




**ABOVE & LEFT:** ALG Members volunteered their time last Sunday to plant some more trees at the Showgrounds.

## New Trees at the Allora Showgrounds

Further enhancement of the Allora Showgrounds took place last Sunday, when the Allora Landcare Group, assisted by Show Society personnel, planted 36 lemon Scented Eucalypts along the outer fence line. It was a great team effort, and hopefully won't be too long before they're established, adding to the increasing number of trees on the Showgrounds' precinct.



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MON	Early Fog Followed by Sun. Mild. Dry.	7 25
TUE	Breaks of Sun Late. Warm. Dry.	7 27

to smash repairers – Ibodyshop. Ibodyshop is a game changer in the smash repair industry – cloud based software, run on PC Computer and via App on iPhone makes body shop organisation and employees productivity instant and effortless. After visiting the Collision Repair Expo in Melbourne in April we have purchased new equipment for the Workshop floor.

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We hope that we have outlined how these improvements in technology help us serve our customers better!!!!

### Shopping Local – Means Local Investment

We have invested and employed recent school leaver and young local Laura Thompson as an office trainee which now adds to our office support crew. Ibodyshop is modern and easy to use with apps on each employees Iphone connecting everyone in the business and reporting data instantly to our office. Cameron Morwood Trade Qualified Panel Beater with over 10 years experience has joined our team and brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to support our vision to employ more young locals. Cameron is also a country local attending Clifton High School and living in East Greenmount.

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**The Allora Cup - Some Beginnings**

After a lull of around 45 years, the sound of a bugle ringing out "Call to Post" was heard once again for an Allora Cup horse racing meet in 2014, marking the rebirth of the race meet named in honour of the "Best Little Town on the Downs".

That Railway Hotel Allora Cup Race Day meet was hosted at Warwick's Allman Park by the Warwick Turf Club on Saturday, February 1st, the main race that reignited a tradition won by Daryl Peckett's 'Ain't She Sweet.'

Allora's big race day gets underway again on Saturday in Warwick, the fifth time it has been run since it's re-emergence. The 2016 Allora Cup meet was to also be a celebration of 150 Years of racing history in the Allora district, alas wet weather saw the event canceled and rescheduled early this year.

Some may not be familiar with the former Allora Race track to the south east of the town neighbouring the New England Highway. Many a great day of racing was held on the track amid the 62 hectares that is now leased for agriculture. The track is now maintained by the Southern Downs Regional Council as a race horse training facility.

Racing has a lengthy history in the Allora area dating back a little over 150 years. In February 1866 a meeting was held in the Taylor's Reef Hotel at Pratten to organize the Talgai Races just west of Allora.

A race meeting on New Years Day 1869 could have been the first organized horse-racing meeting in Allora, the press reporting "On Saturday afternoon last a very good day's sports was got up at this quiet little township, when six races were set down for decision. There was a very good attendance of visitors, and the races were well contested."

The 150 acre Allora Racecourse Reserve was gazetted in August 1871, with race meetings held on an irregular basis, and in August 1883, the Allora Municipal Council was appointed trustee of the reserve.

A public meeting was called on October 6th 1888 at the Princess of Wales Hotel, for a formation of a club to organize racing in Allora on a more regular basis. The Allora Jockey Club was formed with the first registered race meeting held on Boxing Day 1889, the main race being the Allora Turf Club Handicap with prize money of 25 sovereigns.

Over the next 60 years horse racing in Allora had many revivals. Because of the siting of the track, wet weather caused the postponement of many race meetings.

The cancellation of the 1891 meeting saw interest wane in the district until the club was reformed in May 1893. In 1895 interest again lapsed, although St. Patrick's Day races were held for unregistered horses only and a Boxing Day race meeting that year was organized by the revived Allora Jockey Club.

The next fourteen years saw regular registered meetings organized by the A. J. C.

The Allora Amateur Race Club was formed in 1909 with Edwin Cowley as secretary, and ran the Boxing Day races in 1909 and race meetings in 1910.

The Oddfellow's Amateur Race Club was formed in 1911, but the A. J. C. was again revived in 1912.

The First World War years saw restrictions on horse racing in Australia and "Patriotic Race Meetings" were held from 1916 to 1918.

The Allora Digger's Race Club was formed in 1926 and organized race meetings for a short time.

The year 1929 saw the revival of registered race meetings in Allora after a twelve year break. The main race at the September 1929 meeting, organized by the A. J. C., was the Allora Handicap won by F. W. Grimes' "Miss Semirg" (Grimes spelled backwards).

By 1934 racing enthusiasm had again waned and the Allora Shire Council said that they would only spend accumulated funds, if race meetings were held at more frequent intervals than those since 1930.

Racing may have been suspended in Allora during the Second World War, the first reference to a race meeting after the war was a New Year's Meeting held on the 2nd January 1949.

The first "Allora Cup" appears to have occurred at a meeting held on October 8th, 1949 when the cup was run for overall prize money of £45 and a cup valued at £10/10. The race club secretary in 1949 and for the next eleven years at least, was the Allora railway station master, Jack Hilton. The winner of the inaugural Allora Cup was 'Nobleman' owned by Tom Cowley, trained by Dick Byrne and ridden by Joe Murphy.

In the following year, 1950 the Cup was won by R. C. Crowther's "Bon Ami".

In 1953, the Cup winner was the mare "Plane" owned and trained by Frank Armstrong, and at the presentation of the 1955 Allora Cup, won by Frank Armstrong's "Lurcher Queen", Allora Jockey Club secretary, Jack Hilton, said that Mr. Armstrong apparently had "a mortgage on the cup because it was the fourth time that he had won it."

Local racing historian Shirley Murray recalls that the cup meeting was a huge event in Allora with a half-day holiday granted. Top race caller, Vince Curry, would call the races from the back of a utility backed up to the course fence.

From 1956 the Allora Cup was run on Melbourne Cup Day, the winner that year being "Bubbatonga" owned by Bob Armstrong. The final Allora Cup meeting before being reinstated in 2014 appears to have been run on the 3rd November 1959.

The reintroduced Allora Cup occurred twice in 2015, relocating from its initial February date to November.

Allora locals turned out in force on Sunday November 15th 2015, at Warwick's Allman Park, soaking up the sunshine at a hugely successful 'Railway Hotel Allora Cup' won convincingly by five year old bay gelding, 'Real Favulous'.

Clifton based owners Adrian & Julia Simmons and their son Shane Simmons were thrilled with the performance of 'Real Favulous' who was having a cracker of a year after enjoying success in the 2015 Weetwood Handicap.

Sunshine Coast-based owner and trainer Rob Davidson took home the Allora Cup run in January this year with his six-year-old mare 'Air Diamond'.

Other key races close to the hearts of the Allora community last November were the 'Justin Briggs Commemorative Class 3 Plate' and the 'Colleen Burgess Memorial Benchmark 65 Handicap' sponsored respectively by Robyn Miles of Allora's Railway Hotel and Allora district racing identity Barry Burgess. The September 2017 'Railway Hotel Allora Cup' festivities begin in earnest on Friday evening with a Calcutta at the Railway Hotel featuring horses in the race day five race program.

A bus will depart the Railway Hotel at Allora for Allman Park at 11.30 am on Saturday. To book seats contact Robyn Miles (4666 3402).

For further details on the 2017 'Railway Hotel Allora Cup' contact Barry Burgess (0402 489 348), Glyn Rees (0400 811 093) or Warwick Turf Club Secretary Kristen Doyle (0414 899 854).

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The Southern Downs Library Service is pleased to announce that it has again been successful in obtaining funding under the 2017/2018 Tech Savvy Seniors Queensland grant program. The Tech Savvy program is a partnership between the Queensland Government (led by the State Library of Queensland) and Telstra, aimed at enabling older people – particularly those in regional and remote areas of Queensland – to develop the skills and confidence to use technology for socialising, accessing important services or conducting personal business. Digital literacy skills are increasingly essential for anyone who wants to actively engage with family and friends across the country and the world, and the program is committed to ensuring that everyone can benefit from being online and connected in the digital age.

State Librarian and CEO Vicki McDonald said the program will provide Queensland's growing senior population with the skills needed to securely access essential services online.

"Tech Savvy Seniors delivers well-paced sessions to help seniors develop a range of useful online skills including how to use a smartphone and an iPad, the basics of social media, and how to shop online and access core government services.

"The program strives to get Queensland's older population online with confidence and to help them engage in the digital world so they can connect with friends and family, and access vital services."

Telstra Area General Manager, Southern Queensland, Darren Clark said Tech Savvy Seniors is part of Telstra's commitment to helping all Australians enjoy the benefits of being connected and engaged with digital technology.

"We want everybody to thrive in a digital world, regardless of their age, background, ability or where they live. Digital technology can help break down social barriers, create efficiencies, and open up new learning and engagement opportunities for Queenslanders in their golden years."

Southern Downs Mayor Tracy Dobie encouraged all seniors who would like to learn more about technology to attend the training program. "It can be daunting to learn how to use technology, but there are some wonderful benefits," said Cr Dobie. "We know that social isolation is a big risk factor for developing depression and anxiety in older Australians, and learning to use technology is an important tool in combating that risk."

SDRC libraries' 2016/2017 Tech Savvy program gave 300 seniors the opportunity to embrace information technology and improve their digital skills, with free training sessions on introduction to computers and the internet, utilising laptops, tablets and iPads, email and social media, and cyber safety.

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The program this year will begin in September 2017, with sessions held at the Warwick and Stanthorpe libraries. The small, friendly group sessions are facilitated by an IT professional and provide a forum where you can learn new skills to help you get connected and take the first steps to

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becoming tech savvy. The training is designed to make it easy for you to learn at your own pace to develop the skills and confidence necessary to actively participate in the digital community. A light morning tea will be provided.

For more information about the training courses, call Warwick Library (4661 0342) or Stanthorpe Library (4681 2141).

Tech Savvy Seniors Queensland is a partnership between State Library of Queensland, Telstra, Department of Communities, and Queensland Public Libraries and Indigenous Knowledge Centres.

**Stanthorpe: 9.00am - 12.00pm**

27th September - Intro to computers and the internet

11th October - Intro to email and social media

25th October - iPads

8th November - Tablets

22nd November - Smartphones

**Warwick: 9.00am - 12.00pm**

6th October - Intro to computers and the internet

20th October - Intro to email and social media

3rd November - iPads

17th November - Tablets

1st December - Intro to computers and the internet

**Warwick: 1.00pm - 4.00pm**

6th October - Smartphones

20th October - Tablets

3rd November - Intermediate email and social media

17th November - Intermediate email and social media

1st December - Smartphones

## Allora C. 1900 Early Day Pastimes:

by Oliver Neale in 1965

While dealing with the pastimes of the early days, we mustn't forget the old-fashioned picnic: it was always a popular event- although there wouldn't be many starters if one was suggested today.

Good Queen Victoria was our Sovereign Lady on the day and her annual birthday was always loyally and joyously celebrated as a Public Holiday. The 24th May was Queens's Birthday - later, after her death, it became Empire Day, later still Commonwealth Day until now, I imagine, it is just an ordinary day like any other day and its history almost forgotten. But in the early days, "24th May Picnics" sprang up like mushrooms all over the district - at Hendon, Spring Creek, Kings Creek, etc.- but the one I remember best was held at Harrison's Pocket, off the Goomburra road. [near the Dalrymple Creek at



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the end of the road near the pump station] Families drove out from town and farmers gathered from near and far: spring carts and buggies, on arrival, were quickly tucked away under the trees and their first job was to "clear the space" - to roll away the logs, and knock down any saplings

## Looking Back...

### What's in a Name?

In the last month the Allora and District Historical Society has received two family history enquiries where the person involved has changed their name.

John Few was born at 'Spring Creek near Allora' on the 16th June 1867. The Clifton Agricultural Reserve at Spring Creek had been resumed by the Government from Clifton Station in 1867 and broken up for sale to small selectors. Allora would have been the nearest town. John Few's parents, John senior and Frances Few (nee Webb), had arrived in Australia from England in 1855. Six children were born in N.S.W. before John's birth in Queensland. The family returned to N.S.W. where more children were born. John Few junior appears to have been bought up in N.S.W. where there are newspaper reports of him serving two short jail terms for assault and riotous behaviour. He is also reported as being a member of a concert group.

Sometime in the 1890's he turned up in Charters Towers in Queensland under the name of John Cosgrove. He is reported in the 'Northern Miner' newspaper as being

a member of a well known variety group in 1901, the year that he married Kate Flannagan. Twelve children were born to this marriage before John's death in Ingham in 1924. His death certificate gives his parents as John and Frances Cosgrove (nee Webb). Was Cosgrove his stage name or was he the black sheep of the family who moved interstate and changed his name?

The other enquiry involved Francis Henry Newman who married Jane Hadden in Brisbane in 1878. Francis Henry Newman is shown on the Allora Municipal Council rate books as owning land at Allora in 1879 under the name of Francis Henry Nutley. Nutley was his mother's maiden name. There are many newspaper references to the Nutley family living in the Allora district in the fifteen years to 1894. Francis Henry Nutley is recorded on the Cunningham electoral roll for 1882 as a farmer living at East Talgai. Four children were born at Allora and registered in the name of Nutley.

Henry Nutley is also reported to have been a sergeant in C Coy, Queensland Defence Force (Warwick). In this capacity in 1885 he was part of a military delegation that inspected the site offered by Robert

Cooke for the building of a rifle range at Allora. He was the first to fire a shot on the new range when he hit a tree 9ft from the ground at 600 yards. He was present at the meeting called in 1886 to form the Allora Rifle Club and was elected to the first committee.

An amusing case took place in the Allora Police Court in 1888 where Sergeant Henry Nutley was the complainant. The Bench consisted of Messrs. Deacon, Easton and Kennedy, Justices of the Peace. The incident took place in the Salvation Army Hall in Allora and Henry Nutley was described as a private soldier in the Salvation Army. The defendant in case was John Cameron, a son of Allora's first Town Clerk, Alexander Cameron, and Mrs. Cameron. John Cameron presented himself to the court as 'Colonel' Cameron of the 'Skeleton Army', an obvious dig at the Salvation Army's use of military titles for its leaders. The charge was disorderly behaviour in a place of Divine Worship. Henry Nutley deposed that he was hit by corn seeds when he was kneeling in prayer. On looking around he saw John Cameron in the act of throwing more seeds. Frederick Gibson and Frederick Erhardt who sat on either side of Cameron, gave evidence that they did not see him throw any seeds.

The defendant was found guilty by the majority of the Bench, Mr. Kennedy being against, and fined 1/- in default 24 hours in the lockup. The fine was paid but by the time the Bench sat down to decide costs of court, the 'Colonel' was gone. (John Cameron went on to have a distinguished career in the Queensland police Force) In the Clifton Divisional Board rate books 1891-1894 F. H. Nutley is described as being the occupier of a farm at Table Top, owned by Edward Harvey. An advertisement appears in the Allora Guardian for the sale of 10 acres of corn belonging to Henry Nutley.

On his death bed in the Brisbane Hospital on the 21st December 1894 Henry signed a will in the name of Henry Newman leaving his possessions to his wife Jane.



The Salvation Army Hall, Forde Street, next door to Tom Maher's blacksmith's shop.

Colin Newport

that were in the way: then build a fireplace and store the food "away from the ants".

And then, apart from the pleasure of meeting and gossiping - and one would say that, after all, this was the main purpose of the picnic- some sort of programme was drawn up. There always appeared to be a great number of children at these gatherings - it was a poor family that didn't have at least half-a-dozen and some ran to considerably more - and of course they had to be catered for. And to marshal those kiddies into any sort of order was no mean feat: for ten minutes after they arrived, those youngsters had scattered to the four winds and were nowhere in sight. But after dragging a couple out of the creek, and getting a few more out of trees and rescuing those who had managed to get into the fire, they were finally got into some sort of line for the "races". These went off with the usual flurry and were followed by the Married Women Race and the Old Buffers Race and the Three-Legged Race - all with the hilarity and fun that such simple pastimes seem to cause. In those days too there were various old-fashioned ring games which the adults enjoyed as much as the juniors - but he'd be a brave man today to suggest them to any grownup party, and anyhow, we've forgotten even how to run them.

But of course, the principle feature of the day was the "outdoor spread." For this, cloths were spread on the ground in one great circle and the eatables were quickly spread on it: and if Mrs. Smith quietly eyed the jam tarts that Mrs. Kerr brought, or Mrs. Rickett thought that her rock cakes were far superior to those of Mrs. Collins, not a word was said- until the good ladies were on their way home.

And if the parson was at the picnic - and it was remarkable how he found it convenient to come along - it was the rule, before the meal started, for everyone to be upstanding, form a circle and sing Grace.

And believe me, dear readers, it is something that stays in one's memory - the recollection of some 20 or 30 or 40 good simple folk standing in a circle, under the gum trees at Harrison's Pocket, all singing, in tune or out of tune, but very fervently rendering an old-time "Grace before Meat" - and I wager that it's something Harrison's Pocket will never see again.

But by now the billies would be boiling and the tea buckets filled- and it's a case of "Please pass the scones" and "Won't you have a jam tart?" until the board has been well and truly cleared.

Justice having been done to the meal, various couples sorted themselves out and went a wandering along the creek banks as couples have done in all ages: a few old hands tried their hand at casting a line into the creek, but if ever a fish was caught at Harrison's Pocket, I've yet to hear of it, for, long years ago, my brother and I spent many useless hours sitting on its banks, buoyed up with hope, - but returned home empty handed.

But one feels that the days of picnics are over and that more

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modern pastimes take their place for we live in a fast changing world - but sometimes it is worthwhile to look back for a moment, and to enjoy in retrospect the simple and homely pleasures of other days - and regret their passing.

## Events Calendar

**2017**

### September -

- Fri 15 St. Davids Street Stall**
- Sat 16 Glengallan 150th Anniversary Dinner**  
Glengallan Homestead
- Sat 16 Toowoomba Male Voice Choir**  
Allora State School Hall
- Sat 16 Allora Cup Race Day**  
Warwick Turf Club
- Fri 22 Senior Citizens Bingo**  
Allora Senior Citizens Hall, 10.00am

### October -

- Sat 7 Allora High Tea**  
Allora Community Hall
- Fri 13 Anglican Parish Allora-Clifton Fete**  
St. David's Church Grounds, Allora
- Fri 20 St. Patrick's Fete**  
St. Patrick's School Grounds, Allora
- Sat 28 The Shoestring Theatre Cabaret & Dining Experience**  
Allora RSL Hall

### November -

- Sat 11 Wattles Rodeo**  
Allora Showgrounds

### December -

- Sun 10 Combined Churches Carols**  
Begins Homestead 7.00pm, finishes at Uniting Church.

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## Allora's Streetscape Project

The Queensland Government has provided funding under its 'Works for Queensland' Program. The funding has provided Southern Downs Regional Council with the opportunity to focus on the beginning of works planned for the P. L. Travers Park which commenced last week.

Plans, supported by the Allora Community Circle, to include a mural and a whimsical garden design are on the agenda. Should you wish to have input into this project come along to the next meeting of the Allora Community Circle to be held, on Thursday, 21st September, from 6.00pm, at the Senior Citizens Hall, Drayton Street, Allora.

**LEFT & BELOW:** Construction progressing on a rotunda for the P.L. Travers Park



## Domestic Violence Support

If your daughter, sister or friend was living in a constant state of terror and fear of domestic abuse, would you offer your spare room to help her out?

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the reality for thousands of women across Australia. And for many people a support network just isn't available, as you can see from these statistics:

- Over 105,000 people are homeless every night across Australia,
- 66% of people seeking temporary crisis accommodation are turned away
- Women return to abusive relationships on average seven times before they leave for good

A critical shortage of suitable accommodation means women who are victims of domestic abuse are trapped without a safe place to breathe every night, in every city across the country. The Refuges are full with long waiting lists, and there is nowhere else for them to go.

Safe Haven Community wants to change this and have launched a new service, providing safe, community-based temporary accommodation for anyone at risk of domestic abuse or homelessness. The service matches people that have a spare room, with people that need a safe place to stay.

As a community Australians have done a great deal to bring domestic abuse out of the shadows and into the light. Unfortunately, this means we have created a new problem for

the thousands of women, their children and even some men, fleeing abusive relationships on a daily basis.

If we can provide them with a safe, secure place to go within a supportive environment, even just for a few days, we are confident we can help break the cycle.

We want people in the community to open up their homes to help those who find themselves in abusive relationships before those relationships turn violent.

But to keep this fledgeling service running, Safe Haven desperately needs the community to get behind us.

As well as calling for private community housing we have started a crowd funding campaign to raise the capital we need to continue this vital service.

If you would like more information on our service please feel free to give me a call on 0418 794 975.



## Allora Golf Notes

Results for last Friday's Duckrun the winner on 23 pts was our 'Struggling' B Grader Rod Simpson from Errol May on 22 pts. Rundown winner was Ray 'Ripper' O'Leary, Greg Evans took the pin for the 17th and Errol May claimed the pin for the 13th no one got the Approach. Congratulations to the winners and all players. Thank you to our sponsor for the Duckrun competition, Percy's Fruit.

Last Sunday we played for club trophies in a Single stableford competition. In near perfect conditions on the course allowing some great golf to be played. The winner on 45 pts playing some brilliant golf was our favorite Irishman Mark 'Scully' the handicapper's sharpening his scissors and going to love you this week, well done Scully. Runnerup with a great score of 41 pts was Tom Bartholomai, well done Tom. Jason Nightingale took the pins for the 4th, 7th and 13th with Tom Brown taking home the 16th. Pins for the 1st went to Tom Bartholomai, 3rd and 10th Rougan Geraghty and Jack Fulwood got the 12th. Congratulations to the winners and all players, thank you to our sponsors, our workers and thank you to our players for representing the club over the last two weeks in the Dalby and Gatton Open days.

This Friday teeing from 2.00pm is the Percy's Fruit Duckrun competition, all welcome to attend, then Sunday while a group of players head out to Inglewood for their Open day, will be playing for the Allora Pharmacy Monthly Medal teeing at 11.30am, all welcome to attend but dont forget your sandbuckets and great golfing to you all.



## Allora Bowls Club NIGHT BOWLS RESULTS - WEEK 1 - 5TH SEPTEMBER

Welcome back everyone to another season of Night Bowls. A great roll up of players braved the cold conditions for our first night, a bit chilly for some especially those who fronted up in shorts and thongs. Saw Tom & Robyn doing a few dance moves, not sure if it was to keep warm or in the mood of the music.

Results of play: Maydan 19 d Whatever 8; Frog & Swallow 14 d Zoolanders 9; Tramps like Us 22 d Railway 5; The Old Boys 20 d Team Engel 9; Bowls & Beautiful 19 d Roonicks 14; Swimming Pool 14 d Doesn't Matter 5; Badge Construction won on a forfeit from Lawn Grubs.

The prize for the winning team on the night went to Tramps Like Us and the losing team was Zoolanders.

Raffle winners were Doug Evans, David Sparksman, Bruce Simpson, Patto, Slippery & Ashleigh Brown, congratulations. Tom Bazley cut the cards for the \$20 Jackpot but no luck.

A big thank you to our new Toucher sponsors Badge Constructions, welcome aboard. Toucher winners – Barry Donegan, Tom Bazley, Slippery, Matt Heslin, Denis Allen & Coby Imber.

Thank you to everyone who filled in for missing players, please

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make sure you let Patto know if any members of your team can not make it on the night. Patto is also looking for anyone to help maintain the surrounds of the rinks.

A big thank you to everyone who helps make our Night Bowls a great night.

## NIGHT BOWLS RESULTS – WEEK TWO - SEPTEMBER 13TH

Allora bowlers may look like a motley crew with the variety in apparel worn but they love their weekly bowls competition and there is plenty of team spirit. Thank goodness some silly billys wear their thongs- so we can measure the closest to jack!

The competition to win a block of chocolate is very popular. Cannot believe that Jim Pigeon did not win one this week. He has a reputation for 'direct hits'. The toucher competition is sponsored by Badge Construction this season. John Wright, Doug Evans, Tim Hentschell, Peter Moreton, Beetle and Slug were winners on Tuesday night.

The results of games reflect the level of competition:- Roonicks 15 v Three Stooges 12; Lawn Grubs 14 v Team Engel 12; Maydan 19 v Tramps Like Us 17; What Ever 17 v Bold and Beautiful 14; The Old Boys 16 v Zoolanders 15; Railway Hotel 17 v Badge Construction 10; Frog and Swallow 17 v Doesn't Matter 7.

What Ever on rink 4 were picked to be the winning team and Team Engel on rink 2 took home the runners-up prize.

Wondering if John Cochran has developed magical powers. He only had to look at the button and the numbers starting spinning – creepy! Those with winning numbers were Bev, Nick, Jono, Tim, Moley and Tom. Dennis won a chance to cut the Jackpot cards. No luck there so Jackpot will be \$60 next week.

Thank you to our valued sponsors of the raffle prizes – Allora Sports Club, Railway Hotel, Blue Cow Hotel, Frog and Swallow, I.G.A., & Whites Garage

Games Director Greg always acknowledges the sponsors and thanks the members who assist each week. A special thanks to our new greenkeeper Moley who has taken over from Garry Evans who kept the green in 'tip top' condition for the past few years.

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## Monster Cup Day & Markets Predicted

If the enthusiasm counts for anything, Allora thoroughbred breeder Barry Burgess has a winner on his hands with the September 16th run Railway Hotel Allora Cup. Barry heads up a committee of four who have been more than busy with their brand of organisational trackwork for the fifth running of a local tradition since it was reintroduced in 2014. According to Barry, "It's not the biggest committee, but Shann O'Connell, Robyn Miles, Glyn Rees and myself along with the mighty contribution by the Warwick Turf Club secretary Kristen Doyle and the Turf Club committee are going to put on a great day of racing with a twist."

A twist you might ask, indeed not just a day of high standard racing and the community socialising that brings, but the Warwick Turf Club are holding a craft market day with a little to intrigue everyone.

Turf Club president Phil Grant said the club decided to do something a little different by introducing craft markets in the leadup to the September race meeting at Allman Park, "the craft markets to continue to the first race."

Wattles Rugby League Football Club members are supporting the day, with their 2017 Toowoomba Rugby League



Sponsor Robyn Miles of Allora's Railway Hotel and Warwick Turf Club President Phil Grant presenting the November 2015 Allora Cup to owners of winner 'Real Favulous', Shane, Adrian & Julia Simmons.

Ambassador Georgie McDermid a special guest. The turf club wants the Allora Cup day to have activities for all the family.

"There will be cooking demonstrations, a jumping castle, face painting, the fire service and many other stalls to give the day a real family atmosphere" said Mr Grant.

Admission to the race day will be free due to sponsorship from Allora Butchery and the cup will be sponsored by the Railway Hotel at Allora, while there are Allora sponsors for each race. Stall sites are still available, those interested should contact Barry Burgess on 0402 489 348.

Glyn Rees

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### • ANNOUNCEMENTS •

#### Funeral Notice

HUGHES, Patrick "Pat" - Late of Allora, and formerly from Tweed Heads. Passed away on 10th September 2017, aged 67 years.

Beloved Husband of Kathleen. Loved Father and Father-in-law of Douglas and Shan; Micheal and Nicole; Stephen and Rebecca. Loved Grandfather of their families. Survived by his Sisters Carol and Diane. Uncle to all his family.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Pat's funeral, to be held at the Warwick Funerals Chapel, 48 Willi Street, Warwick, service commencing at 10:30am, Friday 15th September, 2017.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Cancer Council Qld; gift envelopes available at the Chapel.

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## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The adjourned A.G.M. of the Allora and District Historical Society will be held on

Wednesday, 27th September, 7.30 p.m.  
at 53 Warwick Street.

Business: Election of President and Secretary.

New members welcome.

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## Allora Kennel Club hosts Extravaganza on the Downs this weekend

The Allora Kennel Club will host a five show Extravaganza on the Downs this Friday at the Allora Showgrounds.

Showing of purebred dogs has been important part of Australia's culture since emigration from England.

According to records, the first dog show in Australia was held in

Hobart, Tasmania, in 1862 with the purpose to educate the public on the useful breeds of dogs.

Through Australia's civilisation, the importance of livestock is clear. Hence, dog showing became an integral part of agricultural shows as time went on. In 1870, the National Agricultural Society was formed which included the exhibition of some dogs and also poultry.

It wasn't until 1948 when Queensland's official dog affairs, including the registration and documentation of purebred dogs, through an alliance with the Royal National Association (RNA) under the banner of the Canine Control Council of Queensland. Now, dog shows are as popular as ever with purebreds from across the country traveling to compete.

For the Extravaganza, judges from across the country will have

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Dogs Queensland General Manager, Rob Harrison, said the dog show is an important event in a pedigree dog owner's calendar.

"The show is a wonderful event, not only for our members but also the general public who have the chance to chat to the owners and breeders, and watch the judging," Rob said.

"Family and friends from the local community are invited to come down over the weekend to show their support for the much-loved breeds."