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St Patricks Students Ella and Joshua delve into robotics.

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Local business Allora Butchery took out the Sausage King 1st

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place in the Australian Lamb/Open Class, for their Honey Garlic Moroccan sausage and also bronze in the Poultry Class with their Chicken, Tomato, Basil & Fennel sausage.

AMIC has ten regional finals in this annual contest starting in February running to July. All Sausage King & Best Butchers Burger winners in each region and category will proceed to the State Final to determine the finest sausage and burger makers in the State being held on 20th August 2017 at the EKKA, RNA Showgrounds, Bowen Hills, Qld.

The state winners will then proceed to the National Sausage King & Best Butchers Burger Finals to be held in Melbourne in February 2018 where they will go head to head for the ultimate accolade of being named Australian Sausage King & Best Butchers Burger King. Good luck to Grant Lollback and his team at Allora Butchery.



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#### Letters to the Editor...

Dear Editor,

Whether you agree with the SDRC priorities or not, this writer does not believe that lack of respect is behind the poor maintenance of the Allora Memorial Park as claimed in the Advertiser last week. 'The best little town on the Downs' must mean more than cut grass and tidy roads. It should represent a resilient and caring community where people help each other and contribute their time and effort when jobs need to be done. We all live in the community, but we must also be part of the community. The paying of rates often seems to imply a mind -set where all responsibility for our environment and surroundings is shifted to the council. Surely we can do even a little to help ourselves. In doing so, we may become a stronger community, working together, who really deserve the title of 'best little town on the Downs.

Adele Thomas. Berat

Dear Editor,

#### Residents In Limbo - An Update on the Warfields Road Feedlot (or should it be Colliery Park Road Feedlot?)

You may recall a letter written to the editor three weeks ago regarding the proposal of a 3500 SCU Feedlot on Warfields Road, Allora. The immediate locals first heard of this proposed development on the 22nd February with the opportunity to send submissions to the Southern Downs Regional Council by 14th March. From our feedback, this was the first time many

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residents of Allora. Clifton and surrounding areas had heard of a proposed feedlot.

A public meeting was held and concerns and issues raised. Discussions and research have been done since. Interesting information has been shared between those who stand to be most affected and interested parties.

Fifty-two submissions were received by Council by the due date. This response showed that many more than just the locals affected had issues with the proposal.

Residents have met with Councillors of SDRC and have drawn their attention to the application of which they were marginally

BUT WATCH OUT! The original application has been changed as it apparently didn't comply with all the necessary guidelines. Can't say whether it has been withdrawn or not, but signs will appear on the roads again and the goal posts will be changed. One advertisement will appear in a newspaper. New proposals and information may be put forward. We must be aware of this. It is likely that new submissions will need to be written to address the changes, or post scripts added to the originals. If you would like to read the resubmitted material change of use feedlot application when it becomes available, please express

your interest by e-mail to auburnvale@aapt.net.au

Rosemary Easton, Allora

The Editor,

The author Brad Johnson (The Allora Advertiser 23/03/17) who found fault with Pastor Wiggins questioning of marriage equality, rose to the eniminence of a person holding or promoting egalitarian views in his support for equality of political or legal rights. Trouble is, marriage is a legal Act in Australia and same sex marriage is not by any time soon. There are de-facto or common law marriages, even civil marriages, some are called Darby and Joan marriages but no same sex marriages!

Be patient Brad Johnson, what will be will be, and you may well reap as you have sown!!

Melba Morris, Allora,



Thumbs up to Doug Partington for telling it like it is in The Allora Advertiser Letters to the Editor last week.

Letters to the Editor must have name and address for authentication, but upon request there will be consideration to withhold names. Publishing or editing of letters is at the editor's discretion.

WEATHER FORECAST						
Day	Forecast	Min/Max				
THU	Heavy Rain. Cloudy. Cool. Humid.	20	23			
FRI	Showers Early. Mostly Sunny. Mild.	15	25			
SAT	Mostly Sunny. Mild.	11	25			
SUN	Morning Clouds. Cool.	14	22			
MON	Morning Clouds. Cool.	15	21			
TUE	Partly Cloudy, Cool.	14	22			

### **CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS**

The Allora Community Circle (ACC) believe that the Allora Autumn Festival on Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th April has a great contribution to make to the continued growth and viability of the Allora Community through the support & development of this major Event.

#### JOIN US IN MAKING ALLORA A VISITOR DESTINATION **VOLUNTEERS ARE REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

- Visitor Information Booth rosters for Saturday & Sunday
- Drivers for the People Mover around Allora's 10 Gardens rosters for Saturday & Sunday
- Servers at Allora's Great Gourmet BBQ Breakfast 7am to 10am Saturday & Sunday
- Servers at the ACC / Scope Friendship Café 10am to 3pm rosters for Sat & Sun
- Help to keep rubbish around the town under control

Come along Allora & put your hand up to make the successful Allora Autumn Festival a bigger & better Event in 2017.

Email contact for volunteers: allorafestival@gmail.com or Phone: 0448 601 988

### Green light for Allora Streetscape

Southern Downs Regional Council is set to deliver a significant section of the Allora Streetscape over the coming months.

Southern Downs Mayor Tracy Dobie said Council welcomed news last month that the Allora Streetscape was one of seven infrastructure projects to secure 'Works for Queensland' funding of \$2.93 million from the State Government.

"It is with great excitement that Council will soon turn the first sod in delivering the \$200,000 project in Allora, which will bring a major component of the Allora Streetscape improvements to fruition," she said.

P L Travers Park, on the corner of Herbert and Drayton Streets Allora, will be the focus of this project. Works, as outlined in the concept plan below, will include installation of park shelters with picnic tables in a heritage theme, an electric barbeque, relocation of the Mary Poppins monument for greater prominence, installation of a small playground, construction of a footpath through and around the park, gardens and pram ramps from the street level to the footpath level.

Cr Dobie said "Council looks forward to making the P L Travers Park a real haven for family fun and community gathering, by delivering this State funded project."

"Council is working hard to attract more business and industry to our region to develop greater employment opportunities now and into the future, and projects such as the Allora Streetscape will help achieve this outcome: more jobs, better infrastructure and a boost to our local economy," she added.

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Deputy Premier and Minister for Infrastructure and Planning Jackie Trad praised the Council for the project.

"This is a wonderful project being delivered by the Palaszczuk Government's \$200 million Works for Queensland Program, which will not only give Allora a great facelift but also support six local jobs," she said.

After substantial community engagement, the final concept plan for the Allora Streetscape was adopted by Council on 28 November 2012. This version was made available for community feedback, which was incorporated by the landscape architect wherever possible.

If you wish to provide feedback on the scope of works for the P L Travers Park rejuvenation project, please submit your feedback to Council by 5pm on Friday, 7 April 2017. Further information about how to make a submission is available on Council's website www.sdrc.qld.gov.au.



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## Start of Education in Allora -1860-1867 - PART 1

As we prepare to celebrate 150 years of state supported primary education in Allora it is timely for us to reflect on the challenges that faced our forebears a century and a half ago. These challenges were no less daunting than those that we face today from technological disruption and change; contraction of rural communities and the drift of the young to

Queensland separated from New South Wales on 10 December 1859. The new Colony faced all the challenges of establishing the machinery of Government, a Parliament to represent its citizens, transportation infrastructure and a defence force to protect it from the invasion by foreign powers. They faced these challenges and delivered.

Education was a privilege; one that had to be afforded and paid for. It was not a right as it is perceived today. Allora's first mayor, Francis Kates, arrived in the Colony in 1859 as a tutor for the Bracker family of Warroo. Frederick Bracker, a respected sheep breeder and a former manager of Rosenthal, was married to Grace Ross one of the daughters of Neil Ross who was Allora's first resident. Kates was paid £200 per year; part of which was paid with sheep. He soon accumulated a significant flock. After several years at Warroo, Kates moved to the fast growing new town of Allora in 1863 to establish his first business as a store keeper. Kates would play an important role in the future of the town including, in 1863 and later years, petitioning the Government together with a group of other townsmen for the establishment of a National School in the

We get our first snapshot of Allora from the first Queensland census conducted on 7th April 1861. It showed a population of 53; 32 males and 23 females. Twenty-two were married, 2 were



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widowed and 31 were single. Fifteen were born in Australia, 5 in England, 15 in Ireland, 11 in Scotland, and 8 in Germany. Eighteen were Church of England, 14 Presbyterian and 10 Roman Catholic. There were 12 houses; 3 constructed of weatherboards and 9 of inferior type made from slabs and bark. In the group aged over twenty, 31 could read and write, 2 females could read only and only 1 male could neither read nor write. A remarkably well educated bunch. Interestingly for the male children there was only one male aged between 10 and 15 and 5 males under the age of 5 whereas there were 13 females under 15 years including 6 under 5 years. Children under 15 years of age comprised 36% of the population. The

Important to our story, the census shows that one male was being tutored at home and a female was being tutored at school. While there was no certified teacher recorded on the census, someone was running a school for their own son and someone else's daughter. This is the earliest reference to

are not here. These are a few that I recall.

boys and perhaps as many girls.

Alaric, Gilbert and Nigel,

iron, but with what result.

And among the most spectacular of the results that

were achieved are those of the R.L. Jackson family

We will remember the family - Mrs. Jackson, a tall

stately women, serene and self-possessed at all

times, queening it over all her family of some three

Of the girls, we recall Kate and Ella and of the boys

And believe me. if Mr. R.L. Jackson was severe

with his everyday pupils, he was no less severe

with his own family. He raised them with a rod and

demography of the town is quite different today.

# Looking Back...

More of the Old School by "Oliver Twist" Last week in these series we told of Mr. R.L.

Jackson, the headmaster of the Allora School in the early years of the century, and before we leave the school, perhaps a few lines on those whom we remember that might be of interest.

First of all the teachers, while one does not recall all of them, there are a few who come to mind. Firstly, Mrs. Harrison, she lived on the Goomburra

Road at Harrison's Pocket and daily rode her pony to town. I recall her well. She rode side-saddle (as did all the ladies in those days) with a great voluminous skirt the fashions of the day decreed. She was a regular and popular vocalist at school concerts and never failed to give the old favorite "White Wings That Never Grow Weary" - and was always encored.

And then there were the Bourne Brothers – Jack and another and their sister Miss Bourne. They came daily from the Talgai area and all were popular among the pupils.

of the local saddler. Later his sister Ada joined the

instill some germ of learning into a queerlyassorted group of youngsters as we certainly were. the hard conditions of the day. Many walked long and the rough hard roads at the time. The winter and most of us were ill-clad and not over-nourished by today's standards.

Surely our education came the hard way early in the century. But in spite of all this, results were achieved and some brilliant scholars came out of the old Allora School.

Just to recall a few, Blaney Powe, who took all

Each of the boys took up a professional career and each with comprehensive success. Today, one son, Nigel, is general manager of the Commercial Bank of Australia and chairman of the Banker's Association (he is now residing in Melbourne), while his brother Alaric has retired after an outstanding career with the Commonwealth Banking Corporation in which he secured second top position in the Commonwealth.

One can only view these outstanding achievements as a great tribute to the early tuition received from their father and it is felt that all schoolmates of the Jackson boys will join in congratulations to both Nigel and Alaric and will wish them continued

Contributed by Trevor Neale

Smith of Glengallan, Bert Canavan, Spencer and Then we recall Jack Burge, a tall athletic type, son Eddie Briggs, Ada Burge and the Dean sisters, and many others Please forgive the writer if many important names

Dam De-Silting

All of these are remembered for their efforts to Most of us were farmers children, brought up under miles to school, usually bare-footed, over the hills morning were cold and the summer days were hot

before him in scholarships at the Brisbane Grammar School, Ernie Smith from Table Top, now with high ecclesiastical honours upon him, Emily



Allora State School in Herbert Street in the early 1900's

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formal education in the town, just 12 months after the first land sales were held on 5 March 1860. The identities of the teacher and the pupils are presently unknown.

It would be another 18 months before more formalised schooling came to the children of Allora.

Encouraged by Reverend Glennie of the Church of England, Mr. James Gwynne, a bookkeeper and his wife Agness Gwynne, a teacher arrived in Allora towards the end of 1862. Allora's Past states that Mrs. Gwynne, "opened a school in a

tent. The 'school house' was pitched near the corner of present day Raff and Drayton Streets." This is a most unlikely scenario. Land sales had been underway in Allora for nearly 2 years and nearly all the allotments were sold. The idea of just pitching a tent anywhere and starting a school seems improbable.

Mrs. Gwynne's obituary has helped piece together what Glennie's occurred. parishioners in Allora had raised funds and acquired

land at what is now 1 Church Street with the intention of building a church. One of the parishioners, Henry Black, owned two allotments of land of 1 acre each in Raff Street which today we know as Nos. 28-34 Raff Street, opposite the present school. It was on these blocks, presumably at the suggestion of Glennie, that the Gwynne's pitched their tent and shortly afterwards opened a private school. Henry Black soon built the Gwynnes a temporary building of bark and slabs.

In 1863 the Gwynnes moved to a two room cottage built on the site of the present Anglican Church; one room served as a residence for the Gwynne family and the other room served as a school on week-days and a church and sunday school on Sundays. Allora's 'second' private school was up and running. Fees were 1/- per week with a discount for multiple children from the same family. Also in 1863, the mail service commenced between Drayton and Warwick and Mrs. Gwynne's tender of £12 per vear was accepted and she became Allora's first postmistress, a position she held for nearly 30 years.

The Gwynnes were both from the Isle of Wight in the English Channel but they met and married in America. Sometime after their marriage they returned to England and in 1857 sailed on the ship "Light of the Age" to Sydney where after a few months they were engaged by the Blaxland Brothers at their Newington Estate near Parramatta; Mr. Gwynne as a bookkeeper and Mrs. Gwynne as a teacher.

At the end of their contract term they accepted employment at Western Creek Station, Queensland which was located to the west of present day Millmerran. James Gwynne Jun. in his reminiscences describes the journey "We were all but lost on the voyage [coastal steamer from Sydney to Brisbane] which



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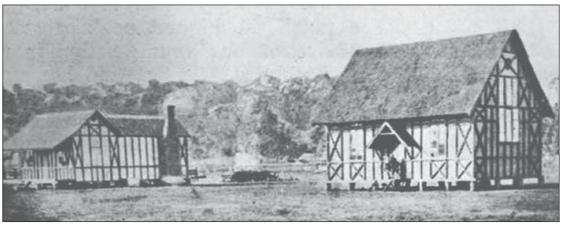
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Allora National School taken on opening day, 13 March 1868 (school on right; residence on left).

was exceedingly rough but we encountered further trouble at Ipswich where we were weather bound for three weeks. In those days the coach - if coach it could be called - was the only means of travelling from Ipswich to Drayton... The journey occupied five days and we had to walk, I am guite sure, one third of the way, but we were pulled up the range by bullocks... At Drayton we remained for a week at the Bull's Head Inn owned by a man named Horton.

From Drayton we made another start on the journey for our new home, and well I remember, though only a little fellow, the good wishes extended to us by everyone for a safe journey. The station spring cart had been sent for us and we were fortunate in having a pair of good horses and a good driver, for the creeks were running bankers at the time. At the end of the first day we arrived at Felton where we stayed the night.. After returning thanks for the hospitality we set forth again. On the way we were bogged and nearly drowned in the creeks but ultimately arrived at North Branch which was an out-station belonging to Yandilla.. As the Condamine River was in flood we remained a few days until it receded. The next halting place was Yandilla where we were received in the same good way as in the other places... We left Yandilla to complete the final stage of our journey, arriving at last at the long-looked-for station, Western Creek." Today this six week journey takes just

Trevor Neale

Start of Education in Allora 1860-1867 continues in PART 2 next week

#### Palm Sunday March

Allora Churches Together invite everyone to joinm in a March of Witness on Palm Sunday. We will assemble at the Homestead at 11.15am and proceed the Stuart Henry Park. After a period of prayer, we will continue to the Anglican Church to share fellowship and lunch.



### CWA Meeting March 2017

It was a lively meeting at Allora CWA with a lot to discuss including whether a repaint for the rooms is necessary. The good work done by Graeme and Carolyn Anderson in trimming the callistemons away from the building and ramp and Max Phelan who cleaned up and mowed

was very much appreciated.

The flyers for Country Kitchens have arrived and the workshops will begin on May 20. There will be three sessions held monthly at the rooms and they are open to anyone in the community. Successful sessions have been held statewide and there will be several going on in the area this year at different times and on different days. Members will be involved in showcasing Country Kitchens at Warwick show on the weekend, handing out tasters and recipes.

CWA has just released a book of healthy recipes and is working on a coffee-table sized book which will have original recipes and photos highlighting the Border division. Recipes must use local ingredients and we are very aware of how lucky we are with enormous range of food produced here compared with branches in the city and the western regions. Each branch needs to produce two recipes.

The International day is on today and the members enjoyed a preview of the delicious Nepalese chicken and noodles dish followed by a rich fruity rice and nut dessert. This will be the lunch served on Thursday before the guest speakers tell us about Nepal today. This is also competition day for cookery. floral art and photography as well as the school children's work so there will be plenty to see. There will be a raffle, lucky door prize and moneyboard and entertainment. Everyone is welcome at 11.30 in St Andrew's hall. Cost \$12. Inquiries with Allison 4666 1542 or Sharon 4666 2197

Kate Gordon and Margaret Ryan have started to collect goods to make packs for domestic violence victims. These will be available to the police community officer when they are needed. Donations of toiletries and small items for children would be appreciated from the community and the branch will add items needed and package them. Items can be given to any CWA lady or left at the rooms by arrangement.

## Have your say on the proposed **Invasive Pests Control Scheme**

Invasive pests will be managed via an innovative new approach in the Southern Downs from 1 July 2017 after Southern Downs Regional Council voted in favour of adopting the Invasive Pests Control Scheme policy at its Special Meeting on 28 February 2017, subject to public consultation.

Council has been undertaking public consultation, with a number of public information sessions rolled out across the region since mid-March, in addition to information stalls earlier this month at the Warwick cattle and sheep sales and the Stanthorpe cattle sales.

The final public information sessions will be held tonight at the Killarney Senior Citizens, and tomorrow night, March 29, at the Karara Memorial Hall. Both sessions will be held from 6.30pm to 7.30pm.

In addition to the information sessions, Council is inviting public submissions on the proposed Invasive Pests Control Scheme. Speaking about the public information sessions held so far, Southern Downs Portfolio Councillor for Rural, Environmental, Sustainability and Waste Management, Cameron Gow said there has been a positive response from residents to the proposed scheme.

"More than 80 people attended the first three information sessions, and I'm happy that the residents attending these forums are leaving with a greater understanding and different perspective of what we are continuing to do with pest management in our region.

"I would encourage people to attend the last couple of information sessions in Killarney and Karara and to make a submission if you feel strongly about any aspect of the proposed scheme," he said.

Under the proposed scheme, Council will introduce a new charge, calculated according to land valuation that will be applied to landowners that fail to meet agreed invasive pest control requirements.

All properties over five hectares in size will be subject to the Invasive Pests Control Scheme and landowners will receive information with their rates notices in July. Landowners will be required to complete and submit a 'Proposed Works Form' that outlines the control work they are going to undertake.

"Importantly, if you have invasive pests under control on your property, you will not be charged under the Scheme," emphasised Cr Gow.

"Landowners that don't control invasive pests on their property impose costs on everyone else through the spread of untreated weeds and pest animals to other land.

"This scheme is aimed at getting that minority of landowners to lift their invasive pest control game," he said.

Written submissions about the proposed Invasive Pests Control Scheme can be made until 12.00pm, Wednesday, 5 April 2017. Submissions should be marked, "Attention: Chief Executive Officer" and may be emailed to mail@sdrc.gld.gov.au, mailed to PO Box 26, Warwick Qld 4370, or delivered in person to Council's Warwick or Stanthorpe Community Contact Centres. In addition to details about how to 'have vour sav', a comprehensive flyer about the proposed scheme has been developed and is available on Council's website at: www.sdrc. gld.gov.au/living-here/have-your-say/proposed-invasive-pestscontrol-scheme.



#### **Grand Final vs. Allora**

🙎 Rascals V Allora. Allora V Allora. Home V Home, Home V Home (in Warwick), However put, Allora, the Best Little Town on the Downs, has two teams in the B grade grand final! So, onto the game? Why not. Mayhew Oval, top of Est. 2013 the hill, Saturday morning, the game had been

brought forward 2.5 hours as both teams had players that wanted to play footy after the final, the Sun was out - it at least was being nice, allowing a breeze to float past every now and then - the crowd was family and the water bottles were sitting alongside the bananas preparing to sacrifice themselves for the team. Ok, now to the game. The Rascals won the toss and chose to bat, got 160 runs, and went to attack the Bananas and water. Simples. Amongst all this, Tom Morris scored a quality 39 (9x4's), Jake Christensen scored a game winning 46 (6x4's and 1x6), Liam Duncan walloped 12 and Paul Christensen added 16 more to the score and remained not out. There was some kind of order and special things happened during this time, like Jake scoring his 46 when the score was 6-77, Paul and Blake Feltham (4) adding 14 for the last wicket in the last two overs, Blake hitting his highest score and only getting out attempting a dangerous single and Tom Morris scoring his first 32 runs hitting only fours! We ultimately were happyish with 160, perhaps 20 less than we would like, still 26 more than our score in the same game two years ago, and ultimately enough by 15 runs (did I just give something away)!

Into the Allora chase, and by jingles it was off to a great start. 0-60 after 15 overs. 3-83 at the drinks break. Removing the dangerous Nick Morris (Allora top scorer) for 30 and Gavin Shiewe for 21 were massive wickets, just before the score started getting away from us - this was helped by an awesome one hander at slip by Paul Christensen, without this catch, Allora may have run away with the game. Further to this, bowling Mitch on the last ball before drinks may have been the wicket we needed to put us back in the match.

After the appropriate services were held for the Bananas, the Rascals ventured back out for the last session, pondering the job that lay ahead. Then Jake happened. Again. Seriously. Jamie loves hearing how good Jake is going right now. (So does Jake though). His figures culminated to 5-26/7 (sorry Jake... last time I listen to you and the umpire, I knew you had one more over). Within this, the Allora side lost five wickets for

## Events Calendar

	<u>2017</u>
March -	
Thu 30	Allora QCWA International & Competition Day St. Andrew's Hall, Allora. 11.30am.
April -	
Sat 1	Allora & Dist. Campdraft Assoc. Annual Campdraft
& Sun 2	Allora Showgrounds, 6.00am. Contact 0447 674 705
Fri 28	Opening of the Joyce Gibson Scented Garden Pre-school grounds, 9.00am
Fri 28	Bush Dance - Allora Community Circle/Allora State School
	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
Fri 12	Victoria Hill Hall Cent Sale
	Victoria Hill Hall
Fri 26	Rattle of the Brains Trivia Night
	Allora Community Hall, 7.00pm.
June -	
Sat 10	St. David's June Afternoon

**Allora Community Auction** 

Allora Showgrounds

Sat 24 Phill Higgins Family Fun Tennis Day Allora Tennis Court. Everyone welcome.

September -

Fri 15 St. Davids Street Stall

Sat 16 Glengallan 150th Anniversary Dinner

Glengallan Homestead.

October -

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17 runs, turning the game back into the Rascals favour. When Sean Bryson was removed from the bowling of a googly eyed James Moore, and the score sat idly on 125, the Rascals began to feel the ascendency. 9/125 - a big ask from here for the last two Allora batters. We were very aware of how good a batter, and person, Stewie Hendersen is, and knew he would be solid. Jayden Fidge also proved himself to be solid under pressure, adding a smart unbeaten and confidentially defiant 20 runs at the death. Between them, they reduced the deficit from 35 to 15, under great pressure, of which they should be very proud of themselves. Thankfully for the Rascals, Paul Christensen caught the edge of Stewie's bat and was over the moon utterly when Ian Christensen, at slip, took a neato catch to end the Allora innings and provided the Rascals with the 10th wicket and the win! The Grand Final win! The Rascals win for the second time in three seasons! Loud noises!

Railway Hotel Rascals player of the finals points- 5: Jake Christensen, 4: Tom Morris, 3: Paul Christensen, 2: Liam Duncan, 1: Blake Feltham.

The game was played in great competitive spirits, with both teams playing hard and fair. We thank the Allora side for the great game and look forward to next year, where both teams again resume the chase for the A grade title. Not bad for this little town!



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Player of the final: is there even a point to adding up the scores? Ok, just for names sake. 4th: Liam Duncan 6 points, egual 2nd: Joe and Tom Morris 8 points, 1st: Jake Christensen 11 points. That is almost it for this season, with only the presentation night to go. Thank you to the Railway Hotel for the sponsorship again this year, see you there for the presentation night, of course when we figure out when it will be...

The Rascals grand final team: Liam Duncan, Paul Christensen, Blake Feltham, Tom Morris, James Moore, Jake Christensen, Ian Christensen, Jamie Holmes, Mick Kelk, Ben McClure and Brad Johnson. Well done, Rascals!



## **Allora Sports Club** - Night Bowls Results WEEK TEN. MARCH 21ST

We did well, a 7.05pm start. Our Games Director will be pleased. Must be a first, both Paddos' were indisposed. Greg was enjoying a night out on the Gold Coast but poor Lynn has busted his lea.

We had to call on Doug, Rachael and Garry (who was called on at last minute) to play substitute. Thank you for helping out. Peter Mole has the green in great condition and that certainly helps us place our bowls. There were some very close games. The progressive totals reflect the level of competition. At the top of ladder Doesn't Matter 17; Tramps Like Us 14; Zoolanders & Lawn Grubs 13: Bowls and Beautiful 11. The Old Boys 10: Frog & Swallow 9; Team Engel 8; Roonicks 7; Railway Hotel, Maydan, Swimming Pool and What Ever 4.

The night's results - on rink 1.- Lawn Grubs 11 v What Ever 11; 2.- The Old Boys 19 v Beautiful 19; 3.- Team Engel 17 v Maydan 11; 4- Doesn't Matter 14 v Tramps Like Us 11; 5.-Roonicks 19 v Railway Hotel 5; 6.- Frog & Swallow 12 v Swimming Pool 11; 7- . Zoolanders 10 v Men's Shed 9

Results of Evans Drilling Toucher competition - Tim Hentschel, John Cochrane, Dewey Mullins, John Elwood, Tom Bazley and Bruce Simpson. Thank you to Garry for his ongoing sponsorship of this popular segment. Thank you to Ashleigh for recording the winners.

Everybody enjoys the chance of winning a prize especially a Jackpot cash prize of \$180.00 John Elwood had the chance but had no luck. Although he did win the Blue Cow's cash prize of \$15.00. Other raffle prize winners - Peter Mole, John Cochrane, Bruce Simpson, Barry Donegan, Ivan Kopolousos. Thank you to all sponsors - I.G.A., Swimming Pool, Frog & Swallow, Glen & Margaret Hentschel, Allora Sports Club, Blue Cow and team trophy donor Doesn't Matter. A big thank you to Donna who efficiently handles the bar trade, making sure everybody gets fast attention. She always has some tasty treat waiting for bowlers after the games finish.

The most spectacular bowl of the night was the result of Nicko's last shot of the end. Saw the jack flying through the air at shoulder height and landing outside the rink! It was a close game and this shot enabled Bowls and Beautiful to draw level with The Old Boys.



# **Allora Sports Club** - Night Bowls

WEEK ELEVEN.

28TH - It has been a great season of night bowls. We have only had to cancel once due to rain and we are still enjoying the balmy evening weather. One late call for a substitute meant Bev had to forgo her freshly cooked corn beef, throw on her gear and play for Roonicks. Doug Evans was on hand to play for the Allora Men's Shed team.

Results of play:- Rink 1.- Swimming Pool 14 v Zoolanders 9; 2.- Railway Hotel 16 v Maydan 10; 3.- Doesn't Matter 17 v Bowls and Beautiful 11; 4. -What Ever 17 v Roonicks 10; 5.-Frog & Swallow 20 v Team Engel 11; 6. -The Old Boys 21 v Allora Men's Shed 7; 7.- Tramps Like Us 12 v Lawn Grubs 11 The prize for the winning team went to Frog & Swallow and Bowls and Beautiful were picked as the runners-up.

Barry Donegan was again a winner of a toucher chocolate along with Dennis Allen, Ashleigh Brown, Mal Sinton, Jason Nightingale and Lis Marshall. Thank you to Evans Drilling for their sponsorship of this popular competition. Other sponsors during this season are the Railway Hotel, I.G.A., Swimming Pool, Frog & Swallow, Marg & Glen Hentschel, the Blue Cow and Allora Sports Club. At the end of play Greg announced that long time sponsors Bill and Linda Lacey were leaving Allora. Bill and Linda are retiring to Hastings Point in northern New South Wales. We wish them well and thank them for their valued contribution to our night bowls competition.

Things are heating up in the Jackpot stakes. No one has been able to split those oversized cards and reveal either a Jack or the Joker. This week Chris Brown missed out and now the prize is \$220.00.

Interesting observation - Has anyone ever seen Jim Pigeon bowl a shot without a stubbie is his other hand. Jim is a skilful player but we suspect his secret is in the 'pale ale'. Just kidding Jim.

Goodness, where did we go wrong. The green was in perfect condition (thanks to Peter Mole and John Cochrane), all the top players nominated (including Darren Powell & Wayne Frizzell). The results will never be published. Needless to say Clifton Bowls Club retained the "Clifton Clock" after Saturday's competition.



## **Summary of TRL Round Two Matches**

Dalby 32 d. Gatton 8 at Dalby Leagues Club

Dalby started their 2017 campaign with a win over Gatton at Dalby Leagues club on Saturday night

in front of a huge home crowd. Straight from the kick off, the Diehards capitalised from a dropped ball from the Hawks to have Jason Wardrop score near the posts. It was 6-0 in the

12 minutes into the match, Dalby had the Hawks under pressure on their own line when an errant pass went to ground for Hawks Halfback Callum Woolacott to swoop and score a 80 metre try. Dalby 6-4. The game settled down and Gatton probably had the better of Dalby but approaching half time, the turning point was when Mitchell Taylor scored a soft try followed by man of the match Xavier Manley scoring right on the half time siren to have the Diehards at 16-4.

This game changing period continued just after half time when Manley showed his kicking skilling to put a left foot bomb up for Wardrop to set up Steve Franciscus to score out wide. A couple of minutes later Xavier Manley again found the try line to have Dalby race to a 28-4 lead.

Gatton again toiled away for the next 20 to 30 minutes with Hawks Winger Ray Erbacher scoring his first A Grade try.

Dalby import Corey Blades scored late in the game to put the win beyond doubt.

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The game was scrappy at times with both clubs suffering early season blues. Both clubs will improve and develop their new combinations as the season goes on.

Dalby deserved to win as they finished out their periods before and after the break. Xavier Manley and Jason Wardrop were good. Diehards lock Eli Wickham was busy in defence and attack. For the Hawks. Callum Woolacott tried hard as did Daniel Marsh and Dennis Burgoyne.

Dalby 32 (Xavier Manley 2, Jason Wardrop, Mitchell Taylor, Steve Franciscus, Corey Blades tries Zac Morris 4 goals) defeated Gatton 8 (Callum Woolacott, Ray Erbacher tries)

Reserve grade Gatton 6 d. Dalby 0 Under 18 Dalby 32 d. Gatton 6 Second Division Gatton 20 d. Dalby 10

#### Valleys 40 d. Brothers 28 at Herb Steinhort Oval

Old foes Valleys and Brothers played a seesawing game at Pillar Street on Saturday night. Valleys came out of the blocks well to race to 22-6 lead just before half time with Brothers captain Ricky Davies scoring a 40th minute try to keep the Brethren in the game at half time 22-12.

Brothers dominated the first 20 minutes of the second half and lead 28-22. An amazing effort given they were 22-6 down at one stage. Tries to Brandon and Koby Cubby confidentially put Brothers back in the game.

In form Rooster Balay Viane made his mark on the game with two tries in the 21st and 30th minutes to wrestle control back for Valleys. Fittingly, Emmanuel Cerei scored his third try for Valleys to put a 12 point gap on Brothers with eight minutes remaining. They hung on to win and are firmly situated on the Top of the TRL Ladder.

Valleys Captain Coach. Brett Seymour made his TRL debut and led his team around nicely. Balay Viane played well for Valleys. whilst Jeff Nielsen and Ricky Davies worked hard for Brothers. Brothers did lose Jayden Davies and Josh Duncan early to injury and played men down for the majority of the game.

Roosters winger Emmanuel Cerei had another field day scoring a hat trick of tries in the and kicking 6 goals to score 30 of his team's 40-point total.

Both teams certainly will be in the mix come finals time.

Valleys 40 (Emmanuel Cerei 3, Balay Viane 2, Gus Mati tries Emmanuel Cerei 6 goals) defeated Brothers 28 (Brandon Cubby 2, Ricky Davies, Jeff Nielsen, Koby Cubby tries. Brandon Cubby 4 goals)

Reserve Grade Valleys 18 drew with Brothers 18 Under 18 Valleys 34 d. Brothers 18 Second Division Brothers 34 d. Valleys 20

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#### Pittsworth 30 d. Wattles 22 at Club Pittsworth

In an anticipated match, defending premiers Pittsworth hosted a rejuvenated Wattles. The game lived up to its expectation with both sides dominating in various stages of the match. Whilst the Danes opened the scoring with a try to Liam Jocumsen. The Duggan brothers Matt and Ryan Duggan combined to race Wattles to a 12-4 after 12 minutes. But the premiers weren't to be out done and replied with tries to hooker Cameron Millar and Thomas O'Sullivan to get back into the match 16-12 after 24 minutes. The game settled down and an Alex Sinclair goal right on half time took the Danes to the break

After half time, Wattles quickly levelled the scores 18-18 and the game went to 22-22 with 17 minutes left. Then with 11 minutes remaining man of the match Braydon Gibbs scored to break the deadlock. The Danes hung on to win 30-22

A true test for both sides this early in the season. Pittsworth couldn't wish for a better start after playing two quality sides (Warwick and Wattles) in the first two rounds. Whilst Wattles can still take plenty out of their start to the season.

Pittsworth 30 (Liam Jocumsen, Cameron Millar, Thomas O'Sullivan, Jeffrey Weber, Braydon Gibbs tries Alex Sinclair 5 goals) defeated Wattles 22 (Matthew Duggan, Ryan Duggan, Timothy Sharpe, Braydon Wilson tries Matthew Duggan 3 goals)

Reserve Grade Wattles 28 d. Pittsworth 10 Under 18 Pittsworth 64 d. Wattles 4 Under 18

South Burnett 60 d. Oakey 18 at Kingaroy

#### Highfields 34 d. Goondiwindi 24 at Kuhls Road

One of the favoured teams for the title this year, Highfields got a surprise when Goondiwindi came to play and were excellent after their lacklustre start last weekend against Valleys. In fact, Goondiwindi led at half time 12-10 at half time.

Highfields got away to a 28 – 12 lead after 55 minutes, thanks to tries to Braydon Mitchell, Zack Loxley and Nick Bainbridge. Goondiwindi's resurgence started after that with tries to Stewart Lowe then Carl Clement bought them within a sniff of victory 28-24 but the eagles held on and Aaron Hooper put the result beyond doubt with a 80th minute try to make the final score 34-24.

Boars Coach Scott Schultz was very pleased with the turn around and praised his players. Goondiwindi players, Stewart Lowe, Callum Skinner, Tom Fitzgerald and Carl Clement where their best with Jarrod Lee. Wavne John Weribone and Nick Bainbridge the best for the Eagles.

This result is refreshing for Goondiwindi. It is a long time coming. The amazing part is that Highfields have been in the mix the last few years and for the Boars to contest the result is great for the competition.

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Highfields 34 (Aaron Hooper 2, Brent Tucker, Nick Bainbridge, Zack Loxley, Braydon Mitchell tries Jarrod Lee 5 goals) defeated Goondiwindi 24 (Stewart Lowe 2, Thomas Fitzgerald, Carl Clement tries Dean Kennedy 4 goals)

Reserve Grade

Highfields 56 d. Goondiwindi 8

Under 18

Goondiwindi 16 d. Highfields 8

#### Warwick 30 d. Souths 22 at Herb Steinhort Oval

Warwick travelled to Toowoomba to find they needed to change venues from Clive Berghofer stadium to Herb Steinhort Oval due to the drainage problems at the stadium. The Cowboys got off to a great start with a soft try to Bradley Morrish in the 4th minute. Followed by two great tries to Alex Stewart then a beauty to Dylan Galloway from deep inside his own half where he collected a bomb. Raced to the 20-metre line. Tapped for the restart and beat the rest of the Souths side to run 80 metres to score. That put the Cowboys at 16-0 at half time.

Souths seemed always in the game and never gave up but Warwick's defence was on song and they led 30-10 at one stage and that was enough. Souths scored two late tries to make the score 30-22 at full time.

Warwick lock Farao Mataafa was Hutchies man of the match whilst Alec Stewart won the Toowoomba Sports club magic

Mataafa, in particular, got through a ton of work and was the backbone of Cowboys defence. Paul Cantwell, Dylan Galloway and Josh O'Brien contributed to the win. Alec Stewart was also very good for Warwick.

Souths toiled hard and will beat sides this year. Luke Nolan, Dwayne Duncan and Jacob Whittaker all played well for the Tigers

Warwick 30 (Alex Stewart 2, Dylan Galloway 2, Bradley Morrish, Brandon Vaughan tries Dan Watson 5 goals) defeated Souths 22 (Tom Landers, Connor Pyke, Dwayne Duncan, Kyle Athorn tries Luke Nolan 3 goals)

Reserve Grade

Souths 40 d. Warwick 18

Under 18

Souths 20 d. Warwick 14

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### **Jersey Signing by Local Celebrity**

Paul Comber, a great supporter of Junior Rugby League, visited Allora recently to have John Gleeson sign a Queensland Rugby League Jersey at the Allora Sports Museum. The Jersey is being used as a fund raiser for Wynnum-Manly Junior Rugby League. Players chosen to represent Queensland and who have also played for the Wynnum-Manly Club from 1951 to 1987 have all signed the Jersey; as well as from 1988 on, any Wynnum Junior who went on to play for Queensland.

John Gleeson played for Queensland from 1961 till his retirement in 1968. He captained Queensland for the last three vears of his career. In 1963 he was selected from the Wynnum-Manly Club to go on the first of his three Kangaroo Tours.

One of Allora's Hall of Fame inductees Lew Platz also represented Queensland & the Wynnum-Manly Club during this period. Mr Comber congratulated Mr Perry Cronin on the wonderful job that he does with the Allora Hall of Fame & suggested Perry should expand this unique Museum to become the Museum for the Darling Downs sporting greats.

## **BAD JOKE OF THE** WEEK

Two elephants were having a heated argument over who should go in the swimming pool first.

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