

St Patrick's School 2017 Awards

St Patrick's Church swelled with what was almost a capacity crowd on Tuesday night for the school's annual end of year celebration and awards night. The annual celebration is a night where the hard work of all of our community is recognised and the primary education of St Patrick's school leaders is celebrated. During his address, the Principal acknowledged the professional work of all St Patrick's staff and the overwhelming engagement of the school's community in the education of each and every child.

Award recipients were nominated by their peers and these nominations were subsequently reviewed and endorsed by the teaching staff. The 'Christian Living' award was awarded to Alexandria Bender for her caring leadership and a willingness to assist others. Reuben Sullivan's consistent hardworking efforts and a 'can do' attitude was recognised with the 'Community Spirit Award'. The 'Diligence Award' was awarded to Sophie Summerell and Emily Jones for their resilient and determined application to their work. Alexandria Bender and Joshua Hagenbach were dual recipients of the 'Academic Award'. Daniel Morris' passion and leadership in the arts had him nominated as a worthy recipient for 'The Cultural Award'. The dual recipients of the 'Sporting Award' were Georgia Denny and Joshua Hagenbach. Congratulations to all of our year 6 students for a wonderful year of learning and leadership.

The school community congratulates the departing year 6 students and is confident that the many gifts of learning provided to them by their teachers and parents over the many years will place them in good stead to face any challenge that they encounter in their secondary and future schooling. The St Patrick's School community wishes all of our year 6 students well and look forward to hearing of their successes in the future.



Back from left - Reuben Sullivan, Daniel Morris, Alexandria Bender. Front from left - Joshua Hagenbach, Georgia Denny, Sophie Summerell, Emily Jones.

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Letters to the Editor...

Dear Editor,

International Volunteer Day is a time for us to reflect on the immense contribution volunteers make to our society and thank them for all that they do.

Red Cross is an organisation built on voluntary service, made up of 17 million volunteers worldwide. Volunteers help us save lives, build resilient communities, support people in disaster, and prevent and alleviate human suffering in times of war and conflict.

Every day throughout the year our 35,000 members and volunteers in Australia improve the wellbeing of those who are experiencing extreme vulnerability. I can't thank them enough for their time, energy and commitment, and I feel privileged to work alongside them.

Voluntary service not only helps the recipients, but also the volunteers whose lives are enriched by the act of giving. We aim to build an inclusive, diverse and active humanitarian movement based on voluntary service. I strongly urge you to join our humanitarian movement and help your community by visiting redcross.org.au/volunteering.

Penny Harrison
Director, Volunteering
Australian Red Cross.

Dear Editor,

The cancellation of the Allora Creekside Carols was a very disheartening decision and as co-ordinators of the event we must acknowledge first and foremost our sponsors whom so generously supported us and now sadly cannot be represented in the way we'd hoped.

Headstart – Josh and Chantal set up and packed up within a space of 2 hours and even had a personalised 'Creekside carols' banner made to display on our stage.

United Petroleum – A first time sponsor looking to continue the past support of Glenmar Fuels since its take-over in June.

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Solution in classifieds section

GrainX – a major sponsor 3 years running.
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Allora Advertiser, Allora High Tea Committee, Allora Scope Club & Allora IGA and last but certainly not least an extra special mention must go to the **Allora RSL** – not only are they generous financial supporters of the carols but along with members of the **Allora Men's Shed** help every year with the daylong set up. This year was exceptional. Setting up in 35 degree heat and then braving the fierce storm in order to save everything that they could. If that wasn't enough when the storm past they set about cooking their BBQ with smiles on their faces! Our hearts were lifted by the sight of these wonderful volunteers in the aftermath of our little carols disaster. I think we can speak on behalf of the entire Allora Community in saying how blessed we are to have such wonderful selfless people in our town.

Big thanks must also go to the performers booked for the evening especially the Salvation Army Band who rehearse tirelessly for months to bring that extra special magic to the evening.

We hope that everyone will be able to return next year so that we can bring you all a show stopper of a different kind!
Sincerely,

Gretta Barton, Sarah Turner & Stacey Turner

The Editor,

As a long time customer of Allora's Blue Care Op Shop, I wish to give my support and encouragement to the ladies and staff that go over and beyond their duty of service.

I would think management would be awarding them appreciation for a well run shop.

With kind regards,

Mrs. Kerry Anne Denné.

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WEATHER FORECAST				
Day	Forecast	Min/Max		
THU	Heavy Rain. Cloudy. Warm. Humid.	19	32	
FRI	Heavy Rain. Morning Clouds. Warm.	17	29	
SAT	Mostly Sunny. Cool.	15	21	
SUN	Mostly Sunny. Cool.	15	22	
MON	Partly Cloudy. Mild.	13	27	
TUE	Morning Clouds. Warm.	13	29	



Fred Laws Memorabilia Arrives

The vast priceless collection of sporting memorabilia of the late Allora, Queensland and Kangaroo Tour representative, Mr Fred Laws is now at home at the Allora Regional Sports Museum. Some pieces are already on display for the public to view. Fred's 1925 match Qld Jersey (pictured above) with his ceremonial tassled hat, two match Kangaroo Jerseys from the early '30s with hat, blazer pockets, scrap books, programmes from England and a complete photo history of his Kangaroo Tours. Autographed photos from his team mates include Tom Gorman, Herb Steinhart, Mick Madsen, Vic Armbruster, etc. The museum is very grateful for the Laws family in donating this much sought after collection. Fred with his collection will be inducted into the "Hall of Fame" along with Steve Gibson, who

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This function will be held at the Allora Community Hall, 25th February 2017.

The committee is also very excited to work on Gibbo's display of memorabilia which is also vast and priceless, spanning Australia and Great Britain Rugby Leagues.

Museum open Sundays, 12.30pm - 4.00pm or by appointment 0407 034 320.

A call out to all the cooks of Allora and the surrounds -

The hunt is on for your favourite or never before published recipes to add to our Recipe Book for our Allora State School 150 Years Celebration. We are looking for if possible, a recipe and a sentimental story to be included. A reason why this recipe is special can also be included, for example Auntie Mag's Powder Puffs always made their way to the table for family celebrations.

Email your recipes or any queries to cchan5@eq.edu.au or lharr281@eq.edu.au or phone Kaye Mullins 4666 3330 or drop off typed recipes to the School Office.

Recipes are required no later than 20th January 2017.

With Christmas comes faith, hope and love.
I wish all these things for you and your family
during this festive season and into the New Year.

Merry Christmas



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BreastScreen Queensland Mobile Service to visit Warwick

Women aged 40 and over are encouraged to take full advantage of BreastScreen Queensland's state-of-the-art digital mobile service while it is in Warwick. BreastScreen Health Promotion Officer Nicola Garrett said anyone wanting to make an appointment with the mobile service should do so as soon as possible. "The mobile service will be located at the Warwick Hospital until 22 December," Ms Garrett said.

"The mobile service visits rural and regional locations on a two-yearly cycle so if you've been thinking about booking in for your first breast screen, or coming back for a regular two-yearly screen, we encourage you phone 13 20 50 and make an appointment today." Ms Garrett said women aged 40 and over should have a breast screen every two years.

Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago December 1991

Word Perfect

Allora Shire Council made a special presentation to staff member Ms Jenny Newton at its monthly meeting this week. Ms Newton received the highest result possible for training on Word Perfect 5.1 word processor. Shire Chairman, Cr. Jim Deacon, presented her with a framed certificate. "Jenny did a particularly good job - she could not have achieved any higher and we are very pleased" Cr. Deacon said.

The position of librarian Meg Birkolz was made permanent at this month's council meeting. The part-time position operated on a casual basis previously.

Allora's Past 50 years ago December 1966

ALLORA SHIRE COUNCIL OFFICIAL OPENING of the ALLORA LIBRARY

The Chairman (Cr. S. D. Henry) and the members of the Allora Shire Council have pleasure in issuing an invitation to the residents of Allora and District to be present at the Official Opening of the Allora Library which will take place on Saturday, 10th December, 1966 at 3 p.m. by J. L. Stapleton, State Librarian of Queensland, and later to afternoon tea at the Memorial Hall, Warwick St., Allora.

Lex Ellwood, Shire Clerk.

Allora's Past 75 years ago December 1941

Pre-Wedding Evening

Miss Helen Smith, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith of Mt. Marshall, will wed Corporal Alf Rushton on Boxing Day



The wedding of Corporal Alf Rushton and Miss Helen Smith, 26th December 1941.

Photo courtesy Jenny Mason.

and in her honour Misses Olive Erlandson, Doris Huston and Iris and Milly Bell arranged a pre-wedding evening in the Mt. Marshall Hall. The Smith family have lived in the district for many years and the function was well attended and was enjoyed by the guests. Mr. Ned Sparksman, chairman of the function introduced the speakers and wished the guest of honour every happiness in her married life. The presentation of many gifts and a substantial monetary gift to the bride-elect was made by Mr. V. Willett who spoke of the high esteem in which Miss Smith was held in the district. Mr. A. Smith and Corporal A. Rushton suitably responded.

Allora's Past 100 years ago December 1916

Firing Crackers

At the Allora Police Court yesterday morning before Messrs. J. E. Harvey and P. J. Higgins J.J.P., Duncan Cameron and Charles Bishop were, under By-law No. 10 of the Allora Shire Council, charged with firing squibs and crackers in Herbert Street. Both pleaded guilty and were fined 2/6, together with 3/6 costs of court. The cases being under the Council's by-laws, Mr. A. Hamilton (Shire Clerk) appeared to prosecute and announced that he did not press for a heavy penalty. Acting-Sergeant Newman also took a similar stand, but stated that in future, the names of all children, however young, who fired crackers in the public streets would be taken, with a view to subsequent prosecution of their parents. We hope that the warning will be taken in the spirit that it is given.

(Less than 18 months later, Private Charles Gustav Phillip Bishop then aged 18, was throwing crackers of a different kind, live hand grenades in the trenches of France during WWI, while serving with the 15th Infantry Battalion. Charlie survived the war but suffered accidental "cerebral concussion" in England on the 22nd April 1919 while waiting to be returned to Australia. His adventures were not over with his embarkation from England on the 1st July 1919. He was declared A.W.L. when his ship left Cape Town and he was not on board. He turned himself in four days later and was awarded 7 days detention and 28 days loss of pay. Charlie was finally discharged from the army on the 26th September 1919 and returned to Allora).

Colin Newport

"We know that early detection is vital so if you haven't been keeping up-to-date with important health checks, now's the time to do so," she said. "In Australia more than 15,000 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer every year. "One in eight Queensland women will be diagnosed with breast cancer and of those 90 per cent will have no family history of the illness. "That's why we encourage all women aged 40 and over to have a free breast screen every two years, and also be sure to carry out regular breast checks. "If you find something unusual, or have any concerns about your breast health, see your GP as soon as possible." Women aged 40 and over should phone 13 20 50 to book a free breast screen. A doctor's referral is not required and appointments generally take less than 30 minutes.

Mayor encourages residents to follow the lead of latest MY SDRC App prize winner

Stuart Campbell, is the latest resident from Allora to reap the rewards of downloading Southern Downs Regional Council's MY SDRC App. Mr Campbell downloaded the App in August and remained an eligible entrant to the promotion until he was chosen as the winner for month of October. Southern Downs Mayor Tracy Dobie presented Mr Campbell with his prize, a digital hose watering timer valued at around \$90.00.

Mr Campbell was thrilled with the 'waterwise' prize, but said he had decided to donate it to the Allora Men's Shed. He also said he had embraced technology and thought it was a good idea to have the App.

"So far I've used it a couple of times, including submitting a request on behalf of the Allora Men's Shed, and found it quite easy to use.

"The App is marvellous, particularly when you get the right outcome," said Mr Campbell.

The Mayor said that it was fantastic to see residents like Mr Campbell getting on board with the App and encouraged more to do the same.

"Technology is the way forward and with smart devices ever more popular, Council would love to see more residents using the App as the first port of call for submitting requests for service or to get something fixed.

"It's a much more convenient way to submit a request, and less time consuming than getting in the car and driving or walking down to one of Council's offices.



Southern Downs Mayor, Cr Tracy Dobie presents Stuart Campbell, the October MY SDRC App promotion winner, with his prize.

"The App means you can lodge a request from the comfort of your own home, office or while you're out and about on the go, and you can track the progress of your requests as well.

"If you haven't already downloaded the App, do so now and you can still be in the draw for another prize," emphasised the Mayor.

The MY SDRC App Promo 2 continues to run until 9 December. To enter, simply download the MY SDRC App for free from the Play Store (Android) or App Store (Apple) and submit a request selecting the "MY SDRC App Promo 2-2016" category type. For your entry to be valid, ensure you enter your name and contact details.

For full details of the MY SDRC APP Promotion Terms and Conditions, visit Council's website <http://www.sdrcl.gov.au/payments---services/my-sdrcl-app/my-sdrcl-app-promotion>.

BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

The Doctor received a frantic phone call from Mr. Jones who explained that his wife, who always slept with her mouth open, had a mouse caught in her throat.

"Don't worry, I'll be over in a few minutes," said the doctor. "In the meantime, try waving a piece of cheese in front of her mouth."

When the doctor arrived, he found Mr Jones waving a large fish in front of his wife's face.

"What on earth are you doing?" exclaimed the doctor.

"I told you to wave cheese. Mice don't like fish."

"I know," Mr Jones gasped, "but I need to get the cat out first."

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C&K Kindergarten teachers Mrs Doherty and Mrs. Millburn with the children at Darling Downs Zoo.

A Zootacular Kindy Adventure

Before the end of the school term and the start of something new, Allora's local C&K Kindergarten took their students on an adventure, an excursion to the Darling Downs Zoo. The Class was welcomed at the door by some extreme heat and numerous amounts of flies, but that didn't deter the children from all the zoo had to explore.

The tour began with an up-close encounter with a baby crocodile this was a very exciting experience for all the kindy children and I'm sure one that will be remembered. The crocodile was followed by the viewing of lizards, snakes, wombats and possums, along with some native birds, before the parents, teachers and students set off on the path to further discover the zoo. A highlight for many of the children were the monkeys – there were atleast 3 different types of monkeys for viewing, their ability to swing from tree to tree, move quickly along the cage and to dangle upside down was truly spectacular.

Many students were also able to greet, pat and feed Zebras, Deer's, Emus and Ostriches – who were very determined to get the food; some pushing their entire neck out through the fence to peck into the food buckets that Mrs



The children have a close up encounter with a baby crocodile.

Doherty and Mrs Milburn were holding – the kids found their cheekiness very amusing. Meerkat's, Tortoise's and zebras were also another highlight but were much too slow paced for our kindy children who could not wait to see the lions.

Unlike the Tiger who wasn't interested in leaving his nice shady tree the Lions, put on a truly spectacular show, the zoo keeper informed the crowd of some very interesting information about lions including that most lions have spots but you cannot clearly view them due to their fur. Then she went on to feed these giant cats the kindy children – Just Kidding! The cats were fed some beef meat and the children were all kept safe.

After the fantastic show, we then continued through the zoo back to the picnic area where everyone enjoyed lunch under the shade of some gumtrees and enjoyed some nice cold ice blocks – big thanks to the teachers for those! The Zoo adventure ended with a slithering Python to which, unlike some parents, the children showed no fear.

The Adventure to Darling Downs Zoo proved to be an amazing day and illustrated the braveness of all the local children at the Allora Kindergarten. All the parents and teachers wish those who are moving on to Prep in 2017 all the best though we find these children extremely fearless and brave; having no doubt that they will continue to succeed in what they set out to achieve.



Feeding time for the lions at Darling Downs Zoo.

The Most Memorable Creek Side Carols Ever – We Were Totally Blown Away By The Experience

Preparation for this year's carols was under the leadership of Sarah and Stacey Turner and Greta Barton. The programme organised had all our local vocal talent participating - Jo Denny, John, Justin and Ted Cowley, Don Burge, Robyn Draper, the O'Deas, the combined St. Patrick's & Allora State schools, and Shaun Godley. This year the audience were in for a surprise with a performance by vocalists Maddy Cougar from Clifton, Lisa Skerman from Toowoomba and Deborah Leigh-Russell from the Gold Coast. The Salvation Army band had been practicing regularly in the weeks leading up to the concert.

The event made headlines, not for a wonderful night of entertainment under the stars but for one of the wildest storms to hit Allora in quite a few years. The stage and sound system was in place, the performers arrived for a practice session, the RSL members were ready to serve the first burger off the bar-b-que plate when all hell broke loose.

Stacey Turner stood on the rain soaked stage as the Christmas tree tumbled towards the creek, the amplifiers crashed to the ground and the Salvation Army members sensibly went to the safety of their cars. Why did Stacy roar laughing when she felt like crying – she saw through the swirling mix of leaves, branches and various other airborne hazards, at least twenty over 60's hanging on to the bar-b-que gazebo trying to hold it down to save not themselves from getting wet from the lashing rain or to be protected from the flashing lightning but to save the precious food.

When Stacey with tears streaming, did manage to make her way through the deluge to get a comforting hug from Mum, she was in for a surprise. As she stood with her head on Kath's



Stallholders desperately trying to keep their stalls from blowing away during the short freak storm moments before the Creekside Carols were due to start. Photo Courtesy Stuart Campbell

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shoulder, the rain filled tent roof poured down on her. The tension was broken and Stacey declared it was the best concert ever!

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The most dramatic performance of the night was when Scope's Daphne Whatley's hearing aid shorted out after a lighting strike nearby. Ear piercing sounds sent Daphne running, screaming across the sodden park, holding up her rain soaked slacks in danger of slipping down. A karma fairy arrived when the tempest had abated; Sarah Turner who had left the park to change, arrived back in costume fluttering gracefully, oh so calm and dry. Calm also was the patron who politely asked the cook if her soggy bun could be dried out on the hot plate.

Di from Community Radio, Rainbow FM called within minutes of the storm to get an update. She advised listeners of the situation. It was heartening to see the community spirit of Allora & district residents. Many people came down to the park to show their support even though the concert had been cancelled. They purchased burgers from the RSL and Christmas fare from the Anglican women's stall. The wonderful support shown by Allora & district people is the



A tree took it upon itself to fall over, blocking access into the park, as if to reinforce the fact that the Creekside Carols were cancelled.

reason why Sarah, Stacey and Greta have scheduled a revised programme. Many of the original performers want to share the Christmas spirit with the community. A Christmas concert will be held in the RSL Hall on Saturday 17th December. A bar-beque lunch and refreshments will be available from 12noon with a concert to follow. Santa will be on hand to distribute 'Christmas goodies' to the children. The Allora Men's shed and the Scope Club of Allora will be selling raffle tickets. The community raffle will be drawn during the afternoon. Grateful acknowledgement is extended to sponsors of the 2016 Allora Creekside Carols – Head Start, Gain-X, United Fuel, Allora High Tea Committee, Allora Rotary, The Salvation Army, Allora I.G.A., Whites Garage, Warwick Memorial Club, Clifton Courier, Allora Medical Practice, Wilson & Rigby, Scope Club of Allora and RSL Allora Sub Branch.

New Signage for Allora Mountain Reserve

Condamine Headwaters Landcare Group has very kindly assisted the Allora Landcare Group with funding for two signs for the Allora Mountain Flora and Fauna Reserve. One of these will be installed at the amenities block of the Allora Show Grounds where our touring visitors with motor homes and caravans often stay.

The second one will be mounted near the existing sign on the Community Hall. The signs will direct community members and visitors to our lovely town asset and help raise the profile of Allora and all its attractions.

Many thanks, Condamine Headwaters, we make a great team. Keep a look out for the signs and let us know what you think of them.

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5. How much gas do you release on average from your intestines each day as burps and farts? a) 0.01 litres, b) 0.1 litres, c) two litres, d) 10 litres.

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**Allora Sports Club –
Night Bowls Results –**

Week Thirteen – 6th December 2016 - For the second week in a row, rain interrupted play on Tuesday night. Some players were not worried about getting wet but common sense prevailed and we adjourned to the safety of the club house for a short time. Although some teams decided not to continue playing, most of the teams that did were in the either first or second places in the competition ladder. We spectators enjoyed the antics of those players on the green. Zoolanders (Greg, Dennis and Ellice) were determined to win the competition. Their opponents, The Railway Hotel team (Robyn, Adam, Tom) being right down the ladder had nothing to lose and tried every trick in the book but skip, Adam's 'smashes' were way off the mark. Another interesting game was Lawn Grubs (Peter, Andrew, Brett) v Honda Hawks (Glenn, Tim, David). That was a very close game and we knew the winner when Glenn threw his hands in the air and ran around like a mad man! Daren, Nikki & Holli Powel the original Roonicks would be proud that their old team was declared Runners-up after a play-off with Lawn Grubs. Congratulations to Len, Jim, Paul, Kelly, Alan & Rob who all played with the team during the season. Talking about antics on the green – did you notice Ivan wearing a skirt during play. His team mate Russell has a saying "lift your petticoats" so Ivan substituted a skirt!

The last night of competition started with a bar-b-que for players and their families. Thank you to Sports Club Secretary John Ellwood who did the cooking and to Treasurer Donna who made the coleslaw. Donna also made a caramel mud cake for dessert.

There were lots of prizes up for grabs – Ivan, Rusty, Chris Lawler, Robyn, Andrew and John (F&S) won Evans Drilling chocolates. Dennis, John C, Bryce & Barry won plum puddings donated by Lynne Patterson for touchers. Thank you to our generous sponsors and our teams who donated extra prizes for our Christmas break-up. Happy winners were Bruce, Reagan, Margaret, Garry, Beetle, Denise, David, John E, Paddo, Donna and Luke. The Sports Club topped the Jackpot prize to \$50.00. After several tries, with Bev and Ellice having two attempts, John Cochran won the money. Winners of the weekly competition were Lawn Grubs with Doesn't Matter, runners-up.

John Ellwood announced and presented the Winners and Runner-up with their prizes. John congratulated the winning teams and made mention of the strong competition throughout the season. Team captains Greg and Len responded & are looking forward to next year's season which will commence on 17th January 2017. Team nominations on 10th January.

These sponsors have provided prizes all season – True Value Hardware, Swimming Pool, Paul Parker Painter, Railway Hotel, Allora Sports Club, I.G.A. Evans Drilling & Frog & Swallow.

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2016

December -
Fri 9 Senior Citizens Christmas Music Melody
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2017

January -
Sat 28 Allora Heritage Weekend
& Sun 29 Allora Showgrounds.

February -
Sun 12 Allora Swimming Club 50 Year Celebrations
Allora Swimming Pool

Sat 18 Allora RSL Afternoon Delight by Mixed Generations
Allora RSL. Hall, 1.30pm - 4.30pm

March -
Fri 3 Allora Rotary Trivia Night
Allora Community Hall

April -
Fri 28 Opening of the Joyce Gibson Scented Garden
Pre-school grounds, 2.30pm

Fri 28 Bush Dance - Allora Community Circle/Allora S.S.
6.00pm - 9.00pm

Sat 29 Allora State School 150 Year Celebrations

Sat 29 Allora Autumn Festival
& Sun 30 Allora Township

May -
Sat 6 Scope Club of Allora 40th Anniversary Afternoon Tea
Allora Community Hall

October -
Fri 20 St. Patrick's Fete
St. Patrick's School Grounds, Allora

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If people wish to contact The Allora Advertiser and discuss their particular needs, please feel free to do so. Ph 4666 3128.

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TUESDAY - Ladies Bible Study at 10.00am.
WEDNESDAY - Bible Study at 7.00pm, at the church.

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Allora Golf Notes

Friday the 2nd December the Percys Fruit sponsored Duck run was held and played by ten keen golfers in some hot conditions. The winner coming in with 26 points was Graham Whittaker, Kel Strange was runnerup on 22 points and Rod Simpson took the approach pin for the 9th. Congratulations to the winners and all players. Sunday 22 players competed for the Railway Hotels monthly mug in great conditions on the course where some fantastic golf was played. Matt May claimed the win almost beating the course record with a 61, well done Matt. Runner up on count back was Rod Simpson, Rod has been playing some very consistent golf recently which is great to see, well done Rod. Run down winners were Aaron Simpson, Rougan Gerahty, Kev Harrison, Tom Bartholomai, Ken Wison and Wayne McKewan. Congratulations to the winners. Winners for the pin prizes were Kev Harrison on the 7th, 16th Max Bielefeld, 8th Wayne McKewan and Matt May for the 17th. Approach prizes on the 1st went to Rod Simpson, 10th Rod Simpson, 2nd Adam 'Moba' Cummins and the 11th Matt May. Congratulations to the winner and all players. We also had a prize on offer for the

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least amount of putts and the winner who couldn't wipe the smile off his face after coming in with 24 putts was John Ellwood. At the presentation John was certain we should have an extra Honor board just for these days, well done mate. Notes were not taken for the Allora Pharmacy sponsored Monthly Medal Comp on the 27th Nov but the winner who was still on a high after his thrashing of the field for our Open Day was Barry Brown Jnr with a 60 from Runner up Gath Simpson who came in with a 61. A belated congratulations to you both. We would also wish to thank Ezi Ali for their sponsorship of our Open Carnival. Without the combined support from all our sponsors our Open wouldn't have been as successful as it was. A belated thankyou to you all. Thank you to the Railway Hotel for their continued support, thank you to our volunteers for the time and work you all give the course continues to look amazing. Next Friday the Percys fruit Duck Run will be teeing off from 2 pm all welcome to attend. Saturday from 7am we will be having a working bee for the new green, as many helpers as we can get for this will be much appreciated then Sunday we will be holding a 4BBB Stableford comp teeing from 11.30 all welcome to attend but dont forget your sandbuckets and great golfing to you all.

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Proud parents Peter and Catherine Atkinson of Allora congratulate their daughter Sarah after receiving the W R Black Prize and University of Southern Qld Prize (Dux) for 2016 at the SCOTS PGC College Speech Day.

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Council waste facility closures this Christmas

Southern Downs Regional Council is advising all residents that most supervised waste facilities in the Southern Downs region will be closed on Christmas Day.

Southern Downs Regional Council's Manager Environmental Services, Mr Tim O'Brien said all waste facilities that are closed on Christmas Day will reopen on Boxing Day for normal hours, starting at 7am.

"Most waste facilities will be closed on Christmas Day, re-opening Boxing Day, with the exception of the Killarney Waste Transfer Station, which will remain open during the Christmas period including Christmas Day and Boxing Day.

"Wallangarra Waste Transfer Station will be open on Christmas Day, but will

be closed on Boxing Day.

"Locked waste facilities to which residents have keys will also remain accessible, and all JJ Richards waste collection services will carry on as usual with no changes or interruptions to normal schedules.

"The household pick up of general waste and recycling bins is unaffected. So if your pick up day is a Public Holiday it will be done that day.

"At this time of year there are more bottles, cans and paper, all of which can be recycled, thereby reducing the amount of waste going into landfill.

"We wish all of our residents a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and encourage everyone to remember to recycle during the holiday period," said Mr O'Brien.

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