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Huge drug bust at Old Talgai



Seven Vietnamese nationals have been charged with producing over \$5 million worth of cannabis at Old Talgai, as a result of a search warrant executed as part of an ongoing police operation targeting the production, distribution and trafficking of cannabis.

Operation Papa Cider, an ongoing operation conducted by State Crime Command's Drug and Serious Crime Group, targets the production and distribution of dangerous drugs in Queensland.

As part of the operation, detectives from the Drug and Serious Crime Group, assisted by Leyburn, Clifton and Allora Police, members of Warwick CIB and Toowoomba Dog Squad executed a search warrant at a Kessler Road address at Old Talgai on March 26.

During the search, police located 1,825 cannabis

Police and detectives on site at Old Talgai. Photo courtesy Police Media

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Letters to the Editor...

Re: Member for Southern Downs called on to work with Council for region and community

Dear Editor,

Councillors of Southern Downs Regional Council are calling on James Lister, State Member for the Southern Downs, to put aside his prejudices and to work alongside Council for the good of the community and all residents across the Southern Downs.

Since his election to State Parliament, Mr Lister has refused to meet with Council despite its requests and invitations. His rebuff of all approaches by Councillors to work amicably with him has left Council no choice but to publicly call on the State Member to desist from crossing the line between State and Local Government in an attempt to manipulate local government outcomes.

Council welcomes informed feedback and opinion but it seems Mr Lister has not made any attempt to gain an understanding of local government nor the legislation contained in the Local Government Act under which all Queensland Councils must operate.

He refuses to communicate with this Council, choosing instead to use the local media, social media and public statements regularly denigrating the Mayor, Councillors and Council staff with constant criticism of Council deliberations and decisions.

Mr Lister uses his position as a Member of State Parliament to make ill-informed commentary, showing a lack of respect for the local level of government in our region where councillors are elected independently by the community, free of party politics.

Even though Mr Lister is a first-time parliamentarian sitting in the Opposition back benches representing one of the safest LNP seats in Queensland, he can still achieve positive outcomes for his electorate, without spending public money and wasting his tax-payer funded time attempting to subvert

Although not in letter form the Member for Southern Downs James Lister issued the following statement on Monday -

"The council's press statement today is unfortunate but there's too much other stuff going on today than to waste time arguing with other politicians.

"Today we heard the terrible news that Big W plans to close their distribution centre in Warwick with the loss of 200

direct jobs, and potentially many more in associated suppliers and contractors.

"I have been in contact with the company and have written to them and the Minister for State Development today to try to salvage jobs and get an assurance that Our Big W store will be safe from closure.

"There is one thing that I will say. The suggestion that I have refused to meet them is untrue. I have met the mayor and councillors many times, in my office, in the mayor's office and at council offices. There have been

the processes of local government.

The undersigned invite the Member for the Southern Downs to put to one side any political or personal agenda and work alongside Council for the good of all residents of the whole of the Southern Downs.

Yours sincerely,

Southern Downs Regional Council Councillors:

- Mayor Tracy Dobie
- Deputy Mayor Jo McNally
- Cr Cameron Gow
- Cr Rod Kelly
- Cr Neil Meiklejohn
- Cr Marika McNichol
- Cr Yve Stocks
- Cr Sheryl Windle

Dear Editor,

On my morning walk past the skate park, opposite the Allora Police Station, I was very disappointed to see the large amount of rubbish left around the area.

It was disgusting to say the least, and even looked as if it could have been deliberately left there, as there is a rubbish bin very close to the area.

I couldn't go past without picking it up and there were over 20 plastic drinking cups, softdrink bottles, take-away food containers and sundry other items.

This facility has been placed there at considerable expense for the use and pleasure of, probably mostly young people. Surely it is not too much to expect that a few minutes of time, thought and manners could be used to put the rubbish in the bin provided.

Thank you
(Name withheld)

Letters to the Editor must have name and address for authentication, but upon request there will be consideration to withhold names. Publishing or editing of letters is at the editor's discretion.

five formal meetings of this kind since January 2018, and many more informal ones as we run into each other around the place. The mayor and I are also due to meet in my office on 16 April and 19th June, and this has been in both of our diaries for months.

"I have not refused to meet with the council. I have asked that any meetings I have with the whole council occur in an open statutory meeting, not behind closed doors, but the council has refused. I believe that council business ought to be

out in the open.

"I am very busy representing my community - farmers who have had their properties invaded, fighting for water projects like Emu Swamp Dam, and helping the many, many, ordinary people who come to me with problems that they have with the state government and council. It's my job to represent anyone who wants my help, and if representing people upsets other politicians, then I can live with that.

James Lister,
Member for Southern

WEATHER FORECAST

Day	Forecast	Min/Max
WED	Mostly Sunny. Cool.	14 23
THU	Mostly Sunny. Cool.	14 23
FRI	Morning Clouds. Mild.	14 24
SAT	Morning Clouds. Mild.	14 26
SUN	Mostly Sunny. Warm.	13 27
MON	Morning Clouds. Warm.	13 28

TODAY'S QUOTE

"Better to remain silent and be thought a fool, than to speak out and remove all doubt."

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plants with an estimated value of \$4,562,500 and over 139 kilograms of dried cannabis with a value of \$918,000.

Three people were arrested at the location and were charged with production and possession of dangerous drugs.

Representatives from the Australian Border Force (ABF) attended to conduct migration status checks, to interview persons of interest, and to check for other border-related offences.

The ABF confirmed that two of the individuals were unlawful non-citizens and one was working in breach of a Bridging Visa.

On Wednesday March 27, a 48-years-old woman, two men, both aged 46, and a 45-years-old man were arrested following the interception of vehicles in the Leyburn area.

Four of the offenders were charged at the Warwick Watchhouse and held in custody to appear before the Warwick Magistrates Court.

The search warrant at Old Talgai came about

following the location of \$1.5 million cannabis inside a van during a routine traffic stop at Minden in March.

Detective Superintendent Jon Wacker of the Drug and Serious Crime Group described Operation Papa Cider as multifaceted.

"Operation Papa Cider is about more than the production and trafficking of dangerous drugs on our streets," Det. Superintendent Wacker said.

"We have been working closely with our partners at the ABF and the Australian Federal Police to target the exploitation of unlawful non-citizens for the sole purpose of producing and manufacturing these drugs.

"Our approach is to target the high level distributor who is reaping lucrative benefits from an illicit drug all the while removing themselves from the crime and reinvesting the profits into other illicit activities directly impacting on our community."

Warwick Acting Inspector Jamie Deacon described the closure of the illegal operation at Old Talgai as an overwhelming success.

"The find is significant in terms of disrupting the local drug distribution network, as well as helping to dismantle organised crime within Queensland," Act. Inspector Deacon said.

"The location of this crop came about following the interception of a van on the Warrego Highway at Minden on March 11, so our attention has been on the property for the last couple of weeks.

"The set-up was very commercial grade, it was a very sophisticated operation, with irrigation and hydroponics.

"Significant police resources were drawn on to shutdown this particular site, the operation involved a lot of work from the state drug squad, detectives from Warwick as well as local police from Leyburn, Allora and Clifton."

Time Capsule opening



Plaque marking location of time capsule buried near Allora Sports Museum.

A time capsule buried at Allora will be opened in April ahead of the town's 150 years celebration in July.

The capsule was buried near the Shire Chambers, now Allora Regional Sports Museum, to mark Allora's Centenary in 1969.

While initially slated to be opened in 2069, the time capsule will be opened 50 years in advance on April 27, 2019, with a public day at the Allora Sports Club to mark the occasion.

At the public day in April, people will be able to view the contents of the original time capsule, as well as record messages to go in the new time capsule.

The contents of the time capsule includes a cassette tape, currency, newspaper clippings, photos and roll of Allora Shire citizens.

The contents of the time capsule will be on public display for almost three months, before they will be re-buried with modern content in a larger time capsule at the town's 150 year celebrations on July 20, 2019.

The time capsule to be buried at the town's 150 year celebrations will be opened in 2069.

Allora locals are also encouraged to donate items for the new time capsule.

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Editorial - **5.00pm Monday**



Scope Community Op Shop in New Location

Scope Club of Allora Inc. were pleased with the re-opening of their Community Op Shop at the new location, corner of Warwick & Forde Streets, Allora.

Scope would like to thank the general public for their patronage on opening day and look forward to their continuing support.

The centre is staffed by community volunteers and Scope Members. Opening hours will be Tuesdays and Fridays, 9am to 4.00pm. Browsers always welcome.

This new venture by Scope Club has been made possible by the valued support of St. Andrews Uniting Church, Allora Men's Shed and Southern Downs Regional Council.



ABOVE: Lynn, Daphne & Lisa

RIGHT: New Scope Op Shop showroom.

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See Allora Show Society on Facebook & website allorashow.org.au for further information.

Local Growers Score In Crop Contest

Allora district farmers Shane and Tabitha Peters came away from this year's Royal Agricultural Society of Queensland (RASQ) Queensland Country Life Grains Outlook crop competition with a good result.

The Peters won first for summer pulses and third in the drylands corn category.

Growers of Pacific Seeds varieties won all of the sorghum awards this year.

The annual event showcases the best summer and winter crops grown on the Darling Downs, including corn, soybeans, mungbeans, sorghum, sunflowers, cotton, wheat, barley, canary, triticale, chickpeas and faba beans.



First in summer pulses and third in dryland corn - Shane and Tabitha Peters, Allora.

Tax break for Men's Sheds



The Federal Government will unlock new fundraising potential for Men's and Women's Sheds across the country, with Sheds to have Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status from July 2020.

A DGR is an entity or fund that can receive tax deductible gifts.

What this means is that from July 1 2020 anyone who donates \$2 or more

to a Shed can claim an income tax deduction for that donation and will make Sheds eligible to apply for many grants that have DGR status as part of the application eligibility.

Allora Men's Shed Secretary Stewart Campbell welcomed the announcement.

"We at the club are rapt, it is a good move by the government," Mr Campbell said.

"We hope people think of

us if they decide to financially support a good cause.

"It will still be a while before we are granted DGR status, while we wish it was being brought in earlier, we are still very grateful."

The awarding of the status to Men's/Women's Sheds was made by Treasurer Josh Frydenberg.

"This (DGR status) would help to secure the financial stability of some existing Sheds, allow for the expansion of others or

even assist in the creation of more Men's and Women's Sheds," Mr Frydenberg said.

Finance Minister Mathias Cormann described Sheds as pillars of the community.

"The Sheds are the centre of so many Australian communities, providing a welcoming place for comradery," Mr Cormann said.

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Sunflower Gallery Reopening



Lynn and Rod Close are pleased to announce the opening of the Sunflower Gallery at 43 Arnold Street Allora. Opening on 20th April from 10am to 4pm. Enter through the green gate and along the path, follow the signs to the old slab hut. Featuring work by local artists and other items of interest for sale.

Come have a cuppa and delicious pumkin scones on Saturday, 20th April and enjoy.

LEFT: The slab hut is located next to Roseneath Cottage.

Fantastic sky promised for Killarney on Picnic Basket Day

Long before visitors arrive at Killarney's laid-back day of picnic baskets, chilled music and fresh local food, event organisers hope they will be delighted by their day.

"It's a fantastic sight to see Redcliffe Kite Club's giant kites flying over the gardens of Melrose Station alongside the hundreds of kites built and flown by the picnickers." Deb Bradfield, Killarney Picnic Basket Day Organiser said.

Each year families gather on the lawns of one of Southern Queensland's most spectacular private gardens at Melrose Station, to enjoy the talents of

Southern Downs' makers & artists and picnic on fantastic fresh produce.

"People keep coming back for our legendary 'Gem of the Downs' Steakburgers, Killarney Pulled Pork Rolls and Mal's Loaded Spuds - featuring produce straight from our local farms", said Mrs Bradfield.

"Or you can build your own picnic platter at our 'Local Tastes' stalls with local gourmet products like cabanossi, cheese, olives, honey, figs and more."

"The Killarney Picnic Basket Day is not just about the food, but also about living well; spending

time with family and friends soaking up the great outdoor spaces and fresh country air," Ms Bradfield says

This day of 'living well' promotes mental health by supporting the charity Livin' - livin.org as well as making a difference for local drought relief by raising funds for the QCWA Public Rural Crisis Fund www.qcwa.org.au/what-we-do/public-rural-crisis-fund/.

"We're so lucky to live in this beautiful part of the world and the Killarney Picnic

Basket Day is a chance to share our great country lifestyle," Organiser Deb Bradfield said.

For more information on this year's day call 0437 109 912 or www.picnicbasketday.com.



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Southern Downs Calendar of Events

UNLIMITED! Signature Youth Week Event! - UNLIMITED! is for young people in Grades 7 - 12 who are keen on a challenge, like the outdoors, love adventure and are ready for some fun! Offered as 3 x 1-day activity programs, participation is by registration. 150 places are available each day. Download the flyer & registration form from www.sdrcc.qld.gov.au. Registrations close at 4pm, 5 April 2019.

An initiative of Southern

Downs Youth Council & Southern Downs Regional Council.

When: 13, 14 & 15 April, 9am - 3.15pm each day. Cost: FREE! Includes morning tea & lunch. Where: YMCA Camp Leslie Dam, 578 Leslie Dam Rd, Warwick. Contact Charee Aspinall, SDRCC on 1300 697 372 or email charee.aspinall@sdrcc.qld.gov.au

Come & Try Orienteering - Introduction to orienteering for young people. Instruction available

on the basic map reading & navigation skills, plus an easy course for beginners.

When: 7 April, 9am-11am. Cost: \$5. Where: Warwick & District Archer's Club, 212 Ford Rd, Rosenthal Heights. Contact Liz Bourne, Bullecourt Boulder Bounders Orienteering Club on 4683 6374 or email bbb@oq.asn.au to book your place.

APT9 Kids on Tour - This free program invites young visitors to explore and experience diverse contemporary art styles and approaches from Australia, Asia & the Pacific.

When: 13 April, 10am-4pm. Cost: FREE. Where: Warwick Art Gallery, 49 Albion St, Warwick. Contact Karina Devine, Warwick Art Gallery on 4661 0434 or email warwickart@sdrcc.qld.gov.au

Cunningham Polocrosse Carnival - Cunningham Polocrosse Club is hosting the touring UK team for the World Cup being held in Warwick, plus players from the Australian team.

When: 13 & 14 April from 8am. Cost: FREE for under 16 yrs. Adults \$10/day or \$20/weekend. Where: 1239 Upper Wheatvale Rd, Warwick. Contact Robyn Cooper, Cunningham Polocrosse Club on 0427 674 718 or email niccoo1@bigpond.com



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Recently 150 visitors took the trip up to our Church on the Hill at Deuchar. The day brought back many memories for past locals and many stories and speeches were told. Mass was celebrated with Fr Jamie Collins, Fr Rod MacGinlay and Fr Don Murray (who served 18 years at Sacred Heart) creating a very touching service. Three priests from Warwick also assisted.

Many families in the district donated land, money and time to erect the little 'Church upon the Hill'.

The Deuchar Railway Station was constructed and opened in 1878, which assisted in the arrival of the white bricks travelling from Brisbane for the erection of the church. Left over bricks can be seen in the walls of the shrine behind St Patrick's School, Allora and possibly Cockatoo Cottage near Deuchar/Willowvale.

With a unique (at that time) marbled altar (donated by the Dwan family) and the beautiful stained-glass windows, along with the hammer-beamed ceiling with diagonal sarking, the Sacred Heart has certainly made a lasting impression on many who attend, visit, and travel past by car or steam train.

If you would like to

purchase a well documented historical book for only \$10, please contact Monique Bryson on 0487 848 280 or drop into St Patrick's School, Allora or St Mary's Parish, Warwick. Past priest Fr Brian Sparksman (Deuchar/Glengallan Homestead Historian) autobiography "BALLINCLAY LANE, Patterns of Polio and Priesthood" is also available.



The Dwan Clan : Gavin Scheiwe, Mitch Scheiwe, Laura Scheiwe, Madonna Scheiwe (Dwan), Mary Dwan, Dominique Dwan, Mick Dwan, Madonna Hess (Dwan), Laura Dwan.



Fr Rod MacGinlay unveiling the plaque.



Gloria Bradfield and Fr Don Murray cutting the centennial cake. Made by Rita Collins and decorated by Judy Maher.



The next generation: Harry Hume, Joshua Collins, Georgia Blake, Ryley Collins. Natalie Blake at back.

Warwick Saleyards looks to the future with major upgrade and master plan

The future of the region's livestock industry is looking bright with Warwick Saleyards set to receive a \$276, 000 facelift.

A new Warwick Saleyards Master Plan and the construction of new infrastructure will ensure the saleyards continue to thrive and maintain a competitive market position in the future.

At its March General Meeting, Southern Downs Regional Council awarded a tender for the design and construction of five new sheep loading ramps as well as new lamb selling pens to help meet an increased demand in sales.

The Warwick Saleyards is the only facility in Queensland that still holds weekly sheep and lamb sales, and the recent success of cluster fencing programs across the region has enabled producers to take more livestock to market.

The improvements will significantly promote a safer work environment for loading and unloading livestock as well as provide positive animal welfare outcomes.

The upgrade works

will include:

- Replacement of existing ramps
- Construction of an additional 24 lamb selling pens
- Two auctioneer catwalks with alcoves and steps
- Two water holding yards with troughs.

At the March meeting SDRC also resolved to undertake the development of the Saleyards Master Plan. The master plan will ensure the saleyards continue to be a sustainable business operation and investigate ways in which to further enhance and develop the facility.

Deputy Mayor Jo McNally said the upgrade works and the master plan will play a crucial role in the future of the saleyards and the region's livestock industry.

"The Warwick Saleyards plays an integral part of the agriculture sector and the region's economy, and it's also an important part of the social fabric and the connectivity of our rural and agricultural community," Cr McNally said.

"It's vital we have a

plan for the future of the saleyards and develop a business model to ensure its longevity.

"This master plan will assess the saleyards current operation and look at the whole picture; consider how producers, agencies and industry groups want to move forward and what's happening in the industry itself both in and outside the Southern Downs.

"As the industry changes and evolves, we need to evaluate the saleyards current

business model and ensure the region has quality facilities which meet animal welfare and best practice standards, and stay ahead of industry trends."

The Warwick Saleyards Master Plan will support funding applications for the future development and revitalisation of the Warwick Saleyards.

For more information visit sdrc.qld.gov.au or follow Warwick Saleyards on Facebook.

Southern Downs Regional Council receives wild dog funding

Minister for Agriculture and MP for Maranoa David Littleproud has announced \$1 million in funding for wild dog exclusion fencing in Southern Downs Regional Council.

Minister Littleproud said wild dogs were a huge problem in the region.

"We've seen the damage wild dogs can do," Minister

Littleproud said. "We've also seen how much things can improve with wild dog fencing.

"Lambing rates have improved out of sight where wild dog fences have been installed around Maranoa.

"Native wildlife numbers have also improved."

DOES YOUR CLUB OR ORGANISATION NEED MORE MEMBERS?

The Allora Advertiser is publishing an informative feature on 24th April.

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The Allora Community Directory



ORGANISATIONS

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

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

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

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

Allora Garden Club - Meets 1st Tuesday of the month at 1.00pm, at 1 Drayton Street and travels to different locations. Contact Jane Jacoby 4666 3868 or Sandra Sparksman 0409 542 692.

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

Allora Men's Shed Inc. - Open weekly Thurs. and Sat. at 16 Jubb Street, Allora, 8.30am to 12.30pm. All welcome. President Bob Burge 0427 964 156, Secretary Stuart Campbell 4666 3499. Email alloramensshed4362@gmail.com.

Allora QCWA - Meets 3rd Tuesday of month, 10.00am. Once Upon a Song 1st and 3rd Monday each month, 9.30am - 10.30am. Contact Sharon Hannah 4666 2197.

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

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

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

Allora Scope Club - Meets 2nd & 4th Thursdays of month at 2.00pm. Contact Daphne Whatley 4666 3691 for details on venue.

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

Allora Show Society - Meets 2nd Sunday of the month at 2.00pm at Show Society Ring Office, Allora Show Grounds. Contact Conrad Schnitzerling - 0418 756 498 or Camping - 0427 100 210.

Doctor Who Club of Australia - Allora Local Group - Meetings are on a temporary hiatus but will resume soon. Keep an eye on the Facebook group www.facebook.com/groups/dwca.allora for updates or contact organiser Fraser Clark 0401 432 587.

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

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Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago April 1994

Buckboard Handover

President of the Allora and District Historical Society, Olive Shooter, and Ray Shooter were present at the handover of a restored buckboard at the Cobb & Co. Museum in Toowoomba. The buckboard, a popular run-about vehicle on rural properties in days gone by, was donated to the Allora museum by a Saddle Top resident. The restoration was a joint project of the Cobb & Co. Museum and the Queensland Department of Transport and was partly funded by a \$2000 grant from a State Government small museum's grant. The buckboard will be put on display at the Allora Museum to show future generations how people got about before motor cars.

Allora's Past 75 years ago April 1944

Farewell

The Allora Welfare Committee arranged a dance in honour of LAC George Reid, LAC Stan Siddans and Driver Stan Weier in the Shire Hall. The function was well attended by friends and well wishers of the guests of honour, amongst whom was Lance Corporal Margaret Sinton of the AWAS. The usual presentation of gifts was made by the Chairman of the Allora Shire Council, Cr. H. S. Warfield, who said that it was a fine thing to see the young boys coming forward to serve their country and wished them God speed and a safe return.

Allora's Past 100 years ago April 1919

Tragic Event

The night of 6th April 1919 saw one of the most tragic events ever in Allora's history, the



the handover of the buckboard at the Cobb & Co. Museum in 1994. From left: Ray Shooter; Dr. Dan Robinson, Q'ld Museum; Deborah Tranter, Cobb & Co. Museum; and Olive Shooter, president of Allora Historical Society.

apparent deliberate drowning of three infant children by their mother. The three children Mary Magdalena 5½, Ellen Gertrude 4½, and Thomas McVeigh 14 months, were found laid out on the bed by their father Patrick McVeigh, "Bellview", Allora. Their best clothes were laid out nearby along with a note from their mother. Magdalena Frances McVeigh was charged with the children's murder and brought before the Toowoomba Circuit Court on the 9th September 1919. She was found "Not guilty due to insanity" and returned to the Brisbane Prison, to be held at His Majesty's leisure until her fate could be determined by the Queensland Government. She was released on the 27th November 1920, less than two years after the deaths of her children.

Allora's Past 150 years ago April 1869

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From a Correspondent

"One thing that the railway has done is to allow the course of Polynesian labour to penetrate a little further on to the Downs. About ten days past, a batch of about eighteen of these savages arrived at the Allora terminus, destined to do their time on Talgai Station. However much such a class of labour may be required on the plantations it is certainly quite out of place up here; and it is no longer surprising that every steamer conveys numbers from the colony, besides the many who are trudging it across the border, when a system is being carried on rendering the very name of Queensland a by-word and open to reproach. Surely the Parliament will put a stop to this traffic of blacks before an Immigration Agent is sent home, or his salary and expenses may as well be saved to the country."

(Darling Downs Gazette 10th April 1869).

Colin Newport



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Events Calendar

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April -	
Sat 6	Leyburn Bluelight Family Fun Day Leyburn State School, 10.00am - 2.00pm
Sun 14	Doctor Who Club Annual Mega Family Picnic Stuart Henry Park, 11.00am
May -	
Thu 30	Allora State School Chaplaincy Dinner Allora State School
Fri 31	St. Pat's Rattle of the Brains Trivia Night Allora Community Hall
June -	
Sun 9	Allora Community Auction Allora Showgrounds, 8.00am
Sat 15	June Afternoon St. David's Anglican Church, Allora
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October -	
Fri 18	St Patrick's Parish Allora Fete St. Patrick School grounds

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BAD JOKE(S) OF THE WEEK

Q. What do you call a rabbit with fleas?
A. Bugs Bunny.

Q. Where does the Easter bunny get his eggs?
A. From the eggplant.

Q. What is Easter Bunny's favorite kind of music?
A. Hip-hop!

Q. Why couldn't the Easter egg family watch T.V.?
Because their cable was scrambled.

Q. Why shouldn't you tell an Easter egg a joke?
A. It might crack up!

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SCIENCE TRIVIA QUIZ

1. What is the name for two stars that orbit so close that they touch each other? It is a) a dumbbell system, b) a contact binary, c) a stellar friendship, or d) a solar bridge?
2. What is CSIRO researching to control the invasive wandering trad weed? Is it a) a leaf smut fungus, b) a beetle called the silly borer, c) a glass mosaic virus, or d) a rodent called the capybara?
3. Which of these is not a rock? Is it a) tuff, b) basalt, c) granite, or d) bakelite?
4. True or false? Bluebottles aren't true jellyfish: each individual is a colony of cooperating animals.
5. In which month is Earth closest to the Sun? Is it a) January, b) March, c) July, or d) September?

Answers in Classifieds pages

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Allora Night Bowls Notes

March 25th Round 10 - Three more rounds and the top teams are getting very competitive. Did I hear GP say he was hoping the Old Boys would not win this week? Oh dear, he got his wish, the Three Stoogers beat them 13 v 8. That means The Old Boys are still ahead on 17 but the team in 2nd place is on 16. Brotherly rivalry!

Jack Morris filled in for Liz this week in the Stoogers. Thank you to Jack, Aaron, Jacqui & Kris for substituting for team members.

CORRECTION RESULTS: Round 8 - kitty hawks 17 Roonicks 1 (Sorry John, not 7 as printed in notes).

Results this week - 3 of Us - 15 v Bowling Stones - 13; Zoolanders - 16 v Pig Lures - 5; Doesn't Matter - 16 v kitty hawks - 2; Gina's cute Babies - 11 v Roonicks - 8; The Three Stoogers - 13 v The Old Boys - 8; Railway Hotel - 18 v Three Dos & One Don't 9; Landcruisers + One - 17 v Tramps Like Us - 10

Toucher winners: - Kris, Slug, Glen, Jaqui, Bryce and Liam. Thank you to Ashleigh for taking charge, also Paul Parker for supplying the chocolate blocks.

Winners of six packs this week were the Land Cruisers + 1 and Bowling Stones.

Someone is going to win big bucks. The Jackpot is

now \$240 after Doug missed out on cutting the Jack or Joker out. Thank you to Tim of Whites Garage and Allana of Silver Gums Graphics for donating the jackpot prize. Other prize winners this week were- Brycex2, Lynne, Bec & Patto.

Thank you to sponsors, Allora Butchery, Railway Hotel, Allora Sports Club and to Percy who gives good value with his fruit tray prize.

Talking about prizes, wonder if there will be a booby prize this season. I remember when our team lobbied for a booby prize

and our enterprising Games Director, Patron etc. etc. dragged out some daggy caps to present to us. Good luck to this year's losers!

It was a pleasure to play against Beetle, Roy and Kat this week. They are all good sports and we had a great competitive game even though the results do not reflect this.

One negative comment came from a player on Rink 2. He was not happy with all the squealing and laughter on Rink 3. Tone it down girls, we don't want mr. b.s. upset.

Lyn Wright, Scribe

Warriors Return to Winner's Circle



The rain lifted miraculously on Saturday, before the Railway Hotel - Allora Wattles Warriors first grade side stamped their undoubted class on the Toowoomba Rugby League Centenary season when they walloped the Highfields Eagles 48 - 14 in front of a hefty Platz Oval crowd.

Coach Travis Burns, who was among the best on ground was more than happy with the performance

of his team that led the Eagles 24 - 4 at half time, the result making amends for last week's disappointing loss to Warwick.

"It was a very satisfying result, a clinical win over last year's preliminary finalists" said a beaming Burns.

The Wattles top grade Boss lavished praise on Nathan Gaulton for a sensational performance, and rated co-skippers and torrid toiling forwards Dale

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Allora Golf Notes



Sunday - 31 March - 4BBB Stableford - Sponsored by Allora Butchery. Winners: Shann O'Connell and Tom Brown (43) Runners Up: Lindsay May and Rod Simpson (43) Pins/Approaches: Russell Sparksman (7) Lindsay May (16) Garth Simpson (8) Aaron Simpson (18) Putt: Rod Simpson (10)

Next Sunday: Monthly Mug - Single Stableford - Sponsored by Railway Hotel

Friday Duck Run - 31 March - Sponsored by Percy's Fruit. Winner: Liam Duncan (25) Runner Up: Nick Lake (23) Run Down: Wayne McKewen (22) Rod Simpson (21) Roy Kitchen (21) Ben Duff (21) Kev Harrison (21) App: Russell Sparksman (11)

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1. (b) Scientists have detected many contact stars block each other in the sky regularly, making them appear to darken and brighten repeatedly. 2. (a) CSIRO has been testing a leaf smut fungus to ensure it will only affect the Sun. 3. (d) Bakelite was the first synthetic plastic ever made, and was patented in 1909. 4. True. A bluebottle is made up of lots of individual of the same species, but they take different forms and have different jobs. Some have tentacles, some can eat, and so on. 5. (a) The Earth's orbit is not quite circular, and it gets closest to the Sun in early January at about 147 million kilometres away. Throughout the year it averages about 150 million kilometres from the Sun.

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as leaders in achieving the teams initial win of the year.

Green & Gold supporters, officials & players were also thrilled to be reading their winning scores off the recently upgraded Platz Oval scoreboard courtesy of valued sponsors Clifton Auto & Ag Services, Foodworks Clifton and Landmark Harcourts Cooke and a handfull of Wattles hard working volunteers.

Wattles 48 (Nathan Gaulton 3, Braydon Wilson 2, Nick Van Der Poel, Jake Hargreaves, Dylan Wilson, Travis Burns tries; Matt Duggan 6 goals) defeated Highfields 14 (Sean Hamel, Conor Nolan, Adam Hooper tries; Sildi Canda goal).

Prior to the A Grade clash a minute's silence was held in memory of late Wattles loyal supporters Florrie Gall, Ted Brown, Malcolm Henry & Jock Dwan.

Reserve Grade - For the second successive week coach Brenden Wilson's

'South East Engineering Services' Wattles Reserve Grade outfit notched up 40 points against their opponents.

It might be early days but the Warriors are atop the TRL Reserve Grade ladder with a two from two record after finishing ahead of Highfields 40 - 10.

Wilson was full of praise for his side, especially utility back Percy Cubby, centre Eden Blewett and clever goal kicking halfback Tom Morris.

Wattles 40 (Alex Morris, Eden Blewitt, Percy Cubby, Tom Henry, Josh Henry, Tom Morris, Garth Lonergan tries; Tom Morris 6 goals) defeated Highfields 10 (Jimmy-D Mullins, Jack Thorpe tries; Josh Fanning goal).

Under 18 - As was the case last week Wattles 'Willett Electrical' Under 18 team captured premiership points, this week drawing with Highfields 28 all, a result that has them sitting fifth on the competition ladder after

two rounds.

Coach Shaun Henry was again impressed with his team in all aspects across the park, especially their determination to claw their way back when their fancied opponents appeared to have the game heading their way.

He also commended lock Jack Duggan and winger Jacob Meddleton for their efforts in a team of achievers.

Wattles 28 (Matthew Christensen 2, Jacob Meddleton 2, Travis

McDougall tries; Travis McDougall 4 goals) drew with Highfields 28 (Thomas Hatch 3, Joshua Quinlan, Jack Hutton tries; Thomas Hatch 3, D Sheppard goals).

Round 3 - April 6th - Wattles are back at Platz Oval this Saturday doing battle against the Southern Suburbs Tigers.

Match kick off times: Under 18 - 3.30 pm, Reserve Grade - 5.00 pm & A Grade - 6.30 pm.

Glyn Rees

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