



Wattles' Rodeo Washed out But Focused for Footy

While it was great weather for our rural producers the rain on Saturday afternoon resulted in the Wattles 'Warriors' Rugby League Club having to cancel their first major fundraiser of the new season, the 2017 Wattles Annual Rodeo.

The day started in tremendous form with the rodeo organisers Scott & Chantelle Keogh conducting a novel 'Rodeo Clinic' for youngsters aged 6 – 16 that proved so successful with over 60 participants involved. Highly credentialed nationally acclaimed rodeo riders gave their time and expertise providing tuition at the clinic and enlightening the many young rodeo riders of the future.

Another very popular event on the day was a 'Junior Rugby League Coaching Clinic' organised by Wattles A Grade coach Travis Burns.

Travis and many Wattles A Graders & former players, including Matt & Ryan Duggan, Jackson Green, passed on skills and knowledge to a large group of young footy enthusiasts, with New Zealand International Steve Matai a special guest for the event.

Steve drove with his children from Pottsville, NSW for the clinic, returning home after its completion.

Saturday afternoon saw a number of gatherings of Wattles committee members and event organisers to



Special guest for Wattles 2017 Rodeo was New Zealand rugby league international and 230 NRL game veteran Steve Matai teamed up with his former Manly Sea Eagles team mate and Wattles top grade coach Travis Burns training many aspiring young players in the "Wattles Rodeo Junior Rugby League Clinic" on Saturday afternoon.

Both Steve and Tavis are tipping a great year for Wattles, on & off the field.

consider the immediate future of the rodeo, most resulting in a hopeful decision of "We will proceed". However, with all erected and in preparation for a mighty evening of rodeo action, at 4.15 pm ahead of the 6.00 pm Rodeo start the event was called off due to the steady wet weather.

Wattles President Glyn Rees said, "while everyone understood there wasn't anything we could do about the weather, it was still a very disappointing outcome for an event that traditionally kick started the Wattles football year financially".

"Consideration of options to reschedule the rodeo will be



Scott Keogh Wattles Junior Rodeo Clinic.

on the agenda at the club's next general meeting in December."

"On behalf of the Wattles Club I offer a most sincere vote of thanks to all involved in having our 2017 Wattles Rodeo prepared to the point it was, given the effort put in it was certainly a letdown to cancel the event that is evolving in to a growing annual tradition."

While there were no rodeo thrills and spills, many still rolled up to enjoy the evening in the clubhouse.

Rees extended a special vote of thanks to rodeo event organisers Scott & Chantelle Keogh, Wattles committee

member Neil Phelan who supplied his cattle for the event, the many volunteers who assisted in so many ways on the day of the event; as well as the hardworking people in the canteen providing meals led by Kellie Brady & Anna Marks.

He also thanked Travis, Kristal & Mandy Burns for arranging and selling tickets in a raffle coinciding with the rodeo for 500 litres of fuel kindly provided by Black Toyota - Warwick. It proved a very positive spike in a night that finished much less financially than we would have liked.

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The raffle proved very successful and was won by Allora local couple Pat & June Lawson.

Rees said "I haven't listed everyone who assisted so generously, but rest assured your efforts are recognised; indeed, we are immensely grateful. Including the generous folk who attended on Sunday for the 'big clean up'.

"It might not have been the best start for our 2018 season, but the only way is up for the Mighty Warriors" according to Rees.

The Wattles Rugby League Football extend our most sincere thanks to 2017 Wattles Annual Rodeo sponsors and contributors.

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Glyn Rees

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being working in Goondiwindi for the past two and a half years. As an immigrant I understand the challenges one faces to become part of a community. It is important to experience the community in order to understand what makes the community "tick". This is a process that takes time and a lot of interaction with locals to develop once understanding of the community.

My experience of Goondiwindi is that the residents are willing to give you a fair go if you demonstrate that you have authenticity by spending time in the community, understanding their needs and contribute to solving the challenges of wider community.

This is the principal that I will apply in choosing the candidate I vote for in the upcoming State election. Rob Mackenzie has demonstrated authenticity and has a deep rooted involvement in community. Born and bred in this area he understands the needs of the local people and he communicates effectively. His passion is infectious so is his big smile.

I share the frustration of the general public towards our current federal politicians in their inability to connect with the general public. It is my opinion that our current politicians lost their authenticity and by voting for Rob Mackenzie I hope to contribute in restoring that.

Yours faithfully,

Ben Geldenhuys, Goondiwindi

Dear Editor,

The volunteers at the Allora Blue Care Boutique would very much like to let the community know that the shop, situated behind the Blue Care Centre building on cnr. Forde and Warwick Streets, is **definitely still functioning**, and is open two days a week, Tuesday and Friday 9.00am to 4.00pm. Volunteers are most welcome.

Judy Acason, Allora

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To the Editor,

I am a relative new member of the Southern Downs electorate. I would like to take the opportunity to advocate my support to Rob Mackenzie in the upcoming State Election as the independent candidate standing in the Southern Downs electorate.

My family and I immigrated to Australia 10 years ago and I have

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Gordon Country Weddings wins Best Farm Venue

On Tuesday 14 November 2017, Gordon Country Weddings, based in Goomburra on the Darling Downs, was announced the Winner of the Best Farm and Country Venue as voted by Brides on the Gold Coast and Hinterland.

Gordon Country was recognised as the premier wedding supplier that went beyond the call of duty, professionalism, value for money, excellent customer service and who exceeded their expectations.

Gold Coast and Hinterland Brides Choice Awards are held annually to recognise the best business in a range of categories. Brides were only restricted to voting once and were locked out once their vote was cast.

"We were beyond excited when it was announced. Our Rivergums Barn has only been built for 18 months so to achieve this kind of recognition by our Brides tells us we must be doing something right!"



Sarah and Sam Campbell received the Winner of the Best Farm and Country Venue for Gordon Country Weddings. Photo © Florin Lane Photography

says Sarah Campbell, their Event Manager. "I think what makes our venue special is not only the stunning

surrounds, but the enjoyment of extending your wedding out for a whole weekend. For Brides on the Gold Coast and

Hinterland we are a semi-destination venue and we can provide them with a real 'getaway' experience.

Allora Butchery under New Management



Tom Palmer, Blake Lollback, Aaron Vietheer, Ashley McSorley and Katie Wheeldon, staff & owners of the Allora Butchery stepped off into a new era recently with Aaron and Ashley taking over as the new owners of the land mark Allora main street business.

Growing up in the small Central Tablelands of New South Wales township of Wallerawang, a young Ashley McSorley would have hardly dreamed she would be the co-owner of a thriving butcher shop 850 kms to the north in Allora with her fiancé just a half dozen years in to the future.

The former Allora Show Society Showgirl for 2017 met Aaron Vietheer, her betrothed, in mid-2015 and while they have been enjoying life on their forty acres at Berat, in the picturesque Goomburra Valley, their life direction has recently become very focused. Aaron and Ashley have recently become the proud owners of Allora Butchery, Aaron's former work place of five years with previous owners Grant & Janette Lollback.

The new owners took control of the popular Allora business on November 13th, following on from Grant & Janette Lollback's who were in residence for 14 ½ years. The two smiling faces behind

the stainless-steel counters filled with prime quality meat are well known to Allora and region residents, both having been active in the community since becoming residents. While acquiring the land mark butcher shop in Allora's main street is a significant step in their lives, April next year will see Allora's newest business owners married in the 'Best Little Town on the Downs' and looking to make the area home long term.

While familiar with the retail industry through her four years working at the local supermarket, Ashley is a newcomer to the world of butchery while Aaron brings considerable experience with his knives and apron from across the Darling Downs.

It is intriguing to hear Aaron's yarn on how he discovered Allora, it was all linked to his keenness for his butchering work. "I was working in Toowoomba and on holidays. I heard about how the Allora Butcher shop needed some help staff wise, so I drove out with my knives to offer my



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services. I started that morning and had a new fulltime job by 10 am."

He can be considered a very astute young chap can Aaron, but he has admitted that on that day he ventured to Allora he got lost, "couldn't find the main street". He tends to keep that initial experience in the town to himself.

Currently President of the Allora Cricket Club and a former player with local footy side Wattles, Aaron enjoys the communication opportunities working in the butcher shop provides.

According to Aaron, who always wanted to be a butcher

from his time as a youngster on the family farm, "while we will obviously be striving for success with the shop, we want to be part of the community and continue the standing of the business in the local and wider area."

"We are particularly keen to hear from our customers about our current products and services and suggested new options."

Aaron & Ashley feel that while the Allora butchery "is our business, it's also the local community's".

"We're here with staff Blake

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Two idiots walked deep into a forest searching for a Christmas tree. After spending hours in the deep snow and biting wind without success, one idiot turned to the other and said, "I'm going to chop down the next tree I see. I don't care whether it's decorated or not!"

What did the fireman's wife get for Christmas?
A ladder in her stocking

Allora Presbyterian Mens Breakfast Guest Speaker

The Ups and Downs of a Guy from the Downs

The Allora Presbyterian Men's Breakfast speaker for November is Alan Gordon, country bred (Rywyng. Qld) and now retired in the Big Smoke. Alan will be guiding us on his life's journey and calling his experiences "The Ups and Downs of a Guy from the Downs". Alan recalls travelling from Queensland to Sydney, when as a young Alan Gordon, he looked through the train window to see the beauty of a full moon bathing northern New South Wales with light. Leaving the familiar with almost nothing in his wallet, it was the start of an adventure of living by faith. Living by faith can be very hazardous to a person whose background

was in maths and sciences. Alan took his country background, his passion for Jesus and telling others about Him and his theological training to many different places and in a variety of roles in country, regional and city Australia as well as destinations overseas. Many lessons, laughs and experiences shaped the guy who has returned to his home state and has now been sent out to pasture in a back paddock. But, throughout life, the overarching theme is the constant experience of a loving and powerful God who makes life exciting. All men are invited to come and hear Alan and enjoy breakfast together at the Allora Presbyterian Church hall at 7.20am on Saturday 25th November.

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Lollback, Katie Wheeldon & Tom Palmer to provide courteous service and quality product."

The status quo will be remaining as far as services offered by the Allora Butchery, "we ask that everyone keeps an eye out for our weekly specials, the fact we stock seafood, our delivery services and so much more."

"If you can't see it or have a suggestion, just let us know."

Previous owners Grant & Janette experienced amazing success with awards in the meat industry, and Aaron & Ashley are keen to maintain the well-established Allora Butchery tradition of exceptional standards. Both Aaron & Ashley are more than comfortable with their business decision and looking to a bright future in Allora, for them and a future family. Be sure to call in and make yourself known!

Glyn Rees

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Author of Railway History to Visit Southern Downs Libraries

The Warwick and Stanthorpe libraries are pleased to host author Scott Whitaker, who has just released his third volume of the Railway Hotels of Australia series.

Railway Hotels of Queensland follows on from the successful release of Volume One, Railway Hotels of Victoria, and Volume Two, Railway Hotels of New South Wales. This book by Scott Whitaker, railway enthusiast and part-time historian, details the history of every Railway Hotel that trades, or once traded in Queensland.

The book contains a wealth of information on the history of railways in Queensland, and explores the social, economic and political themes that helped to shape the state. The book contains hundreds of historic and contemporary images, printed on high quality art paper, and includes a range of advertisements and anecdotes that add interest and establish the mood of the era.

Many readers will find it enjoyable, from railway and hotel hobbyists, publicans, as well as people who are interested in local or social history, and architecture. Scott Whitaker grew up in Melbourne in the 1960s and 1970s before being transferred to Queensland with his employer Airservices, then Department of Aviation. After working in Air Traffic Control for over 30 years, he retired a



Author Scott Whitaker.

few years ago. Scott returned to Melbourne but has recently relocated to Queensland to soak up the sunshine at Bowen. He has two adult children. His interests include railways, probably kindled by the stories told by his grandfather who was a locomotive fireman on steam engines during the Second World War, Australian history and travel. It is these interests that Scott collectively seized upon at retirement as he entered the world of authorship, travelling around Australia, to explore the history of the Railway Hotels of Australia. Scott will be visiting on Thursday 30th November; Stanthorpe Library 10.30am and Warwick Library at 2.00pm. A light morning and afternoon tea will be provided. RSVP date is Monday, 27th November. For further information please contact: Warwick Library 4661 0342 Stanthorpe Library 4681 2141.

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The Allora Community Directory...

ORGANISATIONS

Allora Community Circle - Meets on the 4th Thursday of the month, 6.00pm at the Senior Citizens Hall, Drayton Street Allora. Enquiries, contact Julie 0407 954 615.

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

Allora & District Historical Society - Meets 3rd Wednesday of every month, 7.00pm, at Old Shire Hall, Warwick St., Allora. Drayton Street Museum open 1.30pm - 4.30pm every Sunday. Contact Colin Newport 0408 740 622 or Rod Close 4666 3662.

Allora & District Rural Neighbourhood Watch - Meets 3rd Tuesday bi-monthly at the Allora Court House, Raff St., Allora, 6.30pm. All welcome. Contact Wendy Ardrey 0488 673 778.

Allora Garden Club - Meets 1st Tuesday of the month at 1.00pm, at 44 Arnold Street and travels to different locations. Contact Flora Sparksman 4666 2261 or Glad Holmes 4666 3191.

Allora Landcare Group - Meets on the 3rd Thursday of every second month, starting in February, at the Commercial Hotel, 7.30pm. Contact Peter Thomas 4666 6210 or 0419 724 025.

Allora Men's Shed Inc. - Open weekly Thurs. and Sat. at 16 Jubb Street, Allora, 8.30am to 12.00pm. All welcome. President Glenn Miller 0408 063 387, Secretary Stuart Campbell 4666 3499. Email alloramensshed4362@gmail.com.

Allora QCWA - Meets 3rd Tuesday of month, 10.00am. Contact Sharon Hannah 4666 2197.

Allora R.S.L. Sub Branch - Meets at R.S.L. Hall. Contact Kath Turner 4666 2050.

Allora Red Cross - Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month from 1.30pm at 22 Forde St., Allora. Contact Kay Graham 4666 3035.

Allora Rotary Club - Meets every 2nd Monday at Railway Hotel, from 6.30pm. Contact Ann Balmain 4666 2450.

Allora Scope Club - Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of month. Contact Daphne Whatley 4666 3691 for details on venue.

Allora Senior Citizens - Meets Monday and Friday, 1.00pm - 3.30pm for cards and games. Contact Kathy Shannon 0427 973 286 or Joan Barnett 0475 565 740.

Allora Show Society - Meets 1st Sunday of the month at 2.00pm at Show Society Ring Office, Allora Show Grounds. Contact Conrad Schnitzerling 0418 756 498 or Shirley Cornhill 0427 100 210.

Blue Care Shop - 46 Warwick St, Allora 4362, open 9.00am - 4.00pm Tuesday and Friday. All donations are welcome and appreciated.

Friends of the Homestead - Meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at 2.00pm. Contact Joyce 4666 3694.

Goomburra Hall Committee - Meets 3rd Wednesday of the month, from 6.30pm at Goomburra Hall. Contact John O'Brien 4666 6050 to confirm.

Hope Masonic Lodge - Meets 1st Friday each month at 7.30pm, at Gordon St., Allora. Inquiries welcome. Contact Graeme Allen 4666 3164

St. Patrick's Parish Pastoral Council - McKillop House (old convent) Warwick St., Allora. Contact 4666 3377 and leave a message.

TACK (Team Allora Country Kingdom) - Meets 2nd and 4th Friday of the month at 12 Jubb Street, 7.00pm - 9.00pm. Contact Tony on 0403 265 440 for more information.

Victoria Hill QCWA - Meets 1st Tuesday of month 1.30pm at Victoria Hill Hall. Contact Shirley Erhardt 4666 3470

Warwick Veteran & Vintage Vehicle Club Inc. - Meets 1st Wednesday of the month from 7.30pm. Contact Graham McMillan 4666 3554 to confirm venue.

ART & CRAFT GROUPS

Allora Arts & Crafts - Meets every Tuesday, 9.00am - 12.00pm, at St. David's Hall, 1 Church St., Allora. Contact Sue Dalton 4666 3083.

Allora Photography Group - Meets 2nd Wednesday night of every month, 7.00pm, Allora State School Library, Raff St. All welcome. Contacts - Pres. Chris Johnson 0412 097 424, Sec. Sandra Head 0427 032 798, email alloraphotographygroup4362@gmail.com.

St. Patrick's Craft Group - Meet on 1st Monday of the month at McKillop House (old convent) Warwick St., Allora. Contact Cathie Wilson 4666 2441.

SPORTING / HEALTH ACTIVITIES

Allora Amateur Swimming Club - Meets Tuesday afternoons at 4.30pm at the Allora Swimming Pool. Contact Shannon Sparksman 0472 712 344

Allora & District Campdraft Association - Contact Secretary Angela Hart on 0418 708 366.

Allora Sports Club - Meets 2nd Monday of the month at the Club House, Warwick St., Allora. Contact John Ellwood 0448 196 647.

Allora Sports Museum - Regular hours each Sunday, 12.00pm - 4.00pm or other times open by appointment. Contact Perry Cronin 0407 034 320 or Glyn Rees 0400 811 093.

Allora Tennis Club - Family Fun Nights, first Friday of month from 5.30pm, phone 4666 2260. Ladies Tennis Tuesday AM and PM. Court available for night tennis. Contact 0439 702 051.

Line Dance Classes - Tuesday 6.45pm - 8.30pm, at Allora Sports Centre, Darling Street, Allora. Contact Jenny 4661 2448.

St. Andrews Indoor Bowls Allora - Meets Tuesdays from 7.15pm at St. Andrews Hall, Warwick St., Allora. Contact Kathy Shannon 4666 3286.

Southern Downs Rifle Club - Long Range Full Bore rifle competitions each Sunday, 9.00am - 12noon, at the Risdon Rifle Range, Connelly Dam Road, Warwick. Contact Margaret Taylor on 07 4666 1018 or Bob Tyllyer bobtyllyer@hotmail.com. Web site www.southerndownsrifleclub.websyte.com.au

Squash - at Allora Indoor Sports Centre. Phone John 4666 3100 for key.

Tai Chi for Health - Thursdays, 8.30am at Allora RSL Hall, 10.30am Clifton Senior Citizens Hall, starting 9th February. Contact Janet 0428 891 277.

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All Santa wants for Christmas is to receive your letter early!



Look out for a "Santa's Mail Box" like this at the Allora Post Office.

The busiest night of the year is fast approaching for Santa and his little helpers, and Australia Post is urging children to post their letters to Santa early to ensure the jolly man in red has plenty of time

to reply. Santa will soon be gearing up his sleigh and coming to town, but not before he has replied to tens of thousands of Santa Mail letters from children across Australia.



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To access the Santa Mail tracker, and a range of fun Christmas and educational resources for the holidays such as tips on letter writing, letter writing templates, and how to address an envelope, visit Australia Post's Santa Mail website at auspost.com.au/santa-mail

Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago October 1992

Building Demolished

An historic building that was erected in Allora over 100 years ago was demolished this month. Warwick firm Barnes, Archibald and Co. built a new store on the corner of Herbert and Drayton Streets in Allora in 1890. This was taken over by G. P. Barnes & Co in 1893 and was known as the Allora Emporium selling a wide variety of grocery, clothing and hardware lines until it closed in 1939. The building was then occupied by Holmes & Co as a cash grocery store. Jack Marshall opened a garage in the Drayton Street section while George Cunningham operated the Cosy Corner Cafe in Herbert Street. The Stewart family conducted Allora Motors on the site until moving to the Warwick Street corner in the mid 1970's. Bob Whitehouse then moved his chemist shop into the building and this was taken over by Elaine McCormack until it closed in the

late 1980's

Allora's Past 75 years ago November 1942

Social News

Mrs. Roy Neale and her small children will return shortly from a holiday visit to Redcliffe. Mrs. W. H. Cross has also been holidaying at Redcliffe. Mrs. L. T. Vickery and her two small daughters, Ann and Helen, are enjoying a seaside holiday and will return to Allora within a day or two. Mrs. Hal Smith and her children have left for a holiday visit to Brisbane and the seaside.

Allora's Past 100 years ago November 1917

Killed in Action

Official information has been received through the local postmaster that Private Harry Shooter has been killed in action. The deceased soldier is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Shooter of Talgai West and enlisted in Allora on the 20th October 1915. He has been in the trenches in France for the past eighteen months. All

of Mr. Shooter's eligible sons (four) have enlisted, two of them left for the front early this month.

Chess Club

A meeting was held in the School of Arts for the purpose of forming a chess club. A fair number of enthusiasts were present, the Rev. M. I. Young occupying the chair. It was decided to form a club, the following officers being elected: Secretary, Rev. M. I. Young; Committee, Messrs F. G. Johnson, W. J. Lilley, C. W. Clarke.

Allora's Past 125 years ago November 1892

Of Unsound Mind

On Wednesday last it was reported to the local police that a man had for a week take up abode in one of Mr. Shannon's paddocks, and from his behaviour it was evident that he was not altogether right in the upper storey. The following morning Constable Chalmers went out and after some trouble arrested the man, who evidently did not care to have an interview with the man in blue. When taken to the lockup he gave his name as Anthony Barry, an ex constable in the Irish Constabulary. He was in appearance a man of 30 or 35, and evidently subject to attacks of lunacy, as he gave strong evidence of being in fear that some person or persons were after him for his money. This led police to surmise that he must have money secured about him, which turned out correct, as after very careful searching, it was discovered that the man had sewn up in the most unlikely part of his clothing, a bank deposit receipt for £130 on the Q.N. Bank and another receipt for £60 on the Royal bank, also eight one pound notes. There was also one sovereign and 15 shillings in silver, making a total of £199 15s. On Thursday morning he was brought before the Court and remanded to Toowoomba for medical treatment..

Colin Newport



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Australia Day Awards Nominations Now Open

Do you know someone who deserves recognition for their achievements or contributions to the Southern Downs community?

If so, then Southern Downs Regional Council wants to hear from you.

Nominations are open for the Southern Downs' Australia Day Awards, which gives you the chance to put forward someone you know for one of the numerous honours that will be presented at celebrations on Friday, January 26, 2018.

Council invites residents to submit nominations for the Australia Day Awards in order to highlight the great achievements and contributions of those in our community.

It doesn't matter whether the nominee has a school, business, sports or community background, there is an award to recognise their efforts.

Mayor Tracy Dobie said she was looking forward to receiving the nominations. "There are so many heroes in

our community who deserve to be recognised for their work," said Cr Dobie. "These awards are a great way to recognise their efforts and to show our appreciation."

Awards will be presented at Stanthorpe and Warwick celebrations in the following categories for each location:

- Citizen Award
 - Junior Citizen Award
 - Cultural Award
 - Junior Cultural Award
 - Sports Award
 - Junior Sports Award
 - Sports Administration Award
 - Community Event of the Year
- Junior awards are open to those under 18 years of age as at January 26, 2018.

Separate awards ceremonies will be held in Warwick and in Stanthorpe. When you make your nomination, you can also nominate in which location the award should be given. You can submit your nomination at either Warwick or Stanthorpe Council offices.

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2017

November -

Sat 25 Goomburra Town Hall Christmas Party
Goomburra Town Hall, 4.00pm

December -

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

Sat 16 Allora's Creekside Carols
Stuart Henry Park.

2018

March -

Fri 2 The Rotary Club of Allora Annual Trivia Night
Allora State School Hall, 6.30pm

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Australia Day 2017 Awards winners at a ceremony held at Glengallan Homestead in January this year.

provide the perfect platform to recognise those who make the Southern Downs a great place to live.

Nominations close at 5pm on Friday, December 8, 2017. Nomination forms are

available at www.sdrcl.qld.gov.au or from the Southern Downs Regional Council offices at 64 Fitzroy Street, Warwick and 61 Marsh Street, Stanthorpe.



Allora Golf Notes

Last Friday's Percy's Fruit sponsored Duckrun winner on 25 pts was 'Rolling' Ray O'Leary from Doreen Duffy on 22 pts. Pin winners 17th, John Sparksman Approach 12th Kev Harrison Rundown Kev Harrison, Wayne McKewan, John Sparksman. Congratulations to the winners and all players and thank you to Percy's Fruit for their support.

Last Sunday was for the Allora Open and Ken Wilson Cup. Over 85 players from clubs from Bell, Goombungee, Clifton, Inglewood, Warwick, Toowoomba as well as others attended. With players well fed and stocked up with liquid refreshments they ventured out, the skies were threatening to open at any moment and for a brief moment it did but we had a brilliant Open carnival combined with some fantastic golf. Mens A Grade best gross Jason Webb from City with 67, best nett Merv Morris from Inglewood 66, nett runner up Q. Croker from Clifton. B Grade best gross Wayne McKewan 75, best nett Rod Simpson 60, nett runner up John Millard 61. C Grade best gross Gene McMillan 86, best nett 'Rolling' Ray O'Leary 66, nett runner up B. Gibson 70. Ladies best gross all the way from Goombungee A. Cass 88, best nett D. Bowe 75, nett runner up all the way from Bell was Bonnie Edwards 76. Long drive A Grade Matt May, B Grade Tim Gleeson, C Grade M. Dwan. Approach A Grade 2/11 R. Gardiner, B Grade 4/13 John Millard, C Grade 3/12 E. Hartman. Ladies Approach 6/15 Bonnie Edwards. NTP Mens A Grade Matt May, B Grade D. Nevin, C Grade Gene McMillan, Ladies NTP D. Bowe. Winner of the 2017 Ken Wilson Cup for best Stableford points: Wayne McKewan with 47 pts.

The Allora 2017 Open Champion is Jason Webb from City Golf Club with 67. Congratulations to all players and thank you to everyone from participating clubs for attending. To our sponsors for the day City Golf Club, Denny's Engineering, Eziali Excavations, Darwalla Milling, the Rural Maintenance Guy and Sam Eaves Golf for the Pro shop and raffle prizes of a beautiful putter - the winner will make good use of that, and to the winners of the Kooralbyn Resort 2 Day Golf Getaway, congratulations. Thank you to all the ladies for keeping the players and visitors well fed, the bar staff and to the workers for getting the course looking as great as it is. To Ken Wilson for being out on the course from 4 am Sunday morning spraying over a kilometre of hazard lines all around the course then marshalling on the 4th green, thank you mate.

To our drinks man Garney, I know it was dangerous having you in charge of the drinks and not only that but driving the cart. You did a great job of keeping us thirsty players well refreshed, thanks mate. This Friday teeing from 2 pm is the Percy's Fruit Duckrun then Sunday while a group heads to Toowoomba for the Open at City we will be playing for the Allora Pharmacy Monthly Medal, all welcome to attend but don't forget your sandbuckets and great golfing to you all.



Allora Night Bowls Notes

Week 10, 14th November 2017

- We would like to acknowledge the support of the night bowls sponsors.

This season, Badge Constructions who are building the new hatchery sponsored the toucher segment of our competition. Weekly raffle prizes have been donated by Robyn of Railway Hotel, John and Jackie - Frog & Swallow jams & condiments, Jackie & Denise from the Blue Cow Hotel, Tim from White's Garage and the team from I.G.A. Our Allora Sports Club supports the bowlers with two prizes each week. Thank you to all our sponsors for your contribution.

The volunteers make a valuable contribution each week. Moley has the green in great condition (not sure that Moley himself is in good condition, shh but he is getting forgetful!) Greg makes up the draw each week, keeps tabs of the scores and tears his hair out when we turn up without a full team. The catering team have everything under control each week, Wendy when she is in town, Sue after a meditation session in Warwick and James and Cody who rush in from their game to serve the nibbles. Lyn & Bev collect the green fees and keep tabs of the game scores and raffle winners. Ashleigh is in control of the toucher bell and recording the winners of the chocolates. We have a team of bar attendants, John, Wendy, Bec, & Ashley who help out when needed. Thank you to all the other players who put out and return mats and jacks each week.

After play this week, the Lawns Grubs are still winning the competition with 14 points with Zoolanders close on 13. Results - Badge Construction 10 v Doesn't Matter 10; Tramps Like Us 20 v Roonicks 9; The Three Stoogers 19 v The Old Boys 10; What Ever 11 v Railway Hotel 8; Maydan 12 v Frog & Swallow 10; Zoolanders 19 v Team Engel 4; Bowls and Beautiful 19 v Lawn Grubs 9. Tramps Like Us took home the winner's prize & The Old Boys were runners up. Some players are very consistent toucher winners eg, Barry Donegan & John Cochran. Other chocolate winners this week were Dan Brasch, Glen Hentschel, Ken Wilson and Lynn Patterson.

Lyn Wright



Enjoy a game soon! Play competition

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3. Although commonly referred to as the killer whale, orcas are actually part of the Delphinidae, or oceanic dolphin, family.
4. A whip's crack is a sonic boom, caused when the tip moves faster than the speed of sound.
5. A typical person with good colour vision can distinguish about 10 million colours.

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TUESDAY - Ladies Bible Study at 10.00am.

WEDNESDAY - Bible Study at 7.00pm, at the church.

MENS BREAKFAST - Saturday, 25th November, 7.20am, at church hall. Guest Speaker: ALAN GORDON. Read Alan's short bio on page 4.

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well attended by both experienced and new sewers. These very sociable and productive days and members

ask for them to continue. We work with production lines and the whirr of machines is music to the ears.

We have found that there are other benefits arising from the organisation. Many friendships have been forged. New residents have been integrated into the community. People have renewed friendships. There is purpose now for several who need an outlet from isolation and loneliness. We are very happy that this has been part of being involved with Days for Girls. We have sourced items at the best prices available and can give all the members the necessary materials for

sewing. Those who are not sewers have plenty of important tasks to perform and are totally involved.

Coming up, we have Packing Day on 7th December at Mary MacKillop House from 9.30. This is our Christmas Pack and we ask member to bring a small plate to share for lunch. This year our word is SUDAN. That is the food/ drinks you bring must begin with one of these letters. There is a prize for the most imaginative! We decorate a Christmas Tree with gifts for the girls, washers, motel soap, knickers (smaller sizes), cash and material. All

welcome to contribute.

We don't have an official break as people sew at their own rate.

We would welcome any new cotton/ poly cotton material that you might have at home. Phone 0746973474 to arrange for pick up.

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