting march from Warwick to Brisbane and was looking fit and well.

The reinforcements, and with them Private Patrick Collins, embarked for Egypt. Patrick was taken on strength with the 31st Battalion at Duntroon Plateau, Egypt, on the 6th April, 1916. As did a large number of the newly enlisted Australian



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troops, Patrick Collins contracted mumps and was hospitalized in Egypt for two weeks from the 17th April 1916.

The 31st Battalion embarked at Alexandria and disembarked at Marseilles, France, on the 23rd June 1916. Before leaving Egypt Private Patrick Collins made out a will leaving his personal possessions to his mother, Mrs. Mary Collins. This was witnessed by two members of the 31st Battalion. He served with the battalion in France until he was given 17 days leave to England on the 29th December 1916. He was killed in action "in the field" in Belgium on the 26th September 1917 and was "buried in the vicinity of Polygon Wood." Private Patrick Collins was another of the many whose grave could not be located and his name is inscribed on the Menin Gates Memorial, Ypres, Belgium. The inscription reads: "COLLINS Pte. Patrick, 3781, 31st Bn. 26th September 1917. Age 28. Son of Timothy and Mary Collins. Native of Berat, Queensland". Patrick Collins is also remembered on the Allora WWI Memorial and on the shrine at St. Patrick's Church.

Older Allora residents will remember Mick Collins, a brother of Patrick, who lived in a shed at the back of Mr. Leggatt's house in Herbert Street.

Colin Newport

Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago September 1990

Councillors Awarded

Allora Shire Chairman, Cr. Jim Deacon, congratulated two long serving Allora councillors on their receiving the 20-year long service award from the Queensland Local Government Association. Mr. Deacon said that Councillors Len Weier and Paul Bergemann had represented their community well and the award was an honour that they would carry for the rest of their lives.

Allora's Past 75 years ago September 1940

Soldiers' Send-off

A send-off to nine Clifton district soldiers took place in the Hibernian Hall, Clifton, on the 13th September, 1940. One of those men was Private Norman Newport whose brother, David, the only surviving member of ten Newport siblings, tells an amusing story of Norman's enlistment on the 18th July 1940. Norman rode his B. S. A. Twin motor cycle to the Allora Police Station to enlist. The Allora sergeant told him that they were not signing recruits in Allora and that he would have to go to Warwick. Norman said that there was a small problem in that his motor cycle was not registered. The sergeant told him to ride to Warwick and if anyone pulled him up to refer them back to him. Norman served with the 2/26th Infantry Battalion and survived three years as a P. O. W. David inherited the B. S. A. Twin in his absence.

Pre-Wedding Evening

Miss Betty McMillan, second daughter of Mrs. C. McMillan and the late Mr. John McMillan will shortly wed Mr. Harry Sprott, son of Mrs. Sprott and the late Mr. James Sprott, and to wish the couple happiness in the future, Mrs. Arnold Masters, Misses Maud Burge and Essie McVeigh arranged a dance in the Alliance Hall on Monday



Norman Newport (left, on his B. S. A. Twin motor cycle), Ada Newport, Mick Briggs, Keith Smith and David Newport, "Bundah", Clifton, 1940.

evening last. Owing to illness, Miss Burge was unable to be present, but her sister, Miss Ruth Burge carried out the duties of hostess. Miss Winnie Sullivan was responsible for the music for the dancing.

Allora's Past 100 years ago September 1915

Travelling Sheep

At the Allora Police Court on Friday, before Mr. H. Morris P. M. the Allora Shire Council proceeded against a number of drovers for breaches of the law relating to travelling stock. J. Evans, drover, was charged that while in charge of 3,500 weathers at Hendon, he did not travel them six miles towards their destination each 24 hours. Defendant, who pleaded guilty, said that the sheep had just been untrucked after they had been on rail four days, and were so weak that they could not travel the six miles specified under the Act. Two other drovers were charged with similar offences. The P. M. fined each of them 10/- plus costs saying that the sheep had been breaking into farmer's wheat paddocks around Hendon and that he did not think that the excuse that the sheep were weak could be accepted.

Allora's Past 125 years ago September 1890

Allora Progress

The building trade here is very brisk at present. Messrs. Barnes, Archibald & Co's new store is in the course of erection and will be an imposing edifice when completed. A commodious boarding house, a two story hotel and the Q. N. Bank will also improve our town; the two former are in the hands of the carpenters, and the latter is to be started shortly. Many other buildings of lesser dimensions are being built. Birth has been given to several new industries. Mr. W. Gillam has started a lemonade factory and soap works which promise success. Mr. A. Gordon has purchased an extensive planing plant and has it in full swing; and last but not least, three or four Chinamen from Toowoomba, can be seen on the banks of the Dalrymple, and they promise us very good vegetables in a very short period.

(Allora correspondent, Darling Downs Gazette, 15th September 1890).

Colin Newport



Clifton High School SRC president, Sarah Mantova, and her sister, Lucy, caught up with Australian Diamonds captain, Laura Geitz, of Allora, after her Netball World Cup win against New Zealand in Sydney. No doubt questions about Laura and this major sporting event will feature in the upcoming Sports Trivia Night.

Clifton High to host Sports Trivia Night

Calling all trivia buffs... the Clifton State High School is holding a Sports Trivia Night on Friday, October 16, at the Clifton Jam Factory.

Student Representative Council (SRC) president, Sarah Mantova, said in this the Year of Sport at Clifton High, the SRC

decided to celebrate all things sport with its inaugural Trivia Night.

"It has been a big year for sport in this country, with Australia hosting World Cups in both Cricket and Netball, and winning both," Ms Mantova said.

"It's especially significant with local connection, Laura Geitz, from Allora, at the helm of the winning Diamonds team," Ms Mantova said.

"Australia is a major sporting nation, and the Darling Downs has produced many sporting greats including Greg Holmes from Allora (Wallabies), Claire McMeniman, from Warwick (Firebirds and Diamonds), and Matt Denny, from Allora (Youth Track and Field Championships)."

Teams of four (minimum) to eight (maximum), are invited to nominate for a fun night which will get underway at 6.30pm. Tickets are on sale for \$15 per person, which includes hot finger food and soft drink.

The night will also feature a multi-draw raffle of various sporting items, including a Maroons football, netball, and tennis racket, plus sports vouchers, meat trays, and more. Entertainment will be provided by band, "No Direction", consisting of three staff members,

Ian Craig, Dom Clarke and Louis Reen.

There will be cash prizes for the winning team and runners-up, so study up on all your sports news, both local and national, and come along for a great night out.

To nominate your team please contact the Clifton High School on 4697 4777, SRC president, Sarah Mantova, on 0457 325 902, or you can email Tracy Kirby, on tkirb16@eq.edu.au



From Wattles 50 Year Vault - A Short History



1. Corey Blades



2. Michael Purcell



3. Brenden Wilson



4. Joel Koina



5. Jimmy Johnson



Wattles Rugby League Club won their first A Grade Premiership in 1970 when they defeated Toowoomba's Valleys 'Roosters' 20 - 17 at the Toowoomba Athletic Oval - Back: M. Bowe, D. Ryan, R. Rowlings, J. Cowling, B. Crothers, B. Keleher, S. Telford. Second Row: J. Gleeson, L. Lipp, T. Fogarty, Dan Ryan, J. Phelan, D. Fogarty (Secretary), M. Duff, B. Meara, G. Platz. Front Row: L. Platz, John Fogarty (Treasurer), James Gleeson (President), M. Gleeson (Captain/Coach), F. Bishop (Patron), John Gleeson (Vice-President). Inset: T. Gleeson

The Wattles Rugby League Football Club had its beginnings back in 1966 when the Clifton and Allora Rugby League Clubs combined to form what was then known as Allora/Clifton, the Wattles name attached some years later. The club's first President was former Allora footballer and Wattles Patron & Life Member the late Brian Smith. Brian, along with inaugural Senior Vice-President Jack Enright and James Gleeson were largely responsible for the formation of the Allora-Clifton club. The club has always played in their traditional green & gold colours, their jerseys in their initial year, green with gold numbers. The Allora-Clifton



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club's first matches were pre-season trials against Warwick club Collegians on Sunday March 6th, 1966. Collegians won all three grades played on the day, with the Warwick Daily News reporting that "for Allora-Clifton, hardest worker was Dave Achilles. Bevan Crothers penetrated well at five-eight while Rob Lester made several good runs in the backs. Ted Cowley played his usual honest game and Kev 'Gunner' Smith led the forward pack". The very next week the two clubs clashed again in another round of pre-season trials at Warwick's Queens Park, Collegians again winning all matches. Allora-Clifton players to impress in the first grade match lost 14 - 16 included Des Cantwell, Russell Cass, Des Power & Rob Lester. A feature of the match was Ted Cowley busting through the defence and racing 60 metres before off loading to Mal Henry to score. A third and final pre-season trial saw the new Allora-Clifton club play its first games at Allora, when they were defeated by Eastern Suburbs by 25 - 10. Allora-Clifton ran on in their first official club fixture in the Warwick District Rugby League competition on March 27th, 1966 against Millmerran at the Allora Showgrounds (Tom Cowley Oval), winning the match in a positive start to the season.

The "Greens" as they were known met Collegians in their second match, at Warwick's Queens Park, suffering a 26 - 5 defeat, centre Barry Donegan scoring Allora-Clifton's only try. The Allora-Clifton side that played the first grade match that day were Tony Cartwright, Mal Henry, Des Cantwell, Rob Lester, Stuart Sparksman, Bevan Crothers, Barry Donegan, Ted Cowley, Dave Achilles, Des Power, Tom Zeller, Russell Cass, Kev Smith (Captain). Allora-Clifton only played one season, 1966, in the Warwick District competition, being admitted to the Toowoomba Rugby League in 1967.

In that first year in the T.R.L. the Under 16 side made the Grand Final but were defeated. Wattles first premiership was won by an Under 16 team though, defeating All Whites 17 - 7 in the 1968 Grand Final. The 1968 season also saw the Allora-Clifton club gain their first State representative when Les Lane was selected for Queensland.

Allora-Clifton became Wattles in 1969 after a competition organised by Mal Eiby to give the club a name. The club has tasted much success in its 50 year history. Wattles won their first A Grade premiership in 1970, defeating Valleys by 20 - 17. The team was Mick Gleeson, Denis Fogarty, Bevan Crothers, John Cowley, Dan Ryan, Brian Keleher, Mal Duff, Lew Platz, Greg Platz, Brian Meara, Jim Phelan, Terry Fogarty, Laurie Lipp, Mick Bowe, Rob Rowlings, Sid Telford, Dennis Ryan, Joe Gleeson & Trevor Gleeson. Wattles also won Toowoomba Rugby League premierships in 1997, 2014 (A Grade), 1976 & 1992 (2nd Grade), 1992 (3rd Grade), 1998 (Under 19), 1976, 1977, 1991 (Under 18) and 1968, 1974, 1975, 1977 (Under 16).

Wattles second A Grade premiership success occurred in 1997, the 'Warriors' coached by John McLuskey and captained by Steve Miles. The team that defeated Newtown 42 - 8 at the Toowoomba Athletic Oval were: 1. Steve Miles, 2. Alf Boney, 3. Mark Smythe, 4. Vince Ramsay, 5. Keith Joppich, 6. Roger Robinson, 7. Alec Young, 13. Stephen Park, 12. Craig Scanlan, 11. Scott Minnikin, 10. Mick Smith, 9. Scott Morton, 8. Brad Eyre, 14. Cameron Hamblin, 15. Matthew May, 16. Jason Denny, 17. Clinton Banks, 18. Will McIntosh. Alas with only seventeen players to run on classy back Will McIntosh sat out the match.

The Warriors most recent and third A Grade premiership silverware came their way just last year when they upset the Gatton Hawks



Wattles Rugby League Football Club 1997 A Grade Toowoomba Rugby League Premiership winning team - (Front) Alwyn Hamblin (Manager), Alec Young, Scott Morton, Steve Miles, Keith Joppich, John McClusky (Coach). (Middle) Jack Duggan (Manager), Mark Smythe, Will McIntosh, Stephen Park, Matthew May, Roger Robinson, Ross Ruhle (Manager). (Back) Jason Denny (inset), Vince Ramsay, Alf Boney, Mick Smith, Scott Minnikin, Clinton Banks, Craig Scanlan, Brad Eyre, Cameron Hamblin (inset).

36 - 12 at Toowoomba's Clive Berghofer Stadium.

Wattles 36 (Joel Koina 3, Brodie Ciesiolka, Ryan Duggan, Robbie Moore tries; Matt Duggan 6 goals) defeated Gatton 12 (Steve Franciscus, Dom Haak tries; Jason Willmot 2 goals)

Wattles 'National Farmer's Warehouse' 2014 'A' Grade Premiership winning team: 1. Jackson Green, 2. Robbie Moore, 3. Jamie Dodt, 4. Joel Koina, 5. Tim Hentschel, 6. Brodie Ciesiolka, 7. Matt Duggan (c), 8. Xavier Manley, 9. Mark Gordon, 10. Pat Manley, 11. Brod Koina, 12. Conor Swinton, 13. Aaron Scheid - 14. Ryan Duggan, 15. Michael Bermingham, 16. Dylan Edneter, 17. Mitch Koina. Coach: Luke Duggan.

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On Sunday the club's 'National Farmer's Warehouse' A Grade team will run on to Clive Berghofer Stadium at 3.00 pm against the Dalby 'Diehards' in the 96th Toowoomba Rugby League Grand Final in pursuit of further premiership glory. The Wattles Warriors 'National Farmer's Warehouse' 2015 A Grade Grand Final Squad (Two to be omitted): 1. Corey Blades, 2. Michael Purcell, 3. Brenden Wilson 4. Joel Koina, 5. Jimmy Johnson, 6 Brodie Ciesiolka, 7. Matt Duggan, 8. Eugene Seddon, 9. Mark Gordon, 10. Chris Warden, 11. Aaron Scheid, 12. Jason Bradfield, 13. Ryan Duggan, 15. Harry Fulwood, 16. Glen McMillian, 17. Dylan Ebnetter, 18. Jarrod Bradfield, 19. Brod Koina, 20. Cameron Moodie. Coach: Luke Duggan. (No player #14)

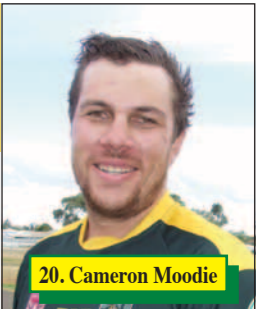
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11.40AM U18..... VALLEYS V PITTSWORTH
1.15PM RESERVE GRADE..... GATTON V VALLEYS
3.00PM A GRADE..... WATTLES V DALBY



Wattles Rugby League Football Club 2014 A Grade team - (Front) Liam Ross, Dale McAntee, Aaron Scheid (President), Jamie Dodt, Hannent, Ryan Duggan. (Middle) Jackson Green, Mitch Koina, Brod Koina, Pat Manley, Joel Koina, Luke Duggan (Coach). (Back) Robbie Moore, Tim Hentschel, Simon Ryan, Conor Swinton, Brodie Ciesiolka, Matt Duggan (Captain). (Insets) Michael Bermingham, Dan Manley, Jim Johnson, Xavier Manley, Mark Gordon, Dylan Ebnetter, Carl Gale.



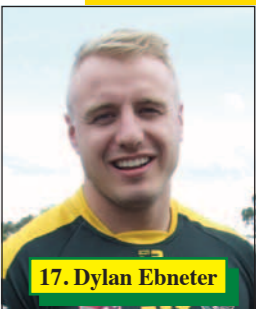
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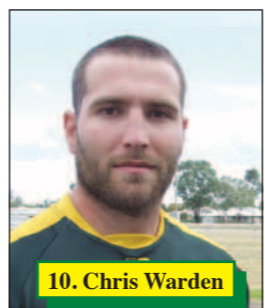
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16. Glen McMillian



10. Chris Warden



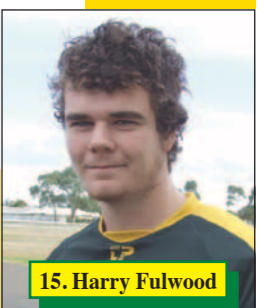
11. Aaron Scheid



12. Jason Bradfield



13. Ryan Duggan



15. Harry Fulwood



Male Magpies Start to Swoop in Allora

It's not an uncommon experience to be walking or cycling in Allora, when suddenly a black-and-white shadow swoops down on you, sending you ducking for cover. While these experiences can be scary, Backyard Buddies wants to let you know it ain't all black and white.

Backyard Buddies is a free program run by Australia's Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife. Each month, you get a Backyard Buddies email (B-mail) with tips to make your backyard inviting and safe for native animals. Magpies feature in the September B-mail. Sign up for B-mail and download a free factsheet about magpies at www.backyardbuddies.net.au. "It can be very scary getting swooped by a magpie, especially for children," said Ms Susanna Bradshaw, CEO of the Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife. "But there are a lot of things you can do to avoid getting swooped, by understanding why magpies behave the way they do."

"It's important to remember that not all magpies swoop. Female magpies don't swoop at all as they are busy tending to their chicks and only some males do. In fact it is estimated that only 9% of magpies swoop. The male magpies that do the swooping, believe they are protecting their offspring," said Ms Bradshaw. "They will only swoop for about six weeks of the year. September is usually the peak swooping month and then they will start to calm down and you can go about your business in peace again."

"The most common targets for magpies are people riding bicycles, young children and males, although each magpie will usually have its own target. These birds are very intelligent and will often approach you from behind or from the direction of the sun to try and catch you unawares."

"The worst thing you can do when a magpie is swooping you is to try and fight back. Throwing rocks or sticks at a magpie will only further aggravate it and encourage it to swoop more, as it shows the magpie that you really are a threat to its babies. Magpies are a protected native species, so harming them can lead to penalties and fines."

"Each magpie tends to have a specific person in mind to target, such as cyclists or young boys. There is method to this madness as scientists believe magpies swoop people who look like someone who bothered them in the past. All the more reason to never aggravate or attack a magpie as it will remember what you look like and attack anyone who looks similar to you!"

"Some people believe that feeding magpies will help the birds lose their fear of humans and prevent swooping. Unfortunately there is no evidence to support this and instead it can artificially grow their populations, make them sick from unsuitable foods, and reliant on us. There have even been recent reports of magpies stealing food from people's hands and mouths. This is a learned behaviour caused by people feeding them. Without human interference, magpies are naturally shy."

The best thing to do is avoid locations where you know there is a magpie swooping. Alter your walking or biking route for the next six weeks after a swoop. Magpies tend to nest in the same spots each year, so remember where your local, aggressive magpie is so you can avoid him next year as well.

There are some tips you can try to deter a swooping magpie but remember that each bird is different and what works for one, might not work for another.

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Tips for bike riders during Magpie Swooping Season

- Hop off your bike and walk past a magpie's nest.
- Change your route for the next six weeks if possible.
- Attach a flag to the back of your bike which is higher than your head level.
- Stick a pair of printable eyes on the back of your helmet. (If the magpie has seen this before, it may not deter it, as they can learn the difference between real and fake eyes).
- Fasten plastic cable ties echidna-style to your helmet to try and prevent them from getting at your head.

Why you should like Magpies:

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Old Stanthorpe Road Safety Improvements

Road works are being carried out on Old Stanthorpe Road from Tuesday, 22 September 2015 to Friday, 30 October 2015. The road widening works are to improve safety at crests between Chainages 29.90 – 30.90 km (1.1 km south-west of Brooklands Road to a further 1 km).

The work site will operate under STOP and GO traffic control; however residents will be able to obtain access to and from their properties by obeying the direction of traffic controllers or traffic signs during work hours of 6.30am and 3.30pm Monday to Friday.

Council apologises for any inconvenience caused by the works, and seeks residents' cooperation during this period. Should you require further information, please contact Southern Downs Regional Council on 1300 MY SDRC (1300 697 372).

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SDRC Director moving on to General Manager position in Kyogle

David Tuxford, Director Business and Community Services, will be leaving Southern Downs Regional Council to take up the role of General Manager/Chief Executive Officer at Kyogle Shire Council in New South Wales.

Southern Downs Regional Council's Mayor, Cr Peter Blundell said that Mr Tuxford has made a significant contribution to the organisation in his current role and previously undertaking the role of Acting Chief Executive Officer.

"David has effectively managed a diverse area of activities ranging from Community Services to Sale-yards, Cemeteries to Swimming Pools. David has had important input in consolidating the financial position of Council and determining the long term financial position of Council.

"David has made a valuable contribution to Southern Downs Regional Council over the past two and a half years. He has provided guidance to Council through some contentious issues and worked closely with staff to ensure that there have been quality services delivered to the community.

"Whilst it is disappointing that David is leaving, the time and effort that he has put into Southern Downs Regional Council is appreciated by myself and my fellow Councillors and we all wish him well in his new role at Kyogle," said the Mayor.

With regard to replacing Mr Tuxford's position, Council's Chief Executive Officer Mr David Keenan indicated that the position will not be replaced.

"A minor restructure will occur, with the existing Managers that were under the supervision of Mr Tuxford reporting directly to myself and the two remaining Directors," said Mr Keenan.

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Events Calendar

2015

September -

Sat 26 **Allora Men's Shed Meeting**
Allora Men's Shed (old Fire Station), 9.30am

October -

Tue 6 **Allora Medical Support Group AGM**
Railway Hotel, Allora, 7.30pm

Thu 8 **Keeping Older Drivers Safe - Sponsored by Scope**
Senior Citizens, Allora, 5.30pm

Sat 10 **Allora High Tea**
Allora Community Hall, 2.00pm

Sat 10 **Warwick Uber Markets**
Leslie Park, Warwick, 10.00am to 2.30pm

Fri 16 **St Patrick's Parish Fete**
St Patrick's School Grounds

Sat 31 **Allora Men's Shed Meeting**
Allora Men's Shed (old Fire Station), 9.30am

November -

Sat 14 **Warwick Uber Markets**
Leslie Park, Warwick, 10.00am to 2.30pm

Sun 15 **Allora Car Boot Sale**
Allora State School, Darling Street, 9.00am to 12 noon

Sat 28 **Allora Men's Shed Meeting**
Allora Men's Shed (old Fire Station), 9.30am

Sat 28 **Christmas Candle - Helen Earley Ensemble**
Allora P-10 State School Hall, 7.30pm

December -

Sat 5 **Creekside Carols & Markets**
Dalrymple Park, Allora

Sat 12 **Warwick Uber Markets**
Leslie Park, Warwick, 10.00am to 2.30pm

Sun 13 **Allora Churches Together Christmas Carols**
7.00pm

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January -

Sat 30 **Allora Men's Shed Meeting**
Allora Men's Shed (old Fire Station), 9.30am

February -

Sat 27 **Allora Men's Shed Meeting**
Allora Men's Shed (old Fire Station), 9.30am

Sat 27 **Allora Men's Shed Golf & Bowls Day**
Allora Sports Club, 11.00am

March -

Sat 12 & Sun 13 **St Patrick's School Centenary Celebrations**
St Patrick's School Grounds

Sat 26 **Allora Men's Shed Meeting**
Allora Men's Shed (old Fire Station), 9.30am

Sat 28 **Christmas Candle - Helen Earley Ensemble**
Allora P-10 State School Hall, 7.30pm

April -

Sat 16 **Allora & Dist. Historical Society Display & Demo Day**
Warwick Street Museum, Allora.

Sat 30 **Allora Men's Shed Meeting**
Allora Men's Shed (old Fire Station), 9.30am

May -

Sat 14 **Scope Club Annual Afternoon Tea Fundraiser**
Allora Community Hall.

Sat 28 **Allora Men's Shed Meeting**
Allora Men's Shed (old Fire Station), 9.30am

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Wattles Among Awards at TRL Presentations

Among the glamour and glitz of last Friday evening's 96th Toowoomba Rugby League Annual Season Presentation Function at Toowoomba's Rumours International Wattles Rugby League Club again figured prominently in the awards after a 2015 season littered with achievements.

While star halfback Matt Duggan, the Toowoomba Rugby League 'Player of the Year' in 2013 & 2014, was well in the mix to collar the award and another prestigious Price-Webcke Medal to add to his mantelpiece, team mates five-eight Brodie Ciesiolka & fullback Corey Blades also in contention, the honours eventually going to joint winners Warwick 'Cowboys' hooker Justin Croft & Pittsworth 'Danes' back-rower Mitchell Carpenter.

Croft is a familiar face to Wattles supporters having formerly played in the green and gold.

Croft and Carpenter were also jointly honoured as best and fairest players in all grades and earning the 'Frank Purcell Memorial Trophy'.

Wattles President Aaron Scheid was the recipient of the A

Grade Minor Premiership shield from Toowoomba Rugby League Life Member Gary Sutton, the Wattles A Graders having won eighteen of their twenty fixtures played across the 2015 season. Wattles' affiliate 2nd Division Club the Millmerran Rams collected the Minor Premiership for their grade, undefeated in fixtures in 2015.

Former Wattles player and International Greg Platz presented awards to members of the Toowoomba Clydesdales Open side that won the QRL Central Division 47th Battalion Trophy Championships earlier this year, which included Wattles players Matt Duggan, Jason Bradfield, Joel Koina, Corey Blades, Coach Eugene Seddon and Assistant Coach Luke Duggan.

Matt Duggan was named the beat back of the 47th Battalion Championships with Highfields Hayden Smith the best forward, and Gatton flyer Billy Jackwitz the representative player of the year.

Wattles Ambassador Alana Frizzell was an absolute picture on the night, partnered by Warriors reserve grade star Jared Petersen. Alana finished third among the nine TRL Ambassador entrants, acquitting herself particularly well on the night and throughout the year long commitment of the quest, her hard work in support of the Wattles Club, fundraising and commitment to her Assistant Secretary role offering her club tremendous support across the 2015 season.

Wattles outside back whiz kid Dale McAntee was named top try scorer in reserve grade crossing for an amazing 26 tries in the season, while A Grade skipper Matt Duggan was the top grade highest point scorer with 236 points from eleven tries & 96 goals.

Club President Aaron Scheid was Wattles nomination for the TRL Club Person of the Year, and while an admirable choice with well over a decade of volunteer service and three years as club Chairman the award went to Brothers volunteer Kylie Phillips.

The 2015 TRL Colt of the Year is Sam Betros from Brothers. Wattles had five players named in the 'S & K Drilling/Chronicle TRL Team of the Year: Fullback Corey Blades, winger Michael Purcell, centre Joel Koina, halfback Matt Duggan, second-row Jason Bradfield and five-eight Brodie Ciesiolka on the bench. Wattles Reserve Graders Matt McCarthy & Dale McAntee



Allora Golf Club Notes

The Duck Run was played last Friday in pretty ordinary conditions. The wintery weather certainly didn't worry John Sparksman who won the day with 24 points. Kev Harrison was runner-up on 21 points on a count-back from Gene. Pin shots went to John Sparksman on the 8th and Gene on the 6th.

On Sunday we played for the Jenco Monthly Medal. Although the field was depleted due to nine of our members supporting the Inglewood Open, we still had eleven golfers contest this prestigious event. Good to see Tim and Toby Rose and Michael Forrester from Brisbane out in Allora for the day. The winner of the medal for September was Aaron Simpson, impersonating Jason Day with a net 61. Great round Aaron and one of the best medal winning scores. This now gives Aaron two Monthly Medal wins this year, having also saluted in February. Runner up was Lindsay with a net 65. The run down went to par with golf balls going to Garth, Jack and John E. Pin shots were won by Lindsay (1st and 4th), Jack (8th) and Aaron (10th).

Next week we will play for a club trophy.

Finally, thanks to Ray, Doreen and Melinda for helping out with the catering at Andy Gilmore's 60th birthday party last Saturday night. You really are wonderful people. Thanks also to the Gilmore family for supporting the Sports Club - what a terrific evening it was.

shared the 'McGovern-O'Shea Medal as the Best & Fairest in Reserve Grade for 2015.

Millmerran's Jamie Meddings was named Best & Fairest in 2nd Division, and along with Rams team mate Thomas Halford also collected the 2nd Division top tryscorer award with twenty tries each.

Both the Wattles A Grade side and the Millmerran 2nd Division team will run on in the 96th Toowoomba Rugby League Grand Finals this Sunday at Toowoomba's Clive Berghofer Stadium. The A Grade decider kicks off at 2.30 pm, while 2nd Division gets underway at 10.15 am.

Glyn Rees

The Allora Community Directory...

ORGANISATIONS

Allora Community Circle - Meets 4th Wednesday of the month 5.30pm, at Senior Citizens, Drayton Street, Allora. All welcome.

Allora Community Kindergarten - 7 Gordon Street, Allora. Children attend 5 days per fortnight - Qld School Terms. Phone 4666 3420.

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 the month at the Allora Court House, Raff St., Allora. Contact Wendy Ardrey 0488 673 778.

Allora Landcare Group - Meets every two months at Blue Cow Hotel, 7.30pm, on third Thursday. Contact Peter Thomas 4666 6210 or 0419 724 025.

Allora Men's Shed Inc. - General meeting is held last Saturday of the month at old fire station, Herbert St., Allora. Contact President Trevor Shields 0401 018 450, Secretary Stuart Campbell 4666 3499. Email alloramensshed4362@gmail.com.

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 Shann O'Connell 0478 637 604.

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.

Doctor Who Club of Australia: Allora Local Group - Meets bi-monthly at Allora QCWA, Warwick St. Allora. Contact Fraser Clark on 0401 432 587, email allora@doctorwhoaustralia.org or join our Facebook group for upcoming meeting dates.

Friends of the Homestead - Meets on the 4th Thursday 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 Wylde 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.

SPORTING / HEALTH ACTIVITIES

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.

Allora Tennis Club - Sunday Social Tennis 2.00pm, phone 4666 2260. Ladies Tennis Tuesday AM and PM. Court available for night tennis. Contact 0439 702 051.

Line Dance Classes - Tuesday 6.30pm - 8.30pm, at Allora Sports Centre, Darling Street, Allora. Contact Jenny 4661 2448.

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.



Wattles members of the 2015 'S & K Drilling/Chronicle TRL Team of the Year' Brodie Ciesiolka, Joel Koina, Jason Bradfield, Corey Blades, Michael Purcell & Matt Duggan.

• ANOUNCEMENTS •

Thanks Notice...

BARBARA GLOVER of Allora would sincerely like to thank all those who sent cards, flowers, phone calls and good wishes to her on her recent 90th Birthday. Thank you and may God bless you all.

• PUBLIC NOTICES •

TWO PUBLIC MEETINGS ARE BEING HELD ON TUESDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER, 11.00am and 6.00pm, at the RSL Hall for the residents of Allora that have issues with Grainx.

LYNETTE GORDON-SMITH - Lynette, also known as the Saxy Lady wishes to advise cancellation of all concerts till the New Year. Due to ill health and a long recovery period we will also close our Community/Opp-Shop, with the expectation that next year we will re-establish our vision and venture to support those in need in our community. Thank you for your ready and willing support so far, and Prayers and Cares for a speedy recovery
Chris & Lynette Gordon-Smith

REMINDER: THE ALLORA CRICKET CLUB is holding their ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING this Thursday, 24th September 2015, at 7.00pm, at the Railway Hotel. There will also be a sign on Saturday, 26th September 2015, from 5.00pm, at the Railway Hotel. All welcome. The first club game of the 2015/2016 season will be held on the first weekend in October. More information to come. For more information please contact Aaron on 0428 627 107 or Shannon on 0408 731 794.

ST. PATRICK'S PERUVIAN RAFFLE RESULTS - Rug - Jean Quirke, jewellery box - Mick Lyons, iron - Tony Eiser, bath robe - Betty Barker, baby blanket - Bob Denny, wine - Lyn Close. Thanks for your support.

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CATCH UP CRAFT - In Warwick, 2nd Tuesday of each month, 11.30am - 2.00pm.

HOME BIBLE STUDY - For time and place, please phone 4666 3327

MENS BREAKFAST - Saturday, 26th September,

7.20am - Guest Speaker. Mark Cary - Resides at Mt. Marshall and is a qualified psychologist. Mark was present as end of August breakfast in Allora, same day as Rob Jones. He has been involved with counselling men, Lifeline and flood damaged farmers. Interdenominational.

Enquiries to Pastor Dennis Mooney 4666 3734.
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• SOLUTIONS •

THIS WEEK'S SUDOKU SOLUTION

CSIRO DOUBLE HELIX QUIZ ANSWERS

1. True. A lobster's blood is blue when exposed to oxygen.
2. Nitrogen makes up about 78% of air.
3. Most of the active volcanoes on Earth are located in the Ring of Fire around the edge of the Pacific Ocean.
4. Triton is Neptune's largest moon.
5. The gluteus maximus, or the buttocks muscle, is the largest muscle in the human body.

4	5	3	7	2	9	6	1	8
6	7	8	3	4	1	6	5	2
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8	2	5	1	3	9	6	7	4
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