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10 Glorious Years

Allora's watering hole of renown on the corner of Herbert & Warwick Streets, the 115 year old Railway Hotel, will be the centre of some major celebrations on Sunday.

Indeed after 3,652 days mine host Robyn Miles is throwing open the doors from 2.00 pm until 6.00 pm on December 17th to celebrate a decade as the lady at the helm of the popular hostelry.

"We'd like to share the special event with all the locals that have assisted and supported us on our 10 Year journey" shared Robyn.

While the Railway as it is fondly known has been a meeting place and community hub for well over a century, the past ten years has certainly seen the hotel evolve into one of the more popular and recognized businesses in 'the Best Little Town on the Downs'.

It's the quintessential local pub renowned across the Southern Downs, family-friendly and full of colourful characters, more than ready for a chat or a laugh.

Robyn couldn't be prouder of her hotel, part owned with parents Cec & Jan Miles.

As all Allora is well aware since 2011 the Miles family

have also owned the Commercial Hotel, just down the street, another century and more aged building that was restored to grandeur by Cec Miles' building company. While also very proud of the clientele built up over the

years, Robyn considers herself so very fortunate to have so many wonderful friends that she is only too happy to have as company in her home and workplace.

It can be said the lady considered 'the Best Boss in the World' hand picks her staff, wherever possible from locals.

I recall meeting Robyn & her mother Jan back in early December 2007 when they were considering the hotel, sharing a drink with then popular owners John & Rhonda Fraser.

A few around the traps were thinking, 'Wow she's young to

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Mine host at the Railway Hotel Robyn Miles is inviting friends and community members for a drink and a slice from the pig on the spit to celebrate her decade managing the popular Allora pub on Sunday afternoon.

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be looking to run a pub! While it was to prove anything but overwhelming, at the time Robyn did appear a touch nervous, or perhaps sensitive to a bar full of local guys checking out the girls from out of town.

It must now be considered a great success story bred from that decision a decade back, the pathway of a young hairdresser toiling in Ipswich who was harbouring other life visions in her mind.

So, it was away with the scissors and brushes to venture into the hospitality trade. The door opened that would eventually lead to many new friends, and a new home and business success in Allora. "I got into pubs" said Robyn, and there are many in the Allora area who are damn glad she did.

"After a few years managing the local in Harrisville I moved to the Valley in Brisbane, which was a bit of a culture shock for a country girl like me."

After a few years gaining more venue management experience in Brisbane, "my family decided to venture into the world of pub ownership. "We were going to buy a pub and I would manage it." "It was a little daunting, so we looked for a country pub that

would be a good place to start." The family searched through south east Queensland looking for candidate hotels, eventually trekking to Allora in 2007 to check out a promising lead in the Railway Hotel. "It had a good feel to me

straight away," according to Robyn. The future owner thought the place had a good feel, an opinion shared by many locals over many years. "It had been well looked after, was clean and tidy and didn't have that dark and eerie feel

that a lot of country pubs do." There was also plenty of opportunities to improve on the building and services the hotel could offer. It is now a part of local history that the Railway Hotel went to auction in October 2007 and the Miles family purchased the premises.

What else is local history is the more than generous support Robyn and the Miles family have afforded the Allora region since their arrival.

Whether it be sporting clubs, community groups & clubs, community events, individual achievers, the list goes on of those who have enjoyed the benefits of support from Robyn and the Railway Hotel. While Robyn is so very grateful to the Allora area community for their support over the past 10 Years, I am sure I can offer my wishes of sincere thanks from all considered Allora and more for the outstanding contribution Robyn has afforded the community. While challenges aplenty through the decade, they were never more than the positive



The Railway Hotel, 115 years providing social enjoyment for the Allora community.

achievements, happiness and laughs for our special publican. She has also endured much sadness with the loss of much loved life partner Justin Briggs, who was also so much a part of Allora & its community, the Railway Hotel and Robyn's life.

Thank you so very much Robyn, Cec & Jan and all the Miles family, we are certainly very fortunate & happy you stumbled upon the Railway Hotel all those years ago! And in signing off a whimper is heard from the hotel veranda ... "Congratulations Mum

XXX" calls Kalen! "So if you're around on Sunday please feel free to pop in for a drink and a slice from the pig on the spit to celebrate with Robyn and her family from 2.00 pm - 6.00 pm in the Railway Hotel Beer Garden" Glyn Rees



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Christmas is a time for celebrations and it is important to make arrangements to get home safely if you have been partying with friends. Don't mix alcohol and driving.

The decisions we make will impact on our families, friends and others members of the community. Drive safe and enjoy a Merry Christmas.

Darren Chester
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

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WEATHER FORECAST

Day	Forecast	Min/Max
THU	Early Fog Followed by Sun. Warm.	13 33
FRI	Morning Clouds. Hot. Dry.	16 34
SAT	Mostly Sunny. Warm.	17 34
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Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago December 1992

Netball Finals

Minor premiers Bronkettes completed an unbeaten Allora A-grade indoor netball season when they defeated Midoris 26-21 in the grand final at the Allora Health and Fitness Centre. The Midoris had won the first four summer indoor netball premierships but they were no match for the Bronkettes on Saturday night. The winning team members were Ann Harragon, Kelly Banks, Jan Gilmore, April Wright, Emaley Stephan, Brooke Gilmore and Sharon Thorpe. In the B-grade grand final, the Kaye Fiechtner led Flamingos defeated minor premiers Galaxies 48-29.

Allora's Past 50 years ago December 1967

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Allora's Past 75 years ago December 1942

Bert Sims Killed

Sergeant Gunner Bert Munro Sims (34) was killed in an air accident in England on December 17. The late Sergeant Sims was born in Warwick and educated at the Warwick Central School and the Warwick High School. After leaving high school he was employed with the firm of McDougall & Co. before taking up journalistic work at Allora where he edited the Allora Guardian newspaper. While at Allora he wrote a series of articles relating to the history of that district, these being later submitted to the public for sale in the form of the book "Allora's Past".

Bert Sims was associated with the Boy Scout movement and when in Allora he was largely responsible for the establishment of the Scout Den in that



Munro's Boarding House in Drayton Street run by Bert Sims' grandmother Julia Munro and her daughters.

centre. He is survived by his widow and three year old son, his parents and two sisters.

Allora's Past 100 years ago December 1917

Local War Heroes

The many friends of Mr. W. Neal will be pleased to learn that his only son, Sgt. W. J. T. Neal, of the Machine Gun Corps, has gained the Distinguished Conduct Medal for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of a machine gun detachment. The Anzac Bulletin says:- "When within 100 yards of the objective he brought his guns into action, inflicting many casualties. On the infantry failing to secure the objective, he showed remarkable coolness and judgement in withdrawing and setting his guns." We congratulate the young soldier on gaining such a high distinction, and thus bringing honour to his native town. We understand that Sgt. Neal is going to a military school in England, and we trust to learn shortly that he has been granted a commission. The King will decorate Sgt. Neal with the D.C.M.

Mr. W. Masters has received notice from the Base Records Office that his son Pte. L. F. C. Masters has been awarded the Military Medal. The notification says:- "His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to award the Military Medal for

bravery in the field to Pte. L. F. C. Masters." We offer our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Masters on their son's attainment of the most coveted honour.

Allora's Past 125 years ago December 1892

School Break-up

On Friday last the scholars connected with the Allora State School assembled at the schoolhouse about 9 a.m. and having formed into processional order by the head teacher, Mr. Fox, marched to the Show grounds. Upon arriving, they quickly formed themselves into various groups, some going into swinging, others for kiss-in-the-ring, whilst the male portion of the young people entered heartily into a game of cricket. Fruit, cakes, tea, in fact refreshments of every description, had been provided in abundance, and there is no need to say that they were thoroughly appreciated by those present. During the afternoon the Rev. and Mrs. Hunt, the Rev. J. B. Morrow, and other residents of the town and district visited the grounds and seemed to take great interest in the proceedings. Messrs. Fox, Burge, Dougall, and other members of the school committee must be congratulated upon providing such an enjoyable day's outing to inaugurate the Christmas vacation.

Colin Newport

Days For Girls Notes



Congratulations, Allora Team. Our goal was one thousand kits for 2017.

We packed five hundred and fifty kits last Friday to bring our annual total to twelve hundred.

Thank you to our amazing contributors from Allora, Clifton, Warwick and surrounding areas. So many have done so much in so many different ways to achieve this.

Girls in India, Vanuatu, The Philippines, Sudan, Laos, Nepal and The Solomon Islands have been given the chance to continue their education, feel valued and walk tall this year. This has become a reality due to the wonderful spirit of generosity in our community. In fact over the last three years, this gift

has been given to three thousand girls. What a difference this will make to their lives.

Our team continues to grow and has been so helpful in many other areas within the community: new friends, new interests, new challenges, a sense of belonging and achievement, to mention a few.

Best wishes to all over the coming Christmas Season. May your days be blessed. You have brought joy to so many.

Thank you, our wonderful team. You have done great work.

Love and best wishes, Cathie and Rosemary.

(We will be back next year! Look out for our Cent Sale details early 2018. Keep the afternoon of 27th January free!)



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Southern Downs chosen to host Cameroon in lead-up to 2018 Commonwealth Games

It's taken more than a year of dedication and hard work but on 7th December the Cameroon Commonwealth Games Team made it official: The Rose City is where they'll train in the lead-up to the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games.

Cameroon's 78 athletes along with a number of team officials will arrive in Warwick in early March for a two week, pre-games training camp before the games officially kick-off on April 4.

Bordered by Nigeria to the west and located on Central Africa's west coast, Cameroon is a country of around 22 million people and while its population is similar to Australia's, it only has a land size the same as Papua New Guinea.

Southern Downs Regional Council Mayor Tracy Dobie said the announcement was fantastic news for the Southern Downs Region. "We encourage all Southern Downs residents to adopt the Cameroonian athletes and support them in the Commonwealth Games."

"The Southern Downs is in the swing of the Commonwealth Games already. We had the



Cameroon representatives toured the Southern Downs in October. L-R: Cr Sheryl Windle, Deputy Mayor Jo McNally, Cameroon Commonwealth Games team manager Alphonse Benoît Essama (middle) and Chef de mission Victor Agbor Nso (far right) with Mayor Tracy Dobie.

practice run for the Queen's Baton Relay last Saturday [2nd December], which was wonderful, and now we have the Cameroonians coming," she said.

"Our officers are also working hard to attract some hockey nations for their pre-games training.

"We are looking forward to hosting the team here on the Southern Downs. The team's management has indicated they are keen to engage with

the local community, participate in some civic activities and see some kangaroos."

Local sports clubs and facilities, including Warwick Boxing Club and Warwick Indoor Recreation and Aquatic Centre (WIRAC), will host competitors across a variety of sports including men's and women's boxing, basketball, badminton, weight lifting, wrestling and track and field athletes.

This announcement comes almost 18 months after Council launched its Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games Pre-event Training Destination Proposal, in a bid to increase the profile of the Southern Downs on the international stage.

Economic Development and Tourism team is now working with Cameroon Team Management to confirm details and finalise dates for the training camp.

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Australia Post Outlets Being Trialled as Additional Contact Points for Veterans and Their Families

The Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) has launched its first information point at Australia Post's Woden outlet as part of a trial to increase awareness of the services and programs available to veterans and their families.

"The trial is part of DVA's Veteran Centric Reform (VCR) program and will focus on reaching and engaging with veterans, former serving members and their families who have not had any prior contact with the department," DVA Chief Operating Officer, Liz Cosson AM, CSC said.

"DVA is focussed on reaching the widest possible audience and informing them of the range of support and services the Department offers."

Information about DVA programs and services will be available via Australia Post's existing kiosk facilities, as well as in-store posters, brochures and videos, and the Australia

Post concierge service. This service will complement DVA's existing access points for programs and services.

"Australia Post is one of Australia's most recognisable organisations, and partnering with them gives DVA a new opportunity to engage with potential and existing DVA clients and their families," Ms. Cosson said.

The Woden outlet in the ACT is the first of three trial sites with the additional two sites to be announced in due course.

"We are thrilled to be working with DVA on this exciting initiative that will provide veterans with new ways to access information and services that are important to them," Andrew Walduck, Australia Post's Executive General Manager Trusted eCommerce Services said.

Upgraded Fire Trails Project Complete

Southern Downs Regional Council has completed natural disaster preparation work which was funded by Natural Disaster Resilience funding of \$60,000 from the Queensland Government under the 2016-17 Grants and Subsidies Program.

Southern Downs Mayor and Local Disaster Management Group Chair, Cr Tracy Dobie said that the funding enhanced the region's ability to prepare and withstand one of the Southern Downs region's highest natural hazard risks: fire.

To assist with containing and managing fires across the landscape, firefighters need good access.

Fire trails are an important part of ensuring firefighters can access fires and safely contain them.

They are also used to assist with management of bush fire risk across the landscape.

"Areas and communities across our region have been ravaged by bushfires in the past, and we know from the long term weather outlook that these hazards will only continue into the future," said Mayor Dobie.

The grant of \$60,000, as part of a total project cost of \$100,000, enhanced and maintained the fire trail

network within the Southern Downs region. The project has significantly enhanced bushfire mitigation and management capability across the Southern Downs Region.

The benefits will be felt specifically in the Goomburra Valley, Maryvale, Freestone Creek, Swanfels, Upper Freestone, Rosehill, Houghton Heights, Mt Norman and Girraween National Park areas of the Southern Downs. It has also improved protection for important communications infrastructure for the Rural Fire Service Queensland (RFSQ) and Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS) repeaters located at Mt Dillon, Glen Aplin.

The Mayor highlighted the productive and strong partnership approach to mitigation of bushfires between Council, Queensland Fire and Emergency Services and Rural Fire Services staff and volunteers in constructing and maintaining the fire trail network.

"At the heart of these improvements is the safety of our residents and their properties. Upgraded fire trails mean that the threat of bushfires can be managed more effectively, with reduced risk to residents," said the Mayor.

Allora & District Historical Society News & Christmas Party



Society members at the Allora Historical Society Christmas Party held at the RSL Cafe.

Twenty two members attended the annual Christmas Party at the RSL Allora Sub Branch café-restaurant on Saturday night. It was great to see so many members enjoying the Christmas spirit at the Memorial Hall.

We are currently selling tickets in a raffle. The prize, a beautiful hand crafted whip and a pair of Blundstone boots has proved popular. Tickets will be sold during January and drawn at the Heritage Weekend. We thank the Heritage Weekend committee

for again assisting the Historical Society to fund raise during their annual event. We will again feature a display from our interesting collection. Next year is the 150th anniversary of the School of Arts Museum building in Drayton Street. The building, moved from Raff Street was formerly the Allora Court House. The Historical Society is planning an open day and display on the weekend of the Autumn Festival. A milestone in local government history will occur

BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

A mother was teaching her three year old daughter The Lord's Prayer. For several evenings at bedtime, she repeated it after her mother.

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in July 2019. It will be 150 years since Allora was proclaimed a municipality. The residents of Allora celebrated both the 50th anniversary in 1919 and 100th year anniversary in 1969. It is hoped that the Southern Downs Regional Council will acknowledge such an important occasion by supporting a celebration of Allora's 150 years.

Members of the research team have been compiling the personal and military history of the men from the Allora and Clifton districts who volunteered to fight in the Boer War. There are 39 names on Allora's historic Boer War monument. The stories of at least 13 others from Clifton, Pilton and Hendon will also be included in a book to honour the Boer War servicemen. Judith Borrett of Western Australia a descendant of Arnold Weinholt has contributed by telling his very interesting story. Arnold was born on Goomburra Station.

He was a Boer War volunteer. After the war he was elected the Member for Fassifern. He went back to Africa on safari, hunting lions. During WWI he served with the East African Mounted Rifles then with the Intelligence Branch. He was awarded the Military Cross with a bar. Back in Australia Arnold Weinholt became the Federal Member for Moreton for four years. He then went on safari in Africa before entering State Parliament as the Member for Fassifern again. At the age of 62, he was part of a convert military intelligence operation in Africa during WWII. His party was ambushed and Arnold was killed. He left a wife and daughter.

There is a change in the opening hours of the museum. A sign has been erected advising visitors that we are open by appointment only. Members are very willing to open the museum at any time for people wanting to access records for family research.

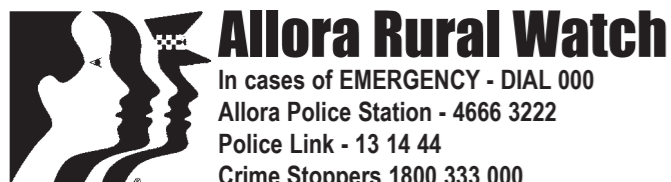
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RURAL AREA POLICE REPORT

(1/10/17 - 24/11/17)

1/10/17: A 68 year-old Allora man was charged with drink driving after being intercepted on Arnold Street. He recorded a blood alcohol level of 0.056%. He appeared in Warwick Magistrates Court on 25th October and received a \$400 fine and was disqualified from driving for 1 month.
9/10/17: A 61 year-old Allora female was issued a Traffic Infringement Notice after reversing out of her driveway and colliding with the Australia Post Office contractor delivering mail. The mail contractor received several broken ribs in the crash. Please be vigilant when reversing.

12/10/17: A unsecure vehicle was stolen from Jubb Street, taken for a joy ride and left in Merivale Street. Juvenile suspects have been nominated and investigations are continuing.

18/10/17: A 16 year-old Allora boy was administered an official caution after vandalising the new footpath at P.L. Travers Park by deliberately skidding his bicycle leaving several very long tyre marks embedded in the concrete sealant. The marks proved very difficult and costly to remove. The same boy was also cautioned for graffiti offences on the play equipment at Stuart Henry Memorial Park. The boy has since removed the graffiti and made a concerted effort to help remove the skid marks on the foot path.

27/10/17: A 23 year-old Nanango male was charged with dangerous operation of a motor vehicle, drink driving, consuming liquor while driving, unlicensed driving, and

driving unregistered and uninsured after rolling his vehicle on the New England Highway at Allora. The male was seen overtaking dangerously in the face of oncoming traffic and driving at excessive speed before losing control of his vehicle and rolling several times. It was extremely fortunate no other vehicles were struck by the offender as it could have easily been a multiple fatality crash. The male initially failed to attend Court and has now had the matter adjourned to the Kingaroy Magistrates Court on the 18th December.

28/10/17: An unsecured vehicle was stolen from Warwick Street, taken for a joy ride and returned across the road. A suspect has been nominated and investigations are continuing.

3/11/17: Sometime between 13th October and 3rd November a 5000L water tank was stolen from a Hendon address. If anyone has seen anything suspicious please contact Allora Police.

27/10/17: Unknown persons attempted to force entry into a residence on Dalrymple Creek Road jemmyming out a sliding door frame and leaving it on the ground. Investigations continuing.

7/11/17: A 15 year-old Allora boy was officially cautioned for possessing liquor at the skate park in Stuart Henry Memorial Park.

12/11/17: Two youths stole an unsecured vehicle from Warner Street and took it for a joy ride into Warwick. They drove back towards Allora and ran out of petrol at Deuchar. The pair then walked back into Allora and stole another vehicle from Erhardt Street and drove that out to the first vehicle and used it to tow the stricken vehicle back to

tow the stricken vehicle back to



Allora Golf Notes

No Duckrun was played for last Friday due to a storm that raged across the course snapping trees and flooding the course, however the following day you couldn't have wished for better weather for teams vying for the Holden Scramble win. With players travelling from across the region aiming to be in the mix with plenty of prizes on offer including a new car for an Ace on the 16th. The winning team with an incredible score of 12 under, nett score of 47.5 was the crew from City of M. Bradford, N. McCauley, R. Goltz and B. Appo, fantastic golf well done to you all. Runner up with 50.7 was the team of A. Austin, S. Eldridge, D. Seibel and J. Ferguson, great golf. Runner up Best nett was the team of S. Peell, P. Kemp, G. Salmon and D. Trethowan on 51.9. Congratulations to the winner.

Pins were all in for the 4/13th J. Ferguson, 8/17th S. Peell. Long Drive on the 1/10th went to John Millard, Approach for the 2/11th John Millard, 3/12th and in for Eagle A. Austin, 5/14th Tom Brown 6/15th and in for Eagle went to R. Goltz and the 9/18th went to M. Bradford. With some heavy concentration and deep breathing beforehand there were great shots on the 16th and one ball almost dropping in but alas the car didn't go off.

Thank you to all the sponsors from Warwick Holden, Simmos Landscape and Maintenance, Darwalla Milling, Percys Fruit and a host of other sponsors who without your support we cannot continue to hold one of the best events for our club. And thank you to the cooks for keeping us all well fed, the drinks cart drivers for keeping the liquid refreshments well stocked also players who travelled to play, thank you.

Sunday was for Club Trophies and we played a Stableford event. A lot of Saturdays Scramble players couldn't make it due to self-inflicted headaches, hot sweats and the shakes so they abstained from the competition so some of our regulars stepped up, we even had a few visitors from Warwick who were only too eager to donate a few balls to the course. The winner who is in a bit of form at the moment coming in with 42 pts was Kev Harrison, good to see the form starting to change mate, well done Kev. Runner up still on a high from his DDGA Open Carnival Championship win with a couple of 'washes' and 38 pts was Tom Brown. And our only Rundown winner sneaking in quietly on 37pts was the ever smiling, joking 'Rolling' Ray O'Leary. Kev Harrison monstereed the course today taking the pins for the 4th, 7th and 16th with Warwick visitor Sam Hinze taking the 17th. Warwick visitor Geoff Hinze claimed the approach for the 1st and not to be left out Kev Harrison took the 10th, you were dialled in today Kev. John took the 5th and Tom Brown went home with the 14th. Congratulations to the winners and all players, thank you to our visitors for coming out for the day, thank you to our workers for the work that continues to be done and to the staff for making Saturdays Holden Scramble event one that many players continue to state is one of the best they have been to, thank you.

This Friday the Percys Fruit Duck run will be teeing from 2 pm all welcome to attend then Sunday teeing from 11.30 am will be the Allora Pharmacy Monthly Medal, all players welcome but don't forget your sandbuckets and great golfing to you all.

Allora where they pushed it back into its yard. The pair then returned the second vehicle to its location. Neither victims realised their cars had been stolen. A 13 year-old Hendon boy and a 16 year-old Allora boy have been charged. The 13 year-old will appear in the Warwick Magistrates Court on 19th December. The 16 year-old was officially cautioned.
14/11/17: An unknown suspect in a vehicle with stolen registration plates stole fuel from Allora Independent Fuels. Investigations continuing.

17/11/17: A 13 year-old Hendon boy and a 16 year-old Allora boy have been charged after an insecure vehicle was stolen from Erhardt Street, taken for a joy ride and dropped back at the neighbouring unit. The 13 year-old will appear in the Warwick Magistrates Court on 19th December. The 16 year-old was officially cautioned.

19/11/17: An insecure vehicle in Erhardt Street was stolen and taken for a joy ride before being returned to

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Allora Sports Club Night Bowls Results

Week Thirteen, 5th December
2017 - The last night of competition started with a bar-b-que and it

was wonderful to see so many family members attend especially all the kids who had a great time. A big thank you to Rod and Ray for cooking the barbie and Wendy & Coby for making the salads.

Results for the night were: Badge Construction 13 d Old Boys 13; Tramps Like Us 14 d Lawn Grubs; Roonicks 16 d What Ever 8; Bowls & Beautiful 13 d Doesn't Matter 9; Zoolanders 12 d Three Stooges 9; MayDan 19 d Railway Hotel 8; Team Engel 11 d Frog & Swallow 11.

Winners for the night were Badge Construction and the Losers Railway Hotel.

As it was our last night there were 2 rounds of touchers, winners being Brett, Matt, Russell, Danny, Bruce, Rusty, Len, Coby, Jim, Gade, Slug & Doug. Thank you Badge Construction for donating the chocolates each week.

Lucky raffle winners were Stewart Sparksman, Beetle, Glen McMillan, Roy, Chris, Karl & John C. The \$60 Jackpot proved very elusive for many people, Dooie was the first name out but it then took 11 more cuts of the cards before it was finally won by Anthony.

Congratulations go to our overall Winners for the competition Lawn Grubs, Slug, Peter & Brett, well done. On equal points for Runners Up were Bowls & Beautiful and Zoolanders but after a cut of the cards the prize went to Bowls & Beautiful David, Tim & Stewart (& Glen) The booby prize went to What Ever who said it doesn't matter.

A big thank you to our sponsors for the season, Railway Hotel, Blue Cow Hotel, True Value Hardware, Frog & Swallow, Whites Garage, Allora IGA and Badge Construction.

Also a huge thank you to all the volunteers who have manned the bar and James, Coby & Wendy for organising and serving supper. And of course Greg Patterson for all the work he does each

season and each week organising the teams. We look forward to the start of the next season, check the Advertiser in January for the start date and have your teams ready.

A Merry Christmas & a Safe, Happy & Healthy New Year to you all.

Lyn Wright, Scribe



Winning team - The Lawn Grubs: Brett Willett, Peter Morton, Andrew Petersen.

Events Calendar

2017

December -

Sat 16 Allora's Creekside Carols
Stuart Henry Park, 6.00pm, food from 5.00pm.

2018

March -

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

April -

TBC 28/29 Doctor Who Club Bus Trip to Supanova (DATE - TBC)
Departs: Toowoomba 7am, Allora 8am, Gold Coast 5pm

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3. Are all metals coloured grey?
4. Which was heavier: the heaviest dog or the lightest adult horse?
5. What letter/s represent steel on the periodic table?

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, 20th December, 7.30pm
at Museum, 78 Herbert Street

Nominations for President, Secretary, Treasurer and General Committee (New members most welcome).

The Museum thanks the Warwick Credit Union for its generous, ongoing support by sponsoring the Street Banner featuring Greg Holmes and Shane Webcke. A special thanks to Ergon for the loan of the cherry picker for banner installation.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Pursehouse Rural Allora for providing the prizes for the raffle that was held at their Christmas party on Friday night. I would also like to thank Gran (Bev Christensen) for assisting me with selling the tickets as well as all the attending customers of Pursehouse for digging deep to purchase the tickets. \$100 Voucher was won by Zane Hoey and Doug McClymont won the \$50 Voucher.

Stacey Christensen
Allora Showgirl entrant

• CHURCH NOTICES •

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Enquiries to Pastor Elton Wiltshire 4666 3743.
A Warm Welcome to ALL.

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its location unbeknownst to the owner. A 13 year-old Hendon boy and a 16 year-old Allora boy have been charged. The 13 year-old will appear in the Warwick Magistrates Court on 19th December. The 16 year-old was officially cautioned. 21/11/17: An 18 year-old Allora man was charged with driving without due care and attention and had his car immobilised for 90 days after doing

burn-outs on the corner of Warner and Arnold Streets. Police take a dim view of life-endangering acts in motor vehicles. 23/11/17: On three consecutive days 2 suspects entered the Allora IGA and stole items. Investigations are continuing. 24/11/17: A search warrant was executed on the home of a 13 year-old Hendon boy in relation to the recent spate of vehicle thefts. Police

located evidence to four of the above mentioned car thefts. Further, the boy was charged with drug offences and diverted to a drug education program, and charged in relation to obstructing police during the search. The boy is on strict bail conditions including a curfew and exclusion from Allora until his appearance in the Warwick Magistrates Court on 19th December. Allora Police Station has endured a

long period of time with only one officer. Please remember that the sole officer cannot work 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. If a crime is occurring please phone 000 for the fastest response. If a crime has occurred please phone policelink on 131444. If you wish to speak with the Allora officer please phone the station on 4666 3222 and leave a message and your call will be returned.

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White's Garage will be CLOSED on 15th December 2017 and will be REOPENING 8th January 2018.

Notice of Application - Water Act 2000

Notice is hereby given for an application made under the Water Act 2000. The application is to amend water licence 406066 to add an activity land parcel and to change the purpose.

This licence currently authorises the take of underground water from the Dalrymple Creek Alluvium and is attached to land described as Lot 132 on M34690, Lot 116 on A27, Lot 103 on M34676, Lot 105 on M34676, Lot 114 on M34676, Lot 116 on M34676. Lot 92 on ML687, Lot 2 on RP99306, Lot 131 on M34690, Lot 44 on M341253, Lot 117 on M34676, Lot 173 on M34676, Lot 2064 on M34798, Lot 104 on M34803, Lot 2301 on M34951, Lot 168 on ML2053 and Lot 272 on ML655 in the Allora area.

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DATE CLAIMER: Stacey Christensen (Allora Showgirl entrant) will be holding a CAKE STALL on Saturday 16th December (from 8.00am to 11.00am in front of Allora Pharmacy) and also selling raffle tickets etc. Please come along and help support your local Miss Showgirl entrant.

Allora Rural NHW group & Allora Police Officers wish everyone in the community a very Merry Christmas & a safe holiday period.

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Warwick & District Junior Rugby League set to introduce Under 18s Competition in 2018

The Warwick & District JRL are pleased to announce the introduction of a new Under 18s age group in the WDJRL competition for the upcoming 2018 season. Affiliated clubs will be able to choose whether they wish to nominate a team in the competition or not, based around the level of interest from players and supporters.

During the most recent season there were (6) Under 16 teams that competed in the Warwick & District competition. Many of these players that finish each year in the under 16s in the WDJRL take up the option to continue to playing rugby league in an Under 18s competition in the Toowoomba Rugby League, with three senior clubs competing in the region, namely the Warwick Cowboys, Wattles Warriors and the Goondiwindi Boars. Unfortunately though, many players also miss the opportunity to play due to the

reduced number of teams, excessive travel, and other personal reasons. More than 70 players will be unable to play in an age based competition in 2018, which is the main reason behind the WDJRL implementing this new age group into their 2018 competition. It is hoped that this new competition will also help increase participation further in the local senior competitions around the region going forward in coming years.

The number of teams that will compete in this new competition will be determined over the coming weeks and months, based on the level of interest of from players wishing to play and the local clubs who may have a surplus number of players who do not participate in the TRL Competition now.

David Landers, Chairman of the Warwick & District said; "This new competition will

allow players who do not have access to an under 18s team now or may not wish to play at the TRL level, to continue to play for their local club. The hope with this new competition is that it will provide all eligible players who have come through our junior system an opportunity to continue to play the game they all love." The Warwick & District JRL has also decided to extend the successful Girls League Tag competition, which started 2 years ago, to include Under 14s and Under 17s Age Groups. Girls currently can play contact rugby league up until 12 years of age, with the Girls League Tag format being available after they finish playing mixed rugby league. The addition of a further age group was confirmed recently due to the increasing number of girls that have been participating over the last two years.

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