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THURSDAY, 8th FEBRUARY 2018

## So much on offer at the 2018 Allora Show

Friday 9th and Saturday 10th February will see the 'Best Little Town on the Downs' come alive with the 140th Allora Show.

The grounds are in great condition and the upgrade to the camp draft and jumping surface provides a safer surface for horses and riders. There is an action packed ring program planned with events from 9am on Friday and Saturday starting at 7.30am with the showjumping.

Dog shows will be held in the Allora Kennel Club arena. Beginning at 6pm on Friday around 150 dogs will be judged by trainee judges in The Allora Kennel Club Open Show. The Allora Agricultural championship will begin at 9am on Saturday with judges from around Queensland judging around 500 dogs. The judges will once again be kept busy on Sunday with the Allora Kennel Club Championship Dog Show. There will be dogs of every breed and size so make sure you go over and show them some support.

As always excitement will be high at 7.30pm Friday night when the crowd takes their seats around the bull ring. The highlight of the night will be the inaugural Border Region Buckle Series Open Bullride. One rider will be drawn from the hat to ride Storm Boy the massive Brahman. The \$1000 prize on offer from Stu Bond will be incentive to be the first



Miss Allora Showgirl Runnerup Stacey Christensen, Miss Allora Showgirl Brianna Climpson, Miss Junior Showgirl Macey Heslin, Miss Teen Lexie Heslin, Miss Junior Showgirl Runner Up Porsha Mathie.

ever to ride this seven year old beast. This competition will be a round robin series in conjunction with Killarney and Warwick shows.

The office will be open for pavilion entries 7am-7pm Thursday and 7am-8.30am on Friday. Judging will commence at 9am on Friday with the pavilion opening to the public from around midday. Entries need to be collected at 4.30pm on Saturday.

Chief pavilion steward Mark Pillar says that he was very impressed with the number and quality of schoolwork and hobby entries last year and is hoping for a similar number of entries this year. Whilst the weather has been harsh for

the produce, horticulture, floral art and potplant exhibits Mark encourages people to adopt a 'bring the best you have in your garden' attitude.

Alongside the exhibits a CWA cooking demonstration will be held in the pavilion at various times.

Please note pavilion access is

only via main gate and that the external pavilion entry will no longer be in use.

All creatures great and small are welcome to enter the children's pet parade which will be held under the old bar at 10am on Saturday. Prizes will be given to the smallest,

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## ALLORA SHOW

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Friday 9th & Saturday 10th February



Friday night -  
**Bull Ride 7.30pm**  
 Entertainment in the bar till late



Saturday -  
**Pet Parade 10am**  
 Wildlife Display & Presentations  
**Ute Show**  
 Aussie FMX Motocross 6.30pm & 9.30pm  
**Fireworks 7.30pm**  
 Demolition Derby 8.30pm  
 Live Entertainment till late



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largest, best dressed pet and so on. The Darling Downs Zoo has donated two family passes and we thank Cookie Tickle for his ongoing support for this event.

Ute Muster nominations will close at 11am Saturday followed by the judging at 11.30 am. Please contact James Kedar on 0458 151 493.

Saturday night is always very popular for families. Activities will start around 5pm following the ring events with ladies only and Buzzbox smash up derbys. There will be live entertainment through till late in the bar. The fireworks spectacular will erupt at 8pm followed by the smash up derby final which is always a huge hit.

This year we are proud to have the Aussie FMX

Freestyle Motocross team perform at 6.30pm and 9.30pm on Saturday. Featuring local lad Tyler Wakeford and other top Australian riders the crowd will see these bikes turn upside down while flying 75 meters into the air.

Allora Show Society Membership tickets can be purchased from the Allora pharmacy, hardware, newsagent and branch of Warwick Credit Union until the 8th of February. Membership is great value as it includes entry to Allora, Warwick, Stanthorpe and Killarney shows. Family \$40 Single \$20 The show schedule is available to download and print at [www.allorashow.org.au](http://www.allorashow.org.au). Like our FB page Allora Show Society to keep up to date with happenings. For further information please call Conrad Schnitzerling on 0418 756 498

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## Local Rider to Perform for Home Crowd

The Allora Show ring events on Show Saturday evening traditionally provide plenty of excitement for onlookers, but the 2018 Show will see our own 'local boy makes good', Henden based motocross rider Tyler Wakeford in high flying action.

Both Tyler & Jayden South are riders for Aussie FMX, an action packed Freestyle Motocross production, that showcases talented Australian freestyle motocross riders who specialize in performing action packed shows around Australia.

Allora Show patrons can look forward to seeing the local lad soaring up to "75 feet across the show ring and 30 feet off the ground" in daring manoeuvres that will have the locals on the edge of their seats.

The son of Allora business owners Beetle and Sue Wakeford, it can be said the mild mannered motorcycle mechanic who toils through

the week at Qbfour Toowoomba has gasoline in his veins given his fascination and passion for motorcycles and freestyle riding.

"My Dad introduced me to a motorcycle when I was aged about 4, and from there I guess my fate was sealed" laughed Tyler.

Now aged 22, "I have been riding freestyle motocross since I was 14". "I developed a passion for the two wheeled discipline after watching endless YouTube takes of my hero and freestyle legend Travis Pastrana".

By the time he finished Grade 7 at the Allora P-10 State School the motocross bug had Tyler hooked, the family had a track and jumps at their Hendon property and he also ventured to tracks across the region.

While it might be a significant life focus for the young dare devil, freestyle biking has made more than a small impression. An impression

## WEATHER FORECAST

Day	Forecast	Min	Max
THU	Mostly Sunny. Warm.	14	28
FRI	Morning Clouds. Warm. Dry.	12	33
SAT	Morning Clouds. Hot.	15	36
SUN	Morning Clouds. Very Hot. Dry.	16	38
MON	Morning Clouds. Very Hot. Dry.	18	39
TUE	Morning Clouds. Very Hot. Humid.	20	41



Henden based motocross rider Tyler Wakeford will appear at the Allora Show with action packed freestyle motocross production Aussie FMX, who perform at Shows across the nation.

that included a lengthy lay up after a spill saw him break both legs, his medical chart also including a broken wrist, collapsed lungs and a myriad of bumps and bruises.

"Mum & Dad are proud of my achievements" laughs Tyler, "but they can't watch when I ride."

While Mum and Dad don't get to many of their eldest son's motocross campaigns, the sport is certainly helping him see the country. "As far as Victoria and North Queensland, mainly riding at

agricultural Shows and various competitions."

Tyler is hoping he is a chance of receiving an invite to head to Sydney in October to compete in the prestigious International event, X Games. "It's certainly a goal, I'll have to work hard to be offered an invite but will see how I go."

It will be the first time X Games has come to Australia in it's 20 year history. The event features Skateboard, BMX and Moto X competitions at Sydney's Olympic Park, and highlights some of the world's



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best action sports athletes. Training is vital for such a precision sport, and Tyler heads to Oppy Compound at Gatton on weekends and twice a week after work.

"What's your favourite or most dangerous trick" I asked. Tyler described a 'back flip' 30 feet in the air, and a 'Rock Solid' which has him floating above the bike with no rider to bike contact.

Tyler's choice of motorcycles and motocross partner is his modified KTMS 250. He and

riding partner Jayden will certainly provide some heart pumping thrills at the Allora Showgrounds at 6.30 pm and later at 9.30 pm on Saturday evening.

The Aussie FMX production will add plenty of excitement to an already action packed Allora Show Saturday evening program. Especially with a local flavour in Tyler Wakeford criss-crossing the Showgrounds arena with his jumping and aerial acrobatic skills.

Glyn Rees



Local freestyle motocross rider Tyler Wakeford will be showing his acrobatic motorcycle skills this Saturday evening in the show ring at the 140th Allora Show.

## SDRC Undertakes Works on Allora's Water Network

Southern Downs Regional Council began maintenance on Allora's water network last week which may cause residents and businesses to experience slightly higher water pressure. The works are being carried out by Council's Water and Wastewater team to renew Allora's reservoir to ensure the security of the town's water supply. While all residential and

commercial properties across Allora will be affected, works will not affect the quantity or quality of water supply. Water pressure is within normal service range and will return to normal at the completion of the project. Works began last week and are anticipated to be completed by the end of February when pressure will return to normal. For more information residents

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## Tech Savvy Seniors Classes Back at Southern Downs Libraries in 2018

The Southern Downs Library Service is pleased to announce that it will be running further training sessions this year, as part of 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, and is 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. SDRC libraries' 2017/2018 Tech Savvy program has already given nearly 200 seniors the opportunity to embrace information technology and improve their digital skills, with free training sessions on computer basics, the internet, utilising laptops, tablets and iPads, email and social media, cyber safety, and – for the first time – smartphones. The program this year will begin in February 2018, 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 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. 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." For more information about the training courses, call Warwick Library (4661 0342) or Stanthorpe Library (4681 2141). Please note, bookings can only be made two weeks in advance of the course date. A light morning or afternoon tea is also provided.

	9 <sup>th</sup> February	23 <sup>rd</sup> February	9 <sup>th</sup> March	6 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Warwick</b> 9.00am-12.00pm	Smartphones	Intro to computers and internet	iPad	Tablets
<b>Warwick</b> 1.00pm-4.00pm	Intro to social media	Intro to email	Intermediate social media	Intermediate email
	14 <sup>th</sup> February	14 <sup>th</sup> March	28 <sup>th</sup> March	11 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Stanthorpe</b> 9.00am-12.00pm	Smartphones	Intro to computers and internet	iPad	Tablets
<b>Stanthorpe</b> 1.00pm-4.00pm	Intro to social media	Intro to email	Intermediate social media	Intermediate email

## BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

An elderly couple were killed in an accident and found themselves being given a tour of heaven by Saint Peter. "Here is your oceanside condo, over there are the tennis courts, swimming pool, and two golf courses. If you need any refreshments, just stop by any of the many bars located throughout the area."

"Heck, Gloria," the old man hissed when Saint Peter walked off, "we could have been here ten years ago if you hadn't heard about all that stupid oat bran, wheat germ, and low-fat diets!"

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## Allora Landcare Group at Show again this year

Allora Landcare Group will be hosting 'Gecko Wildlife' at the Allora Show this coming Saturday, 10th February. There will be three shows, at 11.00am, 1.00pm and 3.00pm. The venue will be inside the main pavilion and will be clearly signposted. There is no charge.

We would encourage everyone to attend, as the shows highlight some of our scaly reptile friends and help us understand them better (and fear them less) by

allowing us to get up close and personal. Also, Allora Landcare will be selling assorted native plants and shrubs for \$5 each over the day. Please buy one to plant at home and help do your bit for the environment. We look forward to welcoming you to the show. Please drop by the Landcare stall and say 'hello'.

Any enquiries, please phone Pete Thomas, Secretary on 0419 724 025.

## Councillors call for changes to legislation to combat cyber-bullying

Southern Downs Regional Councillors are taking a united stand against bullying, expressing their support for SDRC Mayor, Cr Tracy Dobie's anti-bullying campaign and calling for amendments to State and Federal Government legislation. Mayor Dobie addressed Councillors at Council's January General Meeting on Wednesday, highlighting the issue of cyber-bullying within the community and encouraging Councillors to espouse change.

Cr Dobie is taking a series of actions over the coming weeks in the lead up to National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence on March 16, to help raise public awareness about cyber-bullying.

"While the majority of people who use social media do not contribute to this sort of behaviour, there are a small number who do, and I believe they are having a negative effect on our community," Cr Dobie said.

"These people believe they can write whatever they want about other people. They do this repeatedly and their intention is to cause distress to the person they are targeting.

"It not only has a profoundly

negative impact on individuals but it is to the detriment of our community.

"We all have to take a stand about the way in which our society conducts itself." Deputy Mayor Jo McNally addressed her fellow Councillors calling for Amendment Bills to be introduced to Federal and State Parliament to change legislation to include cyber-bullying as a criminal offence, and applauded Cr Dobie for raising awareness of the issue.

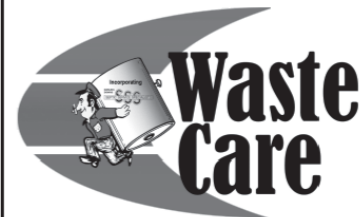
Councillor McNally will write to both the Federal and State Attorney Generals and Federal and State Members on behalf of Southern Downs Regional Council.

"Madam Mayor, I applaud you and the strategy you have implemented regarding bullying, you yourself have been a target of cyber-bullying, like myself and others here in this room...and this is unacceptable behaviour," Cr McNally said.

"Cyber-bullying is not a criminal offence in any state or commonwealth legislation. "Both state and federal legislation demonstrates the need to widen the scope of stalking provisions to combat the increase in cyber-bullying within our community."

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## Days for Girls Cent Sale Report



On behalf of Days for Girls, Allora Team, we wish to express our thanks to

sponsors at the recent Cent Sale, Multi-draw Raffle at the Heritage Weekend. We approached many businesses in Warwick and Allora and our cause was greeted with enthusiasm, courtesy and generosity. We received a huge variety of gifts and vouchers which were enthusiastically received by the participants of this event. Sometimes we take for granted the wonderful support given to so many charities in our wonderful district. Our gratitude is immeasurable. Thank you to all who attended on the day and those who bought pre-sold tickets. All were amazed at the number, variety and quality of the prizes. There are many individuals to acknowledge, the ladies who

wrapped gifts, helped set up, ran the prizes and sold tickets. Special thanks to Garry and Kaye Wilson, Beverley O'Halloran, Kaylene and Mal Williams and Bill Easton who stepped up for us with major tasks.

It would be remiss of us if we didn't acknowledge the encouragement from Lyle Johnson, Peter and Christine Stacey who were with us every step of the way. The day for us was a major success.

Gratitude will come for all your efforts as we sew and pack feminine sanitary kits for the girls of underdeveloped countries. A forty year old very disadvantaged lady received a DFG kit recently and noted the day as the best day of her life. Thank you for helping women like her and providing the opportunity of education to thousands of young women.

Rosemary Easton, Team Leader  
Cathie Wilson, Team co-ordinator

The Councillors unanimously supported Cr McNally's motion which was seconded by Councillor for Rural, Environmental, Sustainability and Waste Management, Cameron Gow. Councillor for Water and Waste Water, Vic Pennisi said calling upon State and Federal Government was the most effective way to tackle cyber-bullying.

"In my view going to the higher level is the right way to go about it, it is where we as a local government can have the most amount of impact to introduce a form of regulation," Cr Pennisi said.

Councillor for Regional Promotion, Tourism and the Arts, Rod Kelly shared some of his own personal experiences and said it was time to take a stand after he and his family had been subjected to cyber-bullying for the past two years.

Cr Kelly congratulated the Deputy Mayor on her motion and Cr Dobie for standing up against cyber-bullies.

"Change is needed and together, as a community, it is time to take a stand. All of the Councillors support the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor in their efforts to take action against cyber-bullies." Cr Kelly said.

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- March -**  
**Fri 2**     **The Rotary Club of Allora Annual Trivia Night**  
 Allora State School Hall, 6.30pm  
**St. Davids Mission Street Stall**
- Fri 16**  
**April -**  
**TBC 28/29** **Doctor Who Club Bus Trip to Supanova (DATE - TBC)**  
 Departs: Toowoomba 5am, Allora 6am, Gold Coast 5pm
- June -**  
**Sat 16**     **St. David's June Afternoon (A Country Garden)**
- September -**  
**Fri 21**     **St. David's Street Stall**

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### Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago February 1993

#### Allora Show

More than 100 quality cattle were on display at the Limousin Promotion Show on the two days of the 1993 Allora Show. Successful local breeders in the Limousin infused classes on Friday included John and Elaine Patane. Trevor and Evol Thompson's Shelomi Limousin Stud exhibited the Grand Champion Limousin Female and the Junior Champion Limousin Female in the stud classes judged on Saturday.

In the campdraft on Friday, Robert Diggles of Cambooya took out the juvenile draft with Geraldine Boyce second. In the ring Paula Phelan was judged Champion Local Girl Rider and Karen Bell Reserve Champion.

First time entertainment on Saturday night was the dirt track racing karts which followed the trotting finals, the last race of the night being the Bert Blanch Memorial Free for All won by Zar De Pome driven by Lola Weideman.

Allora's Past 50 years ago February 1968

#### Allora Show Society

Result of Weight Guessing Competition Dressed weight of the bullock: 708 lbs.  
 1st Max Phelan 710 lbs.  
 2nd Don Weier 711 lbs.

Allora's Past 100 years ago February 1918

#### Allora Show

Ideal weather prevailed for the 33rd annual show of the C.D.A. & H.A. which was held on Wednesday and Thursday, 20th and 21st February. The official

opening was conducted by the Governor, Sir Hamilton Goold-Adams, on the invitation of the president Mr. W. A. Dean. The place of chief interest on the first day was the pavilion in which the judging took place. Mr. E. Cowley, together with his many willing helpers, had the various exhibits displayed to a nicety, and is to be congratulated on the general good effect. In the ring the jumping events eclipsed anything of the kind previously seen on the Allora showgrounds, Eroni Bros' Circus performers being much in evidence. The high jump was won by the clever pony, Silver Prince, owned by Eroni Bros, which cleared 5ft 9½, being ridden by an aboriginal boy and the feat elicited much applause from the spectators. Items of unusual interest were the cattle drafting which was won by Mr. H. Clark, and the sheaf pitching which was witnessed by His Excellency, the Governor, who joined in the general applause which greeted Mr. S. Rickert's magnificent pitch of 31ft 6in.

Allora's Past 150 years ago February 1868

#### ALLORA POLICE COURT

Wednesday February 5th  
 Before the Police Magistrate  
 Mrs. Edwin Lower of Table Top railway camp appeared on summons charged with sly grog selling. Mr. Addenbrooke and Mr. Oxenham appeared for the defendant. As the evidence was not sufficient to warrant a conviction the Bench dismissed the case..

Collin Newport



The trotting at the 1956 Allora Show.

## Pictures from the Allora Heritage Weekend 2018

RIGHT: Jan & Gary Gilmore with Jim Anderson enjoy a chat and refreshment at the Allora Heritage weekend.



ABOVE: Allora local Shannon Griffin was a keen observer of the small engine display at the recent Allora Heritage weekend, particularly this 1 hp 1918 International Mogul.

RIGHT: Grant Griffin, Sarah Williams with little Amelia Griffin enjoying the sun and machinery at the Allora Heritage Weekend.



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Denis Lyons, Dave Sparksman, Jackson Sparksman & Trevor Hentschel caught up for a chat among the Swap Meet stalls at the Allora Heritage Weekend.

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## SCIENCE TRIVIA QUIZ

1. What is an egg tooth? Is it: a) a tooth or horn that many animals use to hatch from eggs, b) a specialised bone that helps some snakes to swallow eggs whole, or c) a term for when an adult tooth starts emerging before the baby tooth falls out?
2. What body system do neuroscientists study?
3. Has Australia ever launched a satellite into space?
4. What do you measure with Moh's scale?
5. True or false? Australian 50 cent coins contain copper.

Answers in Classifieds pages

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## Allora Pharmacy

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Our pharmacy asked the community to donate a gold coin in return for Christmas gift wrapping in 2017. We are proud to say, we raised **\$184.25** which went towards care packages for our Australian Troops serving overseas. Three packages were made up of magazines, puzzle books, pens, toiletries and treats purchased from our local Allora businesses. A forth package was for the hard working Service Dogs!! It included treats and toys! A HUGE thank you to all who donated! These packages will no doubt brighten their day and will be much appreciated!



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## BOWLS

### Allora Night Bowls Notes

Tuesday 30th January 2018 - Thank you to Bolzan Sands and Cook Haul for supporting your community.

Bolzan Sands supplied the sand which Cook Haul transported free of charge when a team of Allora bowlers upgraded the bowls green recently.

Hey, you lot. How many bowls team names do you have to remember as well as all the names of the team members? Then you have teams who go and change their names! Never could work out who was beautiful in the "Bowls and Beautiful" now they are the Bowling Stoned team, opps, Stones!

Another great night of bowls under a clear night sky. Everybody was in great spirits, there was a positive vibe out on the green. Last season's "Booby" prize winners "What Ever" thought their fortunes had changed. In a very competitive game with the "Bowling Stones", they lost by one point. Glenn and David had their 'better halves, Marg & Liz cheering them on, and checking up on them!

Results of play:- Team Engel 15 v Maydan 9; Zoolanders 13 v 3 Dos and 1 Don't 5; Tramps Like Us 17 v Frog and Swallow 7; Lawn Grubs 19 v Railway Hotel 3; The Old Boys 19 v Doesn't Matter 11; Bowling Stones 11 v Whatever 10; Rooniks 14 v The Three Stoogers 8

Cheers all round when Rink 6 came up the Runners Up and Rink 4 the Winners on the night. What Ever and Lawn Grubs were happy to take home the six packs.

Whites Garage is again sponsoring the Jack Pot prize. Thank you Tim. We are still looking for two more sponsors. Paul Parker Painting is sponsoring the Toucher Competition. Thank you Paul for our weekly chocolate fix. Well some players seem to get a weekly fix, namely Jim Pidgeon. Other winners were Glenn Hentschel, Len Hoey, Rachael Greaves, Tom Bazley and David Sparksman.

Thank you to Allora Butchery, the Railway Hotel and the Allora Sports Club for their weekly sponsorship of raffle prizes. Lots of happy winners, Ashleigh, Max, Dennis who won 2 prizes, Liz & Lynn. Russell missed out on the Jack Pot prize of \$40.00.

Thank you to Greg for putting so much effort into running the night bowls which we all enjoy so much. We have a number of willing volunteers helping out. Ashleigh runs the Toucher segment and keeps time, James and Cody prepare the supper, Bec helps out at the bar, John put out the mats and jacks, Bev & Lyn check off the teams and write up the winners and last but not least Moley looks after the greens during the week.

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## GOLF

### Allora Golf Notes

Due to the weather there was no Percy's Fruit sponsored Duckrun played last Friday, however the weather was a bit more kinder for Sunday's game.

After the recent rains the course looked brilliant and with a good show up of players the winner for the Railway Hotel Monthly mug with a great score of 41 pts was Jim Anderson, well done Jimmy great to see. Runner up after a 3 way countback was 'Rolling' Ray O'Leary on 37. Rundown winners were Jimmy Pidgeon and Callum Chatto also on 37 pts. And Russell Sparksman and Barry Brown Jnr both on 36. Approach for the 2nd went to Russell Sparksman, 11th Rougan Geraghty, 3rd and 12th went to Callum Chatto. Pins 4th Barry Brown Jnr, 13th Rod Simpson no one took the 7th and the 16th went to 'Bazza'. Congratulations to the winners and all players, thank you to the Railway Hotel for their sponsorship and to our workers for the work that continues to be done.

On a side note the Allora Golf club wishes to express a safe and speedy recovery after his recent health scare to one of our past members Barry Brown snr. Barry organised our first ever 'Reconciliation' golf day in 2002 which was a great success.

This Tuesday is our 18 hole competition teeing from 10am all welcome to attend and on Friday teeing from 2pm will be the Percy's Fruit sponsored Duckrun, then Saturday 10th will be the Committee Challenge at Inglewood and finishing Sunday, teeing at 11.30am, will be for club Trophies. Another full week of golf so don't forget your sandbuckets and great golfing to you all.

## THINGS THAT HAPPENED ON THIS DAY - 8th February

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| 1735 - First opera in North American colonies "Flora" opens in Charleston, South Carolina.                                      | 1879 - Sandford Fleming first proposes adoption of Universal Standard Time at a meeting of the Royal Canadian Institute.   | Marsh, opens at Clune's Auditorium in Los Angeles.   |
| 1743 - Comet C/1743 C1 approaches within 0.0390 AUs of Earth.   | 1883 - Louis Waterman begins experiment to invent the fountain pen.  | 1918 - "Stars & Stripes.", weekly US armed forces newspaper, 1st published.  |
| 1802 - Simon Willard patents banjo clock.   | 1887 - Aurora Ski Club of Red Wing, Minn became the 1st US ski club.   | 1920 - Swiss men vote against women's suffrage.  |
| 1807 - Battle of Eylau ends inconclusively between Napoleon's forces and Russian Empire - 1st battle Napoleon isn't victorious. | 1895 - Tchaikovsky and Petipa's revival of "Swan Lake" premieres in St Petersburg.   | 1926 - Disney Brothers Cartoon Studio becomes Walt Disney Studios.   |
| 1809 - Franz I of Austria declares war on France.   | 1898 - John Ames Sherman patents 1st envelope folding & gumming machine (Mass).  | 1930 - "Happy Days Are Here Again" by Benny Mereoff hits #1.   |
| 1837 - 1st US Vice-President chosen by Senate, Richard Johnson (Van Buren admin).   | 1906 - Without warning, Japanese torpedo boats make a night attack on Russian ships near naval base at Port Arthur, Manchuria; confusion because no deceleration of war given. | 1933 - 1st flight of all-metal Boeing 247.   |
| 1855 - The Devil's Footprints, hoof-like marks mysteriously appear for over 60km after a snowfall in southern Devon, England.   | 1915 - "The Birth of a Nation" the first 12-reel film in America, directed by D. W. Griffith, starring Lillian Gish and Mae Marsh, opens at Clune's Auditorium in Los Angeles. | 1940 - Lewis & Hamilton's musical "Two for the Show" premieres in NYC.   |
| 1865 - Martin Robison Delany, 1st black major in US Army appointed during US Civil war.   |  | 1960 - Queen Elizabeth II of the United Kingdom issued an Order-in-Council, stating that she and her family would be known as the House of Windsor, and that her descendants will take the name "Mountbatten-Windsor". |

# Wattles Looking Impressive in Pre-Season



With the 2018 Toowoomba Rugby League season soon to be launched, Wattles A Grade coach Travis Burns couldn't be happier with the line up of players rolling up to Platz Oval training. "We started pre-season training back on January 5th a little

unsure of numbers coming in to the new season" said Travis, "but player numbers after a month of preparation for the season are very pleasing." Indeed the Warriors healthy numbers across all grades is gelling well given the new season on field action commences in just four weeks time.

Aside from the talent in Wattles A grade side's finals finish last season, a number of more than capable players have found their way to Platz Oval in recent weeks to link up with Coach Burns, adding plenty of fire power to the top grade stable and enhancing the club depth at all levels.

Former Intrust Super Cup player Jake Hargreaves is a welcome addition with a wealth of experience for a young player. Hargreaves almost linked the the Warriors in 2016 in a failed bid to exit from State League outfit Easts Tigers but will now be a key component in Wattles A Grade back line. A talented back, he was a member of the Melbourne Storm youth cup side in 2016 before starting last season with Wynnum-Manly.

Another new face in the 'green & gold' is for Western Mustangs

Under 20 front-rower and Queensland Under 18 representative Will O'Gradey. Coach Burns feels O'Gradey will play a key roll in Wattles pack this season, the big mobile forward ideal to take the team forward.

While will is a new face to Wattles he is a familiar face around Allora, the grandson of well known Allora locals Don & Michelle Crawford.

Joining O'Gradey in the pack is another returning front rower in Michael Pearson. Pearson strong aggressive running style was key to Wattles outstanding run home to the finals last year. He is certainly a welcome addition to the Warriors pack which could rate among the strongest in the TRL competition. Further additions include Ipswich Jets players Nathan Gaulton and Mitch Koina. Gaulton has been a regular in

the Ipswich Intrust Super Cup line-up last season and will run on with Wattles when available. Koina starred in Wattles 2014 & 2015 premiership winning sides before heading to Ipswich. Injury wasn't kind to the big back-rower in an impressive stay with the Jets, and he has returned to a familiar Platz Oval. A familiar name in Wattles corridors of history is Steve Miles, a former long serving dedicated performer in the green & gold who captained Wattles to their 1997 A Grade premiership win. Steve's son Jesse Miles has joined his Dad's former club, Jesse also has links with the Ipswich Jets. Both Jesse Miles and Nathan Gaulton were recently announced as members of the

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Wattles new forward signing Will O'Gradey slipping a pass when playing for Queensland Under 18 in 2014.

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1. a). An egg tooth is what many egg laying animals, including chickens, use to crack out of their eggs.
2. Neuroscientists study the nervous system, including
3. Yes, Australia launched a satellite from Woomera in South Australia in 1967.
4. Mohr's scale measures the hardness of rocks and other substances.
5. True. Australia's silver coloured coins are made of a mixture of copper and nickel.

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South West Emus team to take on the Toowoomba All Stars prior to the Brisbane Broncos verses Gold Coast Titans NRL trial in Toowoomba on February 17th.

Wattles take to the field to start the 2018 season when they take on the Warwick Cowboys at Platz Oval on Saturday March 3rd for the prestigious Barrett Family Shield.

Saturday March 10th will see Toowoomba TRL club the Southern Suburbs Tigers visit Platz Oval to match up against the Wattles Warriors in all grades in another pre-season trial.

The historical 100th season of the Toowoomba Rugby League commences on Saturday March 17th with Wattles up against the Goondiwindi Boars at Platz Oval.

Players who feel they would like to be part of the Wattles Club in 2018 are most welcome to attend training at Platz Oval, Clifton from 6.00 pm on Tuesdays, or contact club President Glyn Rees (0400 811 093).

Glyn Rees



New face to Wattles 2018 line-up Nathan Gaulton slipping a pass in action for the Ipswich Jets in an Intrust Super State League match last year.

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