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THURSDAY, 29th MARCH 2018

Investiture Ceremony for School Leaders



From left: Logan Lucas (Gwynne House Captain); Ethan Oloman (Vice Captain and Gwynne House Captain); Chloe O'Halloran (School Captain); Mr David Littleproud, MLA; Charlize Wolff (School Captain); Madison Rowan (Deacon House Captain); Samantha Ritchie (Deacon House Captain).

On Monday 5 March, Mr David Littleproud, Federal Member for Maranoa, attended our assembly to present our school leaders with their badges of office. School Captains Charlize Wolff and Chloe O'Halloran, along with Vice Captain Ethan Oloman were presented with their badges and signed the book that has been used since the first school leaders were inducted

back in 1964. All school leaders took the Oath of Office. Sports Captains for Deacon, Samantha Ritchie and Madison Rowan, along with Gwynne House Captains Logan Lucas and Ethan Oloman also received their badges and certificates from Mr Littleproud. Morning tea followed the ceremony. Congratulations to all school leaders on their official appointment.



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Blue Cow Bookcase Opens in Allora

Allora may be promoted as the 'Best Little Town on the Downs' but it may also lay claim to being the most 'Well Read Little Town on the Downs' in the near future thanks to the efforts of Denise Dalgleish.

A lady who admits she is lightly dusted with eccentricity, Denise has been mine host at the Blue Cow Hotel in the heart off Allora for over 30 years. A marathon effort indeed keeping her locals supplied with their favourite recipe.

In recent times a portion of the Blue Cow Hotel grounds transforms to a farmer's market each Wednesday, courtesy of fruiterer Percy Pugliese and staff.

The tranquil shaded market area with a border of English gardens, a Mediterranean courtyard and colourful murels now boasts the Blue Cow

Bookcase, Allora's own Street Library.

It's Allora's latest literary den, an initiative of the Blue Cow Hotel and inspired by the growing phenomena of street libraries within communities.

According to Denise and her mother, retired school teacher Jackie Gallagher, "the idea is to foster reading & literacy, generally an appreciation of the written word."

"We are not in competition with, but to augment Allora's present library services."

Denise & Jackie consider the Bookcase a wonderful home for books, easily accessible for the community, and an invitation to share the joys of reading for all.

Indeed, the Blue Cow Bookcase can be considered a window into the mind of the Allora community; books come and go; no-one needs to check them in or out. People

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can simply reach in and take what interests them; when they are done, they can return them to the Library, or pass them on to friends.

All the books available are donations, the 'Bookcase' a free service - take a book, swap a book, donate a book. The Bookcase will operate each Wednesday during the farmers markets at the Blue Cow Hotel, from 7.00 am to 5.00 pm.

Donations of books are most welcome. Excess stock for the novel street library shelves will be passed to the Rotary Club of Allora for their next Bookfest during the forthcoming Allora Autumn Festival.

The Bookcase and it's book collection has been provided by the management of the Blue Cow Hotel, Denise's concept and design, built &

Painted by local tradesmen. Many thanks must go to builder Charlie Burt and his capable assistant Dennis Allen, painter Neville Lainey and murals artist Mr James Ellis.

So, for all in the Allora region and wider community, you might like to call in to the Blue Cow Hotel on any given Wednesday, take in the farmer's market, catch up with locals for a chat and see the Hotel's farm yard characters, murals, and take a look at the Blue Cow Bookcase - a tiny vestibule of literary happiness within the 'Best Little Town on the Downs.'

In the words of Denise & Jackie, "Take a Book, Swap a Book, Donate a Book, Help Keep Print Alive".

Glyn Rees



Allora's Blue Cow Hotel owner Denise Dalgleish has opened a street library, the 'Blue Cow Bookcase' in the grounds of her hotel.

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WEATHER FORECAST		
Day	Forecast	Min/Max
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FRI	Mostly Sunny. Warm.	16 30
SAT	Mostly Sunny. Warm.	16 29
SUN	Partly Cloudy. Warm.	17 29
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Allora Landcare Group – 'A Peep into the Future'

Allora Landcare Group had a busy time at the Allora Show in February, bringing the Geckoes Wildlife Display to the Pavilion. It was enjoyed by the 'young' and the 'young at heart', and brought awareness of native wildlife to our local community. Our next community function is a Field Day, to be held on Friday 27th April at the Allora Showgrounds. There will be no charge and this Expo will include Presentations and Demonstrations from a variety of contributors.

Just a few of our guests will include Professor Craig Baillie and his team of Researchers from our own USQ who will inform on and demonstrate their latest developments in Agricultural Research and Technology; Meg Kummerow from 'Fly the Farm' will be there to demonstrate her Drone Technology and a representative from SDRC will discuss Pest and Weed control. Join us for an informative and enjoyable day on 27th April.

Save your energy at Easter

Ergon Energy is calling on holiday-makers to consider their electricity bills and the environment before escaping this Easter. Ergon Executive General Manager for Distribution, Paul Jordon, said preparing your home before locking the door will save on costs, help the environment and reduce risk of damage caused by unforeseen electrical faults. "In the excitement of heading off on a well-deserved break it

can be very easy to neglect the importance of energy efficiency and home safety," he said. "Televisions, microwaves, stereos, computers and other items usually have a stand-by mode which is indicated by a small light. "Appliances can still be using up to 40% of their full running power on stand-by mode, which generates up to 150 kilograms of easily preventable greenhouse gas per year.

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Joan Wylde enjoying 'cuddle time' with Wally the Wombat.

"It's great practice to take a few minutes to go around your home and turn appliances off at the wall as stand-by mode can account for 10% of your electricity bill, plus it reduces the risk of fire." Residents extending their Easter holiday should also consider cleaning out and switching off fridges, and turning hot water systems off at the switchboard. Mr Jordon said those staying home over the Easter break could also save by making a few simple changes around

their home. "If you are staying at home during the holidays, try to do the usual things to minimise your electricity use," he said. "For example you can take the time to enjoy a barbeque outdoors, instead of using energy-hungry kitchen appliances inside the home. "Turning appliances off at the wall, flicking light switches off as you leave a room, and setting air conditioners to 25 degrees are also simple tasks that can make a big difference."

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Warwick Queen's Batonbearers to take



Sharing the dream: Warwick Queen's Baton Relay Batonbearers, Linda Bunch, John Davis and John Telfer with Southern Downs Regional Council Mayor Tracy Dobie.

Today Thursday, March 29, the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games (GC2018) Queen's Baton Relay arrives in Warwick.

From youngsters to some of Australia's most accomplished legends, the Queen's Baton Relay (QBR) recognises the achievements and aspirations of Australians from all walks of life.

17 batonbearers have been honoured to carry the Queen's Baton in Warwick bringing the excitement of the Games to our community.

Southern Downs Regional Council Mayor Tracy Dobie, said she is delighted Warwick is hosting the GC2018 Queen's Baton Relay.

"Hosting the Queen's Baton Relay is not only an exciting

part in Commonwealth Games history

opportunity for us, it's a way to highlight and promote the Southern Downs to people in Australia and the world who have been following the Queen's Baton extraordinary journey," Cr Dobie said.

The GC2018 Queen's Baton Relay is the longest in history, travelling a record 388 days and 230,000km around the world.

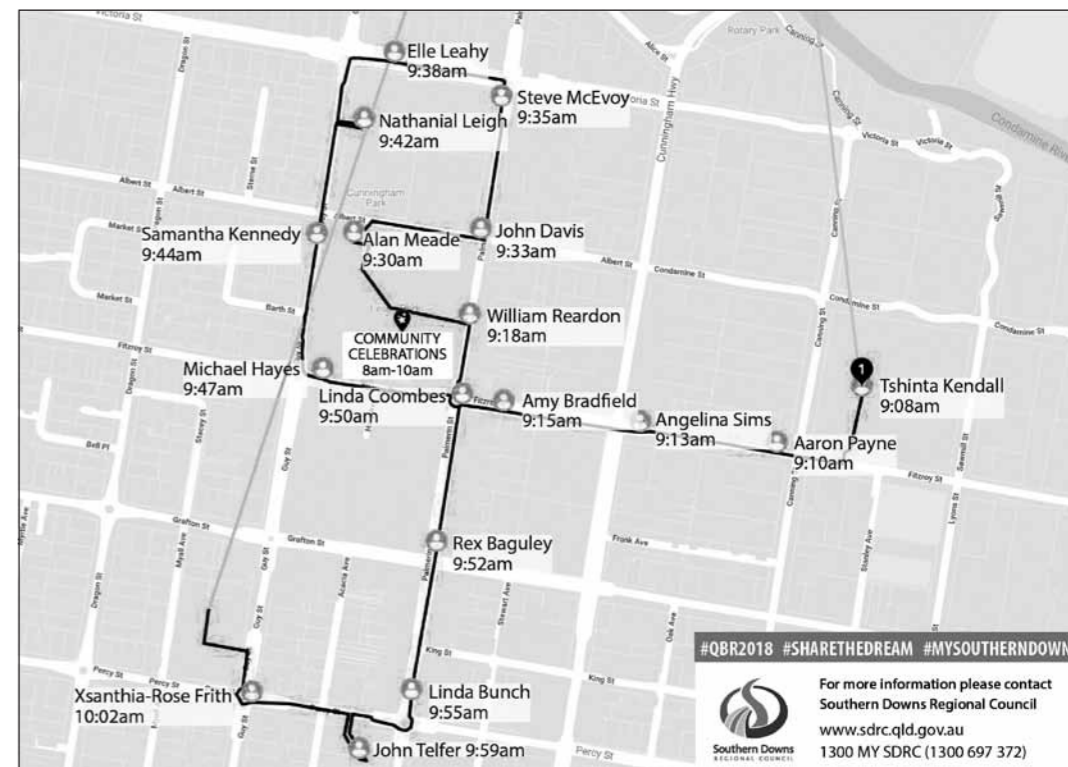
In Australia, the Queen's Baton is traversing 40,000km, travelling through every state and territory for 100 days.

Warwick Queen's Batonbearers -

Batonbearer names and the communities that they will carry the Baton in are available at www.gc2018.com/qbr.

Those selected to carry the Queen's Baton in the Warwick leg of its journey to the Gold Coast Games include:

- Rex Baguley, Warwick
 - Allan Meade, Warwick
 - Linda Bunch, Rosehill
 - Amy Bradfield, Rosehill
 - Linda Coombes, Warwick
 - John Telfer, Warwick
 - Xsanthia-Rose Frith, Warwick
 - Michael Hayes, Stanthorpe
 - Tshintina Kendall, Pormpuraaw
 - Samantha Kennedy, Currumbin Valley
 - Elle Leahy, Robina
 - Nathaniel Leigh, Newtown
 - Steve McEvoy, Stanthorpe
 - Aaron Payne, Warwick
 - William Reardon, Warwick
 - Angelina Sims, Stanthorpe
 - John Davis, Warwick
- Mike Hayes, John Davis and Xsanthia-Rose Frith are just three locals who will proudly bear the baton during its journey through the Southern Downs.
- From Ballandean on the



Queen's Baton Relay path through Warwick.

Granite Belt, Mike Hayes is a third generation viticulturist and winemaker who has made an overwhelming contribution to the local wine industry. Now Chief Winemaker at Symphony Hill Wine, he has worked in 16 regions, four states and two countries. In 2017, Mike was awarded more than 20 gold medals and 16 trophies at metropolitan and rural shows and was chosen from more than 1000 winemakers nationally as Australian Winemaker of the Year by the Australian Society of Viticulture and Oenology - the first time a Queenslanders has won the coveted award. John Davis has been a very active member of the Massie Rural Fire Brigade since 1982 and has been their First Officer

Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago March 1993 Cricket Final

Victoria Hill won their second successive Back Plains & District Cricket Association premiership when they defeated arch rivals Allora by 165 runs at Allora. The foundation for the win was laid by Victoria Hill opener, Philip Bell, who scored 125 runs in 160 minutes, hitting four sixes and eleven fours. "The Hill" captain Rodney Bell joined his brother in a second wicket partnership of 99 runs. A third wicket partnership between Philip Bell and Matthew May produced 68 runs and a fifth wicket partnership between Bell and Lindsay May made 76 runs, Lindsay May hitting successive sixes in a score of 36 off 22 balls. Allan Robin was Allora's best bowler with two for 42 off 10 overs. Chasing 298 runs Allora lost its first wicket in the second over. The second and third wickets fell to Jason Sparksman with successive balls before Allan Robin avoided the hat-trick. With Allora six for 46, Mark Eelkema (44) and Paddy Maguire (27) rallied the side but to no avail. Jason Sparksman had destroyed

Allora's top order with four for 44. Matthew May took four for 24 off seven overs to end Allora's challenge.

Allora's Past 50 years ago March 1968 Of Local Interest

"The Talgai Skull" Film Documentary will be shown on "Impact" from ABC Queensland Television Stations on April 1st at 8.30 p.m.

(A copy of this film is well worth watching)

Allora's Past 75 years ago March 1943 Casualty List

Previously reported missing now reported missing, believed to be prisoner of war - Pte H. C. Peachey, Allora.

(Harry Peachey, 3rd Reserve Motor Transport Company, survived to return to Allora at the war's end)

Allora's Past 100 years ago March 1918

Old Sundowner

A rather good story is going the rounds of Allora. It appears that about nine months ago a man carrying a swag, accompanied by two other disciples of the road, called in at the Railway Hotel, and after telling a

tale, rung up on the licensee drinks for himself and his two mates. Dinner time came and three dinners were applied for and granted by the hotel keeper. Night came, and sleeping quarters were asked for, and one of the sample rooms was placed at the sundowners' disposal. Next morning the trio had disappeared, and the bill was debited against the unknown three.

A few days ago, a gentleman motored to the Railway Hotel, accompanied by two ladies, and proceeding to the bar quietly asked Mr. Smith if he knew him. The licensee replied that he did not, whereupon the gentleman in question told him that he was the swaggie who he had befriended some nine months ago. He told Mr. Smith that he got a bit tired of the life in the city he was living and hired the two men to accompany him on the tramp at the rate of £8 per week each man, just to break the monotony. Enquiries elicited the information that the gentleman referred to is very wealthy, and the life of an old sundowner evidently appealed to him - for a time at least.

Colin Newport

SDRC waste facility services during Easter break

During the Easter period, Southern Downs Regional Council waste collection services and waste facilities will operate as normal with a few exceptions.

The Yangan and Allora Waste Transfer Stations will be closed on Good Friday, 30

March 2017, and will both reopen on Saturday, March 31, for normal operating hours, starting at 8am.

All other waste facilities across the Southern Downs region will continue with no changes or interruptions over the Easter period from Good

Friday, March 30 through to Easter Monday, April 2.

Council's kerbside collections will continue as usual with no changes.

SDRC wishes everyone a safe and happy Easter and reminds everyone to take the opportunity to recycle paper,

cardboard and other materials where possible during the holiday period.

For further information please contact Council on 1300 MY SDRC (1300 697 372) or visit Council's website: www.sdrc.qld.gov.au/living-here/waste-recycling.

TRAFFIC ALERT


Road improvement works are being undertaken on the Cunningham Highway, for approximately 2.1km to 2.6km west of Lake Moogerah Road, Mount Edwards, between 6am and 6pm (from 26 March 2018), and will continue until mid-May 2018, weather permitting. Temporary traffic lights and speed reductions will be in place. Please drive with care and watch out for roadwork signage.

Weather, site and contractor conditions can impact works, delaying start and finish schedules. When it comes to road safety, we all have a role to play. Get involved and Join the Drive to Save Lives and help drive down the road toll.

For information on the latest traffic conditions, please contact the Statewide Traffic Management Centre on 13 19 40, or visit www.QLDTraffic.qld.gov.au

for the last seven years. He has been a member of Warwick's Ronin Karate since 1989, an Instructor since 1993 and their Secretary-Treasurer for 27 years. John has also been an active member of the Endeavour Foundation Committee in Warwick since 1993, having an eldest son with Downs Syndrome. At 74 years of ages and still working a rural property, John is an inspiration in regards to his fitness, community involvement and willingness to take on positions of responsibility. Xsanthia-Rose Frith is a 13-year old Gurindji girl from Warwick. She is extremely proud of her Indigenous

heritage, shown through performing songs in Gurindji for school, her attendance at cultural gatherings in 'Country' at Kalkarindji, showing children how to paint and sing in the aboriginal style. Xsanthia has strong values and is prepared to stand up for them. She supports her friends when they struggle and is a good mediator. She relates well to students of all ages and loves sport. She always plays games in a good spirit and has strong creative artwork. Xsanthia also enjoys French and French choir and attended a writing workshop at the University of Southern Queensland.



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Events Calendar

2018

- April -**
Sun 8 Allora Doctor Who Club Annual Family Picnic
 Stuart Henry Park, 11am
- TBC 28/29** Doctor Who Club Bus Trip to Supanova (DATE - TBC)
 Departs: Toowoomba 5am, Allora 6am, Gold Coast 5pm
- May -**
Thu 3 Allora Chaplaincy Dinner
 Allora State School, 6.30pm
- June -**
Sat 2 An Afternoon with Norma O'Hara Murphy
 Warwick Senior Citizens Hall, 11.00am
- Sat 16** St. David's June Afternoon (A Country Garden)
 St. David's Hall, 1.00pm
- September -**
Sat 1 Allora State School Spring Fair
 Allora State School Grounds
- Fri 21** St. David's Street Stall
- October -**
Fri 12 Anglican Parish Allora Clifton Fete
 At All Saints Clifton

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - Clients wishing to include their events in the *Events Calendar*, must book a display (boxed) colour advertisement for the event in *The Allora Advertiser*, sized AT LEAST 2 column x 4 cm. Clients will then automatically receive, as a bonus, a calendar entry. These entries will be in a 2 line format as above, starting in bold with date and event, followed by venue and time.

If people wish to contact The Allora Advertiser and discuss their particular needs, please feel free to do so. Ph 4666 3128.

Make a free Mobile Women's Health Clinic appointment in April

Darling Downs Hospital and Health Service mobile women's health nurse Kathryn Anning will visit a variety of locations in April to conduct free clinics.

Mobile Women's Health clinics offer a range of services including cervical screening tests, breast awareness, sexual health testing, and advice for issues such as continence, menopause, contraception and general wellbeing. The service is free, confidential and available to all women.

Ms Anning said it is important for women to prioritise their health and make time for regular check-ups and tests such as the new cervical screening test.

"Regular cervical screening tests are the best protection against cervical cancer," she said.

"This test replaced the Pap smear test from 1 December 2017, and is a simple procedure to check the health of the cervix, is more accurate and needs to be done less

often.

"The test looks and feels the same as the Pap test, but tests for the human papillomavirus, known as HPV.

"A woman's first cervical screening test is due two years after her last Pap test and after that, if results are normal, women only need to have the test every five years. "From 1 December 2017 all women over the age of 25 should start having cervical screening tests and will receive a letter inviting them onto the national cervical screening program."

Upcoming clinics will be held at the following locations:

- Warwick Hospital Specialist Clinic (eastern side of the hospital), Wednesday 4 April and Wednesday 18 April from 9am to 3pm. Phone Warwick Hospital outpatients department on 4660 3841 for information and bookings.
- Stanthorpe Health Services, Thursday 5 April from 9am to 3pm. Phone the Community/ Oral Health Centre on 4683

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- Toogoolawah, Monday 9 April from 10am to 3pm.

Phone Esk Hospital on 5424 4600 for information and bookings.

- Clifton Medical Centre, Tuesday 10 April from 9am to 3pm. Phone 4697 3097 for information and bookings.

- Gatton Community Health Service, Wednesday 11 April from 9am to 3pm. Please phone Gatton Hospital on 5468 4188 for information and bookings.

- Killarney and District Aged Care Facility, Thursday 19 April from 10am to 3pm. Please phone 4664 1488 for information and bookings.

- Esk Hospital, Monday 23 April from 9am to 3pm. Phone 5424 4600 for information and bookings.
- Oakey Hospital, Monday 30 April from 9am to 3pm. Phone Oakey Health Service on 4691 4888 for information and bookings.

DoubleHelix SCIENCE TRIVIA QUIZ

1. What does a microphone turn sound into?
2. What animal has a head full of spermaceti?
3. What are insects doing when they undergo ecdysis? Is it a) when they shed their old skin, b) when two insects fuse into one, or c) when their eggs are fertilised?
4. What's going on when the Sun, Earth and the Moon are in a straight line, in that order?
5. Where in the solar system would you find the Janus Ring, the Encke Gap and the Cassini Division?

Answers in Classifieds pages

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Days For Girls: Sewathon



A group of enthusiastic women attended the Sewathon held at Mary MacKillop House on Thursday, 22nd March. This launched our 2018 program. Many quality liners, shields and bags were produced for Days for Girls kits. Ladies left with armfuls of flannelette and cotton material to continue their work for the next

PACKING DAY on MAY 3rd. One hundred kits were packed on Thursday too. These kits will be taken to Townsville and shipped with others to New Guinea. This is the first time we have sent kits there. A ship regularly sails from Townsville to New Guinea and this time, we are combining with Ipswich, who has a member relocating to Townsville and can deliver the bulk consignment free of charge.

If anyone is ever travelling to Townsville, we would be grateful if they could take some kits to DfG Townsville for distribution. Please contact Rosemary 4697 3474 if this is possible. It would be a great donation.

We have rarely had to buy any cotton or poly cotton material as it has been generously donated. People have discovered hidden treasurers in their cupboards, their mother's cupboards, their neighbour's cupboards and in

homes of deceased relatives. This has been new material and has been converted into sustainable kits. We are, however, running low on supplies. Before purchasing these requirements, we would appreciate your help. Material can be left at Allora Tyre Service or Tru Value Hardware in Allora and Bryson's Florist in Warwick. You could phone 0408 973 474 for a pick up if that is more convenient. Thank you for your interest and support.

Wattles Claim Victory in a Nailbiter



Front-row powerhouse Dylan Wilson was a driving force behind the National Farmer's Warehouse Wattles Warriors A Grade side's 26 - 20 defeat of the Gatton Hawks at Platz Oval on Saturday evening. As an additional reward the big mobile forward was named the Hutchies Player of the Toowoomba Rugby League Round 2.

In his second season with Wattles, the 120 kg giant was a more than damaging package for the opposition defence on Wattles home turf, reeling in the metres when ever he had the ball in his hands.

Wattles coach Travis Burns rates Wilson his big improver, showering praise on the 188 cm tall 26 year old in the shadow of the victory over the Hawks, a game that nearly slipped from the Warriors grasp.

It took 25 minutes before points appeared on the scoreboard, a try by skilful Gatton halfback Luke Nolan. Wattles answered the call with their halfback Matt Duggan sending fullback Jackson Green racing through a gaping hole in the Gatton line to score, followed soon after by another touchdown on the cusp of half time by centre Jake Hargreaves.

Wattles went to the half time break leading 12 - 6, despite a collection of frustrating unforced errors throughout the first stanza.

Co-skipper Ryan Duggan is in great form and combined with

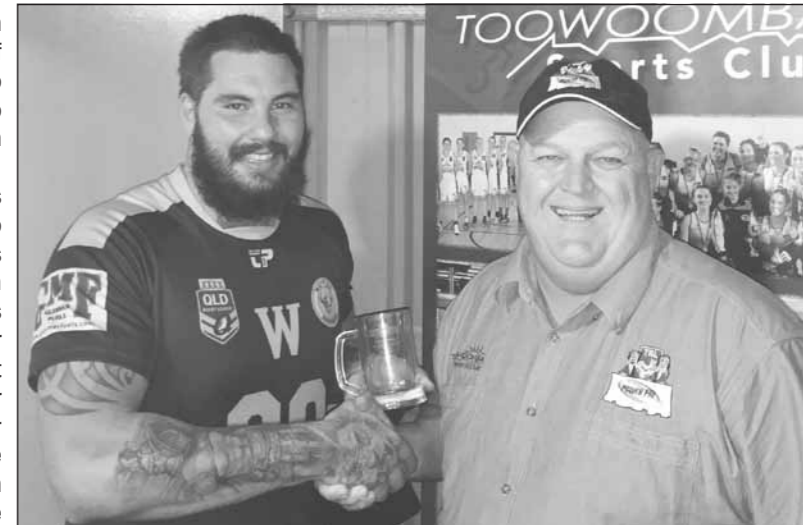
brother Matt Duggan to post first points of the second half to extend Wattles lead to 18 - 6 in the 44th minute.

Five eight Travis Burns forced his way over to score ten minutes later, before Ryan Duggan snatched his second four-pointer from a dummy half dart in the north east corner of Platz Oval after winger Dale McAntee had been hauled down centimetres from the tryline.

The Warriors appeared to have their second win of the season in the bag by the 65th minute with a healthy 26 - 6 lead. The Gatton side found gaps in Wattles defence in the latter stages and had the home side hemmed in their own quarter for two hectic sets where the Hawks saw a possible try disallowed. That all out defensive effort by Wattles can be considered to have won them the game as their opponents finished with wind in their sails.

An altercation occurred in the 73rd minute that saw two players sin binned, one Wattles centre Jake Hargreaves, reducing both teams to 12 players. The Hawks responded by running in three touchdowns to trail 20 - 26 igniting a hotly contested final five minutes.

Wattles held on to post their second win from the initial two starts to the 2018 Toowoomba Rugby League premiership. "Ball control continues to let



Wattles barnstorming front-rower Dylan Wilson was named Toowoomba Rugby League 'Player of the Round' for Round 2 by TRL Director Andrew O'Brien after Wattles win over Gatton on Saturday.

us down" sited Burns, "the game seemed in our pocket when a sequence of events let Gatton back in to the game." Having said that the mentor is still very encouraged by the progress of his team, "we continue to improve our combination each outing." Aside from Dylan Wilson, back-rower Ty Gardner, utility player Wade Austin, fullback Jackson Green and classy centre Jake Hargreaves were among those who fired in the Warriors win.

Player coach Burns will appreciate the fortnight break until Round 3, he suffered a back injury in the game, but he expects to be fit for his side's next outing against the Brothers Leprauchaus. Wattles 28 (Ryan Duggan 2, Jackson Green, Jake Hargreaves, Travis Burns tries; Matt Duggan 3 goals) Gatton 20 (Luke Nolan 2, Billy Jackwitz, Austen Jennings, Daniel Jennings tries; Luke

Nolan 2 goals).

Reserve Grade - Co-coach Garth Lonergan was pleased with the efforts of his 'Railway Hotel, Allora' Reserve Grade side playing out a 28 all draw with the Gatton Hawks.

"It was a very physical game upfront" noted Lonergan, "Gatton having a considerable size advantage over us." "However our defence through the middle was outstanding and once again our forwards laid the platform for our backs".

Lonergan & fellow mentor Michael Crank were happy with the team's efforts overall, "we thought we were the better team."

"It's great to see our players going as well as they are this early in the season" said Crank, "everybody shone against Gatton, we played to well to lose so a draw was the next best result".

Despite the many positives,

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the Warriors let their opponents back in to the game to score two tries in the last 10 minutes turning what appeared a solid Warriors win to a hard fought draw. Fullback Andrew Richardson was again one of Wattles better performers, the young 20 year old well in contention for A Grade consideration. Talented five-eight Josh Henry and experienced threequarter Braydon Wilson were also key to the efforts of those in green and gold.

Wattles tough front rower Jamie Meddings scored under the posts in the twelfth minute to have the Warriors level on the scoreboard 6 all. The home side proceeded to run in three tries to Gatton's two, to lead 18 - 14 at the half time break.

Wattles hit a purple patch for the initial stages of the new half with winger Blake Lollback and hooker Tom Henry scoring, taking a 28 - 14 lead five minutes into the second stanza.

Second-rower Nathan Gaulton was sent off with twelve minutes remaining in the game after an altercation with Gatton forward Francis Han, who was sin binned.

The loss of Gaulton for the final seven minutes didn't help the Warriors as they held out their determined opponents.

The latter second half loss of

focus from the Warriors saw the Hawks cross for a hat trick of tries to have the scores level at 28 all, setting up a very hotly contested final five minutes.

Wattles 28 (Jamie Meddings, Braydon Wilson, Mitchell Duff, Tom Henry, Blake Lollback tries; Tom Morris 4 goals) lead Gatton 28 (Jack Marlow 2, Tom Boland, Francis Han, Ray Erbacher tries; Callum Woollacott 4 goals).

Under 18 - The 'Wilson & Rigby Smash Repairs/Willett Electrical' Wattles Under 18 coach Shaun Henry lavished praise in his side, who while well beaten 60 - 14 by the Gatton Hawks, can hold their heads high given they were lacking numbers again playing the game with less than the thirteen man quota.

The young Hawks led 18 - 0 at the 22 minute mark when Wattles centre Matthew Christensen crossed for a green & gold try.

Gatton held a healthy 24 - 4 lead at halftime and touched down again soon after the second half commenced to move ahead 30 - 4.

Despite their lack of numbers adding to their woes, as the match approached midway in the second half, Wattles lifted to post two tries through five eight Tyler Gillam and a second for Matthew Christensen.

The workload caught up with

Wattles though, and while they gave all they had for the final fifteen minutes Gatton ran in four further tries before the full time hooter.

Gillam played a fine game in his new five-eight position, while hooker Jack Duggan and big forward Harrison Hunt were also among Wattles best in a very demanding contest. Gatton 60 (Dylan Flannagan 4, Luke Davies, Tyson White, Jackson Morgan, Nathan Tomlinson, Harry Berlin, Nathan Fisher tries; Dylan Flanagan 10 goals) lead Wattles 14 (Matthew Christensen 2, Tyler Gillam tries; Tyler Gillam goal).

The Toowoomba Rugby League premiership resumes after the Easter break on Saturday April 7th when Wattles host Brothers at Platz Oval.

On behalf of all involved in the Wattles community, a most Happy & Safe Easter to all!

Glyn Rees



Classy back-rower Ty Gardner impressed on Saturday evening at Platz Oval in the Wattles A Grade sides 26 - 20 victory over the Gatton Hawks.



Allora Night Bowls Notes

Tuesday 20th March 2018 - Did I say there was a battle on, we now have Zoolanders leading

with The Old Boys and The Bowling Stones in second place with Rooniks a close third. But who cares! what ever! it doesn't matter! We are not playing for a sheep station. We just enjoy our bowls and love the great comradeship.

This week there was a bit of nostalgia on Rink 2. Len Hoey uses his late grandmother Alma's bowls and Bev and I play with our late mother Jean Newport's bowls. They were great friends on the bowling green and both enjoyed playing for the Allora Bowls Club. Their spirits were with us, although Len got a bit more help than Bev and I.

Talking about spirits, if you play against the local publican, watch your drinks and sneaky tactics!

Results of play:- Zoolanders 21 v Railway Hotel 7; Rooniks 23 v What Ever 12; The Old Boys 14 v Maydan 10, loved Reagan's little jig; Lawn Grubs 16 v Doesn't Matter 8; Bowling Stones 12 v 3 Dos & 1 Don't (no recorded, sorry); Team Engel 18 v Tramps Like Us 17; The Three Stoogers 16 v Frog & Swallow 7.

Teams to take home the prizes were Team Engel and Railway Hotel. Robyn was a winner after all! Toucher winners:- Slippery, Reagan, Gade, Robyn, Danny H and Mal Sinton. Great to see you back, Mal. Thank you to our local painting contractor Paul Parker for his sponsorship of this competition.

Great jubilation when Lynn Patterson won the Jackpot of \$40.00. He has offered to donate some easter egg prizes next week with part of his winnings. Thanks Lynn. Other raffle winners were John C, Bryce, Max, Dan, Len D and Ben. Thank you to all our sponsors - Railway Hotel, Allora Butchery, Whites Garage and the Allora Sports Club. Thank you to all our volunteer players who help set up, maintain the greens, work behind the bar, prepare supper and keep the records. Thank you Greg for his role as Games Director extraordinaire!

Date Claimer: - Saturday 5th May, Allora-Clifton Clock Competition at Allora rinks at 12.30pm. Please put your names down.

Lyn Wright, Scribe

Allora P-10 State School - Swimming



LEFT: Kai Hill.

BELOW: Central Downs Trophy.

Allora State School held their Interhouse Swimming Carnival at the Allora Pool on Wednesday, 31 January. Congratulations to all students who participated on the day and a big thank you goes out to those who helped staff at the carnival. Records broken were:

9Yrs girls 50m Freestyle - Sienna Sparksman, 46.87, Gwynne (Matillda Lever, 47.70, Deacon, 2017); 11Yrs girls 25m Backstroke - Danni Griffin, 18.30, Gwynne (Jessica Bool, 19.80, Gwynne, 2000); 9Yrs girls 25m Breaststroke - Georgina Lester, 26.31, Deacon (Danni Griffin, 28.75, Gwynne, 2016); 9 Yrs girls 25m Butterfly - Georgina Lester, 24.43, Deacon (Macey Hill, 24.43, Deacon, 2014); 11&12Yrs boys 4x50m Freestyle relay - Deacon, 2:49.44 team included Sam Gilmore, Darcy Schrag, Kai Hill, Brock Seibel (Deacon, 2:56.68, 2015); 9&10Yrs girls 4x50m Freestyle relay - Deacon, 3:29.17 included Matillda Lever, Addison Hill, Georgina Lester, Alexandria Gilmore (Gwynne, 3:58.66, 2015); 11&12Yrs girls 4x50m Freestyle relay - Deacon, 3:22.75 including Reagan McMillan, Elizabeth Waters, Elyse Peters and Ava Lester (Deacon, 3:26.97, 2015).

Age Champions are listed below, with boys listed first followed by girls:

9 Yrs Marshall Murphy (G),

Georgina Lester (D); 10Yrs Jack Dalsanto (G), Matillda Lever (D); 11Yrs TIE Kai Hill (D) and Lincoln Murphy (G), Danni Griffin (G); 12Yrs Hamish Gartery (G), Reagan McMillan (D); 13Yrs Daniel Morris (D), Alexia Lever (D); 14Yrs Lachlan Ford-Thompson (D), Nicola Westerman (D); 15/16Yrs Jacob Meddleton (D), Chloe O'Halloran (G). Runners-Up are as follows: 9Yrs Orry Gilmore (D), Addison Hill (D); 10Yrs Thomas Wallace (D), Alexandria Gilmore (D); 11Yrs (as there was a tie for first, no second place boy awarded), Ava Lester (D); 12Yrs Brock Seibel (D), Elyse Peters (D); 13Yrs Ashley Perry (D), Elizabeth Feltham (G); 14Yrs Brendan Atherton (G), Xavia Oloman (G); 15/16Yrs Ryley Lever (D), Faith McKay (D).

Deacon House won the carnival, finishing on 632 points, also being awarded the Cheer Squad trophy. Gwynne House finished the day on 406 points. Central Downs swimming followed on from their Interhouse carnival, with a

great team attending the carnival, held at Allora Pool. No records were broken at this carnival. Allora P-10 State School students awarded Age Champion were 12Yrs Hamish Gartery; 11Yrs Kai Hill and Danni Griffin; 10Yrs Matillda Lever; 9Yrs Zac Wheeldon and Georgina Lester. Runners-Up to Age Champion were 12Yrs Reagan McMillan; 11Yrs Ava Lester; 9Yrs Addison Hill. Students were commended on their wonderful participation, teamwork and excellent behaviour on the day.

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Congratulations to all swimmers who attended the Southern Downs swimming carnival as members of the Central Downs team. Well done to Georgina Lester (9Yrs Age Champion), Danni Griffin (11Yrs Age Champion), Ava Lester (11Yrs Runner-Up) and Hamish Gartery (12Yrs Runner-Up). The Darling Downs primary swimming carnival was held at Gatton on 28 February. Congratulations to Georgina Lester, Sienna Sparksman, Lincoln Murphy, Matillda

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Allora Golf Notes

No results as yet for last Fridays Percys Fruit sponsored Duckrun or Sundays Allora Butchery sponsored 2BBB event,

these will be provided in next weeks results, however we had thirteen players with a 7 am tee time traveling early to Millmerran for their Open Carnival. With spotlights blazing early and high expectations in a field of over a hundred players from surrounding clubs our players had every grade covered so we were very confident of success. Our sole A grader Rougan Geraghty in a field of over 20 players was just out of the prizes, the best B grade 9 stableford with 26 pts, Barry Brown Jnr out of 35 players, well done Bazz and from 36 C graders Tom Bartholomai claimed the best nett with a score of 63 and still hitting the ball great was Mick Dwan claiming the best 9 stableford with 27 pts, congratulations and well done to you both and Doreen Duffy claimed the best ladies division 1 nett with 71, well done Doreen. Other results were A Simpson 100, M Scully 98, R O'Leary DNF, T Brown 108, R Sparksman 97, J Sparksman 99, J Anderson 115, R Simpson 95. Congratulations to the winners and all players at home and away on a job well done. Thankyou to Percys fruit and the Allora Butchery for their kind support. This Friday teeing from 2 pm will be the Percys Fruit sponsored Duckrun then Sunday teeing from 11.30 will be the railway Hotel monthly mug all welcome to attend but don't forget your sandbuckets and great golfing to you all

Lever, Kai Hill, Hamish Gartery, Brock Seibel, Ava Lester and Danni Griffin who represented the school and Southern Downs at this carnival. Congratulations to Georgina who placed third in her 9Yr Butterfly event and to Danni Griffin who placed third in her 100m Breaststroke event, gaining selection in the Darling Downs Team to swim in Brisbane at the State Swimming Titles. Danni Griffin represented the school and Darling Downs Region in a 100m breaststroke event and two relay teams at Chandler Aquatic Centre on 19 and 20 March. Danni swam well with two 50m Personal Bests in the backstroke leg and freestyle leg of the relays. Congratulations on all your achievements and swimming efforts this term, Danni. That wraps up the swimming for Allora P-10 State School students for the term. It certainly was a busy term.



TOP: Georgina Lester.
 FAR LEFT: Danni Griffin.
 LEFT: Sienna Sparksman.

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29th March - Holy Thursday
 St. David's Allora - Maundy Thursday Service at 5.00pm
 All Saints Clifton - Maundy Thursday Service and Agape Meal at 7.00pm

30th March - Good Friday
 Good Friday Service - All Saints Clifton at 8.00am
 Good Friday - Stations of The Cross at St. David's at 3.00pm

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BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK

My dad said, 'They're looking for someone to clean the stained glass windows in the lighthouse.'

I said, 'Since when did they have stained glass windows in the lighthouse?' He said, 'Ever since there have been seagulls.'

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Coalition Government funding means Southern Downs pre-schoolers will be given the chance to learn a second language

Speaking a second language isn't just about making travel easier, the ability can also boost creativity and now - thanks for Federal Government funding - 147 pre-schoolers on the Southern Downs will be given the opportunity to learn Japanese and Italian.

"The Coalition Government's Early Learning Languages Australia (ELLA) program means Italian will be offered at Warwick Community Kindergarten and kids will be able to learn Japanese at Clifton's Treasure Island Child Care Centre, C&K Allora Community Kindergarten and the C&K Glennie Heights Community Kindergarten," Mr Littleproud said.

"This opportunity will not only start a life-long interest in language learning for our kids but also boost their English and problem-solving skills. "Exposure to another language and culture can have significant benefits on children from a young age - it expands their horizons and opens up exciting opportunities

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around the world when they reach the workforce."

Mr Littleproud said 566 preschool children across his rural electorate were going to be given the opportunity to learn a second language.

"This funding provides a great opportunity for our country kids with Japanese and Italian being offered on the Southern Downs to Spanish on offer in Longreach – just because you live in a small town shouldn't limit your education access," he said.

ELLA began as a small trial of 41 preschools in 2015 and is a digital, play-based program where preschool children use a series of interactive applications (apps). It is designed for use by educators who do not have formal language training and

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